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HIS EXCELLENCY SIR EDMUND WALKER HEAD, BARONET,
GOVERNOR GENERAL, &c., &c., &c.

BEING THE THIRD SESSION

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

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

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

GEO. ET. CARTIER, **W**HEREAS at a Session of the Parliament of Our *Atty. Genl.* Province of Canada, holden at the City of Toronto, in Our said Province, on the Fifteenth day of February, in the Nineteenth year of Our Reign, and prorogued on the First day of July instant, in the Twentieth year of Our Reign, a certain Bill intituled, " An Act to change the Constitution of

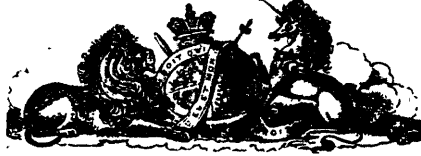
the Legislative Council by rendering the same Elective," was passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, and was, during the said Session, to wit, on the Sixteenth day of May last past, presented to Our Governor General for Our said Province for Our said assent thereto, who in pursuance of the authority in him vested by a certain Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, passed in the Session thereof, held in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth years of Our Reign, intituled, " An Act to empower the Legislature " of Canada to alter the Constitution of the Legislative Council for that Province and for other purposes," 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 change the Constitution of the Legislative Council by " rendering the same Elective," having been laid before Us in Council, on the Twenty-fourth day of June 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 the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, assent to the aforesaid Bill; Of all which Our loving subjects and all others whom these presents may concern, are hereby required to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved SIR EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, 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 TORONTO, in Our said Province this FOURTEENTH day of JULY, in the Year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, and in the Twentieth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

T. LEE TERRILL,

Secretary.

 PROVINCE OF CANADA.

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EDMUND HEAD.

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 *Toronto*, on the Ninth day of August now next ensuing, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the First day of the month of July instant, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the NINTH day of the month of AUGUST next, at which time, at Our City of *Toronto*, 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 though fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you that on WEDNESDAY, the SEVENTEENTH day of the month of SEPTEMBER next, you meet Us, in Our Provincial Parliament, at Our CITY of *TORONTO*, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Province of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD Baronet, Governor Gen-

neral of British North of 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 TORONTO, in Our said Province, this TWENTY-SIXTH day of JULY, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, and in the Twentieth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,
C. C. Chy.

PROVINCE OF CANADA.



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EDMUND HEAD.

[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 Toronto, on the Seventeenth day of September instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

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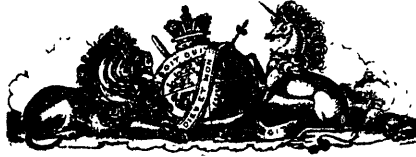
A PROCLAMATION.

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

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Canada*, to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Trusty and Well Beloved SIR EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet 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 TORONTO, in our said Province, this THIRTEENTH day of SEPTEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, and in the Twentieth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,
C. C. Chy.

 PROVINCE OF CANADA.

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EDMUND HEAD.

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 Toronto, on the twenty-fifth day of October instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

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

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed : **WITNESS,** Our Trusty and Well-Beloved Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, Gover-

nor General of British North America, and Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over Our Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and the Island of Prince Edward, and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c. At Our Government House, in Our City of TORONTO, in Our said Province, this TWENTY-FOURTH day of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, and in the Twentieth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,
C. C. Chy.

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EDMUND HEAD.

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 Toronto, on the Fourth day of December instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

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

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: Witness, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved Sir **EDMUND WALKER HEAD**, Baronet, 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 **TORONTO** in Our said Province, this **THIRD** day of **DECEMBER**, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, and in the Twentieth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,

C. C. Chy.

PROVINCE OF CANADA.



EDMUND HEAD.

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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 Toronto, on the Thirteenth day of January instant, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS on the Third day of the month of December last past, We thought fit to prorogue Our Provincial Parliament to the THIRTEENTH day of the month of JANUARY instant, at which time, at Our City of Toronto, 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 FIFTH day of the month of FEBRUARY next, you meet Us, in Our Provincial Parliament, at Our City of Toronto, there to take into consideration the state and welfare of Our said Province of Canada, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed : **WITNESS,** Our Trusty and Well-Beloved Sir **EDMUND WALKER HEAD,** Baronet, 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 TORONTO, in Our said Province, this NINTH day of JANUARY, in the year Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, and in the Twentieth year of Our Rei

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,
C. C. Chy.

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EDMUND HEAD.

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 Toronto, on the Fifth day of the month of February 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 the Month of February next, **NEVERTHELESS**, for certain causes and considerations, **WE HAVE THOUGHT FIT** further to prorogue the same to **THURSDAY**, the **TWENTY-SIXTH** day of the month of **FEBRUARY** now next, so that neither you nor any of you on the said Fifth day of February next,

at Our City of Toronto, to appear, are to be held and constrained, for WE Do Will that you and each of you be as to Us in this matter entirely exonerated; Commanding and, by the tenor of these presents, enjoining you and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, that on THURSDAY, the TWENTY-SIXTH day of the month of FEBRUARY now next ensuing, AT OUR CITY OF TORONTO aforesaid, personally you be and appear for the DESPATCH OF BUSINESS to treat, do, act and conclude upon those things which in Our said Provincial Parliament, by the Common Council of Our said Province, may by the favor of God be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, 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 TORONTO, in Our said Province of Canada, this TWENTY-SEVENTH day of JANUARY, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven; and in the Twentieth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

FELIX FORTIER,

C. C. Chy.

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EDMUND HEAD.

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

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

GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

JOHN A. MACDONALD, *Atty. Genl.* **W**HEREAS at a Session of the Parliament of Our Province of Canada, holden at the City of Toronto, in Our said Province, on the Fifteenth day of February, in the Nineteenth year of Our Reign, and prorogued on the First day of July, in the Twentieth year of Our Reign, a certain Bill intituled, "An Act to enable the Members of the United Church of England and Ireland in Canada to meet in Synod, was passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly, and was, during the said Session, to wit on the Nineteenth day of June last past, presented to Our Governor General for Our said Province for Our said assent thereto, who in pursuance of the authority in him vested 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 enable the Members of the United Church of England and Ireland in Canada to meet in Synod," having been laid before Us in Council, on the Sixth 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 the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, assent to the aforesaid Bill; Of all which Our loving subjects and all others whom these presents may concern, are hereby required to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Canada to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved SIR EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, 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. &. At Our Government House, in Our CITY of TORONTO, in Our said Province this TWENTY-EIGHTH day of MAY, in the Year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, and in the Twentieth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

T. LEE TERRILL,

Secretary.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, the twenty-sixth day of February, in the Twentieth 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 Third Session of the Fifth 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 Toronto, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
CROOKS,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
QUESNEL,
MILLS,
SEYMOUR,
PEREY.

The Honorable the Speaker acquainted their Honors that the Clerk of this House had received certain Letters and Returns from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, relative to Members elected to serve in the Legislative Council under the

provisions of the Act passed during the last Session, intituled "An Act to change the constitution of the Legislative Council by rendering the same "Elective."

The same were then read by the Clerk as follow:—

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CROWN IN CHANCERY,
Toronto, 17th November, 1857.

SIR,

I have the honor to transmit you, herewith enclosed, a Return, shewing the names of the Councillors chosen to serve in the Legislative Council of this Province, in pursuance to Writs issued for the first Electoral Divisions, which have become entitled to return Councillors to the said Council, also a certified copy of a special return received from the Returning Officer for the Electoral Division of *The Laurentides*.

I have the Honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

FELIX FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

J. F. TAYLOR, Esq.,
Clerk Legislative Council, Toronto

RETURN of the Councillors chosen to serve in the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL of the Province of Canada, pursuant to Writs issued by His Excellency Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, Governor General, &c., &c., bearing date the first day of September last past, and returnable the first Tuesday in the month of November instant, for the following Electoral Divisions, under the Provisions of the Act passed in the Nineteenth and Twentieth years of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen VICTORIA, chaptered One hundred and forty, and intituled "An Act to change the Constitution of the Legislative Council by rendering the same elective."

ELECTORAL DIVISIONS.	RETURNING OFFICERS.	DATE OF RETURN.	RECEIPT OF RETURN.	COUNCILLORS CHOSEN.
Laizon.....	Richard Achille Fortier, Registrar Division, No. 1, County of Dorchester.....	29th September, 1856	11th October, 1856.	Elzéar Henry Juchereau
Wellington.....	William Ritchie, Registrar, County of Sherbrooke.....	8th October, 1856	11th October, 1856.	Duchesnay. Hollis Smith.
De Salaberry.....	Vite Adelaïde LeMoine DeMartigny, Registrar, County of Beauharnois.....	9th October, 1856.	27th October, 1856.	Louis Renaud.
The Laurentides.....	Pierre Gosselin, Registrar Division, No. 2, County of Montmorency.....	4th November, 1856.	11th November, 1856.
Rougemont.....	Horace St. Germain, Registrar, County of St Hyacinthe.....	9th October, 1856.	14th October, 1856.	Louis Antoine Dessaulles.
Milles Isles.....	Joseph Lachaine, Registrar, County of Terrebonne.....	23rd October, 1856.	31st October, 1856.	Isidore Camille Edouard Masson.
Rideau.....	Simon Frazer, Sheriff, County of Carlton.	9th October, 1856.	13th October, 1856.	Philip Michael Mathew Scott Vankoughnet.
Western.....	Johan Mercer, Sheriff, County of Kent.....	22nd October, 1856.	29th October, 1856.	John Prince.
Queens.....	Nelson Gilbert Reynolds, Sheriff, County of Ontario.....	22nd October, 1856.	7th November, 1856.	John Simpson.
Trent.....	William H. Ponton, Registrar, County of Hastings.....	4th November, 1856.	5th November, 1856.	Edmund Murney.
Burlington.....	Edward Cartwright Thomas, Sheriff, County of Wentworth.....	11th October, 1856.	14th October, 1856.	Harnannus Smith.
Spangean.....	Benjamin Smith, Sheriff, County of Simcoe.....	3rd November, 1856.	5th November, 1856.	James Patton.

Special Return received Copy accompanying.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Toronto, 17th November, 1856.

(Signed,) FELIX FORTIER,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

PROVINCE OF CANADA, }
DISTRICT OF QUEBEC. }

(Translation.)

The undersigned, *Pierre Gosselin*, Returning Officer for the Electoral Division of *The Laurentides*, being duly sworn, deposes and says and makes return, that in obedience to Her Majesty's Writ, dated the first day of September last, and after the notices and formalities, required by the law, had been given and observed, he proceeded to the registration of the votes in the said Electoral Division of *The Laurentides*, on the twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth of October last, and that on the 29th of the same month, the day appointed for the Proclamation, all the Poll Books not having been returned to me, I postponed the Proclamation to the following day, and for the same reason from day to day until the fourth of November instant, on which said day, not having yet received the Poll Books for *Les Escoumins*, and my powers ceasing on the said day, in virtue of the said Writ, I have made my present Return.

All the Poll Books returned to me the said fourth day of November, which were all the different Poll Books of the said division of *The Laurentides* less that of *Les Escoumins*, as aforesaid, gave two thousand five hundred and nine votes taken and registered in favor of *Marc Pascal de Salle Laterrière*, one of the Candidates at the said Election, and one thousand one hundred and thirty-four votes taken and registered in favor of *Adolph Gagnon*, the other Candidate, giving to the said *Marc Pascal De Salle Laterrière*, a majority of one thousand three hundred and seventy-five votes over the said *Adolphe Gagnon* as it appears by the Poll Books which accompany my present return ; but that notwithstanding this majority in favor of the said *Marc Pascal De Salle Laterrière*, not having all the Poll Books as aforesaid, and that of *Les Escoumins*, being wanting, I have not deemed it in my power to proclaim him, although I am informed that there are not at the said place called *Les Escoumins* more than one hundred Electors.

I make my present return a special one in order that thereupon whatever is by law required to be done may be done.

Done at the *Saint Laurent* of the *Island of Orleans* this fourth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six.

(Signed,) P. GOSSELIN.

Sworn before me this eighth }
day of November, 1856, }
at *Quebec*.

(Signed,) J. MAGUIRE, J. P.

Certified to be a true Copy.

(Signed,)

FELIX FORTIER,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Toronto, 17th November, 1856.

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CROWN IN CHANCERY,
Toronto, 20th November, 1856.

SIR,

Since the date of the letter adressed to you from this Office on the 17th instant, enclosing the return of the Councillors chosen to serve in the Legislative Council of this Province, for the twelve Electoral Divisions, which have first become entitled to return Councillors, the Returning Officer for the Division of *The Laurentides*, has transmitted here the Poll Book of the Township of *Escoumins*, referred to in his special return, of which a copy accompanied the above mentioned letter.

By this Poll Book which is now lodged, of record in this Office, all the votes polled in the said Township, numbering forty-five, appear to have been recorded for the Candidate, Mr. *Laterrière*.

I have the honor to be,
Your obedient Servant,

L. R. FORTIER,
Deputy Clerk of the C. in C.

JOHN F. TAYLOR, Esq.,
Clerk Leg. Council,
Toronto.

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

When the Honorable *Edmund Murney* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *de Blaquière* and *Crooks*.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Murney* came to the Table and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *John Fennings Taylor*, Senior, Esquire, Clerk of this House, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honorable the Speaker acquainted the House that there was another Member without ready to be introduced.

When the Honorable *Philip Michael Matthew Scott Vankoughnet* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *de Blaquière* and *Quesnel*.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* came to the Table and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law which was administered by *John Fennings Taylor*, Senior, Esquire, Clerk of this House and took his seat accordingly.

The Honorable the Speaker acquainted the House that there was another Member without ready to be introduced.

When the Honorable *Louis Antoine Dessaulles* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *Moore* and *Quesnel*.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* came to the Table and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law which was administered by *John Fennings Taylor*, Senior, Esquire, Clerk of this House, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honorable the Speaker acquainted this House that there was another Member without ready to be introduced.

When the Honorable *Isidore Camille Edouard Masson* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie* and *Moore*.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Masson* came to the Table and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law which was administered by *John Fennings Taylor*, Senior, Esquire, Clerk of this House, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honorable the Speaker acquainted the House that there was another Member without ready to be introduced.

When the Honorable *Louis Renard* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *de Blaquière* and *Quesnel*.

Then the Honorable M. *Renard* came to the Table and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *John Fennings Taylor*, Senior Esquire, Clerk of this House, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honorable the Speaker acquainted the House that there was another Member without ready to be introduced.

When the Honorable *John Prince* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *Gordon*, and *Perry*.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Prince* came to the Table and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *John Fennings Taylor*, Senior, Esquire, Clerk of this House and took his seat accordingly.

The Honorable the Speaker acquainted the House that there was another Member without ready to be introduced.

When the Honorable *John Simpson* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *James Morris* and *Boulton*.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Simpson* came to the Table and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *John Fennings Taylor*, Senior, Esquire Clerk of this House, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honorable the Speaker acquainted the House that there was another Member without ready to be introduced.

When the Honorable *James Patton* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *Gordon* and *Boulton*.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Patton* came to the Table and subscribed the oath prescribed by law which was administered by *John Fennings Taylor*, Senior, Esquire, Clerk of this House, and took his seat accordingly.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed,

His Excellency Sir Edmund Walker Head, Baronet, 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 that they attend him "immediately in this House,"

Who being come,

His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to open the Session by a Gracious Speech to both Houses.

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

The time of year has arrived when the Country again requires your services ; and I have called you together in the full belief that every effort will be made by you to promote the good government and increase the prosperity of *Canada*..

By the blessing of Providence that prosperity has met with no check : the restoration of peace to Europe, and the hope that good will and friendly feeling will continue to prevail on this continent, inspire me with confidence in the future. The increased cultivation of the soil, and the growth of our trade as shewn by the Official Returns, afford the best proof of rapid progress.

Among the outward signs of such progress, the opening of the Grand Trunk Railway from *St. Thomas* in the East, to *Stratford*, must hold a prominent place, great Cities like *Quebec*, *Montreal* and *Toronto* which have hitherto been separated in winter by a waste of snow, now enjoy daily intercourse one with the other.

With regard to the internal communications of the Country, I have taken measures for examining the Valley of the *Ottawa*, that great River in which *Upper* and *Lower Canada* are equally interested, with a view to ascertain what facilities its course may hereafter afford for inland traffic. The final report of the survey of this district is not yet received, but when made will deserve your most attentive consideration.

At any rate the tract which is on three sides bounded by Lake *Ontario*, the *Ottawa* and Lake *Huron*, has appeared to me one of vast importance to *Canada*. Its settlements will add breadth to the Province, and its lands are, I am informed, such as may fairly attract the industry and reward the toil of a large population. Steps have accordingly been taken to intersect parts of this district by roads, and to offer, along the line of such roads, lands on easy terms to actual settlers.

I entertain little doubt that the banks of the *St. Maurice*, in *Lower Canada*, may be advantageously dealt with in the same manner.

Exertions have been made to diffuse in *Europe* a knowledge of *Canada* and its resources. On these and other grounds I venture to anticipate in the coming season a considerable increase in the Emigration from *Europe*. Such an increase must be of inestimable advantage to the Province. Those who are already in occupation of land will receive a supply of labour on easier terms, and the wealth of the whole community will be augmented by the application of fresh industry to the profitable development of our real capital, the soil now covered by our forests.

I congratulate you on the success of the Line of Steamers which, in the course of last summer, have performed the voyage between *Liverpool* on the one hand, and *Quebec* and *Montreal* on the other. I shall rejoice to see a weekly line established by this route. As it is, the character of *Canada*, and the advantages of the *St. Lawrence* as a channel of communication with the old world, have become much better known. To attract to our shores a larger portion of the passenger traffic from *Europe* is an object of high importance to our commerce.

A sum exceeding £300,000, derived from the proceeds of the Clergy Reserves, has already been distributed among the Municipalities of *Upper Canada*, in pursuance of the Acts of 1855 and 1856; and a further amount will be in like manner available in the course of the present year.

The measures for carrying out the commutation of the Seigniorial Tenure have been steadily pursued, and I see no reason to think that any material difficulties remain to be overcome.

A communication from the Secretary of State will inform you that Her Majesty's Government have determined to submit certain questions connected with the affairs and territory of the *Hudson's Bay Company* to the consideration of a Committee of the House of Commons.

Knowing how deeply *Canada* may be affected by this enquiry, I have lost no time in taking measures for securing the attendance in *England* of a gentleman unconnected with party politics, in all respects competent to afford information, and watch over the interests of the Province.

As Commander in Chief of the Militia, I cannot on this occasion forbear to acknowledge the continued zeal, energy and loyalty of the people of this Province; the readiness with which Volunteer Corps have been formed under the Acts of 1855 and 1856, affords the surest pledge of your determination as Canadians to protect and transmit to your children the blessings of a free soil, and a constitutional Government which God has bestowed upon you.

I turn now to certain measures which appear to me to require especial attention in the course of the Session about to commence.

I recommend you most earnestly to take steps for ensuring the proper construction and regulation of Prisons throughout the Province. The evils of defective

classification and over-crowding have been urged by several Grand Juries in such a manner as to prove that too many of our Cities and Counties suffer from the want of systematic attention to the moral and physical welfare of prisoners.

I cannot speak too strongly on this matter, in our Common Gaols the young are corrupted, and from them the adult criminal is cast loose upon society unrestrained and unimproved.

I shall rejoice if, with the supervision of the Gaols, you can combine the exercise of a proper control over other public institutions which require constant watchfulness and attention.

A measure will be submitted to you to provide for the repeal of the Lunatic Asylum tax levied in *Upper Canada*, inasmuch as it differs in character and in its mode of collection from the rest of our Provincial taxation.

I shall cause to be laid before you a measure calculated to make justice in *Lower Canada* more easily accessible to the people at large, and to secure the codification of the law and procedure in civil matters in that section of the Province. I trust too that you will find it expedient to sanction measures for carrying out more completely the improvements of the law already commenced in *Upper Canada*.

The time has come when I have thought it right to submit to you a Bill for improving the organization and increasing the efficiency of the Civil Service in *Canada*. With a view to attain these objects, I am anxious that so far as possible admission to the public officers shall depend on competence tested by impartial examination rather than on favour or regard for individuals.

You have ascertained by experience the usefulness of the prizes offered by the Agricultural Societies in *Upper and Lower Canada*—I shall be glad if you can extend the same principle of encouragement to arts and manufactures, and can stimulate the ingenuity of our mechanics and artizans by distinctions of the same character.

A Bill will be laid before you which may prove to be the first step towards admitting to the full rights and duties of British subjects the more educated and civilized of the Aboriginal Indians yet dwelling on their own lands. I feel a deep anxiety for the welfare of this people, and I shall endeavour to adopt measures such as will at once secure their interests and diminish the obstacles to the complete settlement of the country now offered by the tracts reserved for their use.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

The accounts of the last year will be submitted to you. I trust you will find that due economy has been observed in the expenditure of the public funds, and that the mode of accounting for such funds has been improved by the amended

system of audit adopted in the Inspector General's department. The increase in the revenue has, I conceive, fulfilled the expectation held out by the Inspector General in the course of last session.

The estimates for the current year will be laid before you at the earliest moment, consistent with their due consideration.

Honorable Gentlemen, and Gentlemen :

The Act altering the constitution of the Legislative Council having been sanctioned by Her Most Gracious Majesty, the steps required for the first election of Members of the Council were duly taken by me. The result has been that twelve Legislative Councillors, elected by the people, are already entitled to sit and vote as such. Although the constitutional position and functions of the Legislative Council remain exactly what they were, yet I believe that the consciousness of deriving a portion of its power from the confidence of the people will add to the consideration of the whole body, and will uphold it in the sober and dignified discharge of its most important duties.

I have now only to leave in your hands the various grave and weighty matters which require calm discussion and anxious deliberation.

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

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Bill intituled " An Act relating to Common Schools."

The said Bill was then 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 *Moore, J. Morris, Boulton, Mills, Vankoughnet* and *Masson* be appointed a Committee to superintend the printing of this House during the present Session.

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs *de Blaquièrè, Crooks, Fergusson, de Boucherville, Vankoughnet* and *Dessaulles* be appointed a Committee to peruse and perfect the Journals of this and former Sessions of the Provincial Parliament.

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs *Moore, Dionne, J. Morris, Perry, Vankoughnet, Renaud, Simpson* and *Patton* be appointed a Committee to examine and report upon the Contingent accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè* presented a Petition from *Olivier Vallerand*, Sergeant at Arms, praying that the Department of Sergeant at Arms to the Legislative Council may be placed on the same footing with the like offices in the Imperial Parliament and the Legislative Assembly.

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 last mentioned Petition be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent accounts of this House for the present Session.

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

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

EDMUND HEAD.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Honorable the Legislative Council a copy of a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies respecting the titles of elected Members of that House.

Government House,

Toronto 26th February, 1857.

(Copy.)

No. 162.

DOWNING STREET,
20th October, 1856.

SIR,

I have received and laid before the Queen your despatch of the 8th ultimo, No. 132, enquiring whether elected Members of the Legislative Council of *Canada* should enjoy the distinction of "Honorable," which has been already accorded to nominated Members of that House, and I am commanded by the Queen to inform you that it is Her pleasure that the elected Members of the Legislative Council shall, equally with the nominated Members enjoy the distinction of "Honorable."

I have, &c.

(Signed,)

H. LABOUCHERE.

Governor

Sir Edmund Head, Bart.

&c. &c. &c.

It was moved,

That when the House adjourns this day it do stand ajourned until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

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

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

Monday, 2nd March, 1857.

The Members convened, were:

The Honorabe ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIERE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
QUESNEL,

The Honorable Messieurs

MILLS,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
RENAUD,
MASSON.
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
MURNEY,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

It was moved to

Resolve, That the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery do forthwith attend this House with the Returns of the Returning Officer appointed to preside at the Election of a Member for the Electoral Division of *The Laurentides*, and the Poll Books transmitted therewith, together with a letter by him received from the Returning Officer of that Electoral Division since his special Return, and the Poll Book transmitted with the said letter.

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

The Deputy Clerk of the Crown in Chancery attended according to order, with the said Poll Books and other documents, and laid the same before the House.

Resolved, That it appears by the said Return and the Poll Books transmitted therewith, and by the Poll Book transmitted with the said letter since the said Return, that at the close of the said Election The Honorable *Marc Pascal de Sales de Laterrière*, Esquire, one of the Candidates, had a majority of votes.

Resolved, That the said Honorable *Marc Pascal de Sales de Laterrière*, ought to be returned as Councillor chosen to serve in the Legislative Council, pursuant to the Writ bearing date the first day of September last past, for the said Electoral Division of the Laurentides.

Resolved, That the said Honorable *Marc Parcel de Sales de Laterrière*, has a right to take his seat in this House as Member for the said Electoral Division of *The Laurentides*, saving however, to all Candidates and Electors their right of contesting the said Election, if they think proper, in such manner as to law and justice may appertain, and according to the usages of Parliament.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery do attend this House forthwith, and amend the Return for the said Electoral Division of the Laurentides, by stating that at the said Election the said Honorable *Marc Paschal De Sales de Laterrière* was duly elected to represent the said Electoral Division of *The Laurentides*.

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery attended according to Order, and amended the Return for the said Electoral Division of *The Laurentides*.

Then the Honorable the Speaker acquainted the House that there was a Member without ready to be introduced.

When the Honorable *Marc Paschal de Sales de Laterrière* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *Perry* and *Vankoughnet*.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Laterrière* came to the Table and took, and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *John Fennings Taylor*, Senior, Esquire, Clerk of this House, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Murney* presented a Petition from *William Sladden* of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize him to practice as an Attorney and Solicitor in the Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented two Petitions from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*, praying for the passing of an Act to authorise the separation, for Judicial purposes, of the said United Counties from the City of *Toronto* ;

Also praying for the repeal of the separate School law ;

And also a Petition from the Municipal of the County of *Brant*, praying that the charges for the administration of Justice may be defrayed in *Upper* as in *Lower Canada*, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Masson* presented a Petition from the Reverend *A. Groulx* and others of the Parish of *St Benoit* in the District of *Montreal*, praying for aid "to the *Hospice Youville*,"

And also a Petition from *Jean Délange dit Lavi*, *gueur* and others of *Quebec*, praying to be relieved from payment of the arrears of ground rent and mutation fines on their properties.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable M. *Quésnel* presented a Petition from the Sisters of Charity, administering the General Hospital of *Montreal* established 13th June, 1753—

And also a Petition from the *Montreal* Eye and Ear Institution, severally praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* presented a Petition from the Mechanics Institute and Library Association in the County of *Drummond*, praying for pecuniary aid.

And also a Petition from *P. Boisseau* of *Quebec*, praying for the passing of an Act to establish the Boundary Line, between *Upper* and *Lower Canada*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a petition from *Joseph Hamel* and others, Land Surveyors of *Lower Canada*, praying for an Act of incorporation.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to modify the Usury Laws."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Pursuant to notice, it was moved to

Resolve, That in the future proceedings of this House the Journal shall record the names of the Members introducing and seconding any motion or Resolution, and that after the Division on any question, it shall be competent for any two Members present to require the "Contents" and "Non-Contents" thereon, to be entered in the Journal.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

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.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, to thank His Excellency for His gracious Speech from the Throne at the opening of the present Session.

To assure His Excellency that he is warranted in the belief in which he has been pleased to inform us that, the time of year having arrived when the Country again requires our services, he has called Parliament together, and that His Excellency may rely upon every effort being made by this House to promote the good government and increase the prosperity of Canada.

To express to His Excellency our thankfulness that, by the blessing of Providence, that prosperity has met with no check, and to thank His Excellency for the assurance that the restoration of peace to Europe and the hope that good-will and friendly feeling will continue to prevail on this Continent inspire him with confidence in the future.

To agree with His Excellency that the increased cultivation of the soil and the growth of our trade, as shewn by the official returns, afford the best proofs of rapid progress, and that, among the outward signs of such progress, the opening of the Grand Trunk Railway from *St. Thomas*, in the *East*, to *Stratford*, must hold a prominent place—great cities, like *Quebec*, *Montreal* and *Toronto*, which have hitherto been separated in winter by a waste of snow, now enjoying daily intercourse one with the other.

With regard to the internal communications of the Country, to thank His Excellency for the information that he has taken measures for examining the Valley of the *Ottawa*, that great river in which *Upper* and *Lower Canada* are equally interested, with a view to ascertain what facilities its course may hereafter afford for inland traffic,—and to assure His Excellency that the final Report of the Survey of this District, when laid before this House, will have its most attentive consideration.

To agree with His Excellency, that the tract which is on three sides bounded by *Lake Ontario*, the *Ottawa* and *Lake Huron*, is one of vast importance to *Canada*, that its Settlement will add breadth to the Province, and that its lands are such as may fairly attract the industry and reward the toil of a large population; to express the satisfaction with which this House learns that steps have accordingly been taken to intersect parts of this District by roads, and to offer, along the line of such roads, lands on easy terms to actual Settlers, and to concur in opinion with His Excellency, that the banks of the *St. Maurice*, in *Lower Canada*, may be advantageously dealt with in the same manner.

To express to His Excellency the pleasure with which this House learns that exertions have been made to diffuse in *Europe* a knowledge of *Canada* and its resources, and that on these and other grounds His Excellency anticipates in the coming season a considerable increase in the Emigration from *Europe*. To agree with His Excellency that such an increase must be of inestimable value to the Province, and that those who are already in occupation of land will receive a supply of laborers on easier terms, and the wealth of the whole community will be augmented by the application of fresh industry to the profitable development of our real capital, the soil covered by our forests.

To thank His Excellency for his congratulations on the success of the Line of Steamers which, in the course of last Summer, have performed the voyage between *Liverpool* on the one hand, and *Quebec* and *Montreal* on the other; to assure His Excellency that this House will rejoice with him to see a Weekly Line established by this route, and to agree with His Excellency that, as it is, the character of *Canada* and the advantages of the *St. Lawrence* as a channel of communication with the old world have become much better known, and that to attract to our shores a large portion of the passenger traffic from *Europe*, is an object of high importance to our commerce.

To express to His Excellency the satisfaction with which this House learns that a sum exceeding £300,000, derived from the proceeds of the Clergy Reserves has already been distributed among the Municipalities of *Upper Canada*, in pursuance of the Acts of the 1855 and 1856, and that a further amount will be in like manner available in the course of the present year.

To convey also to His Excellency an expression of the pleasure it affords this House to be informed that the measures for carrying out the commutation of the Seigniorial Tenure have been steadily pursued, and that His Excellency sees no reason to think that any material difficulties remain to be overcome.

To thank His Excellency for his promise of a communication from the Secretary of State, containing information to the effect that Her Majesty and Government have determined to submit certain questions connected with the affairs and territory of the *Hudson's Bay Company*, to the consideration of a Committee of the House of Commons, and to express the satisfaction of this House at the intelligence that His Excellency, knowing how deeply *Canada* may be affected by this enquiry, has lost no time in taking measures for securing the attendance in England of a gentleman unconnected with party politics and in all respects competent to afford information and watch over the interests of the Province.

To thank His Excellency for his acknowledgment, as Commander in Chief of the Militia, of the continued zeal, energy and loyalty of the people of this Province, and for his just appreciation of the readiness with which Volunteer Corps have been formed under the Acts of 1855 and 1856, as affording the surest pledge of our determination as Canadians to protect and transmit to our children the blessing of a free soil and a constitutional government which God has bestowed upon us.

With respect to certain measures which His Excellency mentions as appearing to him to require special attention in the course of the Session about to commence—to thank His Excellency for his earnest recommendation that steps should be taken for ensuring the proper construction and regulation of Prisons throughout the Province, and to agree with His Excellency that the evils of defective classification and over-crowding have been urged by several Grand Juries in such a manner as to prove that too many of our Cities and Counties suffer from the want of systematic attention to the moral and physical welfare of prisoners.

To admit with His Excellency that it is impossible to speak too strongly on this matter; for, in our common gaols, the young are corrupted, and from them the adult criminal is cast loose upon society unrestrained and unimproved.

To assure His Excellency that we shall rejoice with him if we can succeed in combining with the supervision of the gaols the exercise of a proper control over other public institutions which require constant watchfulness and attention.

To promise His Excellency that the earnest attention of this house will be given to any measure which may be submitted to it providing for the repeal of the

Lunatic Asylum tax levied in *Upper Canada*, a tax which differs, as His Excellency is pleased to remark, in character and in its mode of Collection from the rest of our provincial taxation.

To assure His Excellency, that this House will also consider attentively the measure calculated to make justice in *Lower Canada* more easily accessible to the people at large and to secure the codification of the law and procedure in civil matters in that section of the province, which His Excellency has been pleased to say he will cause to be laid before us, and also the expediency of sanctioning measures for carrying out more completely the improvement of the law already commenced in *Upper Canada*.

To hail with pleasure the announcement that the time has come when His Excellency has thought it right to submit to Parliament a Bill for improving the organization and increasing the efficiency of the civil service in *Canada*, and that with a view to attain these objects His Excellency is anxious that, so far as possible, admission to the public offices shall depend on competence tested by impartial examination rather than on favor or regard for individuals.

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To thank His Excellency for the promise that a Bill will be laid before us, which may prove to be the first step towards admitting to the full rights and duties of British subjects the more educated and civilized of the aboriginal Indians yet dwelling on their own lands; and to express sympathy with His Excellency in his deep anxiety for the welfare of this people, and the satisfaction which this House derives from the assurance that it is His Excellency's intention to endeavour to adopt measures such as will at once secure their interests and diminish the obstacles to the complete settlement of the Country now offered by the tracts reserved for their use.

To express the satisfaction of this House at the fact of twelve Legislative Councillors having been elected by the people and being already entitled to sit and vote as such; the Act altering the Constitution of the Legislative Council having been sanctioned by Her Most Gracious Majesty, and the steps required for the first Election of Members of the Council having been duly taken by His Excellency.

To thank His Excellency for the expression of his belief that, although the constitutional position and functions of the Legislative Council remain exactly what they were, the consciousness of deriving a portion of its power from the confidence of the people will add to the consideration of the whole body, and will uphold it in the sober and dignified discharge of its most important duties.

And to assure His Excellency that the various grave and weighty matters which he has been pleased to leave in our hands shall receive calm discussion and anxious deliberation.

The first ten paragraphs of the said Resolution being then again severally read were agreed to.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, that the said paragraph be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*,

That after the word "Commons" all be expunged and the following inserted in lieu thereof: "But this House although fully appreciating the talents and ability of the Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, regrets that he should have been dispatched to *England* on a Mission relating to the said Territory, inasmuch as Suitors in that Court may sustain inconvenience and loss from his absence, and this House confidently trusts that this appointment may not be drawn into a precedent upon any future occasion."

Which being objected to,

After a long Debate,

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

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<i>de Blaquière,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>de Laterrière,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet,</i>
<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Quesnel,</i>	<i>Widmer—16.</i>

So it passed in the negative,

The question being then put on the main motion, the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

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The Honorable Messieurs

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Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Simpson.—6.</i>
<i>Dessavilles,</i>	<i>Masson.</i>		

So it was resolved in the affirmative, and the said paragraph was then agreed to

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

The question of concurrence put on each, they were unanimously agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs *de Blaquière, Moore, Prince* and *Vankoughnet,* be appointed a Committee to draft an Address founded on the foregoing Resolution.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

To His Excellency SIR EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, Governor General of *British North America,* and Captain General and Governor-in-Chief in and over the Provinces of *Canada, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick,* and the Island of *Prince Edward,* and Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:—

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

We assure Your Excellency that you are warranted in the belief in which you have been pleased to inform us, that the time of year having arrived when the Country again requires our services, you have called Parliament together; and that Your Excellency may rely upon every effort being made by this House to promote the good government and increase the prosperity of *Canada.*

We beg leave to express to Your Excellency our thankfulness that, by the blessing of Providence, that prosperity has met with no check, and to thank Your Excellency for the assurance that the restoration of peace to Europe, and the hope that good-will and friendly feeling will continue to prevail on this Continent, inspire you with confidence in the future.

We agree with Your Excellency, that the increased cultivation of the soil and the growth of our trade, as shewn by the official returns, afford the best proofs of rapid progress, and that, among the outward signs of such progress, the opening of the Grand Trunk Railway from *St. Thomas*, in the *East* to *Stratford*, must hold a prominent place—great cities, like *Quebec*, *Montreal* and *Toronto* which have hitherto been separated in winter by a waste of snow, now enjoying daily intercourse one with the other,

With regard to the internal communications of the Country, we thank Your Excellency for the information that you have taken measures for examining the Valley of the *Ottawa*, that great river in which *Upper* and *Lower Canada* are equally interested, with a view to ascertain what facilities its course may hereafter afford for inland traffic—and we assure Your Excellency that the final Report of the Survey of this District, when laid before this House, will have its most attentive consideration.

We agree with Your Excellency, that the tract which is on three sides bounded by Lake *Ontario*, the *Ottawa* and Lake *Huron*, is one of vast importance to *Canada*, that its Settlement will add breadth to the Province, and that its lands are such as may fairly attract the industry and reward the toil of a large population ; we beg leave to express the satisfaction with which this House learns that steps have accordingly been taken to intersect parts of this District by roads, and to offer, along the line of such roads, lands on easy terms to actual Settlers, and we concur in opinion with Your Excellency, that the banks of the *St. Maurice*, in *Lower Canada*, may be advantageously dealt with in the same manner.

We beg leave also to express to Your Excellency the pleasure with which the House learns that exertions have been made to diffuse in *Europe* a knowledge of *Canada* and its resources, and that on these and other grounds Your Excellency anticipates in the coming season a considerable increase in the Emigration from *Europe*. We agree with Your Excellency, that such an increase must be of incalculable value to the Province, and that those who are already in occupation of land will receive a supply of laborers on easier terms, and the wealth of the whole community will be augmented by the application of fresh industry to the profitable development of our real capital, the soil covered by our forests.

We thank Your Excellency for your congratulations on the success of the Line of Steamers which, in the course of last Summer, have performed the voyage between *Liverpool* on the one hand, and *Quebec* and *Montreal* on the other ; we assure Your Excellency that this House will rejoice with you to see a weekly Line established by this route, and we agree with Your Excellency that, it is, the character of *Canada* and the advantages of the *St. Lawrence* as a channel of communication with the old world have become much better known, and that to attract to our shores a large portion of the passenger traffic from *Europe*, is an object of high importance to our commerce.

We assure Your Excellency of the satisfaction it affords this House to learn that a sum exceeding £300,000, derived from the proceeds of the Clergy Reserves, has already been distributed among the Municipalities of *Upper Canada*, in pursuance of the Acts of 1855 and 1856, and that a further amount will be in like manner available in the course of the present year.

We beg leave also to convey to Your Excellency an expression of the pleasure it affords this House to be informed that the measures for carrying out the commutation of the Seignorial Tenure have been steadily pursued, and that Your Excellency sees no reason to think that any material difficulties remain to be overcome.

We thank Your Excellency for your promise of a communication from the Secretary of State, containing information to the effect that Her Majesty and Government have determined to submit certain questions connected with the affairs and territory of the *Hudson's Bay Company*, to the consideration of a committee of the House of Commons, and we beg leave to express the satisfaction of this House at the intelligence that Your Excellency, knowing how deeply *Canada* may be affected by this enquiry, has lost no time in taking measures for securing the attendance in *England* of a gentleman unconnected with party politics and in all respects competent to afford information and watch over the interests of the Province.

We thank Your Excellency for your acknowledgment, as Commander-in-Chief of the Militia, of the continued zeal, energy and loyalty of the people of this Province, and for your just appreciation of the readiness with which Volunteer Corps have been formed under the Acts of 1855 and 1856, as affording the surest pledge of our determination as Canadians to protect and transmit to our children the blessings of a free soil and a constitutional government which God has bestowed upon us.

With respect to certain measures which Your Excellency mentions as appearing to you to require special attention in the course of the Session about to commence—we thank Your Excellency for your earnest recommendation that steps should be taken for ensuring the proper construction and regulation of Prisons throughout the Province, and we agree with Your Excellency that the evils of defective classification and overcrowding have been urged by several Grand Juries in such a manner as to prove that too many of our Cities and Counties suffer from the want of systematic attention to the moral and physical welfare of prisoners.

We admit with Your Excellency that it is impossible to speak too strongly on this matter; for, in our common Gaols, the young are corrupted, and from them the adult criminal is cast loose upon society unrestrained and unimproved.

We assure Your Excellency that we shall rejoice with you if we can succeed in combining with the supervision of the Gaols the exercise of a proper control over other public institutions which require constant watchfulness and attention.

We promise Your Excellency that the earnest attention of this House will be given to any measure which may be submitted to it, providing for the repeal of the Lunatic Asylum tax levied in *Upper Canada*, a tax which differs, as Your Excellency is pleased to remark, in character and in its mode of collection from the rest of our Provincial taxation.

We assure Your Excellency that this House will also consider attentively the measure calculated to make justice in *Lower Canada* more easily accessible to the people at large, and to secure the codification of the law and procedure in civil matters in that section of the province, which your Excellency has been pleased to say you will cause to be laid before us, and also the expediency of sanctioning measures for carrying out more completely the improvement of the law already commenced in *Upper Canada*.

We hail with pleasure the announcement that the time has come when Your Excellency has thought it right to submit to Parliament a Bill for improving the organization and increasing the efficiency of the civil service in *Canada*, and that with a view to attain these objects, Your Excellency is anxious that, so far as possible, admission to the public offices shall depend on competence tested by impartial examination, rather than on favour or regard for individuals.

We assure Your Excellency that, having ascertained by experience the usefulness of the Prizes offered by the Agricultural Societies of *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, we shall rejoice with Your Excellency, if the same principle of encouragement can be extended to arts and manufactures, so that the ingenuity of our mechanics and artizans may be stimulated by distinctions of the same character.

We thank your Excellency for the promise that a Bill will be laid before us, which may prove to be the first step towards admitting to the full rights and duties of British subjects the more educated and civilized of the aboriginal Indians yet dwelling on their own lands; and we beg leave to express sympathy with Your Excellency in your deep anxiety for the welfare of this people, and the satisfaction which this House derives from the assurance that it is Your Excellency's intention to endeavour to adopt measures such as will at once secure their interests and diminish the obstacles to the complete settlement of the Country now offered by the tracts reserved for their use.

We beg leave also to express the satisfaction of this House at the fact of twelve Legislative Councillors having been elected by the people and being already entitled to sit and vote as such; the Act altering the Constitution of the Legislative Council having been sanctioned by Her Most Gracious Majesty, and the steps required for the first Election of Members of the Council having been duly taken by Your Excellency.

We thank Your Excellency for your expression of your belief that, although the constitutional position and functions of the Legislative Council remain exactly

what they were, the consciousness of deriving a portion of its power from the confidence of the people will add to the consideration of the whole body, and will uphold it in the sober and dignified discharge of its most important duties.

And we assure Your Excellency that the various, grave and weighty matters which you have been pleased to leave in our hands shall receive calm discussion and anxious deliberation.

Which said Address being again 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, and

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* 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, for that purpose.

The Honorable the Speaker 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 :—

EDMUND HEAD.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Honorable the No. 116, July 26, 1856. Legislative Council, Copies of Correspondence relative to the No. 127, Aug. 14, 1856. resignation by the Honorable *Æ. Irving* of his seat in that body.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, C. W., February 27, 1857.

(Copy.)—No. 116.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Toronto, 26th July, 1857.

SIR,—The Honorable *Amelius Irving*, Member of the Legislative Council, has tendered to me, through the President of that Body, his resignation of his seat. This step he is authorized to take by the 3 & 4 *Victoria*, ch. 35, sect. 6. I now submit such resignation for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure if She shall see fit to accept the same.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,) EDMUND HEAD.

Right Honorable

H. LABOUCHÈRE,

&c., &c., &c.

(Copy.)—No. 127.

DOWNING STREET,
14th August, 1856.

SIR,—I have laid before the Queen your Despatch No. 116, of the 26th July last, and I am commanded to acquaint you that Her Majesty has been pleased to accept the resignation which the Honorable *Amelius Irving* has tendered of his seat in the Legislative Council of *Canada*.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

CLARENDON,

In the absence of

Mr. LABOUCHÈRE.

Governor

Sir EDMUND HEAD, Bart.,

&c., &c., &c.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè* moved seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dionne* That when the House adjourns this day it do stand adjourned until to-morrow at half past two o'clock in the afternoon.

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

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

Tuesday, 3rd March, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
HAMILTON,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON
QUESNEL,
MILLS,

The Honorable Messieurs

SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
RENAUD,
DE LATERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
MURNEY.

PRAYERS.

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

The Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson, de Boucherville, Gordon, Vankoughnet* and *Prince* enter.

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

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

The Address which you have just read assures me of your loyalty and zeal for the public service.

In the name of Her Majesty, I thank you for it, and for the readiness with which you are prepared to enter on the labors and duties of the Session.

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

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

When the Honorable *Hermannus Smith* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson* and *Mills*.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Hermannus Smith* came to the Table and took and subscribed the Oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *John Jennings Taylor*, Senior, Esquire, Clerk of this House, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* presented a Petition from *René Kimber*, Gentleman, Usher of the Black Rod, to the Legislative Council, praying that certain rights and immunities which are attached to his office in the Imperial Parliament may be enjoyed by him here, and that his Department may be placed on a footing corresponding to that of the Sergeant at Arms to the Legislative Assembly.

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 last mentioned Petition be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* presented a Petition from *Charles Loockey Beard*, of the City of *Hamilton*, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize him to practice as a Land Surveyor in *Upper Canada*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *A. D. MacDougall*, of the City of *Toronto*, Barrister-at-Law, praying that the office of Assistant Law Clerk, or Committee Clerk to the Legislative Council may be conferred upon him.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Ordered, That the last mentioned Petition be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Dionne* presented a petition from the Reverend *Charles V. Garceau* and others of the Parish of *St. Narcisse* in the County of *Champlain*, praying for a grant towards the opening of a road between that Parish and *Three Rivers*.

And also a petition from *Pierre F. Lanoette* and others, School Commissioners of the Parish of *St. François Xavier de Batiscan* in the County of *Champlain* aforesaid, praying for aid towards the completion of a School House in that Parish.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Reverend *Duncan Morrison* and others Trustees and Members of *St. John's Church, Brockville*, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize them to dispose of a certain half lot of land in the Township of *Edwardsburgh*, which was granted by the Crown by way of Glebe, and apply the proceeds towards the purchase of a more eligible lot in the Town of *Brockville* ;

Also, a Petition from *Soloman Hill* and others of the Townships of *Clinton*

and *Louth*, praying that the Act 18th Victoria, Cap. 120, intituled "An Act further to amend the Act to establish Mutual Insurance Companies in "*Upper Canada*," may be amended in such a manner that its provisions may be extended to Townships or a Union of Townships, and not limited to Towns and Villages only;

Also, a Petition from *Elizabeth L. Hawley* and others of *St. Catherines*, praying for certain amendments in the Laws which regulate the property and define the rights of married women;

Also a Petition from the *Port Dalhousie* and *Thorold* Railway Company praying for the amendment of their Charter;

And also, a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Town of *St. Catherines* praying for the passing of an Act to enable the said Corporation to consolidate the debt of the said Town.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Masson* presented a Petition from the President and Secretary on behalf of the Hospice *de St. Joseph de la Maternité de Quebec* praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Gordon* presented a Petition from the *Quebec* Infant School praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Renaud* presented a Petition from the City and District Building Society of *Montreal* praying for the passing of an Act to amend the Act to encourage the establishment of Building Societies in *Lower Canada*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*, praying that public aid may be given towards completing the Survey for ascertaining the practicability of constructing a Ship Canal from the Georgian Bay to the City of *Toronto*;

Also a Petition from the Western Assurance Company of the City of *Toronto* praying for the passing of an Act to amend their Charter.

And also a Petition from *James Henry* and others of the Townships *Amaranth*, *Luther*, *Arthur*, and *Minto* in the County of *Wellington*, *Melancthon*, *Picton*, *Egremont* and *Normanby* in the County of *Grey*, *Carrick* in the County of *Bruce*, and *Horwicks* in the County of *Huron*, praying that the said Townships may be formed into a separate County with *Mount Forest* for the County Town.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *W. W. Smith* of the Village of *St. John*, praying that the Legislature will contribute towards the great expense of a picture published by him which represents the sitting of the Court organized under the Seignorial Act of 1854, by subscribing for such number of copies as it may think fit.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* presented a Petition from *Thomas Elliott*, surviving Executor to the Estate of the late *John McIntosh* of Yonge Street, *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize him to lease certain lands belonging to the Estate of the said late *John McIntosh* and apply the proceeds towards the maintenance and support of his surviving children.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Petition from the University of Queen's College *Kingston* praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

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

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

EDMUND HEAD.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Honorable the No. 70, 19 May 1856. Legislative Council, Copies of Correspondence on the Act for No. 104, 19 June, 1856. rendering that body Elective.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, February 27, 1857.

(Copy)—No. 104.—

DOWNING STREET,
19th June, 1856.

SIR,—

I have received your Despatch No. 70, of the 19th of May, transmitting an Act passed by the Legislature of *Canada* for rendering the Legislative Council of that Province Elective.

I learn with satisfaction that a subject which is so important to the future welfare of *Canada*, has been considered with so much care and deliberation, and in advising the Queen to confirm this Act, Her Majesty's Government heartily desire that it may prove the means of securing to the people of *Canada* the full and continued enjoyments of the blessings of freedom and good order.

I have, &c.,

(Signed.)

H. LABOUCHÈRE.

Governor

Sir EDMUND HEAD, Bart.,

&c., &c., &c.

(Copy)—No. 70.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Toronto, May 19, 1856.

SIR,

Your are aware of the fact, that before *Lord Elgin* left *Canada*, a Bill was

laid before the Legislative Assembly, for the purpose of rendering the Legislative Council elective. This Bill was then in the charge of the Honorable Mr. *Morin*, who having accepted a place on Bench, quitted the Executive Council, and vacated his seat in the Assembly.

2. The Honorable Mr. *Cauchon*, who succeeded Mr. *Morin*, as Commissioner of Crown Lands, took up the subject, after full consideration with his colleagues, he withdrew the original Bill, and introduced another, of which the provisions were somewhat different.

The latter measure passed the Legislative Assembly last year by large majorities, but was lost in the Legislative Council.

The second reading was carried in the Legislative Assembly by a majority of 80 to 4; nor did these four Members, as I understand, belong to one party, or oppose the measure on one and the same principle.

3. In the present Session, (1856) a similar measure was introduced, and after undergoing some amendments in the Legislative Council, has been passed by both Houses.

4. I have now the honor to submit for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure, in pursuance of the Statute 17 and 18 Victoria, Cap. 118, this Bill. I feel it my duty to enter fully on the subject of so important a measure, and I therefore fear that I must trouble you at considerable length in the present despatch.

5. It is almost superfluous to argue on the expediency of two Chambers in order to secure full and fair discussion for every legislative measure, and to guard against the haste, which is likely to result from a popular feeling in favor of a particular enactment. This necessity has been pretty well admitted whenever Representative Government is established. A measure may often be said to come forth from the Assembly holding in solution certain noxious elements, likely to be ultimately injurious to those who at the moment clamour for it. What sound Statesmanship requires is, that time should be gained for a Bill in such condition to be subjected to some test or agent; which may, as it were, precipitate and make manifest these latent principles of evil;—If this can be, done and a certain delay interposed, common sense generally regains its strength, and the wishes of the people will probably in the end point in the direction of their real interest.

6. The best means for attaining this object may, as I have said, be assumed to be the operation of a second Chamber, under such conditions as give time and opportunity for free and deliberate discussion. Discussion however, to secure its end, must be conducted by men who feel that they have in their hands the power of rejection, when they disapprove, and who are conscious of holding a position in the Community such as will bear them out in temporary opposition at least, to the apparent wishes of the people themselves. On any other terms it is little better than the consideration of a measure by a debating Society or Club.

7. The necessary defects of a Legislative Council appointed by the Crown, and the difficulty which exists in remedying them—how little such a Council complies with the conditions of fearless discussion and conscious power—all this is pointed out in the very able Report of the Privy Council to Her most Gracious Majesty, in language much more forcible than any I can employ. Independently of other considerations, the difficulty of finding persons who would be recognized by all parties as fit to hold the position assigned to members of a Legislative Council is, in most Colonies, very great.

8. It may be said moreover, that the number of Members usually attending the Legislative Council in *Canada* has scarcely been sufficient to carry the weight which such a body ought to possess. The annexed papers will give you an opportunity of judging on this point. It exhibits the number in attendance each day during the Sessions of the years 1850-1-2-3 and 1854. I know that the thin attendance may, on the other hand, be attributed to the want of the sense of self-importance.

9. The principal difficulty however, connected with the Constitution of the Legislative Council, has forced itself on the attention of thinking men, since the introduction of Parliamentary Government in the Colony.

It is clearly felt that the greatest embarrassment might be caused by the rejection of a popular measure by the Legislative Council, and by a consequent pressure on the Crown, through the advisers of the Governor General, to appoint fresh members of that body holding such opinions as would serve to over-rule the previous decision of the majority. The dependence of Ministers on the confidence of the Lower House, as now acknowledged, makes it almost certain that such a pressure would be applied. In England the same risk no doubt exists theoretically, but the more steady action of public opinion, sure in the end to censure Ministers who should abuse such a power, and the character of the House of Lords itself, are practical safeguards against its real exercise. No such safeguards can be said to exist in a Colony.

10. It may be alleged indeed, that the Governor of a Colony acting with fairness would refuse the advice given him to offer such a recommendation to the Queen. Cases may be put in which it would without doubt be his duty to do so; and to run all risks; but these cases must be rare exceptions, for according to the theory of "Responsible Government," he must sacrifice his Ministry. Should the popular feeling be strong, it might be very difficult for him to get another, even after a new election. If the Home Government supported him, the quarrel would be with them; if they disapproved of his conduct, he could be of no further service in the Colony.

11. Of course a large class of politicians whose opinions are entitled to respect, will meet these arguments by saying that Parliamentary Government in a Colony is an evil in itself, whether this be so or not, that form of Government is now an existing fact, which cannot be helped, and which I believe to have been inevitable. Government against the deliberate wishes of the mass of the people of any

Colony, and above all of the *British North American Colonies*, had become utterly impossible. Nor do I, looking back at the time, which in *Canada* preceded the introduction of "Responsible Government," recognize the existence of that peaceful submission on the part of the governed, and that uniformly successful administration on the part of the rulers, which might make us regret the change.

12. At the same time there is no doubt that opportunity for consideration and amendment is, in some degree, afforded by the present Legislative Council, and its influence has often been profitably applied. A recent instance of this kind may be found in the Seigniorial Tenure Bill of last year which was virtually re-modelled in the Council. That measure however was one of a peculiar kind; its operation was confined to *Lower Canada*; it specially affected the interests of many Members of the Legislative Council, and there was every disposition on the part of the Assembly to deal fairly and liberally with any proposed amendments.

13. Notwithstanding this and other instances which might be cited, I do not think that the present Legislative Council of *Canada* possesses as a body the independent standing and position which it ought to hold in such a country and which is essential for dealing fairly and impartially with measures coming to it from the Lower House.

14. I impute no blame to the existing Members of the Legislative Council. It is a body of the highest respectability; but its defects are inherent in its constitution, for the reasons pointed out in the Report already referred to. To quote the words reported to have been employed by the Hon. Mr. *McDonald*, Attorney General for *Upper Canada*, in his Speech on the second reading of the measure when last year before the Assembly. "The most conclusive reason however which should induce the people and the majority of that House to adopt this reform was the danger to be apprehended from a single chamber."

15. It is pretty certain that in a Colony under Parliamentary Government, the consciousness of power to force the ministers to advise a fresh creation of Members of the Legislative Council might easily end in establishing a government virtually of one chamber, though nominally of two. A government in which the existence of a second House would operate so far as to diminish the sense of responsibility on the part of the Assembly without imposing such further check as would be available on an emergency.

16. I must own that in my opinion such a state of things would be far more objectionable than a legislature professedly consisting of one chamber. It would in fact be virtually more "democratic" than any other form which would be suggested. In saying this, I desire to be understood, as applying the word "democratic" to a political condition in which the true interest of the people as it appears to their representatives after full and free discussion, is likely to be over-ruled and controlled by a popular cry or by direct expression of a temporary feeling. Such a state of things would approach much more to government by a Convention, than to government by Representative Institutions, and is supposed to be unknown to the British Constitution.

17. I cannot help thinking that in discussing the policy of an Elective Legislative Council, a good deal of misunderstanding has been occasioned by a contrast or comparison between the Legislative Council of a Colony and two other bodies, the American Senate, and the British House of Peers. In their ordinary legislative functions, all those three political assemblies resemble one another, inasmuch as they all possess the same theoretical power of negating a bill, or (with certain exceptions) originating a legislative measure. There is no doubt too, that the original form of Representative Governments in the Colonies, was an imitation of the English system, and so far the Legislative Council resembles the House of Lords. But although the legislative action of the three is in some respects the same, each differs from the other two, most materially, in all the means which it employs, and in all the conditions which secure its weight and consideration.

If it appears that the contrivances employed in each one of these cases are wholly impracticable or wholly inapplicable, in the other two the parallel will be of less importance than it is usually assumed to be.

18. Let us look at the American Senate. This body is in fact far more than a second chamber, and represents the federal principle of the *United States*. The number of Senators sent by *Rhode Island* is the same as that for the State of *New York*. The same legal influence is exercised by each separate State. Then again the Senators do not represent the people of each State directly; but are sent by its Legislature. Their functions are not entirely—it may be said, they are not principally legislative. They check the appointments made by the President and control his treaty-making power, whilst the limited range of the Federal Government necessarily confines within narrow limits the ordinary legislative action of the Senate. They are, it appears to me, at least as much Executive as Legislative.

19. Even without the difference in their sphere of action how could this constitution of a second chamber be imitated in a Colony without the creation in some shape or other of a federal element?—a subject on which it is no business of mine to enter at the present moment, but which implies the creation and the union of more than one subordinate Government.

20. If we now turn to the British House of Peers, where are we to find in a Colony the elements of intellectual and social strength which are concentrated in that body? An aristocracy of long standing has been combined with a system which from time to time gleans from the ordinary ranks of society the most acute lawyers, the ablest statesmen and the best financiers of the day, and unites them in one assembly with distinguished military and naval commanders as well as with the heads of an Established Church. To these influences are added the weight of large landed property, and the prestige connected with the historical reputation of certain families, and the respect for rank and station inherited from former times.

21. Nothing can be conceived more different from the principle on which the House of Lords is founded than the system on which the American Senate depends for its free and independent action—and nothing can bear less analogy than either of these two does to the state of things which must control the institutions of a Colony under the most favourable circumstances. The mere nomination by the Crown of respectable men, assuming that such nominations were always judiciously made and were not to be influenced by any pressure on the part of the majority of the Legislative Assembly, supplies most imperfectly the weight which attaches to a combination of all those various elements of political influence which exist in the House of Lords. The form is there, but life and substance are wanting—nor can we supply the defect.

22. We cannot create an Aristocracy on a sudden, unless we could imitate the feat of those Indian Jugglers who are said to plant the pip and produce the ripe fruit before the eyes of the spectators. Even then it is not clear that, if created, the atmosphere in which it would have to exist, would allow any thing in the nature of an aristocracy to flourish in *Canada*. I need only say that physical proximity is powerful in politics: whether or not we may regret its action, we cannot alter the geographical facts.

23. I believe therefore, that on the whole, no remedy for the defective relation of our Legislative Council to the Assembly can be found, except by having recourse in some shape or other, to popular Election. This source of power can alone supply to the Council, that hold in public opinion, and that consciousness of strength, which will enable it fearlessly to discuss, and, if necessary, to reject an imperfect or imprudent measure.

24. The enactments of the present Bill, in the shape in which, after having been amended by the Upper House, it has finally passed both branches of the Legislature, are substantially as follows:—

1. The Legislative Council shall, in addition to its present strength, be composed of 48 Members, 24 of whom are to be elected by *Lower Canada*, and an equal number by the Western section of the Province.

2. The present Councillors shall retain their seats under the conditions prescribed by the Union Act.

3. The new Members shall be elected for 8 years.

4. Each Member so elected must be a British Subject, resident in *Canada*, not under 30 years of age, and possessing real property of the clear value of at least £2,000 situated in the Electoral Division, which he represent—Clauses 5 and 6 prescribe that no defaulter, nor person convicted of any infamous crime, nor any Member of the other branch of the Legislative, shall be eligible—and Clause 7 vacates the seat of a Member, becoming disqualified as above by crime, or by bankruptcy, or by want of qualification.

8. The Elective Members are to be added to the Council by twelve at a time, so that the full number will not be elected till after the lapse of six years.

Clause 10, gives the form of the Writs of Election.

Clauses 11 and 12, relate to the functions of the Returning Officers, who are to be chosen from those legally eligible to perform similar duties at the Election of Members of the Assembly.

By Clause 13, the franchise of Electors is declared to be the same as that of those for the Lower House, and the Electoral Divisions are marked out.

14 and 15, prescribe that the Laws now in force, relating to Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly, shall hold good at the Election of Legislative Councillors.

16, Marks out the commencement and duration of the time of service.

17, Settles the form of oath to be taken by the Legislative Councillors.

18, 21. The order in which the Districts are to return Members shall be determined by Lot, and proclamation made accordingly.

Clause 22, Allows resignation of his seat by a Councillor.

23, Makes the Members subject to the same laws, as bind the Members of the Lower House, relating to the independence of Parliament.

24, Declares that the acceptance of the Speakership of the Legislative Council shall not vacate a seat.

25-28, Provide for the filling up of accidental vacancies.

29, Vests the appointment of Speaker in the Governor.

30, Determines that the Councillor who may be Speaker at the passing of this Act shall continue so.

31, Fixes what shall constitute a new Parliament.

The enclosed Copy shews the Bill as at first introduced, with all the changes made in it in both Houses. The first Clause in the original measure, providing that no Councillors should be hereafter appointed by the Crown, was struck out in the Upper House, and the retention of the present Members gives a considerable and conservative character to the measure. As originally passed by the Assembly it did not provide for the gradual introduction of the Elective Members one-fourth at a time, by which means the Elective body will not be constituted for a period, of six years. The qualification too was raised in the Upper House from £1,000 to £2000, and some other changes of a less important character were made.

25.—Besides the objections which have been made to an Elective Legislative Council on the ground of its democratic character, one of a kind entirely opposite has been urged with considerable skill by some of the strongest liberals here and elsewhere. This objection is grounded on the fear lest two elective bodies should if the Ministers were supported by the Crown, neutralize their responsibility to the Representatives of the people in the Lower House. In case of an adverse vote in the latter, it might be asked "which set of representatives are we bound to look to? It is true that the Assembly have no confidence in us, but the Legislative Council have. They represent the people as well as the others—why may not this confidence balance the mistrust of the other branch? we refuse to resign."

26. If we consider a moment the ground on which rests the necessary responsibility of Ministers to the Commons, I think it will be seen that this difficulty need not be dreaded. The Ministers as advisers of the Crown carry on the ordinary duties of the Executive Government from day to day. These duties cannot be discharged without money, and whichever House, therefore, retains the chief control of money bills and the exclusive power of originating them, necessarily must retain the principle check on the Executive Council. As a matter of course the Members of that Council are not free from all responsibility to the Legislative Council or to the Queen, but resignation is inevitable only when that Body which can prevent even the discussion of a money vote, declares its want of confidence in the persons who will have to expend the money.

27. Another great anticipated difficulty with an elective Council is the fear of what is vulgarly called "a dead lock" in the Government—that is to say—an obstinate difference of opinion between the two Houses in which neither will yield to the other.

28. In the original bill introduced by the Honorable Mr. *Morin* at the beginning of the last Session, it was proposed to meet this apprehension by a power of dissolving the Legislative Council similar to that exercised with regard to the Assembly.

29. On further discussion of such a scheme among the Members of the Council it was argued that if the power of dissolution existed to be exercised by the Governor General, usually, as must be presumed on the advice of his Ministers, the same sort of pressure which might now be exercised to procure the appointment of new Legislative Councillors to pass a certain measure, would surely be applied to procure an immediate dissolution of the whole refractory body. Ministers would be threatened with being left in a minority in the Assembly if they did not get the Legislative Council dissolved. An appeal to the people would have to be made under circumstances of considerable excitement, and if the constituencies were not precisely the same, one does not see any limit to the repetition of the process except by the uncertain action of public opinion on the dissolution of both Houses.

30. On the other hand if no power of dissolution exists, it may be hoped that the Lower House will be careful in risking a conflict with the Legislative Council. All pressure on the ministry by the majority of the Lower House because a popular measure had been rejected by the Council must probably result in causing a dissolution of the former Body—a process which, however objectionable under such circumstances, would furnish at any rate the desired appeal to the people, and secure some delay. If, after an election under these circumstances, the opinion of the majority of the Legislative Assembly having been confirmed by their constituents, remained unchanged, it seems likely that the Legislative Council would hesitate to oppose further obstacles to the questionable measure, especially as they would feel themselves ultimately dependent on the judgment of the people of the

Province, slowly but surely exercised in modifying their own body. For let us suppose that even after a demonstration of public opinion in the election of a new Assembly the Upper House did not give way, every one will know that according to the present bill within, at the utmost, two years, one-fourth of the Elective Members must return to their constituents, and that an infusion of public opinion would then probably turn the scale or swell the ranks of the minority. At any rate the delay and discussion requisite for the formation of a deliberate judgment would have been secured.

31. I know well, Sir, that in all such arguments as this, the practical objection is—"men's tempers excited by political controversy and stimulated by interest, may sometimes not allow such provisions as these to work themselves out in practice, uproar and riot may cut the knot before the experiment is fairly tried by the regular modification of this Elective Council."

32. I cannot answer the objection derived from this contingency. I admit that it has some weight, but in all constitutional arrangements, if one or both parties are determined to bring about a conflict and obstinately abide each by their own views, no prudence can steer the vessel. Any measure like the present is an experiment, and all we can do is to diminish the action of motives likely to provoke such a conflict. We must give such credit to the practical good sense of men trained in Constitutional Government, as to believe that they will rather avoid than seek opportunities for desperate experiments, and the display of unbending obstinacy. The absence of the power to dissolve has at least the merit of keeping the Crown and its Representative out of the quarrel between the two Houses.

33. I come now to a point which I know will be much canvassed, and I am far from saying that I consider the present measure faultless with regard to it. It will be seen that the constituents by whom the Legislative Council is to be elected are the same as those empowered to choose the Legislative Assembly, distributed in a different manner, and in larger districts.

34. I need not repeat the arguments in favour of different constituencies. But in support of the same constituents for both Houses may be urged the following considerations: If the Council were elected by persons with a higher qualification or one different in kind, such as was proposed in the Report of the Committee of the Privy Council approved in 1850, the Government after a dissolution would again be exposed to the same risk of a "dead lock" with the additional difficulty of a pretext for depreciating the value of an appeal to the people by dissolution of the Legislative Council. It would be asserted that this constituency of the Council was too limited or was of such a character as deprived it of its claim to represent the popular will—that a dissolution of the Legislative Council was therefore no appeal to the people properly so called, but an appeal to a constituency of a different kind and of less weight. The conflict would, if obsti-

nately persisted in, become one of classes of the community rather than of two Houses of Parliament. What do we seek in the Elective Legislative Council?— a popular basis for the second Chamber which will sustain it in a conflict with the Assembly.

35. Now it is obvious that the currency of such an objection to the class character of its constituency must destroy much of the benefit sought to be obtained by popular election of the Council. It must be remembered that the power of resistance is only required in cases of difficulty, and pressure from without. This consideration constitutes in my mind the chief obstacle to adopting any system of election of the Council by a Constituency made up of persons who had previously served certain elective offices whether municipal or otherwise. A man might plausibly allege "I thought such an individual a fit and proper person for Reeve of a Township or School Trustee; but I do not therefore think him a proper man to be one of a small number entrusted with the choice of Legislative Councillors." The fitness for one set of functions in no wise implies fitness for the other except so far as general intelligence is concerned; and political opinions, not general intelligence, might be the main qualification to which a constituency would wish to look in electing members of the Legislative Council on a particular occasion. If the people disavowed a select constituency the value of election by that constituency would be lost.

36. These objections, such as they are, may be worth little, and I believe it to be possible to frame a system of double election by the people themselves more likely than the present scheme to produce a really good Council. But I do not hesitate to affirm that any election of the Legislative Council to be really effectual for good, whether double or single, must ultimately be based on a constituency as wide and popular in its character as that which elects the Assembly. Without this condition I do not see how the desired object of balancing the Assembly by the Council in cases of difficulty and popular excitement can ever be attained.

37. In conclusion therefore, I have to recommend that the enclosed Bill may be approved by Her Most Gracious Majesty, not because I believe it to be the best measure in the abstract, but because it is the best measure accessible to us under existing circumstances, and because it embodies the results of full and complete consideration of the subject by the Canadian Parliament.

I desire to call particular attention to the fact, that, by the 8th Section to the Bill, unless the Royal assent be notified in *Canada* a sufficient time before the 1st of September next, the first election of Legislative Councillors will necessarily be postponed till 1857. The 1st of September is the latest day on which the necessary writs can issue.

I have &c.,

(Signed)

EDMUND HEAD.

THIRD SESSION OF THE THIRD PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT, 1850.

May.....	14—21.	June.....	10—11.	July.....	2—16.	July.....	24—12.
Do	15—18.	Do	11—10.	Do	3—14.	Do	25—12.
Do	16—20.	Do	12—11.	Do	4—14.	Do	26—12.
Do	17—18.	Do	13—10.	Do	5—15.	Do	27—13.
Do	20—10.	Do	14—10.	Do	8—13.	Do	29—13.
Do	21—10.	Do	17—14.	Do	9—14.	Do	30—11.
Do	22—11.	Do	18—22.	Do	10—16.	Do	31—11.
Do	23—10.	Do	19—15.	Do	11—13.	August..	1—13.
Do	27—11.	Do	20—17.	Do	12—14.	Do	2—12.
Do	28—16.	Do	21—16.	Do	15—12.	Do	3—11.
Do	29—12.	Do	24—14.	Do	16—11.	Do	5—10.
Do	31—10.	Do	25—11.	Do	17—10.	Do	6—11.
June....	3—12.	Do	26—16.	Do	18—12.	Do	7—12.
Do	4—11.	Do	27—16.	Do	19—12.	Do	8—11.
Do	5—11.	Do	28—14.	Do	22—12.	Do	9—11.
Do	6—11.	July....	1—12.	Do	23—12.	Do	10—16.

FOURTH SESSION OF THE THIRD PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT, 1851.

May... ..	20—18.	June.....	17—11.	July.....	15—12.	August..	8—10.
Do	21—11.	Do	18—10.	Do	16—14.	Do	11—14.
Do	22—16.	Do	20—14.	Do	17—13.	Do	12—13.
Do	23—13.	Do	23—14.	Do	18—12.	Do	13—14.
Do	26—12.	Do	24—14.	Do	21—11.	Do	14—13.
Do	27—12.	Do	25—10.	Do	22—10.	Do	15—10.
Do	28—16.	Do	26—12.	Do	23—10.	Do	16—12.
Do	30—16.	Do	27—10.	Do	24—12.	Do	18—12.
June... ..	2—14.	Do	30—10.	Do	25—11.	Do	19—11.
Do	3—14.	July... ..	1—8.	Do	28—12.	Do	20—14.
Do	4—12.	Do	2—13.	Do	29—13.	Do	21—14.
Do	5—14.	Do	3—10.	Do	30—12.	Do	22—13.
Do	6—13.	Do	4—11.	Do	31—11.	Do	23—12.
Do	9—11.	Do	7—13.	August..	1—11.	Do	25—13.
Do	10—10.	Do	8—15.	Do	2—12.	Do	26—14.
Do	11—10.	Do	9—12.	Do	4—10.	Do	27—13.
Do	12—12.	Do	10—15.	Do	5—13.	Do	28—12.
Do	13—12.	Do	11—12.	Do	6—12.	Do	29—10.
Do	16—12.	Do	14—10.	Do	7—10.	Do	30—11.

FIRST SESSION OF THE FOURTH PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT, 1852—3.

August..	19—12.	Sept....	2—6.	Sept.....	16—10.	Sept.....	29—8.
Do	20—11.	Do	3—10.	Do	17—10.	Do	30—5.
Do	23—12.	Do	6—11.	Do	20—9.	Oct....	1—7.
Do	24—10.	Do	7—12.	Do	21—7.	Do	2—1.
Do	25—10.	Do	8—10.	Do	22—6.	Do	4—6.
Do	26—10.	Do	9—9.	Do	23—10.	Do	5—12.
Do	27—11.	Do	10—14.	Do	24—7.	Do	6—11.
Do	30—10.	Do	13—9.	Do	25—3.	Do	7—13.
Do	31—10.	Do	14—9.	Do	27—8.	Do	8—11.
Sept....	1—10.	Do	15—12.	Do	28—7.	Do	11—12.

FIRST SESSION OF THE FOURTH PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT, 1852.—(Continuation.)

Oct.... 12—10.	Feb... 17— 7.	March.. 30—13.	May.... 10—16.
Do 13— 8.	Do 18— 7.	Do 31—14.	Do 11—18.
Do 14—11.	Do 19— 3.	April ... 1—11.	Do 12—13.
Do 15—10.	Do 21— 9.	Do 4—14.	Do 13—15.
Do 18—29.	Do 22— 8.	Do 5—12.	Do 16—14.
Do 19—19.	Do 23— 8.	Do 6—14.	Do 17—12.
Do 20—14.	Do 24—10.	Do 7—12.	Do 18—11.
Do 21—12.	Do 25—10.	Do 8—14.	Do 19—15.
Do 22—15.	Do 28—11.	Do 11—13.	Do 20—14.
Do 25—13.	March... 1—10.	Do 12—12.	Do 23—28.
Do 26—15.	Do 2—11.	Do 13—15.	Do 25—35.
Do 27—10.	Do 3—10.	Do 14—13.	Do 27—26.
Do 28—12.	Do 4—11.	Do 15—11.	Do 28—20.
Do 29—11.	Do 7—10.	Do 18—13.	Do 30—20.
Do 30—11.	Do 8—10.	Do 19—14.	Do 31—13.
Nov.... 2— 7.	Do 9—12.	Do 20—12.	June.... 1—13.
Do 3—10.	Do 10—12.	Do 21—13.	Do 2—15.
Do 4—10.	Do 11—13.	Do 22—10.	Do 3—15.
Do 5—11.	Do 14—13.	Do 25—12.	Do 4—13.
Do 6—10.	Do 15—13.	Do 26—11.	Do 6—15.
Do 8—11.	Do 16—13.	Do 27—10.	Do 7—14.
Do 9—12.	Do 17—15.	Do 28—11.	Do 8—13.
Do 10—10.	Do 18—13.	Do 29—11.	Do 9—17.
1853,	Do 21—16.	May.... 2—18.	Do 10—17.
Feb... 14— 7.	Do 22—16,	Do 3—26.	Do 11—18.
Do 15— 8.	Do 23—15.	Do 4—31.	Do 13—13.
Do 16— 8.	Do 24—15.	Do 6—22.	Do 14—12.
	Do 29—13.	Do 9—19.	

FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTH PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT, 1854-5.

Sept.... 5—13.	Oct.... 20—10.	Nov... 24—17.	Feb... 24— 4.
Do 6—13.	Do 23—11.	Do 25—18.	Do 26— 6.
Do 7—12.	Do 24—10.	Do 27—21.	Do 27— 6.
Do 8—13.	Do 25—10.	Do 28—21.	Do 28— 7.
Do 11—11.	Do 26—11.	Do 29—23.	March... 1— 7.
Do 12—14.	Do 27—11.	Do 30—18.	Do 2—11.
Do 13—10.	Do 30—12.	Dec.... 1—14.	Do 3—12.
Do 14—10.	Do 31—11.	Do 2—14.	Do 6—13.
Do 15—13.	Nov.... 2—12.	Do 4—14.	Do 7—16.
Do 19—10.	Do 3—10.	Do 5—17.	Do 8—15.
Do 20—11.	Do 6—11.	Do 6—16.	Do 9—14.
Do 21—11.	Do 7—11.	Do 7—15.	Do 12—16.
Do 22—10.	Do 8—11.	Do 9—18.	Do 13—17.
Do 23—10.	Do 9—14.	Do 11—16.	Do 14—16.
Do 28—12.	Do 10—14.	Do 12—13.	Do 15—18.
Do 29—12.	Do 13—14.	Do 13—10.	Do 16—17.
Oct.... 2—10.	Do 14—13.	Do 14—17.	Do 19—18.
Do 10—11.	Do 15—12.	Do 15—13.	Do 20—17.
Do 11—12.	Do 16—14.	Do 16—15.	Do 22—18.
Do 12—10.	Do 17—14.	Do 18—12.	Do 23—18.
Do 13—10.	Do 20—15.		Do 26—18.
Do 17— 8.	Do 21—20.	1855.	Do 27—17.
Do 18—11.	Do 22—22.		Do 28—18.
Do 19—10.	Do 23—23.	Feb... 23— 6	

ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING OF PARLIAMENT, FROM 13TH JUNE, 1854,
TO 22ND JUNE, 1854.

June....13—13.	June....16—16.	June..... 20—16.	June..... 22—19.
Do 14—15.	Do 19—16.	Do 21—18.	

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to secure to married women certain separate rights of property."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Wednesday, 4th March, 1857.

The Members convened, were:—

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIERE,
FERGUSON,
HAMILTON,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
QUESNEL,
MILLS,
SEYMOUR,

The Honorable Messieurs

ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS,
RENAUD,
DE LATERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

When the Honorable *Elzéar Henry Juchereau Duchesnay* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *Dionne and Quesnel*.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay* came to the Table and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law, which was administered by *John Fenning's Taylor*, Senior, Clerk of this House, and took his seat accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *Robert Taylor Raynes*, Captain in the Twenty-third Royal Welsh Fusileers, and *Elizabeth Raynes*, his wife, daughter of the late *Charles Bowman*, formerly of the City of *Montreal*

deceased, and *Henry Starnes* of the City of *Montreal*, and the Honorable *John, Simpson* of *Bowmanville*, praying for the passing of an Act to appoint Trustees for the purpose of effectually carrying out, for the benefit of the Legatees, the provisions of the Will of the said *Charles Bowman* now deceased.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dionne* presented to the House, a statement of the affairs of the *St. Lawrence* and Village of *Industry* Railroad for the year ending 31st December, 1856.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Dionne* presented a Petition from His Lordship the Bishop of *Three-Rivers* and others, praying that measures may be taken for making known in *Europe*, the advantages of the Valley of the *Saint Maurice* as a placed of settlement for Emigrants.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* presented a Petition from *John E. Brooke* and others of the County of *Kent*—also a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*, severally praying that a Light House may be erected at the *Rondeau* Harbour—also two Petitions from the said Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*—praying that no Petition having for its object to erect a new County from Townships now forming parts of the County of *Kent* may be favorably entertained—and also praying for certain alterations in the Law, which regulates the clearances of Timber at the Port of *Quebec*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Return of the Bonds and Securities recorded between the 14th February, 1856, and the 26th February, 1857, prepared in compliance with the 15th Section, 4th and 5th Vic., cap. 91.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* presented a Petition from *William Elliott* and others of the Township of *Clarke*, praying that no alteration may be made or new Survey ordered of the Line between the seventh and eighth Concessions of the said Township.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Masson* presented a Petition from *Léandre Myrand* and others, Pilots for and above the Harbour of *Quebec*, praying for certain amendments to the Act 12th Victoria, chapter 117—and also a Petition from the President and Secretary on behalf of the Mechanics' Institute and Library Association of the Village of *Industry*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* presented a Petition from the *Montreal* Asylum for aged and infirm women, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière* presented a Petition from *Frédéric Tremblay* of the Parish of *St. Irénée*, praying to be indemnified for losses incurred by him in the year 1819 as contractor for the opening of a road between the Parishes of *St. Paul's Bay* and *St. Joachim*—also a Petition from *Flavien Vallerand* of *Toronto*, praying that measures may be adopted to enable him to recover his claim against the Council of the Municipal District of *Richelieu*—and also a Petition from *Jean Savard* and others of the County of *Charlevoix*, praying for a grant of £1,000 towards the construction of a Wharf in the Harbour of *St. Irénée*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Wentworth*—and also a Petition from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *York* and *Peel*, severally praying for alterations in the Laws regulating Statute Labour.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*, praying for the repeal of all Acts authorizing the establishment of Sectarian Schools—and also a Petition from *Richard Ollard* of *Ingersoll*, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize him to practice as an Attorney and Solicitor in the Courts of Queen's Bench and Chancery in this Province.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of Glebe Lot number twenty-nine in the second Concession of the Township of *Edwardsburgh* to sell and convey the East half of said Lot originally granted in trust as an endowment, or Glebe, for the Presbyterian Church in the Town of *Brockville* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, and for other purposes."

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 to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Courts of Chancery, Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, respectively, to admit certain persons to practice in such Courts.

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. *Boulton* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to increase the rate of interest in this Province."

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. *de La Terrière* presented a petition from *Joseph H. Boswell* and others of *St. Roch's*—and also a Petition from *John Linfesty* and others of *St. Roch's* aforesaid, severally praying for the passing of an Act for the protection of Salmon and Salmon Trout Fisheries.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the Report of the Bursar of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum of *Toronto* for the year 1856.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, That the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong* be added to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*,

That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a copy of the instructions given by His Excellency to the Honorable Chief Justice *Draper* respecting the mission with which he has been charged, as also any other documents or despatches which have passed between the Imperial and the *Canadian* Government respecting the Hudson's Bay Company and the renewal of their Charter.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Murney* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*,

That an humble and dutiful Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen, praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to permit the Legislative Council of *Canada* to express its opinion at the foot of the Throne and with Her Majesty's sanction before the Imperial Parliament, of the vital importance to the future prosperity of *Canada*, as forming a part of the British Empire and identified with its best interests, that no decision respecting the renewal of the Charter of the Hudson's Bay Company, or as to a continuance of the privileges exercised by the North West Company, be concluded until such representations shall have been respectfully submitted to Her Majesty and the Imperial Parliament.

After a long Debate, it was

Ordered, That the further consideration of the said motion be postponed until this day fortnight.

The Order of the Day being read for moving pursuant to notice,

That in future the Clerk of this House discontinue reading the minutes of its proceedings; and that any corrections of importance required in the Journals be submitted by him to the Committee on the Journals previous to such alteration, and that all the proceedings of this House be daily printed in the same manner and form as in the other Branch of the Legislature under the authority and revision of the Clerk, and the same to be in the hands of Members at the earliest possible hour of the ensuing day,—it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged.

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

Thursday, 5th March, 1857.

The Members convened were

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
QUESNEL,
MILLS,
SEYMOUR.

The Honorable Messieurs

ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
MURNEY,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* presented a Petition from *John Macara* of the Township of *London* in the County of *Middlesex*, praying that a certain original allowance for road between Lots No. 17 in the 4th Concession and No. 17 in the Fifth Concession of the said Township may be vested in him.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* presented three Petitions from the Municipal Council of the County of *Wentworth*, praying that all Cities may be compelled to provide gaol accommodation for their own Criminals—also praying that the charge for the administration of Criminal Justice in *Upper Canada* may be defrayed as in *Lower Canada* out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund—and also praying for the passing of a Law to authorize Municipalities which may take stock in Railway Companies to vote at the Election of Directors according to the amount of stock subscribed.

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 *Grantham*, praying that authority may be given to the Municipal Councils, or to the Inhabitants generally of the County of *Lincoln*, to select a new site for the County Town—also four Petitions from the Municipal Council of the County of *Lincoln*, praying for certain amendments to the Laws relating to Statute Labour—also praying that the expenses for the administration of Criminal Justice in *Upper Canada* may be defrayed as in *Lower Canada* out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund—also praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Act of 1852—and also praying that authority may be given to the

Municipal Councils, or the *rate-payers* generally of the said County of *Lincoln* to select a new site for the County Town.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Masson* presented a Petition from *Archibald Campbell* and others of the City of *Quebec*, praying for the passing of an Act for the protection of Salmon and Salmon Trout Fisheries—also a Petition from *James H. Phillips* and others, Members of the British American Friendly Society of *Canada*, praying for the passing of an Act to amend their Charter—and also a Petition from *George M. Bradford* and others of the Township of *Chatham*, in the County of *Argenteuil*, praying that a third, or verification Survey, may be made of the Line between the Fourth and Fifth Ranges of the said Township.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Cartier* presented a Petition from *Daniel Capistran* and others having a right of Common in the *du Moine* and *des Barques*, in the Seigniorship of *Yamaska*, praying for the passing of an Act of Incorporation of the Proprietors of the said Common.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Clark*, praying against the passing of any measure having for its object to disturb the present survey of the eighth Concession Line of the said Township.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House 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, 5th March, 1857.

The Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the present Session, upon the references made to them, on the 26th ultimo and third instant, of the Petitions from the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod and the Sergeant at Arms, beg leave to report that it does not appear to them to be advisable that any change should be made at this time in those branches of the internal economy of this House which form the subject matter of these Petitions; and they therefore recommend to Your Honorable House that the existing arrangements, in virtue of which the Head Messenger and Housekeeper, with his Assistant, are held responsible for the care of the buildings and the due supervision of the Messengers, under the direction and control of the Speaker and the Clerk, be allowed to remain undisturbed for the present.

And upon the reference made to Your Committee, on the third instant of the Petition from *Alexander Duncan Macdougall*, Esquire, praying to be appointed to any office in the gift of Your Honorable House that may be created, they beg leave to report that inasmuch as they are not of opinion that there is any necessity

at present for the creation of any additional office or the appointment of any additional officer, in the service of Your Honorable House, they cannot recommend that the said Petition be entertained.

All which is respectfully submitted,

P. H. MOORE, *Chairman.*

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore* seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered, That the said report be taken into consideration by the House on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Act of 1856 extending the provisions of the Insolvent Debtors Act of *Upper Canada*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

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

Friday, 6th March, 1857.

The Members convened, were :—

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUELÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
QUESNEL,
MILLS,
SEYMOUR,

The Honorable Messieurs

ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
CARTIER,
HARMANNUS SMITH,
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIERE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *Henry Edward Bennett* of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of a Bill to admit him to practice as an Attorney and Solicitor in the several Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Petition from *William Robert Mingaye of Kingston*, praying for the passing of an Act to admit him to practice as an Attorney and Solicitor in the several Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dionne* presented a Petition from *François Boucher* and others Co-Proprietors of the Common of *Maskinongé*, praying for certain amendments to the Act 16th Vict., Cap. 237.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* presented two Petitions from the Mayor and Town Council of *St. Hyacinthe*, praying for pecuniary aid to the *Communauté des Filles de la charité à l'Hôtel Dieu de St. Hyacinthe*:—and also praying for a new Act of Incorporation for the said Town of *St. Hyacinthe*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* presented a Petition from *Robert Armour* and others of the Village of *Bowmanville*, praying that the said Village may be incorporated as a Town,—and also a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Clarke*, praying against the adoption of any measure having for its object to separate for Judicial purposes, the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Seymour* presented a Petition from *B. Rowe* and others of the Town of *Milton*—also a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Halton*, severally praying that the said Town of *Milton*, may be incorporated as a Town,—and also a Petition from *John Barclay* and other of *Oakville*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the said Town of *Oakville*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *Edmund Perry* and others of *Elizabethtown*, praying that certain amendments may be made to the Railway Clauses Consolidation Law.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* presented three Petitions from the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*, praying for certain amendments in the Assessment Act, and in the Laws which regulate Statute Labour—also praying that a Canal may be constructed from the mouth of *JeauNETTS Creek* on the River *Thames* to *Two Creeks* on Lake *Erie*—and also praying that Municipalities taking Stock in Railway Companies may vote at the election of Directors, according to the amount of Stock subscribed.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* presented two Petitions from the *Toronto* Board of Trade, praying that measures may be adopted to make free the navigation, in conjunction with the *United States*, of all our lakes and Rivers—and also praying that the Usury Laws may be repealed or modified.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *T. Robinson* and others, Municipal Councillors of the Municipality of the Township of *Shefford*—and also a petition from *Joseph Roussin* and others, Municipal Councillors of the Township of *Ely*, severally praying for the passing of An Act to erect the Counties of *Shefford*, *Missisquoi* and *Brome* into an independent Judicial District.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Nichol*, praying that the original road allowance between Lots Nos. five and six in the ninth Concession of the said Township be vested in *John Mutrie*, as compensation for the new road granted by him.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the Report of the Medical Superintendent on the State of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum at *Toronto*.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* presented to the House a Bill intituled “An Act to enable *Charles Lockey Beard* to practice as a Provincial Land Surveyor.” The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

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

The Honorable Messieurs *de Boucherville* and *Murney* enter.

Pursuant to the Fourth Standing Order, the House was called.

The Honorable

ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker	Present.
PETER BOYLE DE BLAQUIÈRE	Present.
PETER MCGILL	Absent.
RENÉ E. CARON	Absent.
WILLIAM MORRIS	Absent.
JAMES BROOKS	Absent.
ADAM FERGUSON	Present.
JOHN MACAULAY	Absent.
JOHN HAMILTON	Present.
ADAM FERRIE	Present.
PAUL H. KNOWLTON	Absent.
PHILIP H. MOORE	Present.
JOSEPH DIONNE	Present.
GEORGE J. GODDARD	Absent.
WILLIAM WALKER	Absent.
CHRISTOPHER WIDMER	Present.
P. BOUCHER DE BOUCHERVILLE	Present.
JAMES MORRIS	Present.
JAMES GORDON	Absent.
HAMMILL PENNEY	Absent.
JAMES FERRIE	Present.

RODERICK MATHESON.....	Present.
GEORGE S. BOULTON.....	Present.
DENIS B. VIGER	Absent.
JAMES LESLIE.....	Absent.
FREDERICK A. QUESNEL	Present.
JOSEPH BOURRET.....	Absent.
GEORGE SAVEUSE DE BEAUJEU.....	Absent.
JOHN ROSS	Absent.
LOUIS METHOT.....	Absent.
SAMUEL CRANE.....	Absent.
SAMUEL MILLS	Present.
LOUIS PANET.....	Absent.
NARCISSE FRANÇOIS BELLEAU	Absent.
CHARLES WILSON.....	Absent.
BENJAMIN SEYMOUR.....	Present.
DAVID M. ARMSTRONG.....	Present.
EBENEZER PERRY	Present.
EUSÈBE CARTIER.....	Present.
WALTER H. DICKSON.....	Absent.
HARMANNUS SMITH.....	Present.
LOUIS RENAUD.....	Present.
MARCO PASCAL DE SALES DE LATERRIÈRE ..	Present.
ELZÈAR H. J. DUCHESNAY.....	Present.
J. C. EDOUARD MASSON.....	Present.
JOHN SIMPSON	Present.
PHILIP M. M. S. VANKOUGHNET.....	Present.
LOUIS A. DESSAULLES.....	Present.
JAMES PATTON	Present.
EDMUND MURNEY	Present.
JOHN PRINCE.....	Present.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Committee Room, 6th March, 1857.

The 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 of this House that the Honorable *Joseph Ovide Turgeon* has departed this life since the last Session, and that the Honorable *René Edouard Caron* and *Louis Methot*, Legislative Councillors, appear to have vacated their seats by failing for two successive Sessions of the Legislature of this Province to give their attendance in this House, without the permission of Her Majesty or of the Governor of this Province, signified by the said Governor to this House.

All which is respectfully submitted,

E. P. TACHÉ, *Chairman.*

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General informing His Excellency that this House has resolved that the Honorable *René E Caron*, and the Honorable *Louis Methot*, Legislative Councillors, appear to have vacated their Seats by failing for two successive Sessions of the Legislature of this Province to give their attendance in this House, without the permission of Her Majesty, or of the Governor of this Province signified by the said Governor to this House.

The question of concurrence being put thereon the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* presented a Petition from the Superior and Sisters of the Order of our Lady *Loretto* in the City of *Toronto*, praying for an Act of incorporation.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

Pursuant to notice, it was

Moved by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Quesnel*,

That in order to afford better accommodation to the Members lately elected to this House, it is directed that at the ordinary sittings of the Council, the Members generally may take their seats wherever it may be most convenient for them in such places as may be vacant at the time of their entering into the Council Chamber.

The question of concurrence being put thereon,

The same was unanimously resolved in the affirmative.

Pursuant to notice, it was

Moved by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*,

That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying His Excellency will be pleased to obtain an opinion from the Law Officers of the Imperial Government, in such manner as His Excellency may deem proper; for the information and guidance of this House, whether under the Act of Union of the Provinces of *Canada*, 3rd and 4th Victoria, Article 9 and 10, the Speaker of this House has a right to vote as a Member thereof whilst acting as such Speaker, and if not, whether he has such right when not in the Chair in a Committee of the whole House.

After Debate,

The said motion was by leave of the House withdrawn.

Pursuant to notice, it was

Moved by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*,

That the following words be added to the forty-eighth Standing Order of this House: "a violation of the rights of this House as a co-ordinate and equal Branch of the Legislature, and therefore such Bill may not be read a second time."

"That the construction of this Standing Order be in strict accordance with the Resolution of the House of Lords, dated December 9th, 1702."

"And that this Standing Order may not be suspended, altered or rescinded."

After Debate, it was

Ordered, That the further consideration of the said motion be postponed until Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè* to move pursuant to notice,

That it is highly unconstitutional and dangerous to the security of deliberate Legislation to permit any Act or Resolution of this House legitimately carried to be afterwards expunged from its Journals or set aside, or suspended, or altered, and therefore it may not be done.

The same was discharged.

Pursuant to notice, it was

Moved by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè* seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*,

That in future the Clerk of this House discontinue reading the minutes of its proceedings, and that any corrections of importance required in the Journals be submitted by him to the Committee on the Journal previous to such alteration. And that all the proceedings of this House be daily printed in the same manner and form as in the other Branch of the Legislature under the authority and revision of the Clerk, and the same to be in the hands of Members at the earliest possible hour of the ensuing day.

After Debate, it was

Moved in amendment by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*,

That the subject of this motion be referred to a select Committee of this House, to consider and report thereon, and that the said Committee be composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Moore, de Blaquièrè, Patton, Armstrong, Dessaulles Simpson* and the mover.

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 Income of *Jesuit's Estates* in conformity with the fifth Section of the Act to provide for the making of certain Annual Returns to Government.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *C. W. Jones* and others of the District of *Montreal*, praying for the passing of an Act of Incorporation to enable them to construct a macadamized road from the Village of *St. Athanase*,

opposite *St. John's* to *Jones' Mills* at the outlet of *Brome Lake*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

Ordered, That when the House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned until Monday next.

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

Monday, 9th of March, 1857.

The Members convened, were :—

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,

HAMILTON,

FERRIE,

MOORE,

DIONNE,

FERRIERE,

MATHESON,

ROSS,

MILLS,

SEYMOUR,

ARMSTRONG,

The Honorable Messieurs

CARTIER,

HARMANNUS SMITH,

RENAUD,

DE LA TERRIÈRE

DUCHESNAY,

MASSON,

VANKOUGHNET,

PATTON,

MURNEY,

PRINCE,

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* presented a Petition from *John Salt* of *Toronto*, praying for certain amendments to the Bankrupt Laws, and that he may be heard by Counsel, and his rights and the peculiar hardships of his case presented to the House.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Renard* presented a Petition from *R. B. Somerville* and others of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostome de Russelltown*, and the Parish of *St. Malichi d'Ormstown* in the County of *Chateauguay* praying that a new Parish may be erected to be called the Parish of *Russelltown*—and also a Petition from *William Barritt* and others, residents of the Western part of the Township of *Hemmingford* in the County of *Huntingdon*, praying for the erection of a new Township to be called the Township of "*West Hemmingford*."

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Masson* presented a Petition from the Mechanics' Institute and Library Association of the Village of *St. Felix de Valois*, praying for pecuniary aid—and also a Petition from the Reverend *A. D. Lockhart* and others of the Parish of *St. Lin* in the County of *Leinster*, praying that consideration and

relief may be afforded to *Solomon Cochrane* who was seriously wounded while attempting to arrest *John Kearney* and another under charge for an assault.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *deLaTerrière*, presented a Petition from *Joseph Gingras*, and others interested in the Common of *Maskinongé*, praying that no alterations may be made to the Act, 16th Vic, Cap 237.

The Honorable the Speaker presented a Petition from *Pierre Bouchard* of the Parish of *Saint Vallier* in the County of *Bellechasse*, praying for a pension for services rendered as a Militia Officer during the War of 1812—also two Petitions from the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of *St. Catharines*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable the Municipal Electors of the County of *Lincoln* to select a new place for the County Town—and also praying for the passing of an Act to secure the construction of Water Works in the said Town of *St. Catharines*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* presented to the House a Bill intituled “An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled “An Act to change the Constitution of the Legislative Council by rendering the same Elective,” and for other purposes.”

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *George R. Robertson* and others of the Town of *Sherbrooke*, praying that no authority may be granted to the Municipal Council of the said Town to Loan Debentures for the purpose of erecting a Cotton Factory therein—and also a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Townships of *Dudswall* and *Weedon*, in the County of *Wolfe*, praying for aid to improve the Road leading from the said Townships to the Town of *Sherbrooke* aforesaid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “An Act to authorize the Courts of Chancery, Queen’s Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada* respectively, to admit certain persons to practice in such Courts,”—it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged until this day fortnight.

Pursuant to notice, it was

Moved by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*,

That with the view of consulting the conveniences of Honorable Members, and of affording greater facilities for the despatch of public business, it is desirable that Desks should be provided for the use of Members:—and that it be referred to the Contingent Committee to take such steps as they may deem necessary for giving effect to the directions of this Honorable House.

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

The House according to Order proceeded to the consideration of the first 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 by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*,

That the said Report be adopted.

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 the Municipal Returns for *Lower Canada*.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers*.)

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

Tuesday, 10th March, 1857.

The Members convened, were :—

The Honorable ETTIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
CROOKS,
FERGUSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
ROSS,
MILLS,

The Honorable Messieurs

WILSON,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
CARTIER,
HARMANNUS SMITH,
RENAUD,
DE LATERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
MURNEY,
PRINCE,

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Gordon* presented a Petition from the Female Orphan Asylum of *Quebec*, praying for pecuniary aid—and also a Petition from the Male Orphan Asylum of *Quebec* in connection with the Church of *England*, praying that their Annual Grant may be increased.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from the Corporation of the *Institution Littéraire* of *Sherbrooke*, praying for aid—and also a Petition from

Jane Freleigh of *Freighsburg*, praying that the proceeds of her Father's property, the late *B. Van Vleet Freleigh*, be applied towards the erection and endowment of an Academy or Grammar School.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from the Municipality of the Village of *Kemptville*, praying for the passing of an Act to remove certain doubts in regard to the legality of the Election of the present Members of the Municipal Council of the said Village—and also a Petition from *George Nichols* of the City of *Toronto*, praying that some opportunity may be afforded to him of disproveing the evidence under which he has been convicted of wilful and corrupt perjury.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Masson* presented a Petition from *O. L. Robitailles* and others of the *Caisse d'Économie Notre Dame de Québec*, praying for authority to hold and acquire real estate—and also a Petition from the Canadian Institute of the Parish of *Belle Rivière* in the County of *Two Mountains* at praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented a Petition from the Corporation of *Bytown* College, praying for pecuniary aid—and also a Petition from *E. H. Whitmarsly* and others of Townships of *Wolford*, *Oxford* and *Montague*, praying for a grant towards the erection of a Bridge over the *Rideau* Canal, at *Nicholson's* Lock.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Haldimand*, praying for certain alterations in the Laws which regulate Statute Labour—also two Petitions from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Whitby*, praying that certain Road allowances may be vested in them—and also praying that the said Township may not be divided into separate Municipalities, but that the Petition from the County Council of *Ontario*, praying for an increase of representation in the County Councils may be granted.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* presented a Petition from *Jean Baptiste Poirier* and others of the Parish of *Notre Dame des Anges*, in the County of *Rowville*, praying for certain amendments to the Act 16th Vic., cap. 151, for enlarging the Representation of the People of this Province in Parliament.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from *James Grant* and others of *Port Hope*, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize them to execute Deeds for the sale of certain Lands therein mentioned.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière* presented a Petition from the Reverend *F. A. Oliva* and others of the County of *Gaspé*, praying for a grant of £2,000 towards the opening of a Road from *Cap Rosiers* to *St. Anne des Monts*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Return to an Address from this House to His Excellency the Governor General, relative to the

instructions given by His Excellency to the Honorable Mr. Chief Justice *Draper* respecting the Mission with which he has been charged, and also the Documents and Despatches which have passed between the Imperial and the Canadian Governments respecting the *Hudson's Bay Company* and the renewal of their Charter.

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

(*Vide Appendix No. 2.*)

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That the said Return be printed for the use of Members.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Statement of the affairs of the Provident Life Assurance and Investment Company made up to the 31st day of August, 1856, as required by the Act of Incorporation.

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 Receipt and Expenditure of the *St. Lawrence Railroad Company* for 1856.

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 Letter from *Bennet Woodcroft*, Esq., Superintendent of Patent Specifications, London, in acknowledgment of the Resolution of the 5th May, 1856, conveying the thanks of both Houses for the valuable assistance afforded by that gentleman towards the reconstruction of the Library of Parliament—and also a Letter from the Right Honorable the Lord Chancellor in acknowledgment of the Resolution of the 5th May, 1856, conveying the thanks of both Branches of the Provincial Legislature to the Houses of Lords and Commons for their contributions towards the Library of Parliament.

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

GREAT SEAL PATENT OFFICE,
London, 22nd July, 1856.

GENTLEMEN,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Joint Letter of the 30th June last, enclosing a copy of a resolution adopted by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly in reference to the donation received in aid of the Library of Parliament.

For the honor thus conferred on me by the Canadian Parliament as well as for the very courteous terms in which you have been pleased to make the communication, I beg to present my grateful acknowledgements; assuring you at the same time of the great satisfaction it will afford the Commissioners of Patents to learn that their Donation is appreciated by your Legislature. Permit me in justice to Mr. Todd to express my sense of how much of that gentleman's success in Europe was due to his own amiable manners, tact and enterprise.

I avail myself of the present opportunity to solicit for the free Public Library attached to this Office, copies of any Publications at the disposal of the Canadian Legislature, especially of all Legislative Acts relating to Patents for Inventions. Also if possible lists of all Patents heretofore granted in Canada, and a weekly continuation of such lists for publication in the Commissioner's of Patents Journal.

I have the honor to be Gentlemen,

Your faithful and obedient servant,

B. WOODCROFT.

To E. P. TACHE, Esq.,

Speaker Legislative Council, and

L. V. SICOTTE, Speaker Legislative Assembly, Canada.

HOUSE OF LORDS, 26th July, 1856.

GENTLEMEN.—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th June enclosing resolutions adopted by the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of *Canada* with reference to the recent donation by the House of Lords and Commons of Journals and Parliamentary Papers to the Joint Library of the Parliament of *Canada*. I am glad to find that these Papers have reached *Canada* safely and are likely to prove useful.

I have the honor to be, gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant,

CRANWORTH C.

The Honorable

The Speaker of the Legislative Council, and
The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of Canada.

The Honorable the Speaker presented two Petitions from the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Lamark* and *Renfrew*, praying that more prompt and energetic measures may be at once adopted to secure possession of the Territory called the *Hudson's Bay Territory*, and that the boundary between it and the *United States* may be permanently established—and also praying for certain amendments in the Laws which regulate Statute Labour.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè*, That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ross*, *Vankoughnet*, *J. Morris*, *Dessaulles*, and the Mover, be appointed to assist His Honor the Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned, and to act in behalf of this House as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses.

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè*,

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

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 for the protection of Fisheries in *Upper Canada*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to increase the rate of interest in this Province," it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged until this day week.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled

"An Act to repeal the Act of 1856, extending the provisions of the Insolvent Debtor's Act of *Upper Canada*," it was
Ordered, That the same be discharged.

The Order of the Day being read for the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* to move, pursuant to notice—

First.—That the interests of *Canada* require that the Seat of the Provincial Government should be fixed at some certain place.

Second.—That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen praying that she may be graciously pleased to exercise her Royal Prerogative by the selection of some one place for the permanent Seat of Government in *Canada*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged until Thursday next.

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

Wednesday, 11th March, 1857.

The Members convened were

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
CROOKS,
FERGUSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRÉ,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
de BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
MILLS,
WILSON,

The Honorable Messieurs

SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
CAITIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
MURNEY,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* 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. *Harmannus Smith* presented a Petition from *Frederick Thomas Wilkes*, late of *Brantford*, now of *Derby* in the County of *Grey*, praying for the passing of an Act to vest in him a certain allowance for road between the West part of Lot Number Two in the *Eagles Nest*, Township of *Brantford*, for other land which he has surrendered, for the like purpose, in a more eligible situation.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* presented a Petition from the Canadian Institute of *St. Hyacinthe*, praying for pecuniary aid—and also a Petition from *Matthew Fournier* and others of *St. Hyacinthe*, praying for the payment of the arrears of their pensions.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Stanley* in the County of *Huron*, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the construction of a Harbour at the entrance of the River *Bayfield*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Renard* presented a Petition from *Joseph Peré* of the Parish of *St. Joseph de la Rivières-des-Prairies* on the Island of *Montreal*, praying to be indemnified for a Public Bridge built by him under a contract with the Road Officers.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* presented a Petition from *Thomas Woodbridge* and others of the Town of *Sandwich*, praying for the passing of an Act to extend the limits of the said Town, and further that the said Town may be incorporated.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Masson* presented a Petition from *James Mitchell*, late a gunner at the *Bigutt* Station on the River *St. Lawrence*, praying for a pension—and also a Petition from *Marie Fitzbac*, President of the *Asile du bon Pasteur*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Murney* presented a Petition from *Frederick Preston Rubidge* a licensed Land Surveyor for *Upper Canada* and Assistant Engineer in the Department of Public Works, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the Board of Examiners for Land Surveyors in *Upper Canada*, to admit to the practise of the said profession in *Upper Canada* three of his pupils who have served a part of their apprenticeship in *Lower Canada*—also a Petition from *Charles Sangster* of *Kingston*, praying for aid to enable him to defray the expenses incurred in the publication of his work relating to the scenery of *Canada*—also a Petition from the Municipality of the Town of *Belleville*, praying for the construction of a Tram or Railroad from the said Town to the Iron Mines in *Madoc* and *Marmora*—and also a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Marmora*, praying that aid may be given for the purpose of constructing a Railway or Tram Road from the *Marmora* Iron Works to Lake *Ontario*, on the Bay of *Quinté*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Seymour* presented a petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Trafalgar*, praying for certain amendments to the Laws which regulate Statute Labour.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “An Act to secure to married women certain separate rights of Property,” 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 enable the Trustees of Glebe Lot, number twenty-nine, in the second Concession of the Township of *Edwardsburgh*, to sell and convey the East half of said Lot originally granted in trust as an endowment, or Glebe, for the Presbyterian Church in the Town of *Brockville*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, and for other purposes," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Hamilton*, *J. Morris* and *Vankoughnet*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to enable *Charles Locke Beard* to practice as a Provincial Land Surveyor."

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was

Resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *de Blaquière*, *Hamilton*, *J. Morris*, and *Prince*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* enters.

Pursuant to notice, it was

Moved by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*,

"That in the proceedings of this House in Committee, the Speaker has not any right to vote as a Member."

Which being objected to,

After a long Debate,

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

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>J. Morris,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>de Blaquière,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus,</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>	<i>Widmer.—12.</i>

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs.

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>de LaTerrière,</i>	<i>Dionne,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>de Boucherville,</i>	<i>Dessaulles,</i>	<i>Duchesnay,</i>

<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet,</i>
<i>Gordon,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Renaud,</i>	<i>Wilson.—19.</i>
<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>	

So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the Day being again read for the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè* to move, pursuant to notice,

That the following words be added to the forty-eighth Standing Order of this House: "a violation of the rights of this House as a co-ordinate and equal Branch of the Legislature, and therefore such Bill may not be read a second time."

"That the construction of this Standing Order be in strict accordance with the Resolution of the House of Lords dated December 9th, 1702."

"And that this Standing Order may not be suspended, altered or rescinded."

It was ordered that the same be discharged until Friday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Bowes* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, intituled "An Act to extend the provisions of the Insolvent Debtors Act of *Upper Canada*, and for the relief of a certain class of persons therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* rose in his place and informed the House that the Honorable *Hamnett Pinhey*, a Member thereof had lately departed this life.

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

Thursday, 12th March, 1857.

The Members convened, were:

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE.
MCGILL,
CROOKS,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
WIDMER,
DIONNE,
MOORE,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
MILLS,
WILSON,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,

The Honorable Messieurs

CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,

The Honorable Messieurs

VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
MURNEY.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaules* presented a Petition from *J. B. A. Simard* and others of the County of *Iberville*, praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada Municipal and Road Act of 1855*—also a Petition from the *Institute de St. George de Henryville*—and also a Petition from the *Canadian Institute of Iberville*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Perry* presented a Petition from *James Barnum*, of the Township of *Haldimand*, in the County of *Northumberland*, praying that a certain original allowance for Roads between Lot Twenty-six and Twenty-seven, in the first Concession of the said Township, may be vested in him, in consideration of his having surrendered land for the like use, in a more convenient portion of the said Lot No. 26—And also a Petition from *James Richardson* and others, praying to be incorporated under the name of the *Belleville Seminary*.

Ordered That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented a Petition from *A. T. Galt* and others, of *Sherbrooke*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate a Company in the said Town to manufacture cotton fabrics, and to authorize the Town Council thereof to loan a certain sum of money to the said Company—Also a Petition from *Joseph Marceau* and others, of the Township of *Winslow*, praying that the said Township may be divided for municipal purposes—And also a Petition from *Samuel Hoyt* and others, of *Magog*, in the County of *Stanstead*, praying that Wardens of County Councils may be empowered to vote in certain cases.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Cartier* presented a Petition from the *Mechanics' Institute of St. Hyacinthe*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable M. *Patton* presented a Petition from *John Symons* of *Toronto*; And also a Petition from *William Darley Pollard*, of *Collingwood*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the Courts of Law and Equity to admit them to practice as Attorney and Solicitor therein respectively.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented a Petition from the Honorable *John Hillyard Cameron* and others, praying to be incorporated as the "*Toronto Pressed Brick Company*"—Also a Petition from *la Communauté des Révérendes Sœurs de la Charité* at *Ottawa City*, praying for pecuniary aid—And also a Petition from the *St. Clair and Rond Eau Plank Road Company*, praying that certain Lands may be sold to them by the Government at a discretionary price, for the purpose of enabling them to complete the construction of their Road.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented a Petition from *Josiah Dixon Hayes* of *Cobourg*, an Insolvent Debtor, praying that the Bill to repeal the Insolvent Act of 1856 may not become Law without certain amendments to protect the rights of those parties who have already Petitioned the Insolvent Court.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Masson* presented a Petition from the *Hospice des Sœurs de la Charité* of *Quebec*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* presented a Petition from the *Toronto* Board of Trade, praying for pecuniary aid to complete the Survey of a Ship Canal between *Toronto* and the *Georgian Bay*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Messieurs *Ross*, *Renaud*, *Simpson* and *Duchesnay* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière* presented a Petition from *Randall Jones* of the Coast of *Labrador*, praying that measures may be adopted for the protection of Her Majesty's Subjects in the enjoyment of their Fisheries on that Coast.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Renaud* presented a Petition from the Mechanics' Institutes and Library Associations at *Sorel*, praying for pecuniary aid—and also a Petition from *F. Sabourin* and others of the Parish of *St. Michel Archange* in the County of *Napierville*, praying that all local Municipalities in *Lower Canada* may have power to form Mutual Associations for protection from loss by Fire.—Also a Petition from *Modeste Richer* and others of the Township of *St. Maurice*, praying for a reduction in the price of their Lots in that Township and to be relieved from the payment of the arrears of interest thereon—also a Petition from the Reverend *E. Blyth* and others of *Ste. Martine*, praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law,—and also a Petition from *C. McFee* and others of the Parish of *St. John Chrysostom* in the County of *Chateauguay*, in the District of *Montreal*, praying against the passing of any Act, to erect the tract of Lands known as *Russeltown* in the said County of *Chateauguay*, and part of *Hemingford* and *Hirchinbrooke*, in the County of *Huntingdon* into a separate Municipality.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Murray* presented a Petition from *René Kimber*, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, praying that he may be re-imbursed a certain amount received by the Clerk of the House from the Insurances Offices, on account of certain articles of Furniture, which belonged to him, and which were destroyed in the fire, which burned the Parliament House on the 1st February, 1854.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented a Petition from the President and Directors of the Bank of *Toronto*, praying for certain amendments to their charter.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

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

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

EDMUND HEAD,

The Governor General having had his attention called by an Address from the Legislative Council to the subject of the non-attendance of the Honorable *René E. Caron* and the Honorable *Louis Méthot* for the last two years, recommends that the subject be taken into consideration by the Legislative Council with a view to carry out the provisions of the 7th clause of the Statute 3d and 4th Vict. chap. 35.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Toronto, March 12, 1857.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Murney*, it was

Ordered, That the said Message be referred to the Committee appointed to consider of the Orders and Customs of this House, and Privileges of Parliament, and that the said Committee do meet in this House to-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Murney*, it was then

Ordered, That all the Members who have been or shall be present this Session do form part of the Committee appointed to consider of the Orders and Customs of this House and Privileges of Parliament, and that the said Committee have leave to meet in this House, when and as often as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* presented a Petition from *D. Campbell* and others of the Township of *Glenleg*—also a Petition from *Patrick Keane* and others of the Township of *Preston*—also a Petition from *William Rutledge* and others of the Township of *Artemesia*—and also a Petition from *Peter Campbell* and others of the Township of *Egremont*, severally praying that the southern portion of the County of *Grey* may, for Municipal and Judicial purposes, be erected into a new County.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented a Petition from the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton Railway Company*, praying for the passing of an Act to unite the said Railway Company with the *Port Hope Harbour Company*—and also a Petition from the *Port Hope Harbour Company*, praying for the passing of an Act to unite the said Company with the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton Railway Company* aforesaid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Piñce* enters.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return from the *Quebec Provident and Savings Bank* for the year ending the 1st March, 1856.

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 the Act to modify the Usury Laws."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be discharged until Monday next.

Pursuant to motion, it was

Moved by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,
That *John Salt* be heard at the Bar of this Honorable House against the repeal
of the Insolvent Law without the rights of the petitioner and other parties being
respected in any proposed amendment of such Law.

After debate,

The said motion was by leave of the House withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being again read for its being moved by the Honorable
Mr. *Vankoughnet*, pursuant to notice to

Resolve—First—That the interests of *Canada* require that the Seat of the
Provincial Government should be fixed at some certain place—and to

Resolve—Second—That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty the
Queen, praying that she may be graciously pleased to exercise her Royal
Prerogative by the selection of some one place for the permanent Seat of
Government in *Canada*.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

That the first Resolution be adopted,

Which being objected to,

After Debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same

Resolved in the affirmative.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr.
Moore,

That the second Resolution be adopted,

Which being Debated,

It was moved in amendment by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the
Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*,

That all the words after "That" be expunged, and the following inserted in
lieu thereof, "inasmuch as the selection of a site for the permanent Seat of
"the Legislature is peculiarly a Provincial question, and as the right of self-
"government in all local matters exists to the fullest extent, this House deems it
"inexpedient to submit the question for the decision of Her Majesty's Government."

Which being objected to,

After a long Debate,

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

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Dessaulles,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>De Blaquière,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus—10.</i>
<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>		

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet,</i>
<i>de LaTerrière,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>	<i>Widmer,</i>
<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Renaud,</i>	<i>Wilson.—22.</i>
<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>		

So it passed it the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, the House divided, and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus</i>
<i>de Blaquièrè,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet,</i>
<i>de La Terrière,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>	<i>Widmer</i>
<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Renaud,</i>	<i>Wilson.—26.</i>
<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>		

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Dessaulles,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Simpson.—6.</i>
<i>de Boucherville,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>		

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Wednesday, 11th March, 1857.

Resolved, That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Sir *Allan N. MacNab*, the Honorable *John S. Macdonald*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald*, the Honorable *J. H. Cameron*, Mr. *Antoine Aimé Dorion*, Mr. *Turcotte*, Mr. *Loranger*, Mr. *Laberge*, Mr. *Alley*, Mr. *Brown* and Mr. *Fergusson*, 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 Mr. *Turcotte* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

(Attest.)

W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk Assembly.

And then they withdrew.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six intituled "An Act to extend the provisions of the Insolvent Debtor's Act of *Upper Canada*, and for the relief of a certain class of persons therein mentioned."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

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

Friday, 13th March, 1857.

The Members convened, were:

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
CROOKS,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
MILLS,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,

The Honorable Messieurs

PERRY,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
RENAUD,
DE LATERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
MURNEY,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable the Speaker having acquainted the House that he had nominated two Pages to attend the service of this House, vizt., *Samuel Skinner*, jun'r, and *Auguste Douaire*, it was

Ordered, That the said nominations be confirmed by the House.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

That this House do now adjourn, and stand adjourned until Tuesday next at three o'clock in the afternoon.

After Debate,

The said motion was by leave of the House withdrawn.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* presented a Petition from *William Wise Cobb* of the City of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act to admit him to practice as an Attorney and Solicitor in Her Majesty's Courts of Law and Equity in this Province—also a Petition from the Municipal Council of the township of *Minto*—and also a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Peel* in the County of *Wellington*, severally praying that no alteration may be made in the present formation of the said County of *Wellington*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton* presented a petition from the Widows and Orphans Friend Association of *Kingston*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Murney* presented a petition from *R. H. Thornhill* and others of the Township of *Bertie* in the County of *Welland*, praying that either the charter of the *Fort Erie* Canal Company may be revised, or that an Act may be passed to authorize them to construct a Water Course to the Village of *Fort Erie* for Mill purposes.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Pertth*, praying for certain alterations in the laws which regulate the rate of Statute Labour.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* presented a Petition from *Allan Muir* and others, land owners of the Township of *Burford* in the County of *Brant*, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize an equal partition of the land in the fourth Concession of the said Township from Lots numbers nineteen to number twenty-four inclusive.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* presented a Petition from *J. Milne* and others of *Bowmanville*, praying to be incorporated under the style of the "*Ontario Bank*,"

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Matheson* presented a Petition from *John S. Edwards* of the Township of *Clarence* in the County of *Russell*, praying that a certain allowance for road may be vested in him.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* presented 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. *de Blaquièrè* presented a petition from the Corporation of *Toronto*, praying for such an alteration in the Railway Clauses Consolidation Act as will give to the said corporation one vote for each share of the stock held by them in the *Ontario, Simcoe and Huron* Railroad Company.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the table.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Dionne* presented a petition from *J. B. Lajoie* and others of *Three Rivers*, praying that they may receive some consideration for losses sustained in the calamitous fire of the 14th November, 1856—also a Petition from the Mechanics' Institute and Library Association of the Parish of *St. Antoine de la Baie*, praying for pecuniary aid—and also a Petition from *Etienne Papin* and others of *Three Rivers*, praying that the said Town may be incorporated.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Masson* presented a Petition from *James Murphy* and others of the Parish of *St. Scholastique*—also a Petition from *François Léonard* and others of the Parish of *St. Thomas*—also a Petition from *Felix Pricot* and others of the Parish of *St. Eustache*—also a Petition from *James Watts* and others of the Parish of *St. Benoit*, all in the District of *Montreal*, severally praying for the passing of a Prohibitory Liquor Law—also a Petition from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Wentworth*, praying for certain amendments to the Act of last Session “to erect part of the Township of *Chatham*, in the County of *Argenteuil* into a separate Municipality”—and also a Petition from *Jean Langevin* of *Quebec*, praying to be paid for services rendered to the Municipal Council of the District of *Quebec*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière* presented a Petition from *Richard Freeman* and others of *Jeune Lorette*, praying for the passing of an Act for the protection of the Salmon and Salmon Trout Fisheries in *Lower Canada*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Messieurs *Ross* and *Wilson* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* presented a Petition from the Municipal Council of the County of *Essex*, praying that Light Houses may be erected at *Rond Eau Harbour* and *Pigeon Bay*—also four Petitions from the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*, praying that the expenses of the administration of Criminal Justice in *Upper Canada* may be defrayed as in *Lower Canada*, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund—also praying for certain amendments to the Laws regulating Statute Labour—also praying that measures may be adopted to secure increased accommodation in the Provincial Lunatic Asylum—and also praying for certain amendments in the Laws which require the publication of Public Notices in the various newspapers of the said County.

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 Savings Bank* for the year ending 31st December, 1856.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers*.)

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*,

That the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Ross*, and the Mover, be appointed a Committee to draft an Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty, the Queen, founded

upon the Resolutions adopted by this House yesterday, respecting the selection of some one place for the permanent Seat of Government in *Canada*.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was
Resolved in the affirmative, and
Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to enable *James Carlton Grant* and others to confirm the sale of certain Lands in "the Town and Township of *Hope*, in the County of *Durham*, late of *Reuben Pitkin Grant*, deceased, and to execute conveyances of the same, notwithstanding "their disability."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of Glebe Lot number twenty-nine, in the second Concession of the Township of *Edwardsburgh* to sell and "convey the East half of said Lot, originally granted in trust as an Endowment "or Glebe for the Presbyterian Church in the Town of *Brockville* in connection "with the Church of *Scotland*, and for other purposes," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be printed and 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.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the subject of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè's* motion of the sixth instant in relation to the reading of the minutes and to their being printed and distributed daily, presented their report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Committee Room,

13th March, 1857.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the subject of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè's* motion of the sixth instant in relation to the reading of the minutes, and to their being printed and distributed daily, beg leave to report thereon as follows:—

Your Committee having, after mature consideration, come to the conclusion that it would be desirable to have printed minutes of each day's proceedings placed in the hands of Members on the ensuing day, the question presented itself whether the extended form in which the minutes have hitherto been daily read, and afterwards printed as your Journal, or some condensed and abbreviated form of them, should be used; and although there is room for doubt as to whether the former course is practicable, your Committee have agreed to recommend that it be adopted, experimentally, in the first instance. If it can be successfully carried out, it will no doubt be more satisfactory to your Honorable House, while it will entail less addition to your expenses,—one change only for composition being incurred for the Daily Minutes and for the Journal.

And your Committee recommend that at the end of the minutes of each day's proceedings there be printed the Orders of the Day and Notices of Motion for subsequent days, in due sequence and under their respective dates.

With regard to the additional labour which will thus be cast upon certain officers of your Honorable House, your Committee have pleasure in reporting that a laudable determination to meet it by increased exertion, and to perform it, if possible, without assistance, appears to animate these gentlemen, and your Committee are of opinion that they should be allowed a fair trial of their ability in that respect.

In furtherance of the plan thus recommended by your Committee it will be necessary to adopt the practise observed in the Legislative Assembly of having the petitions brought up each day, "laid on the table" and of having them "read and received" only on the next sitting day but one after; so that the contents of each petition may be epitomised and endorsed on it before, instead of after, its receipt is to be noticed in the minutes.

The minutes thus printed from day to day will of course be subject to revision before they pass into the form of Journal; and as each Member will daily have it in his power to call attention to any error which may occur in them. Your Committee are of opinion that the fifth Standing Order should be rescinded, and the daily reading of the minutes in the House accordingly dispensed with for the future.

All which is respectfully submitted,

J. MORRIS, *Chairman.*

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, moved,

That when the House adjourns this day it do stand adjourned until Monday next at three o'clock in the afternoon.

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

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

Monday, 16th March, 1857.

The Members convened, were:

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
DE BEAUJEU,
MILLS,

The Honorable Messieurs

WILSON,
ARMSTRONG,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
MURNEY,
PRINCE,

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of *W. King* and others of *St. Sylvester*—of *Charles George Charteris*, Mayor, on behalf of a Public Meeting held at *Chatham*—and of the Municipal Council 'of the Township of *Oxford* in the County of *Kent*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Wilson*—of *Charles James* of the Town of *Stratford*, Civil Engineer.

By the Honorable Mr. *Perry*—of *Albert Yerrington* of the Town of *Cobourg*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*—of the Reverend M. *Marçoux* and others, of the Parish of *Champlain* in the District of *Three Rivers*.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Leeds* and *Grenville*—and of *Lewis Shicklune* and others, Masters and owners of Vessels in Canada.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of *Joseph A. Gould* and others of the County of *Ontario*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of *J. McConnell* and others of *Hatley*, in the County of *Stanstead*—of *Jesse P. Boynton*, of the Township of *Stanstead*—of

the Municipal Council of the Township of *Granby*—and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Shefford*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*—of the Reverend *R. O. Bruneau*, and others of *Vercherès*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *George Louis René Steckel*, of *Quebec*—of the Reverend *H. Beaudry*, and others of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*—and of *Pierre Edouard Leclerc*, and others of the District of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*—of *Edward Sheldon Winans*, of the Township of *Hamilton*, in the County of *Northumberland*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrre*—of *Elizabeth Dunlop*, and others of *Canada West*.

It was moved by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*,

That this House do now resolve itself into a Committee of privileges, to take into consideration the Message of His Excellency the Governor General, respecting the absence from this House of the Honorable *René Edouard Caron*, and the Honorable *Louis Methot* for the last two Sessions of the Legislature.

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 privileges on the said Message,

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable the Speaker reported from the said Committee that they had taken the subject of the said Message into consideration, and had agreed to certain Resolutions which he was directed to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them,

Ordered, that the Report be now received, and

The said Resolutions were then read by the Clerk as follow:

Resolved—That it appears by the Journals of this House, that the Honorable *René Edouard Caron* and the Honorable *Louis Methot* have for two successive Sessions of the Legislature failed to give their attendance in this House, without having obtained permission for such absence from Her Majesty or the Governor General of this Province, whereby the seats of the said Honorable *René Edouard Caron* and the said Honorable *Louis Methot* have become vacant.

Resolved therefore, that in pursuance of the eighth section of the Imperial Act intituled “An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada and for the Government of Canada,” this House doth now declare, determine and adjudge that the seats of the said Honorable *René Edouard Caron*, and of the said Honorable *Louis Methot* in this House are vacated.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, and

The question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House, and it was

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be communicated to His Excellency the Governor General for His Excellency's information.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* from the Committee appointed to draft an Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, founded upon the Resolution adopted by this House, on Thursday last, respecting the selection by Her Majesty of some one place for the permanent seat of Government in Canada—presented an Address prepared by them as follows :

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

We, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council of Canada in Provincial Parliament assembled, beg leave to approach Your Majesty with renewed assurances of devotion and attachment to your Royal Person and Government.

We desire, may it please Your Majesty, to express our opinion, that the interests of Canada require that the Seat of the Provincial Government should be fixed at some certain place.

We therefore respectfully pray that your Majesty will be graciously pleased to exercise Your Royal Prerogative, and select some one place for the permanent seat of Government in Canada.

The said Address to Her Majesty being read by the Clerk,

It was moved to adopt the same,

Which being objected to,

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

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>de La Terrière,</i>	<i>Gordon,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet,</i>
<i>deBeaujeu,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Widmer,</i>
<i>deBlaquière,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Wilson.—20.</i>

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Dessaulles,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Simpson.—4.</i>
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So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Speaker do sign the said Address on the part of this House.

Ordered, That an Humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General in the following words :

To His Excellency Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, 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 transmit our Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty, praying that some one place may be selected for the permanent Seat of Government in *Canada*, in such a way as Your Excellency may seem 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 the said Address to Her Majesty, and also the Address to His Excellency the Governor General be presented to His Excellency by such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* presented to the House a Bill, intituled : " An Act to Incorporate the City of *St. Hyacinthe*."

The said Bill was read for the first time :—

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on the sixteenth of April next.

Pursuant to notice, it was moved by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*,

That the following words be added to the 48th Rule of this House, " and such Bill may not be read a second time."

Which being objected to

After Debate,

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill, intituled " An Act to repeal the Act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, intituled " An Act to extend the provisions of the Insolvent Debtors' Act of *Upper Canada*, and for the relief of a certain class of persons therein mentioned."

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled " An Act to change the Constitution of the Legislative Council by rendering the same Elective," and for other purposes, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled " An Act for the protection of the Fisheries in Upper Canada," it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to modify the Usury Laws."

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to enable *James Carlton Grant* and others to confirm the Sale of certain Lands in the Town and Township of *Hope*, in the County of *Durham*, late of *Reuben Pitkin Grant*, deceased, and to execute conveyance of the same, notwithstanding their disability," it was

Ordered, That the same be read the second time on Wednesday next.

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

Tuesday, 17th March, 1857.

The Members convened, were

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIER,
MOORE,
DIOMNE,
WIDMER,
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
DE BEAUJEU,
MILLS,

The Honorable Messieurs

WILSON,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*—of the Reverend *Mark Burnham* and others, of *Scotch Village*, in the Township of *Otonabee*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of

Whitby—and of *Jonathan Foote* and *William Thorn*, of the Township of *Whitby* aforesaid.

By the Honorable Mr. *Wilson*—of the Directors and Trustees of the *Montreal St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum*—and two Petitions of *M. Héroux* and others of the Parish of *St. Philippe*, in the County of *Laprairie*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*—of *D. Mondelet*, and others of *Three Rivers*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*—of *James Thompson*, and others of the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Lobo* in the County of *Middlesex*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*—of *Pierre Nolin*, and others of the Township of *Arthabaska*—and of *Noel Herbert* and others of the said Township of *Arthabaska*—and four Petitions of the Reverend *Narcisse Pelletier*, and others of the Village of *Princeville*—of the Township of *Maddington*—of the Parish of *St. Louis de Blandford*—and of the Parish of *St. Eusèbe de Stanford*, all in the County of *Arthabaska*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Musson*—of *Eugène Bruneau*, and others of the Parish of *Ste. Martine*—of *John MacDonald* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Philomène*—of *P. Larberge*, and others of the Parish of *Saint Joachim de Chateauguay*—and of *P. C. Matte*, and others of the Parish of *St. Urbain Premier*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—*James Stanton* and others of *Fort Erie*—of *Archibald McKellan*, and others of the Township of *Oxford* in the County of *Kent*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Pelham*—of *Wellington Smith*, and others of *Thorold*—and of *Duncan McFarland*, and others of *Thorold* aforesaid.

By the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*—of *Joseph Shaw*, of *Gaspé Basin*—of *Louis Vincent*, a *Huron Indian*, at *Malbaie*—of the *Institut Catholique Roman de St. Roch de Quebec*—and of the Reverend *C. Arnaud* and others of *Escoumins*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of *John Dole* and others, of the Township of *Lochaber*.

The Honorable Messieurs *Ross* and *Murney* enter.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to increase the rate of interest in this Province."

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

That the said Bill be now read a second time,

After Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, moved in amendment, That the said Bill be not now read for the second time, but that the same be read a second time this day six months.

Which being objected to,
After a long Debate,

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

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>de Beaujeu,</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus</i>
<i>de Blaquièrè,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i>
<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>Gordon,—14.</i>		

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet,</i>
<i>de LaTerrière,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>	<i>Widmer.</i>
<i>Dessaulles,</i>	<i>Matheson.—14.</i>		

And the House being equally divided the same was resolved in the Negative by the casting vote of the Speaker.

The question being then put on the main motion, and the House being again equally divided, the same was resolved in the affirmative by the casting vote of the Speaker, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Vankoughnet, Hamilton, Masson, Matheson, Patton, Perry, Prince, Cartier* and the mover.

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. Inspector General *Cayley* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to require accounts rendered to the Provincial Government to be so rendered in dollars and cents," 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 the Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Wednesday 18th March, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
J. MORRIS,
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
WILSON,
SEYMOUR.

The Honorable Messieurs

ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
CARTIER,
HARMANNUS, SMITH,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
MURNEY,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS,

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Murney*—of *Charles Gamon*, of the City of *Toronto* ; and of the *Marmora Foundry Company*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Potton*—and of the Municipal Council of *East Farnham*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of the Corporation of the College of *L'Assomption*—and of *Dougald Fraser* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Jérôme de Matane*, in the County of *Rimouski*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay*—of the Warden of the County of *Bellechasse*, in the name and on behalf of the Municipal Council of the said County.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Railroad Company ; and of the *Montreal* and *New York* Railroad Company.

By the Honorable Mr. *Perry*—of *Wollaston Frank Pym* of the Township of *Haldimand*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—from the Municipal Council of the County of *Elgin*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*—of *Théophile Prevost* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Julie*, in the County of *Verchères*.

By the Honorable Mr. *De Blaquière*—of the Reverend *Francis Evans* and others, Clergymen of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*, and of the Canadian Institute.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of *Ira Gould* and others, of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of the County Council of the County of *Ottawa*.

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

Of *W. King* and others of *St. Sylvester*; praying for the passing of an Act for the protection of the Salmon, and Salmon Trout Fisheries in *Lower Canada*.

Of *Charles George Charteris*, Mayor, on behalf of a Public Meeting held at *Chatham*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the construction of a Ship Canal from the River *St. Clair* to the *Rond Eau Harbour* on Lake *Erie*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Oxford* in the County of *Kent*; praying that no alteration may be made in the present formation of the County of *Kent*.

Of *Charles James* of the Town of *Stratford*, Civil Engineer; praying for the passing of an Act to enable him to practise as a Land Surveyor in *Upper Canada*.

Of *Albert Yerrington* of the Town of *Cobourg*, and of *Edward Sheldon Winans*, of the Township of *Hamilton*, in the County of *Northumberland*; praying that a clause may be inserted in the Bill before Parliament to repeal the Insolvent Debtors' Act of 1856, by which the rights of those parties who have already petitioned under the Act may be respected.

Of the Reverend *M. D. Marcoux* and others of the Parish of *Champlain* in the District of *Three Rivers*; and of the Reverend *R. O. Bruneau* and others of *Vechères*; praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Leeds and Grenville*; praying that the charge for the administration of Criminal Justice in *Upper Canada* may be defrayed as in *Lower Canada*, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Of *Lewis Shicklune* and others, Masters and Owners of Vessels in *Canada*; praying that a Marine Hospital may be erected on the line of the *Welland Canal*, to be supported by a tax levied upon all parties engaged in the Merchant Service.

Of *Joseph A. Gould* and others, of the County of *Ontario*; praying that the Charter of the Port *Whitby* and Lake *Huron* Railway Company may be revised and amended.

Of *J. McConnell* and others, of *Hatley*, in the County of *Stanstead*; and of *Jesse P. Boynton* and others, of the Township of *Stanstead*; praying that authority may be given to the Wardens of County Councils to record therein votes in cases where more than a majority of votes are required to pass a measure.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Granby*—and of the Municipal

Council of the County of *Shefford* ; praying that the Counties of *Shefford*, *Mis-
sisquoi* and *Brome* may be erected into an independent Judicial District.

Of *George Louis René Steckel* of the City of *Quebec*, praying that an Act may be passed to provide for his admission as a Notary in *Lower Canada* without serving his time as a Student, and also that he may be naturalized as a British Subject.

Of the Reverend *H. Beaudry* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysos-
tôme* ; praying that the Parish of *Sainte Martine* may remain as the *chef lieu* of the *Beauharnois* Circuit.

Of *Pierre Édouard Leclerc* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying to be incorporated as a Steamboat Company, by the name of "*Compagnie du Riche-
lieu*."

Of *Elizabeth Dunlop* and others, of *Canada West* ; praying for the passing of an Act to secure to married women certain separate rights of property.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Murney*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition presented to this House on Thursday, the twelfth instant, from *René Kimber*, Gentleman, Usher of the Black Rod ; praying that he may be reimbursed a certain amount received by the Clerk of the House from the Insurance Offices, on account of certain articles of Furniture which belonged to him, and which were destroyed in the fire which burnt the Parliament House on the 1st February, 1854, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House for the present Session.

The Honorable Messieurs *Boulton* and *Mills* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* presented to the House a Bill, intituled "An Act "to prevent the cruel and improper treatment of Cattle and other Animals, and "to amend the Law relating to impounding the same."

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 *Ross* and *Patton* enter.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill, intituled "An Act to repeal the Act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, intituled "An Act to extend the provisions of the Insolvent Debtors' Act of Upper "Canada, and for the relief of a certain class of persons therein mentioned," it was

Moved by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time,

Which being objected to,

After a long Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly,

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

Upon the question being put for receiving the report, the House divided, and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow :—

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>de LaTerrière,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>	<i>Smith, Hermannus</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet,</i>
<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Murney—14.</i>		

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>
<i>deBlaquière,</i>	<i>Gordon—10.</i>		

So the said Report was received, and it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “ An Act to enable *James Carlton Grant* and others to confirm the Sale of certain Lands in the Town and Township of *Hope*, in the County of *Durham*, late of *Reuben Pitkin Grant*, deceased, and to execute conveyances of the same, notwithstanding their disability,” was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ross*, *Patton*, and *Prince*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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

 Thursday, 19th March, 1857.

The Members convened, were:—

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
MILLS,
WILSON,

The Honorable Messieurs

SEYMOUE,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HERMANNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
PATTON,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

When the Honorable *Hollis Smith* was introduced between the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson* and *Masson*.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith* came to the Table and took and subscribed the oath prescribed by law.

The Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Murney* and *Vankouahnet* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of the Trustees and Members of Saint Andrew's Church, *Guelph*, in connection with the Kirk of *Scotland*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of *Thomas Molson* and others, belonging to the Church of the order of the Countess of *Huntingdon's* Connexion—and of the Medical Faculty of *McGill* College.

By the Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay*—of the Ladies' Committee of the *Quebec* Lower Town Infant School.

By the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*—of *Marcel Bolduc* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Urbain*, in the County of *Charlevoix*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of the Reverend *J. L. Prevost* and others, of the Parish of *Lachine*, in the County of *Jacques Cartier*—of *Pierre Paré* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Vincent de Paul*, in the County of *Laval*—of the Reverend M. *Foisly* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Michel*, in the County of

Napierville; and three Petitions from the Municipal Council of the County of *Argenteuil*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of *Hugh McDermid*, late Captain in the First Regiment of *Stormont* Militia.

By the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*—two Petitions from the Municipal Council of the Township of *Brantford* in the County of *Brant*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Willoughby* in the County of *Welland*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of *Benjamin Desjarlais* and others, of the Parish of *Sainte Jean Baptiste de Roxton Falls* in the County of *Shefford*—and of *O. E. Casgrain* and others, of the Parishes of *L'Islet* and *Saint Cyrille* in the County of *L'Islet*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*—of *S. J. Dawson* and others, of the District of *Three Rivers*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Wilson*—of the Reverend *P. A. Sylvestre* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Marcel* in the County of *Richelieu*.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of *Robert McBride* and *David Buchanan*, of the County of *Lambton*, Insolvents.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*—of *W. Lewis*, Chairman, on behalf of a Public Meeting held at the City of *Ottawa*—and of the Municipal Council of the United Townships of *Bagot*, *Bamfield*, and *Brougham*, in the County of *Renfrew*.

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

Of the Reverend *Mark Burnham* and others, of *Scotch Village*, in the Township of *Otonabee*; praying that the said Village may be incorporated as the Village of *Ashburnham*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Whitby*, and of *Jonathan Foote* and *William Thorn* of the said Township; severally praying for the passing of an Act to vest the allowance for road between Lots numbers twenty-four and twenty-five in the sixth Concession of the said Township of *Whitby* in *Jonathan Foote* and *William Thorn* aforesaid.

Of the Directors and Trustees of the *Montreal St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum*; praying for pecuniary aid.

Of *M. Héroux* and others, of the Parish of *St. Philippe* in the County of *La prairie*, setting forth that they served in a Company of *Chasseurs* attached to the Regiment of *Voltigeurs* in the War of 1812, and that they have not received the grants of Land to which they were entitled as a recompense for their services and praying for relief; and also praying for a release of the arrears of *cens et rentes* and other Seigniorial charges due by them to Her Majesty.

Of *D. Mondelet* and others, of the Town and Parish of *Three Rivers*; praying for the passing of a law to restrain the sale of strong drink.

Of *James Thompson* and others, of the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*; praying that all constitutional means may be used to prevent a continuance of the monopoly now enjoyed by the Hudson's Bay Company, and that the Territory now under the control of the said Company may be incorporated with and form part of this Province.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Lobo* in the County of *Middlesex*; praying that the interest arising out of the investment of the Clergy Reserve Fund, may be applied in each Municipality to the support of elementary education.

Of *Pierre Nolin* and others, of the Township of *Arthabaska*, in the County of *Arthabaska*; praying that the fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth and seventeenth Ranges of that Township may be annexed to the Township of *Halifax* in the County of *Megantic*.

Of *Noël Hébert* and others, of the Township of *Arthabaska*, in the County of *Arthabaska*; praying that so much of the said Township as lies to the North of the River *Nicolet*, may be annexed to the Township of *Halifax*, in the County of *Megantic*.

Of the Reverend *Narcisse Pelletier* and others, of the Village of *Princeville*—of the Township of *Maddington*—of the Parish of *St. Louis de Blandford*—and of *St. Eusèbe de Stanfold*, all in the County of *Arthabaska*—severally praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of *Eugène Bruneau* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Martine*—and of *P. C. Matte* and others, of the Parish of *St. Urbain Premier*;—severally praying that the said Parish of *Ste. Martine* may be continued as the *chef lieu* of the *Beauharnois* Circuit.

Of *John MacDonald* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Philomène*—and of *P. Laberge* and others of the Parish of *St. Joachim de Chateauguay*;—severally praying that said Parishes may be annexed to the *Beauharnois* Circuit, and that the Parish of *Ste. Martine* may continue to be the *chef lieu* of that Circuit.

Of *James Stanton* and others, of *Fort Erie*, praying for an Act of Incorporation to enable them to construct a Harbour of Refuge and Canal at *Fort Erie Rapids*, under the name of the "Harbour of Refuge and *Fort Erie* Canal Company."

Of *Archibald McKellan* and others, of the Township of *Oxford* in the County of *Kent*; praying that no alteration may be made in the present formation of the County of *Kent*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Pelham*; praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the "International Bridge Company."

Of *Wellington Smith* and others, of *Thorold*; praying that certain Road allowances running from *St. Johns* and *Thorold* to the *Beaver Dams*, and *Hamilton Road* and also certain Road allowances in the Township of *Thorold* may be closed.

Of *Duncan McFarland* and others, of *Thorold*; praying that the Petition for closing certain Road allowances running from *St. Johns* and *Thorold* to the *Beaver Dams* and *Hamilton*, may not be favorably entertained.

Of *Joseph Shaw* of *Gaspé Basin*; praying that the duty on Pine Logs may be reduced to the same as that which is imposed on Spruce Logs.

Of *Louis Vincent*, a *Huron* Indian, of the Parish of *Malbaie*, in the County of *Charlevoix*; praying for a Pension on account of his services in the late War with the United States.

Of *l'Institut Catholique Romain de St. Roch de Quebec*; praying for aid.

Of the Reverend *Charles Arnaud* and others, of the settlement of *Escoumins* in the County of *Tadousac*; praying for the passing of an Act for the preservation of Salmon and Salmon Trout.

Of *John Dole* and others, of the Township of *Lochabar*; praying that County Councils may be abolished in *Lower Canada*, and their powers vested in local Councils.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House Returns of the distribution of the Statutes 19th and 20th *Victoria*; of the Index to the Statutes in force in *Upper Canada*; and of the Tables to the Acts in force in *Upper Canada*.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Statement of Fees received for Fee Fund, and Salaries paid to County Judges for the year 1856.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

Pursuant to notice, it was

Moved by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Masson*,

That a Select Committee of eleven members be appointed to examine the Rules of this Honorable House and report such changes and amendments as experience may deem necessary and advisable—and that such Committee do consist of the Honorable Messieurs *de Blaquièrre*, *Moore*, *J. Morris*, *Armstrong*, *Boulton*, *de La Terrière*, *Vankoughnet*, *Duchesnay*, *Simpson*, *Masson* and *Patton*.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrre* from the Select Committee to whom was

referred the Bill intituled, "An Act to authorize *Charles Lockey Beard* to practise as a Provincial Land Surveyor," 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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*,

That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.
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 the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal the Act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, intituled, An Act to extend the provisions of the Insolvent Debtors' Act of *Upper Canada*, and for the relief of a certain class of persons therein mentioned."

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*,
That the said Bill be now read a third time.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

That the said Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House.

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, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

On the question being put whether this Bill shall pass?

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

That the said Bill do not now pass, but that it be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House,

Which being objected to,

After a long Debate, it was

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

Upon the doors being re-opened,

The question of concurrence was put on the said Motion in amendment—the House divided, and the names being called for they were taken down as follow:—

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>Gordon,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>
<i>de Blaquièrè,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus—13</i>
<i>de La Terrière,</i>			

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Smith, Hollis</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet,</i>
<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>	<i>Wilson,—14.</i>
<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>		

So it passed in the negative.

The question was then again put whether this Bill shall pass ?

Whereupon the Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay*,

That the said Bill do not now pass, but that the following words be added thereto.

“That this Act shall not affect or be construed in any manner to affect the rights of parties who have filed their Petition, and obtained the Interim order, before the first day of this Session, but that the proceedings commenced before such period as aforesaid, under and by virtue of the Act above in part recited, shall be carried on to the final order and discharge as fully as if this Act had not been passed.”

Which being objected to,

After Debate,

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

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>Gordon,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>
<i>de Blaquièrè,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus—13</i>
<i>de La Terrière,</i>			

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Smith, Hollis</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet,</i>
<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>	<i>Wilson.—14.</i>
<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>		

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then again put whether this Bill shall pass?

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay*, that the said Bill do not now pass, but that the following words be added thereto:—"That this Act shall not affect or be construed in any manner to affect the rights of parties who have filed their Petitions, made full disclosure of their property, and in whose favor a day has been named for granting the final order, but that such proceedings shall be carried on, under and by virtue of the above in part recited Act, as fully as if this Act had not been passed."

On a question being raised whether the last mentioned Motion in amendment was in order,

The Honorable the Speaker decided in the affirmative.

The last mentioned Motion being objected to,

After Debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon and the same was resolved in the negative—Contents 13. Non-Contents 14.

The question being then put on the main motion—the House divided—and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus</i>
<i>de LaTerrière,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Smith, Hollis</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Matheson</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet,</i>
<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>	<i>Wilscn.—16.</i>

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>Gordon,</i>	<i>Perry</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Prince—11.</i>
<i>deBlaquière,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	

So it was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, that one 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 the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to modify the Usury Laws,"

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

That the said Bill be now read a second time,

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Moore, Seymour, Mills, Armstrong, Ferrier, Boulton* and *Prince*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to require accounts rendered to the Provincial Government to be so rendered in dollars and cents," was read a second time.

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

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

Friday, 20th March, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
WILSON,
SEYMOUR,

The Honorable Messieurs

ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
PATTON,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*—of *Charles Alfred Cuthbert* and *Edward Octavian Cuthbert* of *Berthier* in the District of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of the Reverend *J. Bélanger* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Ours* in the County of *Richelieu*—of the Reverend *J. N. Trudel*

and others, of the Parish of *Saint Isidore*, in the County of *Laprairie*—of the Reverend *D. Paradis* and others of the County of *Saint Maurice*—and of *H. Laurin* and others, of the County of *Beauharnois*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*—of *Calvin McQueen* and others, of *Hamilton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of *George Deadman* and others, of the Township of *Delaware*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Delaware*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*—of *Joseph Soper* and others, of the Township of *Burford* in the County of *Brant*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of *François Xavier Duchainau* and others—of *P. C. Fournier* and others—of *Narcisse Normand* and others—and of *Joseph Simpson* and others, all of the County of *L'Islet*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of *James Kirby* and others—and of *Henry Yates* and others of *Brantford*—of *Charles Baby* and others—and of *Edward Green* and others of *Essex*—of *Nicholas Weeks* and others—of *Charles Cromwell* and others—and of *E. P. B. Clark* and others of *Fort Erie*—of *R. McKinnon* and others—and of *George Leach* and others of *Caledonia*—of *Thomns R. Merritt* and others of *St. Catharines*—of *Thomas Kidd* and others of *Paris*—of *William Hudson* and others of *Cayuga*—of *Alexander Nasmyth* and others of *London*—of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of—*South Easthope*—*Onondaga*—*North Norwich*—*Delaware*—*Goderich*—*McGillivray*—*Humberston*—*Crowland*—*Wainfleet*—*Seneca*—*Mersea*—*Sandwich*—*Bertie* and *Walsingham*—and of *James Little* and others of *Caledonia*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay*—of *Jean Baptiste Martin* and others of the Township of *Woodbridge* in the County of *Kamouraska*.

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

Of *Charles Gamon* of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act to admit him to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor in the several Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada*.

Of the *Marmora Foundry Company*—of the Corporation of the College of *L'Assomption*—of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Railroad Company—and of the *Montreal* and *New York* Railroad Company—severally praying for certain amendments to their Charters.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Potton*—and of the Municipal Council of *East Farnham*—severally praying that the Counties of *Shefford*, *Missisquoi* and *Brome* may be erected into an independent Judicial District.

Of *Dougald Fraser* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Jérôme de Matane* in

the County of *Rimouski*, praying for the opening of a Post road from *Matane* to *Mont Louis*.

Of the Warden of the County of *Bellechasse*, in the name and on behalf of the Municipal Council of the said County, praying for the repeal of the Act to modify the Usury Laws; for the abolition of County Councils; and for the appropriation of the revenue arising from Tavern Licenses to the purposes of the Township and Parish Municipalities.

Of *Wollaston Frank Pym* of the Township of *Haldimand*—praying for the passing of an Act to vest in him a certain original allowance for Road in Lot number fourteen in the First Concession of the said Township, in consideration of his having surrendered land for the like purpose in a more eligible portion of the said Lot.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Elgin*—praying that the distribution of the money arising from the proceeds of the Clergy Reserves may be based on the amount of the population in each Municipality—also praying that no alteration may be made in the present formation of the said County of *Elgin*—also praying that the expenses incurred in the administration of Criminal Justice in *Upper Canada* may be defrayed as in *Lower Canada* out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund—and also praying for the passing of an Act to enable the Municipalities in each Township to regulate the commutation of Statute Labour.

Of *Théophile Provost* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Julie* in the County of *Verchères*—praying for the adoption of measures for the suppression of intemperance.

Of the Reverend *Francis Evans* and others, Clergymen of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*—praying that certain arrears of Salary due to them may be paid out of the proceeds of the Clergy Reserve Commutation Fund.

Of the Canadian Institute, *Toronto*, praying that measures may be taken to erect and endow a "*National Canadian Astronomical Observatory*."

Of *Ira Gould* and others of *Montreal*, praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the establishment of a line of Steamers to trade between the Ports on the River *St. Lawrence* and the Ports on the Lakes connected with the said River.

Of the County Council of the County of *Ottawa*—praying for pecuniary aid towards the construction of certain Roads and Bridges in that County.

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 1856.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers*.)

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrre*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition presented to this House on Wednesday the eighteenth instant from the Canadian Institute, *Toronto*, praying that measures may be taken to erect and endow a "*National Canadian Astronomical Observatory*," be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

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

The same were then read by the Clerk, and are as follow :—

EDMUND HEAD.

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Honorable the Legislative Council, copy of a Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies relative to the donations made to the Library of the Legislature by the *French* Government.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, 19th March, 1857.

(Copy.)—118.

DOWNING STREET, 31st July, 1856.

SIR,—With reference to my Despatch No. 99, of the 9th June last, I transmit the copy of a note addressed by Monsieur *Baroche* to Her Majesty's Ambassador at *Paris* acknowledging the thanks of the Canadian Legislature for the donations made to their Library by the *French* Government.

9th April, 1856.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) H. LABOUCHERE.

Governor Sir E. HEAD, Bart.,
&c., &c., &c.

(Translation.)

PARIS, 9th July, 1856.

MR. AMBASSADOR,—

I have taken communication of the letter which Your Excellency wrote on the 19th of last month to *Count Walewski*, for the purpose of conveying to him the thanks which the Canadian Parliament thought proper to address to the Ambassador for the gifts of books and maps made by the French Government to the Library of that Parliament.

I thank Your Excellency for that letter, which I shall hasten to lay before His Majesty.

Accept, &c.

(Signed,)

J. BAROCHE.

EDMUND HEAD,

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Honorable the

Circular, 18th September, 1856. Legislative Council, Copy of a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of the Income Tax upon the Dividends of Loans contracted by Colonial Governments.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, 19th March, 1857.

(Copy)—Circular.

DOWNING STREET, 18th September, 1856.

Sir,—

I have to acquaint you that the Lords' Commissioners of the Treasury have decided upon exempting from Income Tax the Dividends payable in this Country upon loans contracted by Colonial governments, and held by persons wholly resident in the Colonies to which such loans belong respectively, upon an application made to the Commissioners of Income Tax accompanied by a declaration that the owner of the Stock, upon which such Dividends are payable is solely resident in such Colony, and that no other person, resident elsewhere, has any interest or share in such Dividends.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

H. LABOUCHERE.

Governor

SIR EDMUND HEAD, Bart.

&c., &c., &c.

The Honorable Messieurs *Murney* and *Vankoughnet* enter.

Pursuant to notice, it was

Moved by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, to

Resolve, That the 84th Rule of this House be rescinded and the following substituted in lieu thereof, viz:

“That the expenses and costs attending on Private Bills giving any exclusive privilege or advantage, whether for the erection of a Bridge, or the construction of a Railroad, Turnpike Road, Telegraph Line, Harbour, Canal, Lock, Slide, Dam, or other like work, or for the incorporation of Banking or Commercial Companies, Cemetery Companies, or Companies for the construction of Gas or Water Works, or for any other objects of profit, or private or individual advantage, or for amending, extending or enlarging any former acts in such manner as to confer additional powers, ought not to fall on the public; and that for the purpose of defraying the same, the party seeking to obtain any such Bill shall be required to pay into the Legislative Council Office the sum of Fifteen Pounds immediately after the second reading thereof; and all such Bills shall be prepared in the English and French Languages by the parties applying for the same, and printed by the Contractor for the Sessional Printing of this House, and 500 copies thereof in English shall be deposited in the Legislative Council

“ Office with 300 in French also of such Bills as relate to Lower Canada, before the second reading ; and no such Bill shall be read a third time until a certificate from the Queen’s Printer shall have been filed with the Clerk, that the cost of Printing 300 copies of the Act in each language for the Government, has been paid to him.”

After Debate,

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled “ An Act to require accounts rendered to the Provincial Government to be so rendered in dollars and cents.”

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The House was then adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with a 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 16. Leave out from “ the ” to “ one ” and insert “ Thirty-first day of December.”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the amendment proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled “ An Act to authorize *Charles Lockey Beard* to practise as a Provincial Land Surveyor,” it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

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

Monday, 23rd March, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
FERRIER,
MOORE,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
ROSS,
WILSON.

The Honorable Messieurs

SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
MURNEY,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS,

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*—of *Charles Roger* of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*—of the Corporation of the City of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Widmer*—of the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital.

By the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*,—of *Robert Moodie* and others, of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of *George Paris* and others of the Townships of *Dunwich*, *Aldborough*, *Oxford*, *Ekfrid*, *Mosa*, *Euphemia*, *Zone*, *Metcalf* and *Brooke*.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of the Reverend *E. Denroche* of *Springfield*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*, of the Reverend *L. B. Brien* and others of the Parish of *St. Mathias*—of *Pierre Rainville* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Marie*—of the Reverend *J. A. Provengal* and others of the Parish of *Saint Césaire*—of the Reverend *J. L. Blanc* and others of the Parish of *L'Ange Gardien*—of the Reverend *S. C. Hotti* and others of the Parish of *St. Jean Baptiste*—of the Reverend *J. A. Provengal* and others all of the County of *Rouville*—of *Louis Poiré* and others of the Port of *Quebec*—of the Municipal Council of the County

of *Chateauguay*—of *Joseph Verrette* and others of the County of *Portneuf*—of the Reverend *F. Bourgeault* and others of the Parish of *Patronage de St. Joseph* in the County of *Two Mountains*—of the Reverend *C. A. Loranger* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Marthe* in the County of *Vaudreuil*—and of the Reverend *J. O. Archambault* and others, of the Parish of *St. Timothée*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of *G. N. Johnson* and others—of *Charles Starnes* and others, all of the County of *Huntingdon*—of *Charles A. Cook* and others of *Plattsburgh*, in the State of *New York*—of *T. W. Drew* and others, of the Township of *Bolton*, in the County of *Brome*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Bolton*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Goderich*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Brome*—and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Carlton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*—of *R. E. Heneker* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*—of *A. A. Adams* and others, of the Township of *Barnston* and County of *Stanstead*—and of the Reverend *H. Beaudry* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*, in the County of *Chateauguay*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ross*—of the Trustees of the Congregation of *Know's Church*, *Toronto*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of the Teachers' Association in connexion with *McGill Normal School*—and of *William Chapman* and others.

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

Of the Trustees and Members of *St. Andrew's Church*, *Guelph*, in connection with the Kirk of *Scotland*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to sell certain glebe lands and apply the proceeds to the erection and endowment of a new Church.

Of *Marcel Bolduc* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Urbain* in the County of *Charlevoix*, praying for aid to enable them to re-build a bridge over the River *du Gouffre*, in the said Parish.

Of *Thomas Molson* and others, belonging to the Church of the order of the Countess of *Huntingdon's* connexion, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to register Marriages, Births and Deaths.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Argenteuil*, praying that the Petition of certain individuals to be incorporated as the *St. Andrew's, La Chute* and *St. Jérôme Canal Company* may be favorably entertained—also, praying that the *Red River* settlement may be incorporated with and form part of this Province, and that Members may be elected to represent the same in both Houses of Parliament—and also, praying that a resolution adopted by the Legislative Assembly on the 7th May last, in regard to the powers to be exercised by the Municipali-

ties over the distribution of the proceeds of the Clergy Reserve Fund may, be rescinded.

Of the Ladies of the *Quebec Lower Town Infant School*—and of the Medical Faculty of *McGill College*, severally praying for pecuniary aid.

Of the Reverend *J. L. Prevost* and others, of the Parish of *Lachine* in the County of *Jacques Cartier*—of *Benjamin Desjarlais* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Baptiste de Roxton Falls* in the County of *Shefford*—of the Reverend *P. A. Sylvestre* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Marcel*, in the County of *Richelieu*—and of the Reverend *M. Foisy* and others, of *Saint Michel* in the County of *Napierville*—severally praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Brantford*, praying for such an amendment to the Act transferring the Clergy Reserves to the Municipal Councils, as will enable the said Councils to invest the proceeds thereof in such a way by loan or otherwise as to them may seem fit—and also praying that an Act may be passed to set at rest certain doubts which have arisen as to the legality of the sittings of the said Council, which have been held at *Brantford* aforesaid.

Of *O. E. Casgrain* and others, of the Parishes of *l'Islet* and *Saint Cyrille* in the County of *l'Islet*, praying for a grant of money for the opening of a road through the Townships in rear of those Parishes to the Province line.

Of *Hugh McDermid*, late Captain in the First Regiment of *Stormont Militia*—praying that he may be indemnified for certain expenses incurred by him in obtaining recruits during the War of 1813.

Of *Pierre Paré* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Vincent de Paul* in the County of *Laval*, praying for aid to *l'Institut des Artisans de St. Vincent de Paul*.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*, praying for the passing of an Act to remove all doubts respecting the right of the Municipality of the Town of *Goderich* to convey a certain Lot of ground to the County Municipality of *Huron* and *Bruce*, and to ratify and confirm the said conveyance.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Willoughby*, praying for the incorporation of the "*International Bridge Company*," for the construction of a Bridge across the *Niagara River* at or near *Fort Erie*.

Of *W. Lewis*, Chairman, on behalf of a Public Meeting held at the City of *Ottawa*, praying that measures may be taken to connect the waters of *Lake Huron* with those of the *Ottawa*, by the construction of new Canals at the *Chaudière* and *Châts*, and the enlargement of those of *Carrillon* and *Grenville*.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Townships of *Bagot*, *Bamfield* and

Brougham, praying for a grant towards the completion of the *Arnprior* and *Mount St. Patrick* branch of the *Opiongo* road, for a distance of thirty miles up the Valley of the *Madarwaska* River.

Of *S. J. Dawson* and others, of the District of *Three Rivers*, praying for the passing of an Act for the protection of Salmon and Salmon Trout Fisheries in *Lower Canada*.

Of *Robert McBride* and *Donald Buchanan* of the County of *Lambton*, insolvents, praying that a clause may be inserted in the Bill before Parliament to repeal the Insolvent Debtors' Act of 1856, by which the rights of those parties who have already petitioned under the Act may be respected.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a general Statement of the Capital Account of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, for the half year ending 31st December, 1856, also details of expenditure referred to in said Capital Account; also the Revenue Account of said Company for the half year ending 31st December, 1856; also details of expenditure referred to in said Revenue Account; and also the general balance to the 31st December, 1856.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Bill intituled, "An Act for the better prevention of accidents on Railways."

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 require accounts rendered to the Provincial Government to be so rendered in dollars and cents," 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 Courts of Chancery, Queen's Bench, and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada* respectively, to admit certain persons to practice in such Courts," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Ross*, *Vankoughnet*, *Prince* and *Murney*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Dionne* enters.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An

“ Act to explain and amend the Act intituled, ‘ An Act to change the Constitution of the Legislative Council by rendering the same Elective,’ and for other purposes.”

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Murney*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time,

After a long Debate, and

Upon a question of Order arising,

The Honorable the Speaker was appealed to for his decision as to the constitutionality of retaining the eighth clause in the said Bill, respecting the election of a Speaker.

Whereupon the Honorable the Speaker having declared it to be his opinion that the same was unconstitutional, and ought not to form part of the Bill.

The said eighth clause was by leave of the House withdrawn.

The question was then put on the motion for the second reading of the Bill, minus the eighth clause.

The same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill, leaving out the eighth clause, was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *de Blaquièrre*, *Vankoughnet*, *J. Morris*, *Fergusson*, *Masson*, *Murney* and *Prince*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “ An Act for the protection of the Fisheries in *Upper Canada*,” was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Prince*, *de Blaquièrre*, *Fergusson* and *Seymour*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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 enable *Charles Lockey Beard* to practise as a Provincial Land Surveyor,” it was

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

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

Tuesday, 24th March, 1857.

The Members convened, were

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TAOHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
ROSS,
WILSON,

The Honorable Messieurs

SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
PATTON,
MURNEY,
SMITH, HOLLIS,
PRINCE,

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Wilson*—of the Directors and Trustees of the *Montreal St. Patrick's* Orphan Asylum—of *L. Boucher* of the Parish of *St. Marcel*—of the Reverend *E. Lecours* and others—and of *F. Dubois* and others of the Parish of *St. Aimé*, all in the County of *Rowville*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—of the *St. John's* Library Association in the County of *St. John's*—and of the Managers of the *Montreal* Home and School of Industry.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of the *Montreal* Young Men's Christian Association.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*—of the Reverend *Louis Manseau* and others of the Parish of *St. Antoine de la Baie du Fèvre* in the County *Yamaska*—and of *Moyse Boisvert* and others of the Parish of *St. Thomas de Pierreville* in said County.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of *J. E. Côte* and others of the Township of *Weedon*—of *J. J. Le Bel* and others of *Garthby*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Brome*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *L. Dussault* and others—of *F. X. Marcotte*

and others—of *Antoine Plamondon* and others, all of the County of *Portneuf*—of *L. G. Duval* and others—of *L. Boucher* and others—of the Reverend *J. H. Dorion* and others—of *Joseph Lemais* and others, all of the County of *St. Maurice*—of *Félix Emmanuel Juneau* of the City of *Quebec*—of the Corporation of the said City of *Quebec*—of the Reverend *P. C. Dubé* and others of the Parish of *St. Martin* in the County of *Laval*—of the Mechanics' Institute of *Quebec*—of *l'Institut des Artisans de Yamachiche*, in the County of *St. Maurice*—of *Antoine Brunet* and others of the Parish of *St. François de Sales* in the County of *Laval*—of the Municipal Council of the said County of *Laval*—and of the Library Association of the Teachers of the District of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*—of the Municipal Councils of the Parishes of *Sainte Geneviève de Batiscan*, and of *Saint Prosper* in the County of *Champlain*—and of *Joseph Hovington* and others of the Townships of *Tadousac* and *Les Bergeronnes* in the County of *Saguenay*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of *William Gibson* and others of the Townships of *Rama*, *Mara*, *Thorah* and *Scott*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of the Honorable *James B. Macaulay* and others—of the Colonial Bank of *Canada*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Usborne*—and of the Corporation of the City of *Ottawa*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Harwich*—of *William T. Parren* of the Township of *Wallace*—of *Timothy O'Callaghan* and others of the Township of *Peel*—of *Thomas Harrington* and others of the Township of *Maryborough*—and of *Andrew Mitchell* and others of the Townships of *Arthur* and *Luther*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Compton*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Bolton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ross*—of the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company, *Toronto*.

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

Of *Charles Alfred Cuthbert* and *Edward Octavian Cuthbert* of *Berthier* in the District of *Montreal*, setting forth that as proprietors of the Seigniorie of *Berthier* they have been put to an expense of one hundred and six pounds, thirteen shillings, in complying with the requirements of the third section of 18th Vict. cap. 103—and praying to be indemnified.

Of *Joseph Soper* and others of the Township of *Burford* in the County of *Brant*, praying against the passing of any Bill to disturb the original survey of the fourth Concession of the said Township.

Of *Calvin McQuesten* and others of *Hamilton*, praying for the passing of an

Act to authorize them to sell and convey a certain Lot of Land, and to apply the proceeds towards the erection of the *McNab* Street Presbyterian Church in the said Town.

Of *Joseph Simpson* and others, of the Parishes of *l'Islet* and *St. Cyrille de Lessard*, in the County of *l'Islet*, praying for a grant of one thousand five hundred pounds to enable them to open a road from the last named Parish to the Province Line.

Of *Jean Baptiste Martin* and others, of the Township of *Woodbridge* in the County of *Kamouraska*, praying for aid to prolong a road in that Township, and that the price of Crown Lands in the second and third ranges thereof may be reduced.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Delaware*—and of *George Deadman* and others, of the said Township of *Delaware*, severally praying that the disputed boundary lines in the said Township may be settled according to the plan and survey of *Samuel Peters*, Esquire.

Of *James Kirby* and others—and of *Henry Yates* and others of *Brantford*—of *Charles Baby* and others—and of *Edward Green* and others of *Essex*—of *Nicholas Weeks* and others—of *Charles Cromwell* and others—and of *E. P. B. Clark* and others of *Fort Erie*—of *R. McKinnon* and others—and of *George Leach* and others of *Caledonia*—of *Thomas R. Merritt* and others of *St. Catharines*—of *Thomas Kydd* and others of *Paris*—of *William Hudson* and others of *Cayuga*—of *Alexander Nasmyth* and others of *London*—severally praying to be incorporated as a Company under the style and title of “The International Bridge Company,” to construct a Bridge across the *Niagara River* at or near *Buffalo*.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *South Easthope*—*Onondaga*—*North Norwich*—*Delaware*—*Goderich*—*McGillivray*—*Humberston*—*Crowland*—*Wainfleet*—*Seneca*—*Mersea*—*Sandwich*—*Bertie* and *Walsingham*—and of *James Little* and others of *Caledonia*—severally praying for the incorporation of “The International Bridge Company” for the construction of a Bridge across the *Niagara River* at or near *Fort Erie*.

Of the Reverend *J. N. Trudel* and others of the Parish of *Saint Isidore*, in the County of *Laprairie*—and of the Reverend *J. B. Bélanger* and others of the Parish of *Saint Ours* in the County of *Richelieu*, severally praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of *Narcisse Normand* and others—of *François Xavier Duchasinau* and others—of *P. C. Fournier* and others, all of the County of *l'Islet*—of *H. Laurin* and others—and of the Reverend *D. Paradis* and others of the County of *Saint Maurice*, severally praying for certain amendments to the Municipal and Road Act of 1855.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition presented to this House on Wednesday the eleventh instant, of *Thomas Woodbridge* and others of the Town of *Sandwich*, praying for the passing of an Act to extend the limits of the said Town, and further that the said Town may be incorporated,—be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Gordon*, *J. Morris*, *Patton*, *Murney* and *Prince*.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *Hugh McDermid*, late Captain in the First Regiment of *Stormont* Militia—praying that he may be indemnified for certain expenses incurred by him in obtaining recruits during the War of 1813, be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Joint Committee of both Houses for the direction of the Library of Parliament, presented their first Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

The Members, on behalf of the Legislative Council, of the Joint Committee of both Houses for the direction of the Library of Parliament, beg leave to present a First Report.

The Committee have received from the Hon. *P. H. Moore*, a Report upon the mission entrusted to him, under the authority of both Houses of the Legislature, last Session, to visit the Capital of the *United States*, and the Seats of Governments of *Louisiana*, and of certain border States of the American Union, for the purpose of organizing a system of exchange of their Laws, Journals, and public documents, with this Province.

The Committee beg leave to lay before your Honors a copy of this Report, and at the same time, to express their satisfaction at the zeal with which Mr. *Moore* has carried out the charge entrusted to him, and also at the very successful results of the same.

Hereafter, the Committee will submit Resolutions for the suitable acknowledgement of the donations received by Mr. *Moore*, and also for reciprocating these valuable gifts, by providing for the presentation of the Official Publications of this Province to the several Governments in the *United States*, with whom provision has been made for the exchange of such works.

LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT,

20th March, 1857.

To the Joint Committee of the Honorable the Legislative Council and the Honorable the Legislative Assembly, appointed to assist the Honorable Speakers in the direction of the Library of Parliament.

Honorable Gentlemen :

I beg leave to submit the following Report, shewing the general results of the mission to the *United States*, with which I was charged by your Honorable Committee.

PARLIAMENT HOUSE,
Toronto, 10th March, 1857.

P. H. MOORE.

The Joint Committee of both Houses of the Provincial Parliament during the last Session of the Legislature,

Resolved, In order to supply the place of Mr. *Langton*, in carrying out the views expressed in their Fourth Report of the previous Session, that I should be requested to proceed to *Washington*, to *Louisiana* and other States of the American Union, for the purpose of organising a system of exchanges of the Laws, Journals, and other public documents of the principal Legislatures of the *United States*, with this Province, and also to procure for the Library such important historical, constitutional, and scientific works as could be procured by way of gift or donation.

Being entrusted by your Committee with the execution of this duty, and having been also requested by a letter from the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Council and the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, to comply with the request of your Committee I accordingly undertook the mission, and left *Toronto* on the 28th day of May last, proceeded to my residence in Eastern *Canada*, where I remained for a few days, to make the necessary arrangements for my absence from home ; and from thence I went direct to the City of *Washington*. On my arrival there, Congress being in Session, I was enabled to make the necessary arrangements with the general government for the establishment and the carrying out hereafter, of a system of exchanges between the *United States* and *Canada*. Those proceedings were facilitated by several gentlemen of the Senate and House of Representatives, with whom I had formerly been acquainted, who interested themselves, and gave me valuable assistance. To Judge *Collamer* of the *United States* Senate, and Judge *Chipman* of the Secretary of State's Department, I am greatly indebted for the success of my mission at *Washington*, and desire to make those gentlemen a public acknowledgment of their kindness.

The President of the *United States*, by whom I was most courteously received, assured me, that he would give the necessary instructions to the several departments of the Federal Government as would authorize them to furnish such documents as were at their disposal. The large and valuable donations received

from the several Departments of State sufficiently attest that those instructions were faithfully given and liberally carried out.

In the several States of "the Union" that I visited, I found the Governors and authorities desirous to make the exchanges, and to respond with alacrity to my application, manifesting an anxious desire to cultivate the most friendly relations with our people and Government; but inasmuch as no authority had been given by several of the State Legislatures, for exchanges with our Government, it became necessary for the Governors of those States to call an Executive Session, for the purpose of adopting resolutions to give effect to the object of my mission. And as the Governors of the State Legislatures are seldom at the Capital, except during the Sessions of the Legislature, I was obliged frequently to travel from one part of the State to another, to get the Officials collected together for the purposes above mentioned; nevertheless, I trust the result of the mission has proved amply remunerative for the time and trouble taken in the execution of it.

By reference to the Catalogue of Books contained in the Report of the Librarian of the Honorable the Legislative Council, and Librarian of the Honorable the Legislative Assembly, the numerous and important publications which I obtained from the Federal Government at *Washington*, and from several States of the American Union, will be found, with the exception of a valuable collection from the States of *Louisiana* and *Michigan*, that are now on the way to *Toronto*. The selections that I made in *Louisiana*, consist of works on Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence, together with several volumes political, historical, literary and scientific, both in French and English.

I humbly submit, that the importance and result of the mission can be duly appreciated from the fact, that the valuable addition made to our Provincial Library, this year, is only the first instalment, and that we shall continue to receive, from year to year, from the *United States*, those valuable works upon which that Government expends large sums of money annually.

In conclusion, permit me to congratulate your Committee on the great improvement and fine appearance of the Library, which may be ranked amongst the very first on this Continent, for the value and beauty of the volumes it contains, and the careful industry with which they have been classified and catalogued.

P. H. MOORE.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to prevent the cruel and improper treatment of Cattle and other Animals, and to amend the Law relating to impounding the same," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the

Honorable Messieurs *Prince, Patton, Murney, Fergusson, Simpson, Armstrong,* and *Cartier*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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 authorize *Charles Lockey Beard* to practise as a Provincial Land Surveyor," and

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk, it was

Moved by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*,

That the same be adopted.

After Debate,

The question was put for the adoption of the first amendment,

Whereupon the Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, in amendment; seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*,

That the said first amendment be not now adopted, but that the Report of the Committee be taken into consideration this day six months.

Which being objected to,

After a further Debate,

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

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>de La Terrière,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Renaud,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet.—11</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>	

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Gordon,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Smith, Hollis</i>
<i>de Blaquière,</i>	<i>Matheson</i>	<i>Prince,</i>	<i>Widmer.—11</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus.</i>	

And the House being equally divided, the said motion was resolved in the affirmative by the casting vote of the Speaker.

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*,

That when the House adjourns this day it do stand adjourned until Thursday next at three o'clock in the afternoon.

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

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

Thursday, 26th March, 1857.

The Members convened, were

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
FERRIS,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
ROSS,
MILLS,
WILSON,
SEYMOUR,

The Honorable Messieurs

ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
PATTON,
SMITH, HOLLIS,

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Wilson*—of *Joseph Pothier* of *Sorel*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*—of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Quebec*, and others of the same place.

By the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*—of the Reverend *J. O. Giroux* and others, of the County of *Berthier*—of *Nobert Goulet* and others, of the Parish of *St Cuthbert*—of *W. Morrison* and others, of the Parish of *St. Gabriel de Brandon*—of *Albert Farley* and others, of the Parish of *l'Isle du Pads*—and of *J. B. Chahut* and others of the Parish of *Berthier*, all in the County of *Berthier* aforesaid.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*—of *George Baptist* and others of the Town of *Three Rivers*—and of *J. Duguay* and others of the Parish of *La Baie* in the County of *Yamaska*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Wentworth*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*—of the Reverend *F. Tremblay* and others of the Township of *Stukeley*—of *Samuel Child* and others of the Township of *Burford* in the County of *Stanstead*—and of *John Felton* of *Sherbrooke*.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lincoln*—of *F. M. Holmes* and others of *Bröckville*—of *Richard D. Frazer* of *Frazerfield*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Lambton*—and of the Town Council of the Town of *St. Catharines*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*—of *John Nairne* and others of the Seigneurie of *Murray Bay*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of the *Montreal* Dispensary.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of the Municipal Council of the Town of *Owen Sound*—and of *James Telfer* and others of the Township of *Nottawasaga*, in the County of *Simcoe*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay*—of the Reverend *P. Bédard* and others of the Parish of *St. Rémi* in the County of *Napierville*—of *Jean Caron* and others—of the Reverend *Frs. Bégin* and others, of the County of *Kamouraska*—of the Reverend *C. Gauvreau* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Anne*—of *Joseph Peltier* and others of the Township of *Ixworth*—of the Reverend *J. Doucet* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Hélène*—of the Reverend *N. Doucet* and others of the Parish of *St. André*—and of the Reverend *E. Quertier* and others, all of the County of *Kamouraska* aforesaid.

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Vaudreuil*—of *William Hamilton* and others of the Province of *Canada*—of *C. Archambault* and others of the County of *Beauharnois*—of *R. A. Bisson* and others of the Parish of *St. Urbain Premier* in the County of *Chateauguay*—and of the Sisters of *St. Anne*, at *St. Jacques de l'Achigan*, in the County of *Montcalm*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of the *Montreal* Board of Trade—of the Reverend *Z. Gingras* and others of the Parish of *St. Jean Baptiste des Ecureuils*—of *Samuel Houde* and others of the Parish of *St. Charles des Grondines*—of *Timothée Delisle* and others of the Parish of *St. Augustin*—of *P. Benoit* and others of the Parish of *Deschambault*—of the Reverend *C. E. Poiré* and others of the Parish of *Deschambault*, all in the County of *Portneuf*—of *La Société des Artisans de St. Cesaire*—of *François Laliberté* and others of the Township of *Granby*, in the County of *Missisquoi*—of *Robert Gillespie* and others of the County of *Rouville*—of *George M. Bradford* and others of the County of *Argenteuil*—of *A. Bissonnette* and others of the Parish of *St. Valentin*, in the County of *St. Johns*—and of *Joseph Lyons* and others of the Jewish Faith in the City of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of the Municipal Council of the County of

Ontario—and of the Municipal Council of the United Townships of *Mara* and *Rama*.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* enters.

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

Of *Charles Roger* of *Quebec*, the author of a Work on *Canada*, praying for aid.

Of the Reverend *E. Denroche* of *Springfield*, praying that certain arrears of salary due to him as a Missionary of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, may be paid out of the Clergy Reserve Commutation Fund.

Of *A. A. Adams* and others of the Township of *Barnston* in the County of *Stanstead*, praying that authority may be given to the Wardens of County Councils to record their votes in cases where more than a majority of votes are required to pass a measure.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Goderich*, praying that no measure may be adopted to alter the present territorial boundaries of the United Counties of *Bruce* and *Huron*.

Of *Joseph Verrette* and others of the County of *Portneuf*, praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Road Act of 1855.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Carlton*, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the County Municipalities to appoint their Sheriff, Clerks of the Peace and Jailers.

Of *Louis Poiré* and others of the Port of *Quebec*, praying that the provisions of 14th and 15th *Vict.* cap. 126, relating to the inspection of the Hulls and Machinery of Steamboats, may be repealed, or at least amended.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Chateauguay*, praying that no parts of the Townships of *Russeltown* or *Jamestown* in that County may be attached to the County of *Huntingdon*.

Of the Reverend *J. A. Provençal* and others of the County of *Rouville*, praying for aid for the repair of the road leading from *Chambly* to *St. Césaire* and *Granby*.

Of *J. W. Drew* and others of the Township of *Bolton*—of the Municipal Council of the said Township of *Bolton*—and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Brome*, severally praying that no measure may be favourably entertained for annexing a portion of the Township of *Bolton*, in the said County of *Brome*, to the Township of *Magog* in the County of *Stanstead*.

Of *Charles Starns* and others—of *G. N. Johnson* and others, all of the County

of *Huntingdon*—and of *Charles A. Cook* and others of *Plattsburgh* in the State of *New York*, severally praying against the amalgamation or union of the *Montreal* and *New York* Railroad Company with the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* Railroad Company.

Of the Reverend *L. B. Brien* and others of the Parish of *St. Mathias*—of *Pierre Rainville* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Marie*—of the Reverend *J. A. Provençal* and others of the Parish of *Saint Césaire*—of the Reverend *J. L. Blanc* and others of the Parish of *L'Ange Gardien*—of the Reverend *S. C. Hotti* and others of the Parish of *St. Jean Baptist*, eall of the County of *Rouville*—of the Reverend *F. Bourgeault* and others of the Parish of *Patronage de St. Joseph* in the County of *Two Mountains*—of the Reverend *C. A. Loranger* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Marthe* in the County of *Vaudreuil*—of the Reverend *J. O. Archambault* and others of the Parish of *St. Timothée*—and of the Reverend *H. Beaudry* and others of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme* in the County of *Chateauguay*, severally praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of *George Paris* and others of the Townships of *Dunwich*, *Aldborough*, *Oxford*, *Ekfrid*, *Mosa*, *Euphemia*, *Zone*, *Metcalf* and *Brooke*, praying that the said Townships may be formed into a new County and a central spot selected for the County Town.

Of *William Chapman* and others of *London*, praying to be incorporated under the name and style of “The South *Quebec* Warehouse Dock and Wharfage Company.”

Of the Trustees of the Congregation of *Knox's* Church, *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act to remove doubts as to the mode of electing said Trustees.

Of the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital, praying that a Bill may be passed authorizing them to issue Debentures to the amount of £5,000 in order to pay off the debt of said Institution.

Of *Robert Moodie* and others of *Toronto*, praying against the passing of the Bill intituled “An Act for the protection of persons owning Lands on the Shore of *Lake Ontario* in the Counties of *York*, *Peel* and *Halton*.”

Of the Teachers' Association in connexion with *McGill* Normal School, praying for aid towards the formation of a Library.

Of the Corporation of the City of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the construction of new Water Works in the said City, and that they may be authorized to impose a rate upon the consumers for the maintenance of the same.

Of *R. W. Heneker* and others of *Sherbrooke*, praying that a Charter may be

granted to a Company for the Manufacture of Cotton Cloth at the said Town of *Sherbrooke*.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House Returns from the Municipal Councils of *Upper Canada*, made in conformity with the Act 16 *Vict.*, Cap. 193., providing for making certain annual Returns to Government.

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 Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of *Quebec*, during the year 1856.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented to the House a Bill intituled “An Act to authorize the improvement of Water Courses.”

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. *Patton* presented to the House a Bill intituled “An Act to facilitate the despatch of business before Grand Juries.”

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Messieurs *Murney* and *Boulton* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*,

That the Clerk be directed to return to Mr. *C. L. Beard* the Fees paid by him on account of his Bill, which has been rejected by this House.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Act to modify the Usury Laws,” 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 tomorrow.

The Order of the Day being read for moving, pursuant to notice, that an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to allow the Legislative Council to elect their own Speaker, and to waive Her Royal Prerogative in that respect.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered, That the consideration of the said motion be postponed until next Wednesday fortnight.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to secure to married women certain separate rights of property," it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a second time on the first day of May next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act for the better prevention of accidents on Railways," it was *Ordered*, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

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

Friday, 27th March, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
BOULTON,
MILLS,
WILSON,
SEYMOUR,

The Honorable Messieurs

PERRY,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
M'ASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
PATTON,
MURNEY,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè*—of *Wm Gooderham* and others of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière*—of *John Dohoney* of the Parish of

Valcartier, in the County of *Quebec*, and of the Reverend *F. X. Côté* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Geneviève de Batiscan*, in the County of *Champlain*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of the Reverend *M. Duguay* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Flavie*—of the Municipal Council of the Parish of *St. Simon*, in the County of *Rimouski*—of *Théophile Marcotte* and others of the Parish of *St. Basile*, in the County of *Portneuf*—of the Reverend *T. Brassard* and others of the Parish of *St. Ignace du Coteau du Lac*, in the County of *Soulanges*—of the Reverend *J. S. Théberge* and others of the Parish of *St. Augustin*—of *Casimire Leroux* and others of the Parish of *St. Placide*—of *Dosithé Dupras*—and of the Reverend *W. Dufresne*, all of the County of *Two Mountains*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*—of the Reverend *P. de Villers* and others—and of *Damien Hardy* and others, all of the Township of *Maddington*, in the District of *Three Rivers*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*—of the *Milton Mechanics' Institute* and Library Association.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*—of the Reverend *Charles P. Emery* and others of the County of *Megantic*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Saugeen*, *Tuckersmith*, *Ashfield*, *Stanley*, *McKillop*, *Hullett* and *Brant*, all within the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *McGillivray* in the County of *Huron*—of the Board of School Trustees for the City of *Toronto*—and of *Samuel Muckleston* and others Underwriters, Forwarders, Masters of Vessels, of *Kingston*, interested in the navigation of Lake *Ontario*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of *L. Z. Duval* and others of the Parish of *St. Jean Port Joli* in the County of *P'Islet*—of *Eugène Devret* and others of the Parish of *St. Eloi*—of *Olivier Maclure* and others of the Parish of *P'Isle Verte*—of *J. B Lavoie* and others—and of *Joseph Bailloux*, all of the County of *Temiscouata*.

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

Of the Directors and Trustees of the *Montreal St. Patrick's* Orphan Asylum, praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *William Gibson* and others of the Townships of *Rama*, *Mara*, *Thorah* and *Scott*, praying that a Registry Office may be established at *Beaverton*.

Of the Reverend *Louis Manseau* and others of the Parish of *St. Antoine de la*

Baie du Fèvre, in the County of *Yamaska*, praying for aid towards the erection of a School House in that Parish.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Harwich* in the County of *Kent*, praying that a Light House may be erected at *Rond Eau Point* on Lake *Erie*.

Of the *Montreal* Young Men's Christian Association, praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's day in the Post Office Department and on the *St. Lawrence* Canals.

Of *Joseph Hovington* and others of the Townships of *Tadoussac* and *Les Bergeronnes*, in the County of *Saguenay*, praying for the passing of an Act for the protection of Salmon and Salmon Trout.

Of the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of *Quebec*, praying for a grant of two Millions of Acres of Land on the *Lower Canada* side of the *Ottawa River* in aid of the North Shore Railway Company, and the *Montreal* and *Bytown* Railway Company.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Brome*, praying that the Counties of *Shefford*, *Missisquoi* and *Brome* may be erected into an independent Judicial District.

Of the Corporation of the City of *Ottawa*, praying for the passing of an Act authorizing Municipalities holding Stock in Railway Companies to vote at the Election of Directors according to the amount of Stock subscribed.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Bolton* in the County of *Brome*, praying that no measure may be favorably entertained for annexing a portion of the said Township of *Bolton* to the Township of *Magog* in the County of *Stanstead*.

Of the Honorable *J. B. Macaulay* and others, praying for the passing of an Act to ratify and confirm various sales and conveyances made by the Trustees and Executors of the Will of the late *James Macaulay*, in his life time of the Township of *York*, Esquire, and for other purposes.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Compton*, praying to be indemnified for expenses occasioned to them by the erroneous sale of certain Crown Lands in said County, by reason of imperfect lists of Crown Lands having been furnished to the Secretary-Treasurer of said County.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Usbourne*, praying against the passing of any Bill to alter the present territorial limits of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*.

Of *l'Institut des Artisans de Yamachiche*—of the Library Association of the Teachers of the District of *Quebec*—of the Managers of the *Montreal* Home and

School of Industry—of the *St. John's* Library Association—of the Mechanics' Institute of *Chambly*—and of *Felix Emmanuel Juneau* of *Quebec*, on behalf of a Literary Institution established by him, severally praying for pecuniary aid.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Parishes of *Sainte Geneviève de Batiscan*, and of *Saint Prosper* in the County of *Champlain*, severally praying for the repeal of the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855, and the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road amendment Act of 1856, and for certain amendments to the Laws of *Lower Canada* relating to education.

Of *Timothy O'Callaghan* and others of the Township of *Peel*—of *Andrew Mitchell* and others of the Townships of *Arthur* and *Luther*—of *W. T. Parren* and others of the Township of *Wallace*—and of *Thomas Harrington* and others of the Township of *Maryborough*, all in the County of *Wellington*, severally praying that the Townships of *Luther*, *Garrafraxa*, *Peel*, *Maryborough*, *Minto* and *Arthur*, may be formed into a County for Judicial and Municipal purposes.

Of *L. G. Duval* and others—of *L. Boucher* and others—of the Reverend *J. H. Dorion* and others—of *Joseph Lemais* and others, all of the County of *St. Maurice*—of *F. X. Marcotte* and others—of *L. Dussault* and others—of *Antoine Plamondon* and others, all of the County of *Portneuf*—of *Moyse Boisvert* and others of the Parish of *St. Thomas de Pierreville*, in the County of *Yamaska*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Laval*—and of *L. Boucher* and others of the Parish of *St. Marcel*, in the County of *Richelieu*, severally praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1856.

Of the Colonial Bank of *Canada*—and of the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company, *Toronto*, severally praying for certain amendments to their charters.

Of the Reverend *E. Lecours* and others—of *F. Dubois* and others, all of the Parish of *St. Aimé* in the County of *Laval*—of the Reverend *P. C. Dubé* and others of the Parish of *St. Martin* in the County of *Laval*—of *Antoine Brunet* and others of the Parish of *St. François de Sales* in the County of *Laval*—of *J. T. Le Bel* and others of *Garthby*—and of *J. E. Cote* and others of the Township of *Weedon*, in the County of *Wolfe*, severally praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance,

The Honorable Messieurs *Armstrong* and *Cartier* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law for the admission of Attornies."

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. *Prince* from the Select Committee appointed to consider and report upon the Petition of *Thomas Woodbridge* and others of the Town of *Sandwich*, praying for the passing of an Act to extend the limits of the said Town,

and further that the said Town may be incorporated, reported that in their opinion the prayer of the said Petition ought to be granted, and that they have prepared the draught of a Bill for giving effect to the above recommendation.

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Prince* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Sandwich*, in the County of *Essex*."

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. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled "An Act to change the Constitution of the Legislative Council by rendering the same Elective, 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.

Ordered, That the said Report be taken into consideration by the House on Tuesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Election of the Speaker of the Legislative Council."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on next Thursday fortnight and that there be a Call of the House on that day to consider the said Bill.

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

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

EDMUND HEAD,

The Governor General transmits to the Honorable the Legislative Council the Public Accounts of the Province for the year 1856.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, 26th March, 1857.

Ordered, That the said Public Accounts do lie on the Table, and they are as follow ;

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Report of the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the "Act to modify the Usury Laws."

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

That the said Report be now adopted.

After Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

That the said Report be not now adopted, but that it be taken into consideration this day six months.

Which being objected to,

After a further long Debate,

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

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet,</i>
<i>de La Terrière,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Perry</i>	<i>Wilscn.—12.</i>

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>	<i>Smith, Hollis</i>
<i>deBlaquière,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>	<i>Widmer.—10.</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>		

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* and others with a Bill intituled, "An Act to increase the Capital Stock of the *Port Dalhousie* and *Thorold* Railway Company, and to change the name of the said Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time,

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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. *Spence* and others to return the Bill intituled, "An Act to require accounts rendered to the Provincial Government to be so rendered in dollars and cents," 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 the Speaker declared this House continued until Monday next at three o'clock, in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Monday, 30th March, 1857.

The Members convened, were:—

The Honorable ETIENNE F. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
BOULTON,
ROSS,
MILLS,
WILSON,

The Honorable Messieurs

SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS "
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
MURNEY,
SMITH, HOLLIS,

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Wilson*—of *Alexander Douglas* and others of the Village of *Fort Erie*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*—of *Joseph Lee* and others of *Trenton*—of *Wm. Johnson* and others of *Consecon*—of Messieurs *Donaldson*, *Austin* and others of *St. Catharines*—of *George Gillespie* and others of *Picton*—and of *Gage Hagaman* and others, Underwriters, Forwarders, Masters of Vessels and others of *Oakville* interested in the navigation of *Lake Ontario*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *Wm. King* and others of the County of *Pontiac*—of the Municipal Council of said County of *Pontiac*—of *David Wylie* and others of *Brockville*—of *Gaspard Denys de la Ronde* of the Seigniorship of *Argenteuil*—and of *J. P. Déry* and others of the Parish of *St. Raymond* in the County of *Portneuf*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*—of the Reverend *François Louis L'Heureux* and others of the Parish of *La Sainte Trinité de Contrecoeur* in the County of *Verchères*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *York*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de la Terrière*—of *L. Mathieu* and others of *Bagotville* in the County of *Chicoutimi*—of *Frederic Tremblay* and others of the Parish of *St. Irénée*—of *P. Clement* and others of the Parish of *St. Urbain*—of *Charles*

Chouinard and others of the Township of *Settrington*—of *Roger Savard* and others of the Parish of *les Eboulements*, and of *R. Bedard* and others of the Parish of *St. Pierre et St. Paul*, commonly called *Baie St. Paul*, all in the County of *Charlevoix*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*—of *George Thompson* and others of the Village of *New Hamburg*, in the Township of *Wilmot*, and County of *Waterloo*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Renard*—of *Marie Hamel* of the Parish of *St. Remi* in the District of *Montreal*—of the Reverend *E. Blyth* and others of the Parishes of *Sainte Martine*, *St. Urbain Premier*, *St. Joachim de Chateauguay* and *Sainte Philomène*, in the County of *Chateauguay*—of *Joseph Beauprè* and others—and of *Leandre Lebeau* and others, all of the County of *Montcalm*.

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

Of *Joseph Pothier* of *Sorel*, and of *Richard D. Frazer* of *Frazerfield*, severally praying to be indemnified for services rendered during the late War with the *United States*.

Of *Joseph Lyons* and others of the Jewish faith in the City of *Toronto*, praying that they may be permitted to register Births, Marriages and Deaths.

Of *William Hamilton* and others of the Province of *Canada*, praying for certain amendments to the Act regulating the inspection of Pot and Pearl Ashes.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying for certain amendments in the Registry Laws of *Lower Canada*.

Of *Robert Gillespie* and others of the County of *Rouville*, praying for aid towards repairing the plank road from *Chambly* to *St. Césaire* and *Granby*.

Of *F. M. Holmes* and others, Members of the *Brockville* Horticultural Society, praying that the like aid may be afforded to the Horticultural Societies of *Upper Canada* as has been granted to those of *Lower Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Ontario*, praying for the passing of an Act to legalize certain By-laws passed by the late Home District Council in reference to Roads in the said County of *Ontario*.

Of *John Nairne* and others of the Seigneurie of *Murray Bay*, praying that a law may be passed for the protection of Salmon and Salmon Trout.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Lambton*, praying for certain amendments in the Laws regulating Statute Labour, and praying that the expenses incurred in the administration of Criminal Justice in *Upper Canada* may be defrayed as in *Lower Canada*, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Of *François Laliberté* and others of the Township of *Granby* in the County of *Missisquoi*, and of the County of *Bagot*, praying that certain portions of those Counties may be annexed to the County of *Rouville*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Town of *Owen Sound*, praying that a Company may be incorporated for the purpose of constructing a Railroad from the Village of *Brampton*, in the County of *Peel*, to some point on Lake *Huron*, not further South than *Saugeen*.

Of *James Telfer* and others of the Township of *Nottawasaga* in the County of *Simcoe*, praying that the western portion of the County of *Grey* may be formed into a new County for Judicial and Registration purposes.

Of the Sisters of *Ste. Anne* at *St. Jacques de l'Achigan* in the County of *Montcalm*—of the *Montreal* Dispensary, and of *La Société des Artisans de St. Césaire*, severally praying for pecuniary aid.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Vaudreuil*—of *C. Archambault* and others of the County of *Beauharnois*—of *P. Benoit* and others of the Parish of *Deschambault*—of *Timothé Delisle* and others of the Parish of *St. Augustin*, all in the County of *Portneuf*—of *J. Duguay* and others of the Parish of *La Baie*, in the County of *Yamaska*—of the Reverend *C. Gauvreau* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Anne*—of *Joseph Peltier* and others of the Township of *Ixworth*—of the Reverend *E. Quertier* and others of the Parish of *St. Denis*—of the Reverend *Frs. Bégin* and others—of *Jean Caron* and others, all of the County of *Kamouraska*—of *J. B. Chabot* and others of the Parish of *Berthier*—of *Albert Farley* and others of the Parish of *l'Isle du Pads*—of *Norbert Goulet* and others of the Parish of *St. Cuthbert*—of *W. Morrison* and others of the Parish of *St. Gabriel de Brandon*—and of the Reverend *J. O. Giroux* and others, all of the County of *Berthier*, severally praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855.

Of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Quebec* and others of the same place, praying for aid towards the construction of a Road between *Matane* and the Township of *Fox*, and also for the improvement of the navigation on the South Shore of the River *St. Lawrence*.

Of *George M. Bradford* and others of the County of *Argenteuil*, praying that measures may be adopted to secure the more equitable distribution and allotment of Licenses for cutting Timber on the wild Lands of the Crown.

Of *John Felton* of *Sherbrooke*, praying to be indemnified for losses sustained by him as Crown Land Agent at the said Town.

Of *Samuel Child* and others of the Township of *Burford* in the County of *Stanstead*, praying that authority may be given to the Wardens of the County Councils to record their votes in cases where more than a majority of votes are required to pass a measure.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Townships of *Mara* and *Rama*, praying that Counties and Townships holding Stock in Railway Companies may be allowed to vote as Shareholders in proportion to the amount of Stock subscribed by them.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Wentworth*, praying that the interest arising out of the investment of the Clergy Reserve Fund may be applied in each Municipality to the support of Education.

Of the *Montreal* Board of Trade, praying that Marine Insurance may be exempted from the operation of the Bill before Parliament on the subject of Foreign Insurance Companies.

Of *George Baptist* and others of *Three Rivers* praying that in the event of the repeal of "The Free Banking Act," an exception may be made in their favor in consequence of measures having been already taken for the establishment of a Bank in the said Town.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *St. Catharines*—and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Lincoln*, severally praying that authority may be given to the Municipal Council of the County of *Niagara*, to determine by vote of the Municipal Electors whether *St. Catharines* shall be the County Town of the said County.

Of the Reverend *F. Tremblay* and others of the Township of *Stukeley*—of *A. Bissonnette* and others of the Parish of *St. Valentin*, in the County of *St. Johns*—of *A. R. Bisson* and others of the Parish of *St. Urbain Premier*, in the County of *Chateauguay*—of the Reverend *P. Bedard* and others of the Parish of *St. Rémi*, in the County of *Napierville*—of the Reverend *C. E. Poiré* and others of the Parish of *Deschambault*—of *Samuel Houde* of the Parish of *St. Charles des Grondines*—of the Reverend *Z. Gingras* and others of the Parish of *St. Jean Baptiste des Ecureuils*, all in the County of *Portneuf*—of the Reverend *E. Quartier* and others of the Parish of *St. Denis*—of the Reverend *T. Doucet* of the Parish of *Ste. Hélène*—of the Reverend *C. Gauthreau* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Anne*—and of the Reverend *N. Doucet* of the Parish of *St. André*, all in the County of *Kamouraska*, severally praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

The Honorable Messieurs *Duchesnay*, *Simpson* and *Prince* enter.

Pursuant to notice, it was

Moved by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this Council copies of all the correspondence and papers which passed between the Government and any person or persons relating to the charges against *John Alexander Wilkinson* and

Thomas Woodbridge, Esquires, which resulted in the dismissal of those Gentlemen from the Commission of the Peace for the County of *Essex*: and also a copy of the Memorial from the inhabitants of *Sandwich* to His Excellency, praying His Excellency to restore them to the said Commission, and of the names subscribed thereto.

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

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

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

That when this House adjourns on Thursday next, the 2nd April, it do stand adjourned until Wednesday the 15th day of the said month.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act for the better prevention of accidents on Railways."

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

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

The House was then 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 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 to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to increase the Capital Stock of the Port *Dalhousie* and *Thorold* Railway Company, and to change the name of the Company," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Seymour* and *Moore*, 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 this House to-morrow' afternoon, at half-past three o'clock, for the purpose of assenting in Her Majesty's name to certain Bills passed by the two Houses of the Legislature.

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

Tuesday, 31st March, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSON,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
ROSS,
MILLS,
WILSON,
SEYMOUR,

The Honorable Messieurs

ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
CARTIER,
DICKSON,
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
PATTON,
MURNEY,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

His Excellency SIR EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, 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 Acting Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the title of a Bill to be passed as follows:—

“ An Act to repeal the Act of one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, intituled, An Act to extend the provisions of the Insolvent Debtors’ Act of *Upper Canada*, and for the relief of a certain class of persons therein mentioned.”

To this Bill the Royal Assent was 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 following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the Table.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of the *Montreal* General Hospital.

By the Honorable Mr. *Mills*—of the Reverend *Robert Irvine* and others, members of *Knox’s Church, Hamilton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Wilson*, of *Prisque Mielliette* and others of the Parish of *St. Robert*—of *A. Giard* and others of the Parish of *St. Ours*—and of *Daniel Capistran* and others; all of the County of *Richelieu*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*, of *C. Morin* and others of the County of *Montcalm*—of the Reverend *P. Bedard* and others of the Parish of *Saint Rémi*—of *James Davidson* and others of the Seigniory of *Beauharnois*—of the Reverend *H. Beaudry* and others of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*, in the County of *Chateauguay*—and of *Nazaire Brien dit Dérochez* and others of the County of *Montcalm* aforesaid.

By the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*, of *Louis Gonzague Baillargé* and others of the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, of the *Quebec* Library Association—and of the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*—of the *Varenes* Reading Room and Library Association.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of the Provisional Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce*—and of *John Hutchison* and others of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of *Alexander Douglas* and others of the County of *Welland*—and of *Ralph Foster* and others of the Township of *Mersea*, in the County of *Essex*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of *James Duncan* and others of the Town-

ship of *Reach*, in the County of *Ontario*—and of *Wm. Heron* and others, of *Ashburn*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of *John Brush Seymour* of the Village of *Frelighsburg*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of the Reverend *Pierre Dionne* and others, of the Parish of *Saint Alban*—of the Reverend *J. M. Guertin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Casimir*—of the Reverend *L. C. Parent* and others, of the Parish of *La Pointe aux Trembles*, all in the County of *Portneuf*—of the Reverend *J. S. Thérberge* and others, of the Parish of *St. Augustin*, in the County of *Two-Mountains*—and of the Ladies of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Goderich*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Carleton*—and of *John Crumg* and others of *Mornington* in the County of *Perth*.

By the Honorable the Speaker of *Honoré Lagacé* and others—of *Romuald Michaud* and others—of the Reverend *N. F. Hebert* and others all of the County of *Kamouraska*—of *Raphaël Fournier* and others of the Parish of *Saint Aubert de Port Joli*—of *Nazaire D'Auteuil* and others of the Parish of *Saint Roch des Aulnets* in the County of *l'Islet*—of the Reverend *E. V. Dion* and others—of *J. B. Pouliot* and others all of the County of *Témiscouata*—of the Rector and Church Wardens of the Parish of *Quebec*—of *Edward Cole* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Angelique* in the County of *Ottawa*—of the Warden of the said County of *Ottawa*—of *Michel Beaudry* and others—and of *Angus McDonald* and others, all of the County of *Ottawa* aforesaid.

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

Of the Reverend *P. de Villers* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Gertrude*, and of the Township of *Maddington*, in the District of *Three Rivers*, praying that the said Township may be annexed to the County of *Nicolet*.

Of the Reverend *M. Duguay* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Flavie* in the County of *Rimouski*, praying for a grant of £2,000 towards the erection of a Pier on the *St. Lawrence*, in front of that Parish, and for a grant of £500 towards opening a road through the Township of *Fleuriau*.

Of the Municipal Council and School Commissioners of the Parish of *St. Simon* in the County of *Rimouski*, praying for a grant of £150, to enable them to purchase a building for an Academy or Model School, and for an annual grant of £75 for the payment of the Teachers thereof.

Of the Reverend *P. de Villers* and others—and of *Damien Hardy* and others, all of the Township of *Maddington*, in the District of *Three Rivers*, severally praying that a certain Road in the said Township may be repaired by the Board of Works at the expence of the Province.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Saugeen*, *Tuckersmith*, *Ashfield*, *Stanley*, *McKillop*, *Hullet* and *Brant*, all within the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*, severally praying that no measure may be adopted to alter the present territorial boundaries of the said United Counties.

Of *Wm. Gooderham* and others, of *Toronto*, praying for such modifications in the Laws as will enable duly qualified Civil Engineers to practice Land Surveying in this Province.

Of *John Dohoney* of the Parish of *Valcartier*, in the County of *Quebec*, setting forth that his house and stables were burned, and praying for relief.

Of the *Milton* Mechanics' Institute and Library Association, praying for pecuniary aid.

Of *L. Z. Duval* and others of the Parish of *St. Jean Port Joli* in the County of *l'Islet*—of *Eugène Devret* and others of the Parish of *St. Eloi*—of *Olivier Maclure* and others of the Parish of *l'Isle Verte*—of *J. B. Lavoie* and others—of *Joseph Mailloux* and others all of the County of *Temiscouata*—of the Reverend *T. S. Théberge* and others of the Parish of *St. Augustin*—of *Casimir Leroux* and others of the Parish of *St. Placide*—of *Dosithé Dupras* and others all of the County of *Two Mountains*—and of *Théophile Marcotte* and others of the Parish of *St. Basile*, severally praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855.

Of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, praying that all Acts authorizing the establishment of Separate Schools in *Upper Canada* may be repealed.

Of the Reverend *Charles P. Emery* and others of the County of *Megantic*, praying for the passing of an Act for the protection of the Salmon and Salmon Trout Fisheries in *Lower Canada*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *McGillivray* in the County of *Huron*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to dispose of certain Road allowances in the said Township.

Of *Samuel Muckleston* and others of *Kingston*, Underwriters, Forwarders, Masters of Vessels and others interested in the navigation of *Lake Ontario*, praying that *Weller's Bay* may be examined by some competent person in order to ascertain its eligibility as a Harbour of Refuge.

Of the Board of School Trustees for the City of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to dispose of a certain Lot of Land, and apply the proceeds to Common School purposes in the said City.

Of the Reverend *N. Dufresne* and others of the County of *Two Mountains*—of the Reverend *Thos. Brassard* and others of the Parish of *St. Ignace du Coteau*

du Lac in the County of *Soulanges*—and of the Reverend *F. X. Côté* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Genevieve de Batiscan* in the County of *Champlain*, severally praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that a Warrant be issued in favor of the Clerk of this House, for the sum of Five 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, and it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* enters.

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 *Port Dalhousie* and *Thorold* Railway Company, and to change the name of the 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 House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and again put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled "An Act for the better prevention of accidents on Railways."

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 several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said amendments being twice read by the Clerk, were agreed to.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, That the said Bill, with the amendments, be printed and read a third time presently.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*,

That the said Bill be not read a third time presently, but that it be recommitted

to a Committee of the whole to consider the substitution of the word "five" for "ten" in the Proviso of the eleventh section.

Which being objected to,

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

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So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main 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, That one 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 consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled an Act to change the Constitution of the Legislative Council by rendering the same Elective," and for other purposes.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged until next Thursday fortnight.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Cayley* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act for the establishment of a weekly Postal communication by Steamers between this Province and the United Kingdom," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, it was

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

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

Wednesday, 1st April, 1857.

The Members convened, were

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
CROOKS,
FERGUSSON,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MILLS,

The Honorable Messieurs

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PERRY,
CARTIER,
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
PATTON,
MURNEY,
SMITH, HOLLIS

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* enters.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Mills*—of *Thomas Routh* and others of *Hamilton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de la Terrière*—of the Reverend *Cyprien Tanguay* and others, Officers of *l'Institut de Rimouski*—of the Reverend *N. F. Hébert* and others of the County of *Kamouraska*—of the Reverend *G. Nadeau* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Luce*, in the County of *Rimouski*—and of *John H. Slevin* and others of the Parish of *St. François Xavier de la Petite Rivière* in the County of *Charlevoix*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of the Warden and Councillors of the County of *Haldimand*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—of *H. Starnes* and others, Merchants, of *Montreal*—and of the Reverend *G. L. E. Duhaill* and others of the Townships of *Wotton*, *Weedon*, *Garthby*, *Stratford* and *Ham*, in the County of *Wolfe*, and of the Township of *Winslow*, in the County of *Compton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Onslow*—and of *Narcisse Ouelet* and others of the Township of *Halifax* in the County of *Megantic*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*—of the Reverend *G. L. E. Duhaill* and others of the Parish of *St. Hippolyte de Wotton* in the County of *Wolfe*—

and of the Reverend *A. E. Dufresne* and others of the Parish of *Saint Michel de Sherbrooke* in the County of *Sherbrooke*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Carrick*—of the Town Council of the Town of *Goderich*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Wawanosh*, all within the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kamouraska*—and of *E. Dionne* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Anne* and of the Township of *Icworth*, in the County of *Kamouraska* aforesaid.

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

Of *Alexander Douglas* and others of the Village of *Fort Erie*, in the County of *Welland*, praying that the said Village may be incorporated as a Town.

Of *Charles Chouinard* and others of the Township of *Settrington*—of *Frédéric Tremblay* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Irénée*—and of *P. Clement* and others of the Parish of *St. Urbain*, all in the County of *Charlevoix*, severally praying that the *Chef lieu* of the proposed Judicial District of *Saguenay* may be fixed in the Parish of *Les Eboulemens*.

Of *J. P. Déry* and others of the Parish of *St. Raymond* and of the Townships of *Gosford*, *Colbert* and *Roquemont*, all in the County of *Portneuf*, praying for a grant of £800 to enable them to build a Bridge over the River *Ste. Anne*—praying for a grant of £1,000 for the opening of a Road—and praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of *Joseph Lee* and others of *Trenton*—of *Wm. Johnson* and others of *Consecon*—of Messieurs *Donaldson*, *Austin* and others of *St. Catharines*—of *George Gillespie* and others of *Picton*—and of *Gage Hagaman* and others, Underwriters, Forwarders and Masters of Vessels of *Oakville*, interested in the navigation of *Lake Ontario*, severally praying that *Weller's Bay* may be examined in order to ascertain its eligibility as a Harbour of Refuge.

Of *Leandre Lebeau* and others—and of *Joseph Beaupré*, all of the County of *Montcalm*, severally praying for certain amendments to the Municipal and Road Act of 1855.

Of *Marie Hamel* of the Parish of *St. Rémi*, in the District of *Montreal*, Widow of the late *Ambroise Sanguinet*, praying to be indemnified for the loss of her property confiscated and sold at the suit of the Crown in 1839, as belonging to her said late husband.

Of the Reverend *E. Blyth* and others of the Parishes of *Sainte Martine*, *St. Urbain Premier*, *St. Joachim de Chateauguay* and *Sainte Philomène*, in the County of *Chateauguay*, praying that the *Chef lieu* of the proposed Judicial District of *Beauharnois* may be fixed in the Parish of *Sainte Martine*.

Of *L. Mathieu* and others of *Bagotville*, in the County of *Chicoutimi*, praying that two additional Commissioners, to be taken from that County, may be appointed to superintend the works on the road from *Bagotville* to *St. Urbain*—that the works on the road leading to *Lake St. John* may be continued—that several new Townships may be surveyed on the South side of that Lake, and for a grant of money towards opening a road from the Township of *Chicoutimi* to the Township of *Bagot*.

Of *R. Bedard* and others of the Parish of *St. Pierre et St. Paul*, commonly called *Basé St. Paul*, in the County of *Charlevoix*, praying for a grant of £1,500 towards opening a road from that Parish to the Pier on the *St. Lawrence*, in the Parish of *les Eboulemens*.

Of *Gaspard Denys de Laronde* of the Seigniorship of *Argenteuil*, praying for an indemnity.

Of *Roger Savard* and others of the Parish of *les Eboulemens* in the County of *Charlevoix*, praying that the *Chef-lieu* of the proposed District of *Saguenay* may be fixed in that District, that the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855 may be repealed, and that the *Lower Canada* Common School Act may be repealed or amended.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Pontiac*, praying for aid towards the construction of a Road from the Village of *Aylmer* in the County of *Ottawa* to the mouth of *Deep River* in the County of *Pontiac* aforesaid.

Of *David Wylie* and others of *Brockville*, praying that such encouragement may be given to the Commerce and Industry of the Province as will place native enterprise upon equal terms with Foreign competition.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *York*, praying that all Acts authorizing the establishment of Separate Schools in *Upper Canada* may be repealed.

Of *George Thompson* and others of the Village of *New Hamburg* in the Township of *Wilmot* in the County of *Waterloo*, praying for the passing of an Act to set apart the said Village as a separate Municipality.

Of *Wm. King* and others of the County of *Pontiac*, praying for aid towards the construction of a Road from *Aylmer* to *Fort William*.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Statement of the affairs of the *Port Dalhousie* and *Thorold* Railway Company on the 21st day of March, 1855—and also a Statement of the moneys received and expended by the said Company to the 28th February, 1857.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* enters.

Pursuant to notice, it was

Moved by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Crooks*,
That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty in the following words :

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN :

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council of the Province of *Canada*, in Provincial Parliament assembled, beg leave humbly to approach Your Majesty with renewed expressions of our loyalty and attachment to Your Majesty's Person and Government.

Deeply sensible as we are of the inestimable value of the privileges which Your Majesty's Colonial subjects enjoy, as being equally with Your Majesty's Home subjects, members of the greatest and freest Empire on the face of the Globe, we are not the less mindful of the fact that our full enjoyment of these blessed privileges is inseparably connected with, and dependent upon, the right of self-government which the latter have long exercised, and which has, during Your Majesty's Reign, been fully and completely conceded and recognized as belonging to the former also.

We are fully aware also that these inherent rights and privileges would be entirely nugatory and of no avail to us if we were subject to be driven from our homes or excluded from any portion of the soil or waters of our Country, or debarred from the exercise of our lawful industry thereon or therein, without our consent directly or indirectly first sought and obtained.

With these convictions deeply implanted in our minds we are naturally disposed to regard with watchful jealousy the slightest appearance of any disposition on the part of Your Majesty's immediate advisers, in whose selection Your Majesty's Colonial subjects have no voice, to recommend to Your Majesty the adoption of measures which might tend to inflict upon any of the latter such grievous injuries.

It has been therefore with the deepest concern and anxiety that we have received the intelligence that Your Majesties Principal Secretaries of State for Foreign Affairs, and for the Colonies, have concluded the preliminaries of a Convention to be entered into between Your Majesty and the Emperor of the French, relative to the rights of Fishery on the Coast of *Newfoundland* and the neighboring Coasts, whereby all these species of injury would be inflicted upon our fellow subjects in the Colony of *Newfoundland*, in this Province and elsewhere.

Deeply sympathising as we do with Your Majesty's brave and loyal subjects in *Newfoundland* and on the Coast of *Labrador* in their alarm and distress on this occasion, we cannot fail to be aware that numbers of the inhabitants of the Eastern portion of this Province would be injuriously affected also by the conclusion of such a Convention, and we therefore humbly beseech Your Majesty to pause before giving

Your Royal Sanction thereto, and to protect the rights of Your Majesty's brave and loyal subjects in these Colonies from being forfeited, infringed upon, or subjected to any injury or risk.

After a long Debate,

The said Motion was by leave of the House withdrawn.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the improvement of Water Courses," it was *Ordered*, That the same be discharged until the sixteenth day of the present month.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Town of *Sandwich*, in the County of *Essex*," it was *Ordered*, That the same be discharged until next Friday fortnight.

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* enters.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act for the establishment of a Weekly Postal Communication by Steamers between this Province and the United Kingdom."

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Perry*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time,

After Debate,

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

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. Solicitor General *Smith* and others, with a Bill intituled, "An Act to further secure the independence of Parliament," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on the sixteenth day of the present month.

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

Thursday, 2nd April, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
CROOKS,
FERGUSSON,
FERRIE,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
SEYMOUR.

The Honorable Messieurs

PERRY,
DICKSON,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
VANKOUGHNET,
PATTON,
MURNEY,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*—of the Corporation of the City of *Hamilton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Perry*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Alnwick*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—of *F. Morrier* and others of the Village of *Napierville*—of the Reverend *Th. R. Dagenais* and others of the Parish of *St. Edouard* in the County of *Huntingdon*—and of the Reverend *A. Noisieux* and others of *Shawinegan* in the County of *St. Maurice*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of the Municipal Council of the Village of *Brampton*—and of *R. E. Stephens* and others of *Owen Sound*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*—of the *Lincoln* and *Welland* Horticultural and Mechanical Society—and of the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad Company.

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of *William Ball* and others of the Village of *Ayr*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*—five Petitions, of *John Kane* and others of the County of *Chicoutimi*—three Petitions, of the Municipal Council of the County of *Chicoutimi* aforesaid—of the Reverend *Charles Trudelle* and others of the Parish of *la Baie St. Paul* in the County of *Charlevoix*—of *Joseph Bouchette* of the City of *Toronto*—and of *James Smith* and others of the County of *Rimouski*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*—of the Canadian Loan and Investment Company.

By the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*—of the Corporation of the City of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Murney*—of the County Council of the County of *Hastings*—and of *R. Thornhill* and others of *Fort Erie*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—two Petitions, of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Romney*—and of *William Russell* and others of the County of *Welland*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Carlton*—and of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *McGillivray*, *Grey* and *Morris*, all within the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*—of the Nuns of the Ursuline Convent at *Three Rivers*.

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

Of *A. Giard* and others of the Parish of *St. Ours*—of *Daniel Capistran* and others, of the County of *Richelieu*—of *Nazaire Brien dit Derochez* and others—of *C. Morin* and others, all of the County of *Montcalm*—of *Honoré Lagacé* and others—of *Romuald Michaud* and others, of the County of *Kamouraska*—of the Reverend *E. V. Dion* and others—of *J. P. Pouliot* and others, all of the County of *Temiscouata*—of *Nazaire D'Auteuil* of the Parish of *Saint Roch des Aulnets* in the County of *L'Islet*—of *Angus McDonald* and others—of *Michel Beaudry* and others—and of *Edward Cole* and others, all of the County of *Ottawa*, severally praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada Municipal and Road Act of 1855*.

Of the Ladies of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of *Montreal*—of the Governors of the *Montreal General Hospital*—of the *Quebec Library Association*—and of the *Varenes Reading Room and Library Association*, severally praying for aid.

Of the Reverend *Pierre Dionne* and others—of the Reverend *J. N. Guertin* and others—of the Reverend *L. C. Parent*, of the County of *Portneuf*—of the Reverend *J. S. Théberge* and others of the Parish of *St. Augustin*, in the County of *Two Mountains*—of *Prisque Mielliette* and others of the Parish of *St. Robert*, in the County of *Richelieu*—and of the Reverend *N. F. Hébert* and others of the Parish of *St. Louis de Kamouraska*, in the County of *Kamouraska*, severally praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of *Raphaël Fournier* and others of the Parish of *Saint Aubert de Port Joli*, praying that that Parish may be erected into a Municipality.

Of the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of *Quebec*, praying that the

name of that City may be struck out of the Bill to amend the Act to authorize investigations in cases of accident by fire in *Quebec* and *Montreal*.

Of *Louis Gonzagué Baillargé* and others of the City of *Quebec*, praying for a grant of £800 to *La Société Saint Jean Baptiste de la Cité de Quebec*, to enable them to complete a monument to the memory of the brave men who fell in action before *Quebec* on the 28th April, 1760.

Of the Reverend *H. Beaudry* and others of the Parish of *St. Jean Crystostome* in the County of *Chateauguay*, praying that the *Chef Lieu* of the proposed Judicial District of *Beauharnois* may be fixed in the Parish of *Ste. Martine*.

Of the Reverend *P. Bedard* and others of the Parish of *Saint Rémi* in the County of *Napierville*, praying that that Parish may be allowed to remain part of the Judicial District of *Montreal*.

Of *James Duncann* and others of the Township of *Reach* in the County of *Ontario*, praying that the Petition of the County Council of the said County for the establishment and confirmation of certain Road allowances in the said Township may not be favorably entertained.

Of *Wm. Heron* and others of *Ashburn*—and of the Reverend *Robert Irvine* and others, members of *Know's Church, Hamilton*, severally praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day in the Government Departments, and also on Canals and Railways.

Of the Provisional Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce*, praying against the passing of any measure to alter the present territorial limits of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*.

Of *John Hutchison* and others of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate them as a Company to construct Steamboats and other craft to ply in connection with the *Ontario, Simcoe* and *Huron* Railway.

Of the inhabitants of the Town of *Goderich*, praying that authority may be given them to apply a portion of the money borrowed from the Municipal Consolidated Loan Fund for Railway purposes, towards the construction of Gravel Roads in the County of *Huron*.

Of *Ralph Foster* and others of the Township of *Mersea* in the County of *Essex*, praying for aid towards the construction of a Pier at *Pigeon Bay*.

Of the Rector and Church Wardens of the Parish of *Quebec*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate "The *Quebec* Male Orphan Asylum."

Of the Warden of the County of *Ottawa* and others, praying that the waters of Lake *Huron* and the River *St. Lawrence* may be connected by the construction of new Canals at the *Chaudière* and *Châts* and the enlargement of those at *Grenville* and *Carillon*.

Of *James Davidson* and others of the Seigniory of *Beauharnois*, praying for the passing of an Act to establish the boundary lines of said Seigniory.

Of *John Brush Seymour* of the Village of *Frelighsburg*, praying against the passing of the Bill to incorporate the *Frelighsburg* Grammar School.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Carleton*, praying that a Bridge may be erected over the *Rideau* River at *Bicket's Ferry* at the expense of the Province.

Of *Alexander Douglas* and others of the County of *Welland*, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the construction of a Railway from the Village of *Fort Erie* on the *Niagara* River to the *Suspension Bridge*.

Of *John Crumg* and others of the Township of *Mornington* in the County of *Perth*, praying that no augmentation may be made to the price of Crown Lands in the said Township.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House the Annual Report of the Senate of the University of *Toronto* for the year 1856.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a return to an Address dated the 30th ultimo, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to send down to this Council copies of all the correspondence and papers which passed between the Government and any person or persons relating to the charges against *John Alexander Wilkinson* and *Thomas Woodbridge*, Esquires, which resulted in the dismissal of those Gentlemen from the Commission of the Peace for the County of *Essex*; and also a copy of the Memorial from the inhabitants of *Sandwich* to His Excellency, praying His Excellency to restore them to the said Commission, and of the names subscribed thereto.

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

(*Vide Appendix No. 3.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act for the establishment of a Weekly Postal Communication by Steamers between this Province and the United Kingdom," 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 the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to facilitate the despatch of business before Grand Juries."

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Vankoughnet* and *Prince*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Chisholm* and others with a Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Municipal and Assessment Acts of *Upper Canada*, in so far as they relate to the commutation of Statute Labour," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Chisholm* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act for the protection of persons owning Lands "on the Shore of Lake *Ontario*, in the Counties of *York*, *Peel* and *Halton*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Friday, the 17th instant.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House the Report of the Commissioners of Public Works for the year 1856.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker declared this House continued until Wednesday the fifteenth day of April instant, the House so decreeing.

Wednesday, 15th April, 1857.

The Members convened, were

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
BOULTON,
LESLIE,
BOURRET,

The Honorable Messieurs

ROSS,
MILLS,
PANET,
SEYMOUR,
PERRY,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
PATTON,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of *J. Baxter* and others of *Wellington Square*—of *Edward Evans* and others of *Waterdown*—and of the *Galt* and *Guelph* Railway Company.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *South Stukely*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of *Mersea*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Essex*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Harwich* in the County of *Kent*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*—of the Reverend *S. Rivet*, and another of *Joliette College*—and of the Library Association and Mechanics' Institute of *Bécancour*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Panet*—of the *Quebec, British and Canadian* School Society.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Huron, Elderslie, Derby, Artemesia, Proton, Caledon, Amaranth, Osprey, Bentinck*—and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Grey*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*—of *Roger Boily* and others of the County of *Chicoutimi*—of the Reverend *Is. A. Martel* and others of the Town-

ship of *De Salles* in the County of *Charlevoix*—of the Reverend *Clovis Gagnon* and others—of *Ed. Slevin* and others, all of the Parish of *Eboulements* in the County of *Charlevoix*—and of *Ed. Boudreau* and others of the Parishes of *Baie St. Paul*, *St. Urbain*, *Petite Rivière* and *Isle aux-Condres* in the *Seigniories du Gouffre et Côte de Beaupré* in the County of *Charlevoix*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of *Wm. Gordon* and others of the Townships of *Whitby* and *Pickering*—and of *F. F. Passmore* and others of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Montreal* and others—of the County Council of the County of *Bonaventure*—and of the Reverend *O. Hébert* and other of the Parish of *St. Alexandre* in the County of *Kamouraska*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of the *Montreal* Board of Trade—and two Petitions of the Ladies' Benevolent Society of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of the Reverend *Alex. Mathieson*, D.D., and other members of *St. Andrew's* Church, *Montreal*.

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

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kamouraska*, praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Acts, for aid towards the erection of a wharf at *l'Isle Brulée*, opposite *Kamouraska*, for aid towards opening roads through the Townships in that County, for a reduction in the duties on sugar and molasses, for the reduction of the salaries of Public Officers, Ministers and Members of Parliament, and the abolition of certain pensions and sinecures, for vote by ballot, for the continuation of the Grand Trunk Railroad from *St. Thomas* to *Trois Pistoles*, that School Inspectors may be made to do their duty, and that the cod and mackerel fisheries in the Gulf of *St. Lawrence* may be encouraged.

Of the Warden and Councillors of the County of *Haldimand*, praying that additional accommodation may be provided for the reception of Lunatics at the Provincial Asylum.

Of the Reverend *G. L. E. Duhault* and others of the Parish of *St. Hippolyte de Wotton*, in the County of *Wolfe*, and of the Reverend *A. E. Dufresne* and others of the Parish of *Saint Michel de Sherbrooke*, in the County of *Sherbrooke*, severally praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of the Reverend *N. F. Hébert* and others of the County of *Kamouraska*, praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act for 1855.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Goderich*—of the Municipal Council of

the Township of *Wawanosh*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Carrick*, severally praying that the present territorial boundaries of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce* may not be disturbed.

Of the Reverend *Cyprien Tanguay* and others, officers of *l'Institut de Rimouski*, praying for aid.

Of the Reverend *G. Nadeau* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Luce* in the County of *Rimouski*, praying for aid towards the construction of a Bridge over the River *Neigète* in the Township of *Fleuriau*, and that the lands in that Township may be offered for sale.

Of *John H. Slevin* and others of the Parish of *St. François Xavier de la Petite Rivière*, in the County of *Charlevoix*, praying that the *chef-lieu* of the proposed Judicial District of *Saguenay* may be fixed in the Parish of *Les Eboulements*.

Of *Thomas Routh* and others of *Hamilton*, praying that measures may be adopted to ascertain the eligibility of *Weller's Bay* in the County of *Ontario* as a Harbour of Refuge.

Of the Warden and Councillors of the County of *Haldimand*, praying that the expenses incurred in the administration of Criminal Justice may be defrayed in *Upper Canada* as in *Lower Canada*, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Of the Reverend *G. L. E. Duhault* and others of the Townships of *Wotton*, *Weedon*, *Garthby*, *Stratford* and *Ham*, in the County of *Wolfe*, and of the Township of *Winslow* in the County of *Compton*, praying that a sum of five thousand pounds may be appropriated for the completion of certain roads in those Townships.

Of *Henry Starnes* and others of *Montreal*, praying to be incorporated as a Company to facilitate the loading and unloading of Vessels at the Port of *Montreal* by means of machinery to be procured especially for such purpose.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Onslow*, praying for aid towards the construction of a road from the Village of *Aylmer* to the mouth of *Deep River* in the County of *Pontiac*.

Of *Narcisse Ouelet* and others of the Township of *Halifax* in the County of *Megantic*, praying that the first range of that Township may be annexed to the Township of *Chester* in the County of *Arthabaska*.

Of *E. Dionne* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Anne*, and of the Township of *Iaworth*, in the County of *Kamouraska*, praying for aid for the prolongation of a certain road in that Township.

The Honorable the Speaker reported to the House that he had received a communication from the Clerk of this House acquainting him that the time limited

by the fifty-seventh Rule for receiving Petitions for Private Bills expired on the 4th instant, and that the time limited by the fifty-eighth Rule for receiving Private Bills from the Legislative Assembly will expire on the 17th day of April instant.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to allow verdicts on Trials by Jury in Civil Causes to be returned although the Jury may not be unanimous."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law for the admission of Attornies," it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged until Thursday week next.

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

Thursday, 16th April, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
GOODHUE,
WIDMER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
LESLIE,
BOURRET,
ROSS,
MILLS,

The Honorable Messieurs

PANET,
WILSON,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
DICKSON,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
MURNEY,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of *James Munro* and others of the Village of *Epsom*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Wilson*—of *Charles Phillips* and others of *St. Lambert*—of *Pierre Beaupré* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Hemédine*—of *O. Paradis* and others of *West Frampton*—of *John Nicholson* and others of *Standon*—of *F. Rouleau* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Claire*—of *P. H. Larue* and others of the Parish of *St. Isidore*—of *J. C. Belanger* and others of the Parish of *St. Anselme*, all in the County of *Dorchester*—and of the Municipal Council of the said Parish of *St. Anselme*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*—of the Reverend *J. Brissette* and others of the Parish of *St. Gabriel of Brandon*—and of *Raymond Magnan* and others of the Parish of *St. Germain*, all in the County of *Berthier*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*—of *Samuel Fry* and others of *Clinton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*—of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Drummond*, *West Zorra*, *East Zorra*, and *East Nissouri*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*—of *Théron Dickey* and others of the Township of *Clarke*—of *A. M. Benson* and others, widow and children of *Thomas Benson* late of the Town of *Port Hope*, deceased—and of *Nesbit Kirckhoffer* and others of *St. Catharines*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *John Walsh* and others of *Frampton*—of *L'Institut Canadien de Montreal*—of *G. T. Peltier* and others of the Parish of *St. Guillaume*—of the Reverend *Nap. Kérouac* and others of the Township of *Upton*, all in the County of *Drummond*—of the Reverend *F. Morrison* and others of the Parish of *Napierville*, in the County of *Napierville*—of *Nelson Manning* and others of the Municipality of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*—of *Augustin Garitier* and others of the County of *Portneuf*—of the Reverend *L. C. O. Grénier* and others of the Parish of *St. Basile*—and of *D. Watters* and others of the Parish of *Saint Augustin*, all in the said County of *Portneuf*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of the Board of School Trustees, *Peterborough*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—of *Marie Louise Gatién* and others—of *Jean Baptiste Dumon* and others of the Counties of *Beauharnois* and *Chateauguay*—and of *L. Renaud* and others of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of *William Gibbard* and others of the Townships of *Collingwood*, *Nottawasaga*, *Osprey*, *Mulmer*, *Sunnidale*, and *Tossorontio*—of *William Flemming* and others—of *Robert Milligan* and others, all of *Collingwood*—of *William Early* and others—of *Edward Horton* and others, all of the Township of *Osprey*—of *Angus Bell* and others—of *W. B. Hamilton* and others of the Township of *Nottawasaga*—of *Thomas Hall* and others of the Township of *Mulmer*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Melancthon*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ross*—of *B. King* and others, Underwriters Masters of Vessels, interested in the Navigation of Lake Ontario.

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of *George W. Park* and others of *Waterford*, in the County of *Norfolk*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière*—of *John Peverley* and others of *Portneuf*, in the County of *Saguenay*—of *Jean Savard* and others of the Parish of *St. Irénée*—and of *James Béchard* and others of *Gaspé Basin*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of the Corporation of the City of *Toronto*—of *R. Fisher* and others—of *M. Mathews* and others—of *W. L. Jones* and others—of *William Hunter* and others—of *William Hildred* and others—of *J. R. Brown* and others—of *A. Cooke* and others—of *Archibald McEwen*—of *Thomas Buller* and others—of *James A. Rolls* and others—of *Elijah Duck* and others—of *John Henderson* and others—of *Peter Benedict* and others—of *Charles R. Buchanan* and others—of *Joseph Watters* and others—of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Tilbury East*, *Yarmouth*, *Bruce* and *Hay*—and of *Hariette Godfrey* and others of *Saugeen*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of the Local Council of the Township of *Matapédia* in the County of *Bonaventure*—of *Michel Fournier* and others of the Parish of *St. Jean Port Joli*—of *P. Castonguay* and others of the Parish of *Saint Roch des Aulnets*, all in the County of *L'Islet*—of *Ignace Beaulieu* and others—of the Reverend *Thos. Bégin* and others, all of the County of *Kamouraska*—of *Abraham Pelletier* and others of the County of *Temiscouata*—of the Reverend *J. L. Marceau* and others of the Parish of *Green Island*—and of the Reverend *L. Roy* and others of the Parish of *Trois Pistoles*, all in the County of *Temiscouata*.

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

Of *James Smith* and others of the County of *Rimouski*, praying that the Grand Trunk Railway may be prolonged to the Eastern Boundary of the Province, and that steps may be taken to procure the construction of a continued line from thence to the Atlantic Ocean.

Three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Chicoutimi*, praying that the lands lying in the Valley of Lake *St. John* may be explored and

surveyed, with a view to the granting of licenses for cutting timber thereon; also praying that eight hundred pounds may be granted for the opening of a certain road in that County—and also praying for aid towards the opening of the *Sydenham* Road in that County.

Five Petitions of *John Kane* and others of the County of *Chicoutimi*, praying for a grant of eight hundred pounds to make nine miles of road from the site of a proposed Church in the Township of *Tremblay* in that County towards the interior—also praying that that County may not be united for Judicial purposes to those of *Charlevoix* and *Saguenay*, but may be constituted a Judicial District by itself—also praying that lands in the neighbourhood of the River *Saguenay* may be granted gratuitously to actual Settlers, as has been done in other parts of the Province—also praying that the tract of land in the vicinity of Lake *St. John* may be explored and surveyed—and also praying that the *Sydenham* and *Bourget* roads may be opened at the expense of the Province.

Of the Reverend *Th. R. Dagenais* and others of the Parish of *Saint Edouard* in the County of *Huntingdon*, praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of the Canadian Loan and Investment Company and of the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railway Company, severally praying for the amendment of their charters.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *McGillivray*, *Grey* and *Morris*, all within the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*, severally praying against the passing of any measure to alter the present Territorial limits of the said United Counties.

Of the Nuns of the Ursuline Convent at *Three Rivers*, praying for aid.

Of *Joseph Bouchette* of *Toronto*, praying for pecuniary aid to enable him to publish an improved edition of his Geographical Map of *Canada*, and of the British North American Provinces.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Romney* in the County of *Kent*, praying for the incorporation of the "International Bridge Company" for the construction of a Bridge across the *Niagara* River at or near *Fort Erie*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Carleton*, praying for the construction of a Ship Canal through the Valley of the *Ottawa*, to connect the waters of Lake *Huron* with the Tide waters of the River *St. Lawrence*.

Of *William Bell* and others of the Village of *Ayr*, praying against the incorporation of said Village.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Romney*, praying that a Harbour of Refuge may be constructed between the Ports of *Amherstburgh* and *Rond Eau*.

Of the Corporation of the City of *Toronto*, praying against the passing of a

Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Act incorporating the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company of the City of *Toronto*."

Of *Wm. Russell* and others of the County of *Welland*, praying that a charter may be granted for the construction of a Railroad from the Village of *Fort Erie* on the *Niagara* River to the Suspension Bridge.

Of *R. H. Thornhill* and others of *Fort Erie*, praying that no measure may be favorably entertained for the erection of a Bridge from *Buffalo* to *Fort Erie*.

Of the County Council of the County of *Hastings*, praying for aid towards the construction of a Tram Road or Railroad from *Belleville* to the *Marmora* Iron Works.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Alnwick*, praying that the Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham* may not be separated for Judicial and Municipal purposes.

Of the Municipal Council of the Village of *Brampton* in the County of *Peel*, praying that a charter may be granted for the construction of a Railroad from the said Village to *Owen Sound*, and thence to some point on Lake *Huron* not further South than *Saugeen*.

Of *R. E. Stephens* and others of *Owen Sound*, praying to be incorporated under the name and style of "The Toronto and Owen Sound Central Railroad Company."

Of the Reverend *Chs. Trudelle* and others of the Parish of *la Baie St. Paul* in the County of *Charlevoix*, praying that a Bridge may be erected over the River *du Gouffre* in that Parish.

Of the Reverend *A. Noiseaux* and others of *Shawinigan* in the County of *St. Maurice*, praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855.

Of *F. Morrier* and others of the Village of *Napierville*, praying for aid to l'Institut des Artisans de *Napierville*.

Of the *Lincoln* and *Welland* Horticultural and Mechanical Society, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate all existing Horticultural Societies in this Province, and that the said Societies may receive a certain sum of money annually from the Government.

Of the Corporation of the City of *Hamilton*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable Municipalities holding Stock in Railway Companies to vote at the election of Directors in proportion to the amount of Stock subscribed.

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

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

EDMUND HEAD.

No. 33, March 26, 1857. The Governor General transmits, for the information of the Honorable the Legislative Council a copy of a Despatch from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, on matters relating to *Newfoundland*.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Toronto, 15th April, 1857,

[Copy.]

No. 33.

DOWNING STREET,
26th March, 1857.

SIR,—

I transmit for your information copy of a Despatch which I have this day addressed to the Governor of *Newfoundland*, on the subject of the Fishery Convention with *France*, which the Legislature of that Colony have refused to adopt.

I have &c.,

[Signed,]

H. LABOUCHERE.

Governor

Sir EDMUND HEAD, Bart.,
&c. &c. &c.,
Canada.

[Copy.]

No. 10.

DOWNING STREET,
26th March, 1857.

SIR,—

No. 8, Feb 7, 1857—
" 11, March, 8, "
" 12, " 4, "
" 13, " 5, "

I have to acknowledge your Despatches of the numbers and dates specified in the margin.

When Her Majesty's Government entered into the convention with that of France, which has formed the occasion of that correspondence, they did so in the hope of bringing to a satisfactory arrangement the many complicated and difficult questions which have arisen between the two countries on the subject of the *Newfoundland Fisheries*, but they did so with the full intention of adhering to two principles which have guided them, and will continue to guide them; namely, that the rights at present enjoyed by the community of *Newfoundland* are not to be ceded or exchanged without their assent, and that the constitutional mode of submitting measures for that assent is by laying them before the Colonial Legislature. For this reason they pursued the same form of proceeding which had been before pursued in the case of the Reciprocity Convention with the *United States*, and which was in that case adopted and acted upon by the *Newfoundland* Legislature. It was in perfect uniformity with the same precedent that it ap-

peared necessary in the present instance to add a condition respecting Parliamentary enactment, in order that, if necessary, any existing obstacles to the arrangement in the series of Imperial Statutes might be subsequently removed.

The proposals contained in the convention having been now unequivocally refused by the Colony, they will of course fall to the ground, and you are authorized to give such assurance as you may think proper that the consent of the community of *Newfoundland* is regarded by Her Majesty's Government as the essential preliminary to any modification of their territorial or maritime rights.

I have, &c.,

[Signed.]

H. LABOUCHERE.

Governor Darling,

&c., &c., &c.,

Newfoundland.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House Supplementary Returns made by the Municipal Councils of *Lower Canada*.

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

Vide Sessional Papers.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

Ordered, That the period for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to the 15th May next, and that the period for receiving Private Bills from the Legislative Assembly be extended to the 1st June next.

The Order of the Day being read for moving, pursuant to notice,

That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to take the subject matter of the establishment at *Quebec* of a Magnetic Observatory into his favorable consideration,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for moving, pursuant to notice,

That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to take such steps as to His Excellency may seem expedient, with a view to aid the Immigrants from *Great Britain* who are now desirous to proceed to *Canada*, either by a free passage, or with such facilities as may enable them to effect their object.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, it was

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Murney*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, it was

Ordered, That copies of all the correspondence and papers which passed between the Government and any person or persons relating to the charges against *John Alexander Wilkinson* and *Thomas Woodbridge*, Esquires, which resulted in the dismissal of those Gentlemen from the Commission of the Peace for the County of *Essex*; and also a copy of the Memorial from the inhabitants of *Sandwich* to His Excellency, praying His Excellency to restore them to the said Commission, and of the names subscribed thereto be printed in both languages for the use of members.

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

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker, Present.

The Honorable Messieurs

PETER BOYLE DE BLAQUIÈRE	Present.
PETER MCGILL	Absent.
WILLIAM MORRIS	Absent.
JAMES CROOKS	Absent.
ADAM FERGUSSON	Present.
JOHN MACAULAY	Absent.
JOHN HAMILTON	Present.
ADAM FERRIE	Present.
PAUL H. KNOWLTON	Absent.
PHILIP H. MOORE	Present.
JOSEPH DIONNE	Present.
GEORGE J. GOODHUE	Present.
WILLIAM WALKER	Absent.
CHRISTOPHER WIDMER	Present.
P. BOUCHER DE BOUCHERVILLE	Present.
JAMES MORRIS	Present.
JAMES GORDON	Absent.
JAMES FERRIER	Present.
RODERICK MATHESON	Present.
GEORGE S. BOULTON	Present.
DENIS B. VIGER	Absent.
JAMES LESLIE	Present.
FREDERICK A. QUESNEL	Absent.
JOSEPH BOURRET	Present.
GEORGE SAVEUSE DE BEAUJEU	Absent.
JOHN ROSS	Present.
SAMUEL CRANE	Absent.
SAMUEL MILLS	Present.
LOUIS PANET	Present.
NARCISSE F. BELLEAU	Absent.
CHARLES WILSON	Present.

BENJAMIN SEYMOUR.....	Present.
DAVID M. ARMSTRONG.....	Present.
EBENEZER PERRY.....	Present.
EUSEBE CARTIER.....	Absent.
WALTER H. DICKSON.....	Present.
HARMANNUS SMITH.....	Present.
LOUIS RENAUD.....	Present.
M. P. DE SALES DE LA TERRIÈRE.....	Present.
ELZEAR H. J. DUCHESNAY.....	Absent.
EDOUARD MASSON.....	Present.
JOHN SIMPSON.....	Present.
PHILIP M. M. S. VANKOUGHNET.....	Present.
LOUIS A. DESSAULLES.....	Present.
JAMES PATTON.....	Present.
EDMUND MURNEY.....	Present.
HOLLIS SMITH.....	Present.
JOHN PRINCE.....	Present.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the City of *St. Hyacinthe*," it was
Ordered, That the same be discharged.

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
Thursday, 16th April, 1857.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council requesting that the Honorable *James Ferrier* be permitted to appear and give evidence before a Committee of this House, in reference to a Bill to define the powers and confirm certain proceedings of the *Champlain* and *Saint Lawrence* and the *Montreal* and *New York* Railroad Companies.

Ordered, That Mr. *Holton* 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 by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*,

That the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* 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. *Ferrier* to appear and give evidence before a Committee of that House on the Bill to define the power, and confirm certain proceedings of the *ChAMPLAIN* and *St. Lawrence*, and the *Montreal* and *New York* Railroad Companies, if he thinks fit.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Election of the Speaker of the Legislative Council."

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After a long Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*,

That in the opinion of this House it is unconstitutional to entertain this Bill, and to legislate upon the matters therein contained, and that the same be therefore no further proceeded with.

After a further Debate,

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved in amendment to the amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Wilson*,

That the said Bill be not now read a second time, but that it be read a second time this day six months.

Which being objected to,

After a further long Debate,

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

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Bourret,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet.</i>
<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Renard,</i>	<i>Wilson.—18.</i>
<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>		

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>deBlaquièrè,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>deBoucherville.</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmanus</i>
<i>de LaTerrière,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>	<i>Smith, Hollis—14.</i>
<i>Dessaulles,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>		

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative and

Ordered accordingly.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, That the remaining items standing upon the Orders for this day be postponed until to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Chisholm* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to provide for the formation of Incorporated Joint Stock Companies for Manufacturing, Mining, Mechanical or Chemical purposes, so as to render Foreign Stockholders eligible as Trustees," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

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

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

Friday, 17th April, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
GOODHUE,
WIDMER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
LESLIE,
BOURRET,
ROSS.
MILLS,
PANET,

The Honorable Messieurs

WILSON,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
DICKSON,
SMITH, HARMANNUS,
RENAUD,

The Honorable Messieurs

DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKUUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of *William Foster Coffin* of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire—of the Directresses of “The Public Nursery of the City of *Toronto*”—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Downie* in the County of *Perth*—of the Municipality of the Town of *Paris*—of *Richard Stephenson* and others of the Township of *Zone* in the County of *Kent*—of *R. A. Havill* and others—of *George G. Cunningham* and others—of *Alexander Mitchell* and others—of *Peter Price* and others—of *P. S. Smith* and others—of *W. Wilson* and others—of *George Dulton* and others—of *Charles Hunter* and others—of *David J. Stringer* and others—and of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Brantford*, *Stanley*, *Colchester*, *Aldborough*, *Anderdon*, *Howard*, *Blenhiem*, *Malden*, *Hullet*, *Rochester*, *Townsend*, *Hay*, *Logan*, *Wallace*, *Fullarton*, *Canborough*, *Morris* and *Zorra*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—of *C. Thérien* and others of the County of *Laprairie*—and of the Reverend *C. L. Vinet* and others of the Parish of *St. Constant*, in the said County of *Laprairie*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of the Reverend *James Douglas* and others of *Milbrooke*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*—of *John O'Donohoe* and others of the City of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*—of the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, at *Hamilton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Wilson*—of *Louis N. Ferland* and others of the Parish of *St. Robert*, in the County of *Richelieu*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Bourret*—of the *Drummondville* Library Association and Mechanics' Institute—and of *Edwin Marcus Chaffee*, formerly of Providence in the State of *Rhode Island*, one of the *United States* of *America*, now of the City of *Montreal*, Manufacturer.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *John George Crébassa* of the Town of *William Henry*—of *Joseph Allard* and others of the County of *Jacques Cartier*—and of the Reverend *P. Brunet* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Rose*, in the County of *Laval*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*—of the Clerks of the Division Courts in the County of *Halton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*—of *Antoine Champour* and others of the County of *Yamaska*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of *Richard L. Denison* and others who have been educated at *Upper Canada College*—and of the Municipal Council of the Town of *Owen Sound*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of *L. A. Perkins*—of *John Bowker* and others—of *O. Danning* and others—of *O. S. Kemp*—of *Thomas Selby* and others—of *E. Cornill* and others—of *Edmund Longley* and others—and of *Levi Stevens* and others, all of the proposed District of *Bedford* in the Eastern Townships of *Lower Canada*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*—and of the *Ottawa Mechanics' Institute* and *Athæneum*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of the Warden of the County of *Ottawa*.

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

Of *T. Baxter* and others of *Wellington Square*—and of *Edward Evans* and others of *Waterdown*, severally praying that the Lord's day may not be desecrated by the running of Railway Trains in this Province.

Of *Ed. Boudreau* and others of the Parishes of *la Baie St. Paul*, *St. Urbain*, *Petite Rivière* and *Isle aux-Coudres* in the *Seigniories du Gouffre* and *Côte de Beaupré*, in the County of *Charlevoix*—and of *Ed. Slevin* and others of the Parish of *Eboulements* in the said County of *Charlevoix*, severally praying to be exonerated from paying the commutation fine allowed to the Seigniors by the Act of 1854, for the loss of their right of *Banalité*.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Huron* and *Elderslie*, severally praying against the passing of any Act having for its object to separate the Township of *Howick* from the County of *Huron*, or the Township of *Carrick* from the County of *Bruce*.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Proton*, *Amaranth*, *Artemesia*, *Osprey*, *Derby* and *Bentinck*—and of the Municipal Council of the County of *Grey*, severally praying that a charter may be granted for the construction of a Railway from *Weston* or *Brampton* on the line of the Grand Trunk to *Owen Sound*.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Derby*, *Artemesia* and *Proton*, severally praying against the adoption of any measure having for its object to detach certain Townships from the present County of *Grey*.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Proton* and *Caledon*, severally

praying that a Railway may be constructed from the Village of *Brampton* in the County of *Peel* to some point on Lake *Huron* not further South than *Saugeen*.

Of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Montreal* and others, praying for certain amendments to the laws regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors.

Of the Ladies' Benevolent Society of *Montreal*, praying that the annual grant to the said Institution may be increased, and praying for aid to enable them to liquidate the debt upon their building.

Of the Reverend *O. Hébert* and others of the Parish of *St. Alexandre* in the County of *Kamouraska*, praying for the adoption of measures for the suppression of intemperance.

Of *F. F. Passmore* and others, Provincial Land Surveyors of *Toronto*, praying that no person may be permitted to practice as a Provincial Land Surveyor until after an examination before the Board of Examiners.

Of the *Montreal* Board of Trade, praying that measures may be adopted to improve the navigation of the Gulf and River *St. Lawrence* by the erection of Light Houses.

Of *Wm. Gordon* and others of *Whitby* and *Pickering*, praying that they may participate in the benefits of the Bill intituled "An Act for the protection of persons owning Lands on the Shore of Lake *Ontario* in the Counties of *York*, *Peel* and *Halton*."

Of the *Quebec, British and Canadian* School Society, praying for pecuniary aid.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Harwich* in the County of *Kent*, praying for the incorporation of the "Internation Bridge Company" for the construction of a Bridge across the *Niagara* River at or near *Fort Erie*.

Of the *Galt* and *Guelph* Railway Company, praying for an amendment to their charter.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Essex*, praying for certain amendments to the Statute 18th *Victoria* chapter 93, intituled "An Act to connect the office of the Supervisor of Cullers with the Crown Land Department."

Of the Municipal Council of *South Stukely*, praying for certain amendments in the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Acts.

Of the Library Association and Mechanics' Institute of *Bécancour*, praying for aid.

Of the Reverend *S. Rivet* and another, praying for aid towards the rebuilding of a portion of *Joliette College*, lately destroyed by fire.

Of the County Council of the County of *Bonaventure*, praying that the

boundary line between this Province and *New Brunswick*, as lately established, may not be confirmed.

Of the Reverend *Is. A. Martel* and others of the Township of *De Salles* in the County of *Charlevoix*—and of the Reverend *Clovis Gagnon* and others of the Parish of *Eboulements*, severally praying for aid to open a Road from the said Parish to the Township of *De Salles* aforesaid.

Of *Roger Boily* and others of the County of *Chicoutimi*, praying for the opening of a Road from *Grande Baie* to the Parish of *St. Urbain* in the County of *Charlevoix*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of *Mersea*, praying that a Harbour may be constructed at “*Two Creeks*.”

Of the Reverend *Alexander Matheson*, D.D., and others, members of *St. Andrew's* Church, *Montreal*, praying for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the Minister and Trustees of the said Church.

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 1856.

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

Vide Sessional Papers.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Panet*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *Edouard Boudreau* and others of the Parishes of *la Baie St. Paul*, *St. Urbain*, *Petite Rivière* and *Isle aux-Coudres* in the County of *Charlevoix*, be printed for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Murney* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*,

That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to continue and extend the arrangements already begun with a view to an affective and systematic Emigration from *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, and the Continent of *Europe* into *Canada*, under the direction of the Executive Government, in such localities and with such encouragements as may appear to His Excellency best adapted to the speedy colonization and development of the waste lands of this Province, and in the first instance more especially in the Valley of the *Ottawa*.

After Debate,

The said motion was by leave of the House withdrawn.

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 explain and*

amend the Act intituled "An Act to change the Constitution of the Legislative Council by rendering the same Elective, and for other purposes."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, it was

Ordered, That the said Order be postponed until Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the improvement of Water Courses."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act further to secure the Independence of Parliament."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*, it was

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

The said Bill was read a second time accordingly.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

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

The House was according to Order adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *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 with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the said Report be received on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal and Assessment Acts of Upper Canada, in so far as they relate to the commutation of Statute Labour," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Seymour*, *Simpson*, *Harmannus Smith*, *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 Town of *Sandwich* in the County of *Essex*," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act for the protection of persons owning Lands on the Shore of Lake *Ontario* in the Counties of "*York Peel* and *Halton*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Seymour*, *Perry*, *Matheson*, *Harmannus Smith*, and *J. Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Macdonald* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act for the 'amendment of the Practice and Procedure in Suits instituted on behalf of the 'Crown in matters relating to the Revenue," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Whitney* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Act intituled, 'An Act to encourage the establishment of Building Societies in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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 *Macdonald* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend "the Laws in *Upper Canada*, respecting Appeals, and to alter the Constitution "of the Court of Error and Appeal," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

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

Monday, 20th April, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
GOODHUE,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
LESLIE,
BOURRET.

The Honorable Messieurs

SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
SMITH, HARMANNUS,
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PATON,
MURVEY,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS :

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the Board of Trade of the City of *Toronto*—and of *H. Kapp* and others of *Chatham*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Chateauguay*—of *l'Institut Canadien de Plessisville*—of the Reverend *E. J. O. Beland* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Julie* in the County of *Megantic*, Two Petitions of the Reverend *Joseph Matte* and others of *Somerset*—of *C. Coupal* and others of the Parish of *St. Michel Archange* in the County of *Napierville*—of *G. J. Beaudet* and others of *Coteau du Lac*—of *David Riddle Stodart* of *Montreal*—and of *James Adamson*, Clerk of the English Journals, and *Jean George Couillard*, Clerk of the French Journals of the Legislative Council.

By the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*—of *Thomas Cary* and Company of *Quebec*—and of *Juchereau Duchesnay* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Catherine* in the District of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Mills*—of the Reverend *John Hebden* and others comprising the Vestry of the Church of the *Ascension* at *Hamilton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of *H. Lyman* and others—of *A. B. Pamela* and others—of *James Miller*—of *J. B. Eglaston* and others—of *Calvin L. Hall* and others—of *M. A. Bessette*—of *Charles Allan* and others—and of *Joseph H. Savage*, all of the proposed District of *Bedford* in the Eastern Townships.

By the Honorable Mr. *Murney*—of *Henry Mac Dermott* and others of the Town of *Goderich*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of *M. Boyd* and others of *Peterborough*—of the Municipal Council of the Town of *Peterborough*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Thorah*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *F. Zephirin Tassé* and others of the County of *Jacques Cartier*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*—of *Ed. Courchaine* and others, proprietors of the Common of *St. François du Lac*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Albion*—and two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Sydenham*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*—of *W. Cross* and others of the Parish of *St. Malachi d'Ormstown*, in the County of *Chateauguay*—of *W. Harris* and others of the Township of *Granby*—and of the Trustees of *St. Francis College* at *Richmond*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière*—of the Reverend *Chs. Trudelle* and others of the Parish of *la Baie St. Paul*, in the County of *Charlevoix*—of the *Quebec Board of Trade*—of the School Commissioners of the Parish of *les Eboulements*—and of *Narcisse Lajoie* and others of the Parishes of *la Baie St. Paul*, *St. Urbain*, *la Petite Rivière*, *St. François*, and *l'Isle aux Coudres*, in the County of *Charlevoix*. *

By the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*—of the Reverend *F. Rochette* and others of the Parish of *St. Bernard de Lacolle*, in the County of *St. Johns*—of *P. P. Auger* and others of the Parish of *St. Bruno*, in the County of *Chambly*—of *L. Letellier* and others of the County of *Kamouraska*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Bagot*—and of the Reverend *Narcisse Pelletier* and others of the Village of *Princeville*, in the Township of *Stanford*, in the County of *Arthabaska*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*—of *James Anderson* and others of *Nassagiveya* in the County of *Halton*.

The Honorable Messieurs *de Boucherville*, *Panet* and *Ross* enter.

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

Of *Pierre Beaupré* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Hémédine*—of *J. C. Bé-*

langer and others of the Parish of *St. Anselme*—of *P. H. Larue* and others of the Parish of *St. Isidore*—and of *F. Ruleau* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Claire*, all in the County of *Dorchester*, severally praying that the said Parishes may remain attached to the District of *Quebec* for Judicial purposes.

Of *Marie Louise Gatién* and others, setting forth that they are the children of the late *Jean Baptiste Gatién*—of the Parish of *Ste. Philomène*, in the County of *Chateauguay*, by *Monique Audon* his wife, deceased, but that by reason of their said late father having been a Protestant their legitimacy is denied, and they are in danger of being deprived of his estate, and praying relief.

Of the Joint Board of School Trustees of the United Grammar and Union Schools of *Peterborough*, praying that a certain block of land deeded by the Crown in Trust, to the District of *Colborne* as a public walk in the said Town, may be used for the purpose of constructing thereon suitable and permanent School Buildings, and that a new Patent may be issued therefor, having for its object to vest the said block of land in the Joint Board of School Trustees for the purposes aforesaid.

Of *A. M. Benson* and others, widow and children of *Thomas Benson*, late of the Town of *Port Hope*, deceased.—and of *Nesbit Kirckhoffer* and others of *St. Catharines*, proprietors in common with the said *Thomas Benson*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to vest certain estates of which the said *Thomas Benson* died possessed, in Trustees, to be held or disposed of in such way as may seem best for the interests of the said Petitioners.

Of *Harriette Godfrey* and others of *Saugeen*—and of *G. W. Park* and others of *Waterford* in the County of *Norfolk*, severally praying for certain amendments in the laws which regulate the property and define the rights of married women.

Of *Thomas Buller* and others—of *James A. Rolls* and others—of *Elijah Duck* and others, all of the Township of *Howard*, in the County of *Kent*—of *W. L. Jones* and others—of *Wm. Hunter* and others—of *Wm. Hildred* and others—of *Archibald McEwan* and others—of *A. Cook* and others, all of the Township of *Brantford*—of *John Henderson* and others—of *Peter Benedict* and others—of *M. Mathews* and others, all of the Township of *Crowland*, in the County of *Welland*—of *R. Fisher* and others, of the Township of *Berthier*, in the said County of *Welland*—of *Joseph Waters* and others, of the Township of *Colchester*, in the County of *Essex*—of *J. R. Brown* and others of the Township of *Dunnville*, in the County of *Haldimand*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Tilbury East*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Yarmouth*, in the County of *Elgin*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate “The International Bridge Company,” for the purpose of constructing a Bridge over the *Niagara River*, at or near *Fort Erie*.

Of *Charles R. Buchanan* and others of the Township of *Colchester*, in the

County of *Essex*, praying to be incorporated under the style and title of "The International Bridge Company," for the purpose of constructing a Bridge across the *Niagara River*, at or near *Fort Erie*.

Of the Township Council of the Township of *Hay*—and of the Township Council of the County of *Bruce*, severally praying against the adoption of any measure to alter the present Territorial limits of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*.

Of *William Flemming* and others—of *Robert Milligan* and others, all of the Township of *Collingwood*—of *Edward Horton* and others—of *William Early* and others, all of the Township of *Osprey*—of *Angus Bell* and others of *Nottawasaga*—of *William Gibbard* and others of the Townships of *Collingwood*, *Nottawasaga*, *Osprey*, *Mulmer*, *Sunnidale*, and *Tossorontio*—and of *Thomas Hall* and others of the Township of *Mulmer* aforesaid, severally praying that the Townships comprising the western portion of the County of *Simcoe*, and the eastern portion of the County of *Grey* may be erected into a "Junior County."

Of *O. Paradis* and others of *West Frampton*—of *John Nicholson* and others of *Standon*, all in the County of *Dorchester*—of *Augustin Gauthier* and others of the County of *Portneuf*—of *Charles Phillips* and others of *St. Lambert*—of *John Walsh* and others of *Frampton*—of *Abraham Pelletier* and others of the County of *Temiscouata*—of *Ignace Beaulieu* and others of the County of *Kamouraska*—and of *P. Castonguay* and others of the Parish of *Saint Roch des Aulnets*, in the County of *L'Islet*, severally praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada Municipal and Road Act of 1855*.

Of *D. Watters* and others of the Parish of *Saint Augustin*—of the Reverend *L. C. O. Grenier* and others of the Parish of *St. Bazile*, all in the County of *Portneuf*—of the Reverend *J. Bissette* and others of the Parish of *St. Gabriel* of *Brandon*—of *Raymond Magnan* and others of the Parish of *St. Germain*, all in the County of *Berthier*—of the Reverend *Thos. Bégin* and others of the Parish of *St Pacôme*, in the County of *Kamouraska*—of *Nelson Manning* and others of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostome*, in the County of *Chateauguay*—of the Reverend *F. Morrison* and others of the Parish of *Napierville*, in the County of *Napierville*—and of *G. T. Peltier* and others of the Parish of *St. Guillaume*, in the County of *Drummond*, severally praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Melancthon*, praying that a charter may be granted for the construction of a Railway from *Weston* or *Brampton*, on the line of the Grand Trunk, to *Owen Sound*.

Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*, praying for certain amendments in the laws relating to

Statute Labour—and also praying that the expenses incurred in the administration of Criminal Justice may be defrayed in *Upper Canada* as in *Lower Canada* out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund—of *Théron Dickey* and others of the Township of *Clarke*, praying that a survey may be made of the line between the seventh and eighth Concessions of the said Township of *Clarke*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *East Nissouri*—of the Municipal Council of *East Zorra*—and of the Municipal Council of *West Zorra*, praying that authority may be given them to sell certain road allowances and apply the proceeds for improvements in the said Township.

Of *James Peechard* and others of *Gaspé Basin*, praying for an annual grant of £1,000 towards encouraging the establishment of Steam Communication between their Port and *Québec*.

Of the Reverend *J. L. Marceau* and others of the Parish of *Green Island* in the County of *Temiscouata*, praying for aid towards the completion of a building for a girl's school in that Parish.

Of the Reverend *L. Roy* and others of the Parish of *Trois Pistoles* in the County of *Temiscouata*, praying that the *chef-lieu* of the proposed Judicial District of *Kamouraska* may be fixed at the Village of *Fraserville* and not at the Village of *Saint Louis de Kamouraska*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Parish of *St. Anselme*, in the County of *Dorchester*, praying for the repeal of the Act 16th *Victoria* chapter 80, to modify the Usury Laws.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Drummond* in the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, praying that a copy of the revised edition of the Statutes of *Canada* when published, and also a copy of the amended and consolidated Municipal Act may be sent to each Municipality in *Canada*.

Of *Michel Fournier* and others of the Parish of *Saint Jean Port Joli* in the County of *L'Islet*, praying for a grant in aid of the continuation of a new road through the Township of *Fournier* to the boundary of the Province.

Of *Jean Savard* and others of the Parish of *St. Irénée* in the County of *Charlevoix*, praying to be exonerated from paying the commutation fine allowed to the Seigniors by the Act of 1854, for the loss of their right of *Banalité*.

Of the Reverend *Nap. Kérouac* and others of the Township of *Upton* in the County of *Drummond*, praying that so much of the said Township as lies in the said County may be included in the proposed Judicial District of *St. Hyacinthe* or *Richelieu*.

Of *James Munro* and others of the Village of *Epsom*, praying that no action may be taken in regard to the Petition of the County Council of the County of

Ontario, so far as it relates to roads now used between the Villages of *Uxbridge* and *Epsom* aforesaid.

Of *L'Institut Canadien de Montréal* praying for aid.

Of *L. Renaud* and others of the City of *Montreal*, praying to be incorporated as the Inland Navigation Company by the name of "La Compagnie de Navigation De Salaberry à *Montréal*."

Of the Corporation of the City of *Toronto*, praying for certain amendments to the Act 16 *Vict.* cap. 219, intituled "An Act conveying to the City of *Toronto* certain Water Lots, with power to the said City for the construction of an Esplanade."

Of the Local Council of the Township of *Matapedia*, in the County of *Bonaventure*, praying for aid towards the construction of roads and bridges in the said Township.

Of *B. King* and others, Underwriters, Forwarders, and Masters of Vessels, interested in the Navigation of Lake *Ontario*, praying that "*Weller's Bay*" may be examined with a view of ascertaining its eligibility as a Harbour of Refuge.

Of *Jean Baptiste Dumon* and others of the Counties of *Beauharnois* and *Chateauguay*, praying that the *chef-lieu* of the proposed Judicial District of *Beauharnois* may be fixed at the Village of *Ste. Martine*, and not at the Village of *Beauharnois*.

Of *Samuel Fry* and others of the Township of *Clinton*, in the County of *Welland*, praying for the passing of an Act, declaring that in any new Survey of the said Township the side lines only shall be run afresh, and that their governing points shall be determined by the posts and corners which have been established and acknowledged for a period of twenty years.

Of *John Peverley* and others of the Seigniory of *Portneuf*, in the County of *Saguenay*, praying that an Act may be passed for the protection of the Salmon and Salmon Trout Fisheries in the River *Saint Lawrence* and its Tributaries.

Of *W. B. Hamilton* and others of the Township of *Nottawasaga*, in the County of *Simcoe*, praying that a certain portion of the said Township may be incorporated as the Town of *Collingwood*.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Goodhue*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *Robert Moodie* and others—and of *John O'Donohoe* and others be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled "An Act for the protection of persons owning Lands on the Shore of Lake *Ontario* in the Counties of *York*, *Peel* and *Halton*."

The Honorable Messieurs *Boulton* and *Dickson* enter.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to provide for the formation of Incorporated Joint Stock Companies for Manufacturing, Mining, Mechanical or Chemical purposes, so as to render Foreign Stockholders eligible as Trustees."

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *J. Morris*, *Prince* and *Knowlton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for receiving the Report of the Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled "An Act further to secure the Independence of Parliament," it was

Ordered, That the said Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow;—

Page 1, Line 18—After "Justice" insert "and Judges."

Page 1, Line 26—After "Sheriffs" insert "Deputy Sheriffs, Deputy Clerks of the Crown, and Agents, for the sale of Crown Lands."

Page 2, Line 12—After "Council" insert "Minister of Agriculture."

Page 3, Line 19—After "Council" insert "Minister of Agriculture."

Page 4, Line 17—After "accordingly" insert "and the Member so tendering his resignation, shall be held to have vacated his seat and ceased to be a Member of such House."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to by the House.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *deBlaquière*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments 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 Town of *Sandwich*, in the County of *Essex*."

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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Act intituled An Act to encourage the establishment of Building Societies in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Moore*, and *Bourret*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws in *Upper Canada*, respecting Appeals, and to alter the Constitution of the Court of Error and Appeal," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

The House was then adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed,

The Honorable Mr. *Knowlton* 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 said Report be received to-morrow.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrre*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *James Thompson* and others, of the United Counties of *Lanark* and *Renfrew*, praying that all constitutional means may be used to prevent a continuance of the monopoly now enjoyed by the Hudson's Bay Company, and that the Territory now under the control of the said Company may be incorporated with and form part of this Province," be printed for the use of Members.

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

Tuesday, 21st April, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ÉTIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
GOODHUE,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
LESLIE,
BOURRET.

The Honorable Messieurs

ROSS,
MILLS,
PANET,
WILSON,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
DICKSON,
SMITH, HARMANNUS,
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
SMITH, HOLLIS,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Goodhue*—Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Middlesex*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*—of *John Pliny Crysler* and *George Hammel* of the County of *Dundas*—and of *George Brouse* and others of the Village of *Matilda*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of *E. B. Gilmour* and others of the proposed District of *Bedford* in the Eastern Townships of *Lower Canada*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *James Mason* and others of the County of *Jacques Cartier*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*—of *Antoine Lachance*, Messenger.

By the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Howick*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of *Thomas Hay* and others, Shareholders in the *Montreal Telegraph Company*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*—of *A. Young* and others of *Sarnia*—of *W. P. Lacey* and others of *Brampton*—of *Richard Green* and others of *Guelph*—of *A. R. Stephens* and others—of *B. W. Smith* and others, all of *Collingwood*—of *Robert Smith* and others of *Newmarket*—of *John Mowat* and others of *Kingston*—of *Hiram Post* and others of *Whitby*—of *Angus Russell* and others of *Barrie*—of *H. S. Huber* and others of *Berlin*—of *S. S. Junkin* and others of *St. Catharines*—of *Thomas S. Young* and others of *Vaughan*—of *Robert Easton* and others of *Napanee*—of *John Doran* and others of *Perth*—of *Robert Gillespie* and others of *Paris*—of *D. Howell* and others of *Galt*—of *J. F. Pringle* and others of *Cornwall*—of *George Suffel* and others of *Vienna*—of *R. White* and others of *Peterborough*—of *J. G. Wilson* and others of *Simcoe*—of *N. H. Bowen* and others of *Quebec*—of *Andrew Macbean* and others of *Cobourg*—and of *Joseph Chilver*, the younger, and others of *Belleville*.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of *Samuel Proctor* and others—of *N. P. Vidal* and others, all of the Township of *Sarnia*—of *P. Dawson* and others of the County of *Lambton*—of the Reverend *Edward Ebbs* and others of the Congregational Church, *Hamilton*—and of the Reverend *Ezekiel Gooderham* and others of *York Mills*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*—of the Municipal Councillors of the Townships of *Ireland* and *Coleraine*, in the County of *Megantic*—and of *P. A. Shaw* and others of the said County of *Megantic*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Welland*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*—of *Moses Cooley* and others of the proposed District of *Bedford*, in the Eastern Townships of *Lower Canada*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of *N. Cavanaugh* and others of the Township of *Hamilton*, in the County of *Bonaventure*—and two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Cox*.

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

Of *William Foster Coffin* of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire, praying that the Bill intituled “An Act to define the powers and confirm certain proceedings of “the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence*, and the *Montreal* and *New York* Railroad “Companies may not become Law.”

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Downie*, in the County of *Perth*—of the Municipality of the Town of *Paris*—of *R. A. Havill* and others—of *George G. Cunningham* and others—of *Alexander Mitchell* and others—of *Peter Price* and others—of *P. S. Smith* and others—of *W. Wilson* and others—of *George Dalton* and others—of *Charles Hunter* and others—of *David J. Stringer* and others—and of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Brant*.

ford, Stanley, Colchester, Aldborough, Anderdon, Howard, Blenheim, Malden, Hullet, Rochester, Townsend, Hay, Logan, Wallace, Fullarton, Camborough, Morris and Zorra, severally praying for the incorporation of "The International Bridge Company" for the construction of a Bridge across the *Niagara River*, at or near *Fort Erie*.

Of *L. A. Perkins*—of *John Bowker* and others—of *O. Danning* and others—of *O. S. Kemp*—of *Thomas Selby* and others—of *E. Cornill* and others—of *Edmund Longley* and others—and of *Levi Stevens* and others, all of the proposed District of *Bedford*, in the Eastern Townships of *Lower Canada*, severally praying that the Bill to erect *Bedford* into an independent Judicial District may become Law.

Of the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*—and of the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, of *Hamilton*, severally praying for the amendment of their Acts of Incorporation.

Of the *Ottawa Mechanics' Institute* and *Athenæum*—of the *Drummondville Library Association* and *Mechanics' Institute*, and of the Directresses of the Public Nursery of the City of *Toronto*, severally praying for pecuniary aid.

Of the Reverend *C. L. Vinet* and others of the Parish of *St. Constant*, in the County of *Laprairie*—and of the Reverend *P. Brunet* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Rose*, in the County of *Laval*, severally praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of *C. Thérien* and others of the County of *Laprairie*—of *Louis N. Ferland* and others of the Parish of *St. Robert*, in the County of *Richelieu*—of *Joseph Allard* and others of the County of *Jacques Cartier*—and of *Antoine Champour* and others of the County of *Yumaska*, severally praying for amendments to the *Lower Canada Municipal and Road Act of 1855*.

Of *Richard L. Denison* and others, who have been educated at *Upper Canada College*, praying for such an alteration in the Constitution of the said College as will place the management of its affairs, as formerly, under the control of a Council of its own, instead of being governed by the Senate of the University of *Toronto*.

Of the Warden of the County of *Ottawa*, praying for aid towards the opening of Roads in the said County.

Of the Clerks of the Division Courts in the County of *Halton*, praying that the expences incurred by them for Books, Stationery and Blank Forms may be defrayed out of the Fee Fund, and that Iron Safes may be provided for the safe keeping of the Records.

Of *John O'Donohoe* and others of *Toronto*, praying for the amendment of the Bill intituled "An Act for the protection of persons owning Lands on the Shore of Lake *Ontario* in the Counties of *York*, *Peel* and *Halton*."

Of the Reverend *James Douglas* and others of *Millbrooke*, praying for certain alterations in the laws which regulate the property of married women.

Of *John George Crébassa* of the Town of *William Henry*, praying that the Petition of *Daniel Capistran* and others for an Act of incorporation of the proprietors of the Common of the *Du Moine* and *Des Barques Islands*, may not be favorably entertained.

Of the Municipal Council of the Town of *Owen Sound*, praying for the construction of a Railway from the Village of *Brampton* to the Town of *Owen Sound*, and thence to some point on *Lake Huron* not further South than *Saugeen*.

Of *Richard Stephenson* and others of the Township of *Zone*, praying that the said Township may not be detached from the County of *Kent*.

Of *Edwin Marcus Chaffee*, formerly of *Providence* in the State of *Rhode Island*, one of the *United States of America*, now of *Montreal*, Manufacturer, praying to be naturalized.

The Order of the Day being read for moving, pursuant to notice,

That an Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to take the subject matter of the establishment at *Quebec* of a Magnetic Observatory into his favorable consideration, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Friday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Act intituled An Act to encourage the establishment of Building Societies 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 to-morrow.

The Honorable Messieurs *Patton* and *Dessaulles* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act further to secure the Independence of Parliament," 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 the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Sandwich*, in the County of *Essex*."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to allow Verdicts on Trials by Jury in Civil Causes to be returned, although the Jury may not be unanimous."

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, That the said Bill be now read a second time, Which being objected to, After Debate,

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

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 explain and amend the Act intituled "An Act to change the Constitution of the Legislative Council by rendering the same Elective, and for other purposes," and

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk,

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, That the amendments be concurred in.

After Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*, to leave out from "that" to the end of the main motion, and to insert in lieu thereof "all the words after "writ" at the end of the first clause, to the end of the Bill be left out."

Which being objected to,

After Debate,

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

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Renaud,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Bourret,</i>	<i>Knowlton,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>de LaTerrière,</i>	<i>Leslie,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet—17.</i>
<i>Dessaulles,</i>			

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus</i>
<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Gordon,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Smith, Hollis—11.</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>	

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be printed, as amended, and read a third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for receiving the Report of the Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws in *Upper Canada*, "respecting Appeals, and to alter the Constitution of the Court of Error and "Appeal."

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*,

That the said Report be now received,

Which being objected to,

After Debate, it was

Ordered, That the said question be postponed until to-morrow, and that the Debate thereon do then stand as the first item upon the Orders of that Day.

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

Wednesday, 22nd April, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
LESLIE,
BOURRET,
ROSS,

The Honorable Messieurs

PANET,
WILSON,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
CARTIER,
DICKSON,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
PATTON,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*—of *Amos Bishop* and others of the County of *Wolf*.

By the Honorable Mr. *deBlaquière*—of *John P. Gibb* and others of the City of *Hamilton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of *James Ross* and others of the Village of *Fergus*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Wilson*—of *John Carter* of *Sorel*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*—of the *Niagara District Bank*—and of *James McCoppen* and others of the County of *Welland*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—of *Toussaint Major* and others of the County of *Laval*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *Samuel Hiles* and others of *Canada East*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*—of *C. H. Wateruos* and others of the *Eagle's Nest* in the Township of *Brantford*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of *Thomas Matheson* and others of the Village of *Perth*—and of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of *Martin Coyne* and others of the Township of *Winchester*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Colborne*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Mono*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Sydenham*—of *Richard Grey* and others of the Township of *Osprey* in the County of *Grey*—of *William Grey* and others of the Township of *Collingwood*—of *L. Moffatt* and others of the Townships of *Collingwood*, *Nottawasaga*, *Osprey*, *Sunnidale*, *Mulmer*, *Toscorontio* and *Melancthon*—and three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Euphrasia*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of *P. C. Marquis* and others of the County of *Kamouraska*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ross*—of the *Woodstock and Lake Erie Railway and Harbour Company*.

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

Of the Board of Trade of the City of *Toronto*, praying that all constitutional means may be used to prevent a continuance of the monopoly now enjoyed by the *Hudson's Bay Company*, and that the Territory now under the control of the said Company may be incorporated with and form part of this Province.

Of *James Knapp* and others of *Chatham*, praying to be incorporated for the purpose of constructing a Ship Canal from the River *St. Clair* to the *Rond Eau* on *Lake Erie*, by way of the said Town of *Chatham*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Town of *Peterborough*, praying that a certain block of land deeded by the Crown in Trust, to the District of *Colborne* as a public walk in the said Town, may be used for the purpose of constructing thereon suitable and permanent School Buildings, and that a new Patent may be issued therefor, having for its object to vest the said block of land in the Joint Board of School Trustees for the purposes aforesaid.

Of *H. Lyman* and others—of *A. B. Pamalu* and others—of *James Miller*—of *J. B. Eglaston* and others—of *Calvin L. Hall* and others—of *M. A. Bessette*—of *Charles Allan* and others—and of *Joseph H. Savage*, all of the proposed District of *Bedford* in the Eastern Townships, severally praying that *Bedford* may be erected an Independent Judicial District.

Of the Reverend *F. Rochette* and others of the Parish of *St. Bernard de Lacolle* in the County of *St. Johns*—of *P. P. Auger* and others of the Parish of *St. Bruno* in the County of *Chambly*—and of *William Harris* and others of the Township of *Granby* in the County of *Shefford*, severally praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of the *Institut Canadien* of the Village *Plessisville* in the Township of *Somerset* in the County of *Megantic*, praying for aid.

Of the Reverend *Chas. Trudelle* and others of the Parish *la Baie St. Paul* in the County of *Charlevoix*—and of the School Commissioners of the Parish of *les Eboulements*, severally praying for aid to repair School Houses.

Of *F. Zéphirin Tassé* and others of the County of *Jacques Cartier*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Bagot*—of *G. J. Beaudet* and others of the Parish of *St. Ignace du Coteau du Lac* in the County of *Soulanges*—and of *A. Juchereau Duchesnay* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Catherine* in the District of *Quebec*, severally praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada Municipal and Road Act of 1855*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Sydenham* in the County of *Grey*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Albion*, severally praying that a charter may be granted for the construction of a Railway from *Weston* or *Brampton* on the line of the Grand Trunk to *Owen Sound*.

Of *James Adamson*, Clerk of the *English Journals*, and *Jean George Couillard*, Clerk of the *French Journals* of the Legislative Council, praying to be placed upon as good a footing in regard to salary as the Clerks of the Journals in the Legislative Assembly.

Of *Ed. Courchaine* and others, proprietors of the Common of *St. François du Lac*, praying that an Act may be passed to provide for the partition or sale of the said Common.

Of *Thomas Cary* and Company of *Quebec*, praying to be indemnified for losses

sustained in supplying the *Quebec* District Council with Stationery and Printing.

Of *James Anderson* and others of *Nassagiveya* in the County of *Halton*, praying for certain amendments in the Laws which regulate the property and define the rights of married women.

Of *Daniel Riddle Stodart* of *Montreal*, praying to be admitted to practice as an Attorney, Barrister and Proctor at Law in all Her Majesty's Courts of Justice in *Lower Canada*.

Of *Joseph Morrin* and others of *Quebec*, praying for the passing of an Act permitting all Her Majesty's subjects to give testimony in the several Courts in this Province notwithstanding the opinions entertained by them in relation to religious matters.

Of *Wm. Cairns* and others of the Parish of *St. Malachi D'Ormstown* and elsewhere in the County of *Chateauguay*, praying that *Durham* may be chosen as *chef-lieu* of the proposed new Judicial District comprising the Counties of *Beauharnois*, *Chateauguay* and *Huntingdon*.

Of *C. Coupal* and others of the Parish of *St. Michel Archange* in the County of *Napierville*, praying that that Parish may not be included in the proposed new Judicial District of which the Town of *St. Johns* is to be the *chef-lieu*, but may remain attached to the District of *Montreal*.

Of the Reverend *Joseph Matte* and others of the Township of *Somerset* in the County of *Megantic*, praying that the Village of *Plessesville*, in that Township, may be the *chef-lieu* of the proposed Judicial District of *Arthabaska*.

Of the Reverend *C. J. O. Beland* and others of the Parish of *St. Julie* in the County of *Megantic*, praying for the erection of that Parish into a separate Municipality.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Thorak*, praying for the passing of an Act authorizing Township Councils holding Stock in Railway Companies, to vote at the election of Directors in proportion to the amount of stock subscribed.

Of *Henry MacDermott* of the Town of *Goderich*, in the County of *Huron*, praying to be admitted to practice as an Attorney and Solicitor in the several Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada*.

Of the Reverend *Narcisse Pelletier* and others of the Village of *Princeville* in the Township of *Stanfold*, in the County of *Arthabaska*, praying for aid to a School.

Of *L. Letellier* and others of the County of *Kamouraska*, praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Acts, and Municipal

Loan Fund Act—that *ad valorem* duties may be substituted for specific duties, and the tariff of Customs reduced—that a Judge may reside in each Judicial District—and that the grant for Common Schools be increased and the same protection extended to Roman Catholics in *Upper Canada* as is enjoyed by the Protestants in *Lower Canada*.

Of the Reverend *John Hebden* and others, comprising the Vestry of the Church of the Ascension at *Hamilton*, praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day in the various Departments of the Public Service.

Of *Narcisse Lajoie* and others of the Parishes of *la Baie St. Paul*, *St. Urbain*, *la Petite Rivière St. François* and *l'Isle aux Coudres*, in the County of *Charlevoix*, praying for a grant of money towards the erection of a landing pier at *St. Paul's Bay*, and the opening of a road from *St. Urbain* to the *Saguenay*.

Of the *Quebec* Board of Trade, praying for a reduction in the rates of Towage, and that a new Tariff of rates be published as soon as possible.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Sydenham*, in the County of *Grey*, praying against the separation of certain Townships for the formation of two new Counties, with *Durham* and *Collingwood* as the County Towns.

Of the Trustees of *St. Francis* College, at *Richmond, Canada East*, praying for a grant of two thousand dollars for liquidating the debt of the College, and a further sum of eight hundred dollars for a Normal School Department.

Of *M. Boyd* and others of *Peterborough*, praying that a certain block of land, deeded by the Crown in trust to the District of *Colborne* as a public walk in the said Town may be used for the purpose of erecting thereon suitable and permanent School Buildings, and that a new Patent may be issued therefor having for its object to vest the said block of land in the Joint Board of School Trustees for the purposes aforesaid.

Of the Reverend *Joseph Matte* and others of the Township of *Somerset*, in the County of *Megantic*, praying for aid towards the opening of a road from the Village of *Plessisville*, in that Township, to the Village of *Lambton*, at the head of Lake *Saint François*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Chateauguay*, praying that the *chef-lieu* of the proposed Judicial District of *Beauharnois* may be fixed in the Parish of *Ste. Martine*.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*,

That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Moore*, *Ferrier*, *Mills*, *Patton*, *Hollis Smith*, and the mover, be appointed to report upon all Petitions presented to this House, praying for the better obser-

vance of the Sabbath, with power to such Committee to send for persons, papers, and records.

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

Ordered accordingly.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of the *Toronto* Board of Trade, praying that all constitutional means may be used to prevent a continuance of the monopoly now enjoyed by the Hudson's Bay Company, and that the Territory now under the control of the said Company may be incorporated with and form part of this Province, be printed for the use of Members.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Masson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *James Adamson* and *Jean George Couillard*, Clerks of the Journals of this House, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts for the present Session.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to provide for the formation of "Incorporated Joint Stock Companies for Manufacturing, Mining, Mechanical "or Chemical purposes, so as to render Foreign Stockholders eligible as Trustees," 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 18—Leave out from "Province" to the end of the Bill.

Ordered, That the said amendment be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Seymour* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal and Assessment Acts of "Upper Canada, in so far as they relate to the commutation of Statute Labour," 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. *Seymour* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act for the protection of persons owning Lands on the "Shore of Lake *Ontario* in the Counties of *York*, *Peel* and *Haltou*," 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. *Boulton* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the House resumed the adjourned Debate of yesterday on the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet's* motion,

That the Report of the Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws in *Upper Canada*, respecting Appeals, and to alter the "Constitution of the Court of Error and Appeal, be now received.

After further Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*,

That all the words after "*That*" to the end of the motion be left out in order to add in lieu thereof the words "re-committed to a Committee of the whole "House in view of amending the proposed amendment."

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

The question being then put on the main motion, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said amendment to the Bill was then read by the Clerk as follows:—

Page 7 line 9.—After "time" insert "Provided always, that every appeal to "Her Majesty in Her Privy Council, shall be made and "entered there, within six months from the date or time "of the allowance of said Bond or other security, and pres- "sed to a hearing and conclusion there with all reasonable "speed, in default whereof, the Court in which the judgment "shall have been originly pronounced may in its discre- "tion by rule of the same Court, order proceedings to be "had and pursued upon the Judgment of the said Court of "Error and Appeal as if such Judgment were and stood con- "firmed by Her Majesty in Her said Privy Council at the "time of the making of such rule."

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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend "the Act intituled "An Act to encourage the establishment of Building Societies 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.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Town of *Sandwich*, in the County of *Essex*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged until Friday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Act intituled 'An Act to change the Constitution of the Legislative Council by rendering the same Elective, and for other purposes.'"

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*,

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.

Then some amendments were made to the said Bill.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the title be "An Act to explain the Act intituled 'An Act to change the constitution of the Legislative Council by rendering the same Elective.'"

Ordered, That one 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 the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for the amendment of the practice and procedure in suits instituted on behalf of the Crown in matters relating to the Revenue," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

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

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

Thursday, 23rd April, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
DIONNE,
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
LESLIE,
ROSS,
MILLS,

The Honorable Messieurs

PANET,
WILSON,
SEYMOUE,
ARMSTRONG,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
DESSAULLES,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs *Moore, Simpson, J. Morris, de Boucherville, Renaud, Vankoughnet, Cartier, Murney, Dickson, and Patton* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Godmanchester*, in the County of *Huntingdon*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*—of *C. McGeorge* and others of the Village of *Ayr*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of *Thomas White*, the elder, and others of *Peterborough*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *Jacques Trépanier* and others of the Parish of *St. Raphaël*—of the Reverend *F. Morin* and others of the Parish of *Cap Santé*, in the County of *Portneuf*—of *D. McCowan* and others of the Parish of *St. Octave de Métis*—of the Reverend *A. Ladrière* and others of the Parish of *St. Fabien*, all in the County of *Rimouski*—of the School Commissioners of the Municipality of *Lessard*, in the said County of *Rimouski*—and of the Municipal Council of the Parish of *St. Lin*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dessaules*—of the Reverend *J. A. Provençal* of the Parish of *St. Césaire* in the County of *Rowville*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of the Royal Institution for the advancement of learning, Governors of the University of *McGill* College.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of *Nelson Mott* and others of the Counties of *St. Johns*, *Iberville* and *Napierville*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ross*—of *James Smith* and others of *Port Hope*—and of *Henry Bessemer* of Queen Street Place, New Cannon Street in the City of *London, England*, Civil Engineer.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Chinguacousy* and *St. Vincent*—and two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Holland*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of the *Stanstead* Library Association and Mechanics' Institute—and of the *Magog* Library Association.

By the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*—of *Rotus S. Knowlton* and others of the proposed District of *Bedford* in the Eastern Townships of *Lower Canada*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*—of the Minister and Church Wardens of *St. Paul's* Church, *Kingsey*,

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petitions were read ;—

Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Middlesex*, praying for the establishment of a Lunatic Asylum in the City of *London* in the said County—and also praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Acts of *Upper Canada*.

Of *John Pliny Crysler* and *George Hammel* of the County of *Dundas*, praying that certain road allowances may be vested in them.

Of *George Brouse* and others of the Village of *Matilda*, praying that the said Village may be incorporated and the name thereof changed to *Iroquois*.

Of *Moses Covey* and others, and of *E. B. Gilmour* and others of the proposed District of *Bedford* in the Eastern Townships of *Lower Canada*, severally praying that *Bedford* may be created an independent Judicial District.

Of *James Mason* and others of the County of *Jacques Cartier*, praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855.

Of *Antoine Lachance*, a Sessional Messenger, praying to be appointed a permanent Messenger to the Legislative Council.

Of *Thomas Hay* and others, Shareholders in the *Montreal* Telegraph Company, praying for certain amendments to the Act incorporating the said Company.

Of *A. Young* and others of *Sarnia*—of *W. P. Lacey* and others of *Brampton*—of *Richard Green* and others of *Guelph*—of *A. R. Stephens* and others—of *B. W.*

Smith and others, all of *Collingwood*—of *Robert Smith* and others of *Newmarket*—of *John Mowat* and others of *Kingston*—of *Hiram Post* and others of *Whitby*—of *Angus Russell* and others of *Barrie*—of *H. S. Huber* and others of *Berlin*—of *S. S. Junkin* and others of *St. Catharines*—of *Thomas S. Young* and others of *Vaughan*—of *Robert Easton* and others of *Napanee*—of *John Doran* and others of *Perth*—of *Robert Gillespie* and others of *Paris*—of *D. Howell* and others of *Galt*—of *J. F. Pringle* and others of *Cornwall*—of *George Suffel* and others of *Vienna*—of *R. White* and others of *Peterborough*—of *J. G. Wilson* and others of *Simcoe*—of *N. H. Bowen* and others of *Quebec*—of *Andrew Macbean* and others of *Cobourg*—and of *Joseph Chilver*, the younger, and others of *Belleville*, severally praying for the passing of an Act similar to that in force in *Great Britain*, securing the careful registration and publication of Births and Deaths in this Province.

Of *Samuel Proctor* and others of the Township of *Sarnia*—and of *P. Dawson* and others of the County of *Lambton*, severally praying that no Bill having for its object to create a new County out of certain portions of the Counties of *Middlesex*, *Kent*, *Elgin* and *Lambton* may become Law.

Of *N. P. Vidal* and others of the Township of *Sarnia*, praying that measures may be adopted to drain *Lake Wawanash* by deepening and extending "*Cull Creek*" from *Lake Huron* to the River *Perche* on the South side of the *London* road.

Of the Reverend *Edward Ebbs* and others of the Congregational Church *Hamilton*—and of the Reverend *Ezekiel Gooderham* and others of *York Mills*, severally praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Municipal Councillors of the Townships of *Ireland* and *Coleraine*, in the County of *Megantic*—and of *P. A. Shaw* and others of the said County of *Megantic*, severally praying for aid towards opening roads in the said County, and that free grants of land may be given to actual settlers.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Howick*, praying against the adoption of any measure to alter the present Territorial limits of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*

Three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Welland*, praying for the passing of an Act authorizing the Municipalities to apply the money arising out of the commutation of the Clergy Reserve Fund to educational purposes—also praying for the repeal of the Separate School Act—and also praying that no Tolls may be levied on the *Welland Canal* between *Merrittsville* and *Port Robinson*.

Two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Cox*, praying for aid to open a new road from *New Carlisle* to *Bonaventure River*, and also praying for a grant of £500 towards the completion of certain roads.

Of *N. Cavanaugh* and others of the Township of *Hamilton* in the County of *Bonaventure*, praying for aid to open new roads in order to promote the settlement of the back lands in the said County.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Return in part to an Address of this House, dated the 20th *May*, 1856, for a Statement shewing the number of licences issued in the years 1854, 1855 and 1856, for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

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

(*Vide Appendix No. 4.*)

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House Returns from the Municipal Councils of *Lower Canada*.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *Antoine Lachance*, Messenger, 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. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to facilitate the despatch of business before Grand Juries," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said amendment being twice read by the Clerk, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Bill with the amendment be printed, and read a third time on Tuesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Act relative to the Royal Institution for the advancement of Learning and to the University of *McGill* College."

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. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to remove doubts as to the extent of the powers of the Inspectors and Superintendents of the Police of 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 Tuesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to extend to the Province of *Canada*, Letters Patent granted to *Henry*

“*Bessemer* for certain improvements invented or discovered by him in the Manufacture of malleable or bar Iron and Steel.”

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Municipal and Assessment Acts of *Upper Canada*, in so far as they relate to the commutation of Statute Labour,” 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 *Fergusson* and *Boulton* enter.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled “An Act for the protection of persons owning Lands on the Shore of Lake *Ontario* in the Counties of *York*, *Peel* and *Halton*.”

The Honorable Mr. *Seymour* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville*,

That the said Bill be now read a third time.

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

To leave out all the words after “*now*” in the main motion and insert in lieu thereof “amended as follows,”

Page 1, Line 12—Leave out “three” and insert “one”,

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 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Laws in *Upper Canada*, respecting Appeals, and to alter the Constitution of the Court of Error and Appeal,” 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 for the amendment of the practice and procedure in Suits instituted on behalf of the Crown in matters relating to the Revenue," 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 the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law for the admission of Attornies,

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, That the said Bill be read a second time on Tuesday next.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, 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 amendment proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to provide for the formation of incorporated Joint Stock Companies for Manufacturing, Mining, Mechanical or Chemical purposes, so as to render Foreign Stockholders eligible as Trustees," and

The said amendment being again read by the Clerk, was agreed to.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, That the said amendment be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

Then the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*,

That all the words after "said" be left out in the main motion, and the following inserted—"Bill be referred back to the same Select Committee to whom it was formerly referred, with an instruction to add the following words to the first clause 'and subjects of Her Majesty.'"

After which being debated, it was

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned until to-morrow, and that the same do then stand as the first item upon the orders of that day.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Somerville* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the transfer of certain Books and Documents from the Registry Office for the County of *Chateauguay* to that for the County of *Huntingdon*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*, it was

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

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

Friday, 24th April, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
GOODHUE,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

LESLIE,
MILLS,
WILSON,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
CARTIER,
DICKSON,
SMITH, HARMANNUS,
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* enters.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of *R. U. Harwood* and others of the County of *Vaudrevil*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—of *A. Stevenson* and others of the Village of *Huntingdon*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*—of *Lachlan MacDonald* and others of *Halton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the Corporation of the City of *Hamilton*—of the Town Council of the Town of *Chatham*—and of *H. Davidson* and others of *La Rivière du Loup en bas*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*—of the Trustees of *St. Francis* College, *Richmond*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of the Municipal Council of the Town of *East Nissouri*—and of *Prosperé Carrier* and others of the Parish of *Saint Jean Port Joli*, in the County of *l'Islet*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Wilson*—of *Pierre Davignon*, Warden of the County of *Chambly*, in the name and on behalf of the Municipal Council of the said County.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of *Quebec*.

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

Of *Toussaint Major* and others of the County of *Laval*—and of *P. C. Marquis* and others of the County of *Kamouraska*, severally praying that certain amendments may be made to the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855.

Of *Samuel Hiles* and others of *Canada* East, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the Ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church to solemnize marriage and keep registers thereof.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Sydenham*, and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Euphrasia*, praying against the adoption of any measure having for its object the dis-memberment of the County of *Grey*.

Of *John Carter* of *Sorel*, praying to be indemnified for services rendered during the late war with the *United States*.

Of *Richard Gray* and others of the Township of *Osprey* in the County of *Grey*—of *William Reid* and others of the Township of *Collingwood*—and of *L. Moffatt* and others of the Townships of *Collingwood*, *Nottawasaga*, *Osprey*, *Sunnidale*, *Mulmer*, *Tossorontio* and *Melancthon*, severally praying that the Townships forming the Western portion of the County of *Simcoe* and the Eastern portion of the County of *Grey* may be erected into a new County.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Mono*, *Sydenham* and *Euphrasia*, severally praying that a charter may be granted for the construction of a Railway from *Weston* or *Brampton* on the line of the Grand Trunk to *Owen Sound*.

Of the *Woodstock* and *Lake Erie* Railway and Harbour Company, and of the *Niagara* District Bank, severally praying for the amendment of their Charters.

Of the Natural History Society, *Montreal*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Of *Martine Coyne* and others of the Township of *Winchester*, praying that measures may be taken to improve the navigation of the *Petite Nation* River.

Of *Amos Smith* and others of the County of *Wolf*, praying that the Bill to amend the Judicature Acts of *Lower Canada* may not become law in its present shape.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Colborne*, praying that no measure may be adopted to alter the present Territorial limits of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*.

Of *John P. Gibbs* and others of *Hamilton*, praying for such modifications in the laws as will enable duly qualified Civil Engineers to practice Land Surveying in this Province.

Of *Thomas Matheson* and others of the Village of *Mitchell* in the County of *Perth*, praying that a certain part of the said County may be erected into a separate Municipality.

Of *James Ross* and others of the Village of *Fergus*, praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of *James McCoppen* and others of the County of *Welland*, praying for the construction of a Railroad from the *Niagara* River at or near *Fort Erie* to *Port Robinson* on the *Welland Canal*.

Of *C. H. Waterous* and others of the *Eagle's Nest* in the Township of *Brantford*, praying that a new line of road may be substituted for that now in use between Lot number *two* in the said Township and the *Grand River*.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of *Montreal* for the year 1856; and also a Supplementary Statement for the years 1852, 1853 and 1855.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers*.)

The Honorable Messieurs *Vankoughnet* and *Murney* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General transmitting to His Excellency a copy of the Petition of the Canadian Institute respecting the establishment of a "National Canadian Astronomical Observatory" at *Quebec*, and praying that His Excellency will be pleased to take the same into his favorable consideration; and also that His Excellency will be pleased to take into his favorable consideration the establishment of a similar Observatory in connection with the University of *Toronto*.

After Debate,

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

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

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Murney*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to order a Return to be made to this Honorable House of all Suits, with their respective Titles, and the Plaintiffs' and Defendants' names, which have been heard and determined by the Court of Chancery in *Upper Canada* since the first day of January, 1852, together with the dates on which the several Bills were filed and the answers put in, and the dates and times when such Suits were heard and determined, and before whom: and also of all suits now standing over for Judgment: and also for a Return of all references to the Master of the said Court now in his office waiting to be reported upon by him, and the dates when such references were made to him: also, for a Return of all cases appealed to Her Majesty in Her Privy Council during the above period, with the names of the parties and the dates at which such cases were so appealed respectively.

After Debate,

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

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

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to afford greater facilities to duly qualified persons to practise as Land Surveyors in this Province."

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 *Ross* and *Dessauilles* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the House resumed the adjourned Debate of yesterday on the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*' motion of amendment to the main motion, "That the said amendment to the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to provide for the formation of Incorporated Joint Stock Companies for Manufacturing, Mining, Mechanical or Chemical purposes, so as to render Foreign Stockholders eligible as Trustees," be engrossed, and that the Bill, as amended, be read a third time to-morrow," and which amendment was, "That all the words after 'said' to the end of the main motion be left out, and the following inserted: "Bill be referred back to the same Select Committee to whom it was formerly referred, with instruction to add the following words to the first clause: 'and subjects of Her Majesty.'"

And the question of concurrence being put on the said amendment,

After a long Debate,

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

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So it passed in the Negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, the same 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, That one 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 Town of *Sandwich*, in the County of *Essex*,” was read a third time,

Then some amendments were made to the said Bill.

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 provide for the transfer of certain Books and Documents from the Registry Office for the County of *Chateauguy* to that for the County of *Huntingdon*,” was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Renaud* and *Dessaulles*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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

Monday, 27th April, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERGUSSON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
GOODHUE,
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PATTON,
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PRAYERS :

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* enters.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*—of *Samuel Pope* and others of the County of *Compton*—of *Charles A. G. De Tonnancour*, Coroner of the District of *St. Francis*—and of *Samuel Child* and others of *Barnston* and *Barford* in the County of *Stanstead*, and *Hereford*, in the County of *Compton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *J. J. Daly* and others of the City of *Quebec*—and of the Reverend *J. B. Bernier* and others of the Parish of *Saint Anselme* in the County of *Dorchester*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dessaullès*—of the Bar of *Lower Canada*, section of the District of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of *G. Moffatt* and others of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*—of the *Quebec* Board of Trade.

By the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*—two Petitions of the *Stanstead*, *Shefford* and *Chambly* Railroad Company.

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of the Presbytery of *Hamilton* in connection with the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*.

By the Honorable the Speaker of the Municipal Council of the Parish of *St. André* in the County of *Kamouraska*.

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

Of *Jacques Trépanier* and others of the Parish of *St. Raphaël* in the County of *Jacques Cartier*, praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855.

Of the Reverend *F. Morin* and others of the Parish of *Cap Santé* in the County of *Portneuf*, praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of the *Magog* Library Association and Mechanics' Institute—and of the *Stanstead* Library Association and Mechanics' Institute, severally praying for pecuniary aid.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Holland*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Chinguacousy*, severally praying that a charter may be granted for the construction of a Railroad from the Village of *Brampton* to *Owen Sound*, and thence to some point on Lake *Huron*, not further south than *Saugeen*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Holland*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *St. Vincent*, praying against the adoption of any measure having for its object the dis-memberment of the County of *Grey*.

Of *Rotus S. Knowlton* and others, of the proposed District of *Bedford* in the Eastern Townships of *Lower Canada*, praying that the Bill to erect *Bedford* into an independent Judicial District may become law.

Of *D. McCowan* and others of the Parish of *St. Octave de Métis* in the County of *Rimouski*, praying that a sum of £4,000 may be appropriated for repairs to the *Kempt* Road.

Of *C. McGeorge* and others of the Village of *Ayr*, praying that the said Village may be incorporated.

Of *Nelson Mott* and others of the Counties of *St. Johns*, *Iberville* and *Napierville*, praying that the Bill now before Parliament, having for its object the establishment of new Judicial Districts in *Lower Canada* may become law.

Of *Thomas White*, the elder, and others of *Peterborough*, praying that no measure may become law having for its object to vest in the Board of School Trustees, for the purpose of erecting a Central School House on a portion of the ground now known as the Court House Block, and originally granted for the purposes of a Public Park.

Of *Henry Bessemer* of *Queen Street Place*, *New Cannon Street*, in the City of *London*, *England*, praying for the passing of an Act to extend to the Province of

Canada, Letters Patent granted to him for certain improvements invented or discovered by him in the Manufacture of Malleable or Bar Iron and Steel.

Of the Municipal Council of the Parish of *St. Lin*, praying that an Act may be passed to enable the said Council to levy a rate for the purpose of defraying the expense of watching over the interests of the said Parish on the occasion of the formation of the *Cadastré* of the Seigniorie of *Lachenaie*.

Of the School Commissioners of the Municipality of *Lessard*, in the County of *Rimouski*, praying for aid towards the erection of School Houses.

Of the Reverend *A. Ladrière* and others of the Parish of *St. Fabien*, in the County of *Rimouski*, praying that a road may be opened between that Parish and the Crown Lands in its neighborhood.

Of the Reverend *J. A. Provencal* of the Parish of *St. Césaire*, in the County of *Rouville*, praying for aid towards the liquidation of a debt contracted by him in the erection of an Academy for girls in that Parish.

Of the Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning, Governors of the University of *McGill* College, *Montreal*, praying for the passing of an Act further to amend the Acts relative to the said Institution.

Of *James Smith* and others of *Port Hope*, praying that a charter may not be granted for the construction of a Bridge across the *Niagara* River at or near *Fort Erie*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Godmanchester* in the County of *Huntingdon*, praying that the Village of *Durham* may be the *chef-lieu* of the contemplated District of *Beauharnois*.

Of the Minister and Church Wardens of *St. Paul's* Church, *Kingsey*, praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the transfer of certain Books and Documents from the Registry Office for the County of *Chateauguay* to that for the County of *Huntingdon*," 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 Messieurs *Dionne* and *Renaud* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Acts relative to the Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning, and to the University of *McGill* College," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Renaud*, and *Moore*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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

Tuesday, 28th April, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
QUESNEL,
ROSS,
PANET.

The Honorable Messieurs

SEYMOUR,
PERRY,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
PATTON,
MURNEY,
SMITH, HOLLIS,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs *Boulton, Mills, Armstrong* and *Renard* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of the *Kingston* Young Men's Christian Association.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ross*—of the Finance Committee of the *Belleville* Seminary.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of *Alexander Douglas* and others of the County of *Welland*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of *Thomas Steers* and others of the Town of *Barrie*—of the Municipal Council of the Town of *Owen Sound*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Greenock*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*—of *John W. Gamble* of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*—of *L. M. Audet dit Lapointe* and others of the Parishes of *Charlesbourg* and *St. Ambroise de la Jeune Lorette*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of the Corporation of the Village of *Terrebonne*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of *Thomas Crawford* and others of the United Counties of *Peterborough* and *Victoria*.

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

Of *Prosper Carrier* and others of the Parish of *Saint Jean Port Joli*, in the County of *l'Islet*, praying that no further aid or advantages be granted to the Grand Trunk Railway Company until said Company have completed their line of Railway to *Rivière du Loup*.

Of *A. Stevenson* and others of the Village of *Huntingdon*, praying that *Durham* may be selected as the *chef-lieu* of the proposed District of *Beauharnois*.

Of *H. Davidson* and others of *la-Rivière du Loup en bas*, praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of *R. U. Harwood* and others of the County of *Vaudreuil*, praying that no further aid may be given to the Grand Trunk Railway Company, unless the terminus of the said Road be placed in a central part of the City of *Montreal*, and also that the said Railroad shall not be allowed to cross the *Lachine Canal*.

Of the Trustees of *St. Francis College, Richmond*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Of the Corporation of the City of *Hamilton*, praying that the application of the *Galt and Guelph Railway Company*, for the amendment of their charter, may be favorably entertained.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Chatham*, praying that the Mayors of Towns may be elected by the people.

Of *Lachlan MacDonald* and others of *Halton*, praying for the passing of an Act to secure to married women certain separate rights of property.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *East Nissouri*, praying that increased accommodation may be provided for the insane, and that to this end a Public Lunatic Asylum may be established in the City of *London*.

Of *Pierre Davignon*, Warden of the County of *Chambly*, in the name and on behalf of the Municipal Council of the said County, praying that an Act may be passed to remove doubts as to the legality of certain proceedings of the said Council.

Of the Mayor, Councillors and Citizens of the City of *Quebec*, praying against the passing of so much of the Bill to amend the Judicature Acts of *Lower Canada* as provides that the Recorder of the City of *Quebec* may preside as Chairman at any Court of Quarter Sessions in that City.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Acts relative to the Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning, and to the University 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 printed and read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to enable *James Carlton Grant* and others to confirm the "sale of certain lands in the Town and Township of *Hope*, in the County of "*Durham*, late of *Reuben Pitkin Grant*, deceased, and to execute conveyances "of the same, notwithstanding their disability," 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 Messieurs *Dessaulles* and *de Boucherville* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act "to amend the Act to provide for the sale under Executions of the interest of "Mortgagors in Real Estate in *Upper Canada*

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act "to amend the Law of *Upper Canada* with respect to the granting of Licences."

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 facilitate the "despatch of business before Grand Juries," 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. *Vankorughnet* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the "transfer of certain Books and Documents from the Registry Office for the "County of *Chateauguay* to that for the County of *Huntingdon*," 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 the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to remove doubts as to the extent of the powers of the Inspectors and Superintendents of the Police of the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*,"

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrre*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Then an amendment was made to the said Bill.

Ordered, That the said Bill with the amendment be printed and read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Messieurs *Dionne* and *Ferrièr* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to extend to the Province of *Canada* Letters Patent granted to *Henry Bessemer* for certain improvements invented or discovered by him, in the manufacture of Malleable or Bar Iron and Steel," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ross*, *de Blaquièrre* and *Ferrièr*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law for the admission of Attornies,"

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Vankoughnet*, *Ross*, *Prince*, *Boulton*, *Murney*, and *Patton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to afford greater facilities to duly qualified persons to practise as Land Surveyors in this Province."

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrre* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

Which being objected to,

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince, Boulton, Fergusson, Perry, Quesnel, Hollis Smith*, and the mover, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Foley* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Waterloo*" in the County of *Waterloo*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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 *Cayley* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to confirm a "Conveyance made by the Municipal Council of the Town of *Goderich* of a "portion of the Market Square of the said Town to the Municipal Council of the "United Counties of *Huron and Bruce*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton* it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Fergusson* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Courts of Queen's Bench, "Common Pleas and Chancery in *Upper Canada* to admit *William Wise Cobb* "to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor therein respectively," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Le Boutillier* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act 19 & 20 *Vict. cap.* "47, and to authorize the formation of four Agricultural Societies in the County

"of *Gaspé* instead of two," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Hartman* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Village of *Newmarket*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *J. B. E. Dorion* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to protect parties who have settled on lands in *Lower Canada* without knowing the proprietors thereof," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Masson*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Fergusson* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Trustees for the Congregation of *Saint Andrew's* Church in the Town of *Guelph*, adhering to the Presbyterian Church of *Canada* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, to sell certain lands held by them in trust for such Congregation," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Felton* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Literary Institute of *Sherbrooke*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Church* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act intituled "An Act

“to incorporate the Village of *Kemptville*, and to legalize the late election “for Village Councillors held thereunder,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Holton* and others with a Bill intituled “An Act to authorize the Ministers of the Church “of the denomination known as “The Church of the order of the Countess of “*Huntingdon’s* Connexion,” in *Lower Canada*, to solemnize matrimony and “to keep Registers of marriages, baptisms and burials, and for other “purposes therein mentioned,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Desaulniers* and others with a Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Act 16 *Victoria* chapter 171, “in so far as it relates to the time fixed for the hunting of Muskrats,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Benjamin* and others with a Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Laws regulating Ferries, so “as to encourage the employment of Steamboats as Ferry boats in *Upper Canada*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Rhodes* and others with a Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate the Church of *England* “Male Orphan Asylum of *Quebec*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *F. F. Passmore* and others, Provincial Land Surveyors, of *Toronto*, presented to this House on the tenth instant, and praying "that no person be admitted to practise as a Provincial Land Surveyor until after an examination before the Board of Examiners appointed by the Statutes 12 Vict., Cap 35—14 and 15 Vict., Cap. 4, and 18 Vict., Cap. 83," and all other Petitions on the same subject be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled "An Act to afford greater facilities to duly qualified Persons to practise as Land Surveyors in this Province."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs *Dessaulles*, *Patton* and *Renaud* be added to the Committee appointed to superintend the Printing of this House during the present Session.

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

Wednesday, 29th April, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable *ETIENNE P. TACHÉ*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
DIONNE,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,
QUESNEL,
MILLS,

The Honorable Messieurs

SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
RENAUD,
DE LA FERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
PATTON,
MURNEY,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—of *John McDonald* and others of the Parish of *St. Anicet* in the County of *Huntingdon*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the *Amherstburgh* and *St. Thomas* Railway Company—and of *William Rees*, of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of *Isaac Buchanan* of *Hamilton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada* in Synod assembled—and of the Reverend *Robert Irvine* and others of *Hamilton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of the Reverend *P. Brunet* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Rose* in the County of *Laval*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*—of the Presbytery of *Hamilton* in connexion with the Church of *Scotland*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*—of *George Allan* and others of the Township of *Peel* in the County of *Wellington*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Quesnel*—of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*—of the Municipal Council of the Local Municipality of the Township of *Laterrière*—and of the Reverend *F. A. Blouin* and others of the Parishes of *Ste Cécile du Bic* and *St. Fabien*—and of the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrre*—of *John Chapman* and others of the Township of *York*.

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

Of the *Quebec* Board of Trade, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the Harbour Commissioners of the Port of *Quebec*.

Of the Bar of *Lower Canada*, section of the District of *Montreal*, praying that the further consideration of the Judicature Bill for *Lower Canada* be deferred until next Session,

Of the Reverend *J. B. Bernier* and others of the Parish of *Saint Anselme* in the County of *Dorchester*, praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of the Municipal Council of the Parish of *St. André* in the County of *Kamouraska* praying that a wharf may be built on the shore of the *St. Lawrence* opposite to that Parish.

Of *J. J. Daly* and others of the City of *Quebec*, praying for the repeal of the

Law which requires them to act as Constables at the Criminal Courts and Courts of Quarter Sessions of the Peace in that City.

Of *Samuel Child* and others of the Townships of *Barnston* and *Barford* in the County of *Stanstead*—and of the Township of *Hereford* in the County of *Compton*, praying that the lands in a certain portion of the said Township of *Hereford* be granted to actual Settlers, and also for aid towards the construction of Roads.

Of *G. Moffatt* and others of *Montreal*, praying for the protection of the Salmon and Salmon Trout Fisheries in *Lower Canada*.

Two Petitions of the *Stanstead, Shefford* and *Chambly* Railroad Company, praying for the amendment of their charter, and also praying for a grant of five hundred thousand acres of land in the Eastern Townships, and *St. Maurice* Territory, in aid of the construction of said Railroad.

Of *Charles A. G. De Tonnoncour*, Coroner of the District of *St. Francis*, praying to be indemnified for services rendered by him.

Of the Presbytery of *Hamilton* in connection with the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day,

Of *Samuel Pope* and others of the County of *Compton*, praying that the Judicature Bill for *Lower Canada* may not become law in its present shape.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Schedule of the Distribution of the Index to the Acts in force in *Lower Canada*.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law for the admission of Attornies," 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 said Report be now received, and

The said amendments being twice read, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Bill, with the amendments, be printed and read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* from the Select Committee appointed to report upon all Petitions presented to this House, praying for the better observance of the Sabbath, presented their Report.

Ordered, That the said Report be now received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, COMMITTEE ROOM,
29th April, 1857.

THE Select Committee appointed on the twenty-second instant to report upon all Petitions presented to this House praying for the better observance of the Sabbath, beg leave to report thereon as follows :

Having maturely considered the subject of such Petitions, your Committee have come to the conclusion that it is one which would call for the thoughtful and earnest consideration of your Honorable House, even if it had not been pressed upon you, as it has been, Session after Session, by hundreds of Petitioners in all parts of the Province.

Your Committee are of opinion that the first and highest duty of the Legislature of any country is to provide, so far as it can be done by law, that no inhabitant of that country shall be unnecessarily deprived of the enjoyment of his natural rights and privileges.

Among the most valuable of these rights and privileges your Committee would place that of resting from labour during one day in every seven, in obedience to the command of our beneficent Creator ;—which most persons indeed, are desirous to enjoy, however widely they may differ from each other as to the use to be made of the leisure thus obtained.

There are laws for the protection of individuals and the maintenance of order in this respect already in force in the Province ; but your Committee deem it hopeless to expect that these laws will be strictly obeyed or enforced, or that correct sentiments in regard to human rights in this connection will prevail in the community so long as the sanction of public authority is openly and systematically given to the exaction of unnecessary labour and service from others on the Lord's day.

Deeply impressed with these convictions, and viewing the subject as one of no ordinary importance or mere transient interest, even in its slightest bearings, your Committee would earnestly bespeak the favorable consideration of your Honorable House to a Bill having for its object the closing of the Canals and Post Offices, and of all offices of the Public Departments, on the Lord's day, and the prohibition of the running of trains on Railways and the *departure* of Steamers and other vessels from port on that day.

Widely as men may and do differ as to what constitutes on the one hand a violation and on the other hand a due observance of the Sabbath,—there can be but one opinion as to the obligation upon all to respect the rights of others in connection with it.

Your Committee therefore hope that no opposition will be offered to a Bill for securing to the servants of the public and to the servants of Common Carriers, who are themselves the servants of the public, the enjoyment of their individual rights, in this respect.

All which is respectfully submitted.

ADAM FERGUSSON, *Chairman.*

Ordered, That the said Report be taken into consideration on Monday next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrre*, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to prevent the cruel and improper treatment of Cattle and other Animals, and to amend the Law relating to impounding the same," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

Ordered, That the Bill as proposed to be amended be printed, and that the Report be taken into consideration this day week,

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Acts relative to the Royal Institution for the Advancement of Learning, and to the University 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 this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to enable *James Carlton Grant* and others to confirm the Sale of certain Lands in the Town and Township of *Hope*, in the County of *Durham*, late of *Reuben Pitkin Grant*, deceased, and to execute conveyances of the same, notwithstanding their disability," 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 remove doubts as to the extent of the powers of the Inspectors and Superintendents of the Police of 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.

Ordered, That one 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 incorporate the Village of *Waterloo*, in the County of *Waterloo*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson*, *Ferrie*, and *Prince*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Courts of Queen's Bench, Common Pleas and Chancery in *Upper Canada*, to admit *William Wise Cobb* to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor therein respectively," 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 Village of *Newmarket*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince*, *Fergusson*, *Ferrie* and *Patton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Trustees for the Congregation of *Saint Andrew's* Church in the Town of *Guelph*, adhering to the Presbyterian Church of *Canada* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, to sell certain lands held by them in trust for such Congregation," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson*, *J. Morris*, and *Simpson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Kemptville*, and to legalize the late election for Village Councillors held thereunder," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Gordon* and *Simpson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Ministers of the Church of the denomination known as "The Church of the order of the Countess of *Huntingdon's* Connexion," in *Lower Canada*, to solemnize matrimony and to keep Registers of marriages, baptisms and burials, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Quesnel* and *Ferrie*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act 16 Victoria chapter 171, in so far as it relates to the time fixed for the hunting of Muskrats," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Masson, Armstrong* and *Simpson*, 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 to legalise and confirm the acts and proceedings of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Brantford*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Hartman* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Belleville Seminary*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Thursday the seventh day of May next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Angus Morrison* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the 'Western Assurance Company,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time,

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Angus Morrison* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to admit *Richard Dawbarn Ollard* to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor," to which they desire the concurrence of this House,

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, it was

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

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

Attorney General *Macdonald* and others to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws in *Upper Canada*, respecting Appeals, and to alter the Constitution of the Court of Error and Appeal," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Roblin* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorise the Superior Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada* to admit *W. R. Mingaye* to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor therein," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Holton* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal* St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*, it was

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

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

Thursday, 30th April, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
ROSS,

The Honorable Messieurs

MILLS,
PANET,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
DESSAULLES.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs *Ross, Murney, Duchesnay, Simpson, Vankoughnet, J. Morris, and Dionne* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Ross*—of the Municipal Council of the Townships of *Ireland* and *Coleraine*, in the County of *Megantic*—of *C. P. de Champlain* and others of the Township of *Halifax*, in the County of *Megantic*—and of the Executors of the Estate of the late *Samuel Zimmerman*, deceased.

By the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*—of *Richard Dickinson*, Registrar of the County of *Missisquoi*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of *R. J. C. Kennedy* and others of *St. Catharines*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—of *Francis Hughes* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Marthe*, in the County of *Vaudreuil*—of *L. Fournier* and others of the Parish of *Rigaud*, in the said County of *Vaudreuil*—and of *H. F. Charlebois* of *Vaudreuil*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *Erastus Caswell* and others of the County of *Compton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Perry*—of the *Amherstburg* and *St. Thomas* Railway Company.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *New Richmond* and *Maria*, in the County of *Bonaventure*.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of *James Crooks* and others, Officers who served during the late War between *Great Britain* and the *United States* of *America*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Murney*—of the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway Company.

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

Of the *Kingston* Young Men's Christian Association, praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Finance Committee of the *Belleville* Seminary, praying for the amendment of the Charter of the said Seminary.

Of *Alexander Douglas* and others of the County of *Welland*, praying that a charter may be granted for the construction of a Railway from *Fort Erie* to the Village of *Chippawa*, with a branch line to connect with the *Port Dalhousie* and *Thorold* Railway.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Greenock*, praying that the Timber licenses, at present granted upon Crown Lands within the said Municipality may not be renewed, and that measures may be taken to encourage the sale of the said Lands in the usual manner.

Of *Thomas Steers* of the Town of *Barrie*, praying that in consequence of his occupying a position antagonistic to the Crown in respect to certain real Estate in the County of *Simcoe*, certain measures may be adopted by which he may be enabled to have the rights of the Crown adjudicated upon before the proper Courts of Law in the same manner as the rights of the Subject would be determined.

Of the Municipal Council of the Town of *Owen Sound*, praying against the adoption of any measure having for its object the dis-memberment of the County of *Grey*.

Of *John W. Gamble* of *Toronto*, praying that a certain road allowance in the third Concession of *Whitby* may be vested in him.

Of *L. M. Audet dit Lapointe* and others of the Parishes of *Charlesbourg* and *St. Ambrois de la Jeune Lorette*, praying for the completion of *Route Ste. Claire*, which the contractors under the *Quebec* Turnpike Trust have partly macadamized and left in an almost impassable state.

Of the Corporation of the Village of *Terrebonne*, praying to be authorized to provide for supplying said Village with Water and Gas.

Of *Thomas Crawford* and others of the United Counties of *Victoria* and *Peterborough*, praying that a charter may not be granted for the construction of a Bridge across the *Niagara* River at or near *Fort Erie*.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act intituled, An Act to incorporate the Village of *Kemptville*, and to legalize the late election for Village Councillors held thereunder," 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. *Fergusson* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Waterloo*, in the County of *Waterloo*," 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. *Fergusson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Trustees for the Congregation "of *St. Andrew's* Church in the Town of *Guelph*, adhering to the Presbyterian "Church of *Canada* in connexion with the Church of *Scotland*, to sell certain lands "held by them in trust for such Congregation," 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. *Cartier* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Ministers of the denomination known "as 'The Church of the order of the Countess of *Huntingdon's* connexion,' in *Lower* "*Canada*, to solemnize matrimony, and to keep Registers of marriages, baptisms "and burials, 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 Messrs. *Patton*, *de Boucherville*, and *Quesnel* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Masson*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act 16 Victoria chapter 171, in so far as "it relates to the time fixed for the hunting of Muskrats," 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 9.—Leave out from “repealed” to “From” in line 11.

Page 1. Line 18.—After “March” insert “of the following year.”

Page 1, Line 20.—Leave out from “Act” to the end of the Bill, and insert,
 “passed in the seventh year of Her Majesjy’s Reign, intituled
 “An Act to prohibit the hunting and killing of Deer and
 “other Game within this Province at certain seasons of the
 “year.”

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 Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Ferrier presented to the House a Bill intituled “An Act
 “further to amend the Act relative to Land Surveyors.”

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 amend the
 “Law for the admission of Attornies,” 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 confirm a
 “Conveyance made by the Municipal Council of the Town of *Goderich* of a
 “portion of the Market Square of the said Town to the Municipal Council of the
 “United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*,” was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Vankoughnet*, *Matheson* and *Hamilton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled
 “An Act to protect parties who have settled on lands in *Lower Canada*, without
 “knowing the proprietors thereof,”

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaullles*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Masson*, 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 Literary Institute of *Sherbrooke*," 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 Laws regulating Ferries, so as to encourage the employment of Steamboats as Ferryboats in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Seymour*, *Perry*, and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Church of *England* Male Orphan Asylum of *Quebec*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Walker*, and *Panet*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Courts of Queen's Bench, Common Pleas and Chancery in *Upper Canada*, to admit *William Wise Cobb* to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor therein respectively."

(On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Matheson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged until Wednesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to legalize and confirm the acts and proceedings of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Brantford*," was read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*,

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

After a short Debate,

The said motion was, by leave of the House withdrawn, and

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Harmannus Smith*, *Ferrie*, *Fergusson* and *Mills*, 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 *Montreal St. Patrick's* Orphan Asylum," 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. *Munro* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Bowmanville*,

“and to define the limits thereof,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Conger* and others with a Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate the *Ontario* Bank,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Walker*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Gordon* enters.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson* and others with a Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate the Village of “*Bradford*, in the County of *Simcoe*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Walker*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Bellingham* and others with a Bill intituled “An Act to encourage Mining Companies by “empowering them to construct gravel or macadamized roads or tram-ways to “connect with railways, highways and navigable waters,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Angus Morrison* and others with a Bill intituled “An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery “and the Courts of Queen’s Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to “admit *Charles Gamon* to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Angus Morrison*

and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to admit *Charles Gamon* to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Angus Morrison* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to admit *William Darley Pollard* to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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 *Cayley* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Municipal Council for the Township of *Stanley*, to construct a Harbour at the entrance of the River *Bayfield* into *Lake Huron*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Whitney* and others to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to provide for the formation of Incorporated Joint Stock Companies for Manufacturing, Mining, Mechanical or Chemical purposes, so as to render Foreign Stockholders eligible as Trustees," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment 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 incorporate the *Toronto* Pressed Brick Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, it was

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

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

Friday, 1st May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,

The Honorable Messieurs

QUESNEL,
MILLS,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
PATTON,

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs *Dionne, Cartier, Panet, Simpson, Ross, Moore,* and *de Boucherville* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—of *H. Laurin* and others of the Parish of *St. Timothée*, in the County of *Beauharnois*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of the Mechanics' Institute of the Village of *Dumontville*, in the Parish of *St. Jérôme*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*—of the Corporation of the Seminary of *Saint Hyacinthe*—of *P. E. Leclerc* and others—and of *John Nelson* and others, all of the Parish of *Saint Hyacinthe*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*—of *Wm. P. McLaren* and others of the City of *Hamilton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of the Municipal Council of the City of *London*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Walker*—of the Reverend *J. Abbott* and others, Clergymen of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, Missionaries in *Lower Canada*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ross*—of the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad Company.

Pursuant to the Orders of the Day the following Petitions were read :—

Of *John McDonald* and others of the Parish of *St. Anicet* in the County of *Huntingdon*, praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada* in Synod assembled—of the Presbytery of *Hamilton* in connexion with the Church of *Scotland*—and of the Reverend *Robert Irvine* and others of *Hamilton*, severally praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the *Amherstburg* and *St. Thomas* Railway Company, praying that the Bill to incorporate the Great Southern Railway Company may not become Law.

Of *Isaac Buchanan* of *Hamilton*, praying that his interests in the *Woodstock* and *Lake Erie* Railway and Harbour Company, and the *Amherstburg* and *St. Thomas* Railway Company may be protected, and also that the Bill to incorporate the Great Southern Railway Company may not become law.

Of *George Allan* and others, of the Township of *Peel* in the County of *Wellington*, praying against the adoption of any measure having for its object the dismemberment of the said County of *Wellington*.

Of *William Rees* of *Toronto*, praying that measures may be adopted and means provided to secure free Vaccination to the inhabitants of this Province.

Of *John Chapman* and others of the Township of *York*, praying that measures may be taken to determine the boundaries of Lots numbers One, Two, Three, Four and Five in the second Concession of the said Township.

Of the Reverend *E. A. Blouin* and others of the Parishes of *Ste. Cecile du Bic* and *St. Fabien* and of the City of *Quebec*, praying that Old *Bic* Harbour may be improved and converted into a Harbour of Refuge for Vessels navigating the Lower *St. Lawrence*.

Of the Municipal Council of the local Municipality of the Township of *Laterrière*, praying for aid towards the construction of a Bridge over the *River Du Moulin*, on the road leading from *Bagotville* to *Lake St. Jean*.

Of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Montreal*, praying for a grant of five hundred pounds to *St. Patrick's* Hospital at *Montreal*.

Of the Reverend *P. Brunet* and others of the Parish of *St. Rose* in the County of *Laval*, praying for aid to the Mechanics' Institute and Library Association of that Parish.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* enters.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *Isaac Buchanan*, of *Hamilton*, praying that

his interests in the "*Woodstock and Lake Erie Railway and Harbour Company*," and in the "*Amherstburg and St. Thomas Railway Company*" may be protected, and also that the Bill to incorporate the "*Great Southern Railway Company*" may not become Law, and also all other Petitions presented during the present Session upon the same subject, be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore*, from the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council 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, 1st May, 1857.

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 second Report.

Soon after the opening of the Session the Clerk laid a detailed statement of his disbursements since the date of the then last audit of his Accounts, with vouchers in support thereof, before Your Committee, who have since carefully examined the same.

The balance in the hands of the Clerk on the twelfth of June last, being the date to which the last audit of his accounts extended, was one hundred pounds eight shillings and ten pence (£100 8s. 10d.). Between that day and the twenty-eighth day of February last he received for Your Honorable House ten thousand one hundred and thirty-five pounds (£10,135) making in all ten thousand two hundred and thirty-five pounds eight shillings and ten pence (£10,235 8s. 10d.) to be accounted for by him at the latter date.

The Clerk has accounted to the satisfaction of Your Committee (by vouchers numbered from one to three hundred and thirty-five inclusive) for payments between the above dates to the amount of nine thousand eight hundred and eighty-one pounds twelve shillings and eleven pence (£9,881 12s. 11d.) leaving a balance of three hundred and fifty-three pounds fifteen shillings and eleven pence (£353 15s. 11d.) in his hands at the credit of Your Honorable House on the said twenty-eighth day of February last.

Your Committee have been favored with the reference to them by the Honorable the Speaker of a letter recently addressed to him by the Clerk, to the effect that he was unable to keep up the Account Books of his office without assistance.

In referring this letter to Your Committee His Honor the Speaker expresses his opinion that the Clerk should have the help he requires, and that it can be given to him without increasing the staff of the House.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the Honorable the Speaker be

requested to give directions to the Clerk to make such distribution and apportionment of the work in his office, as may enable him to receive from Mr. Maingy one of the Additional Assistant Clerks, whose name has been submitted by the Speaker to Your Committee for that purpose, the help he requires.

The Honorable the Speaker has also referred to Your Committee a letter addressed to him by Mr. Le Moine, one of the Clerks Assistant, and French Translator, to the effect that he and the Additional Assistant Clerk and Assistant French Translator Mr. Doucet, are no longer able to perform the whole of the duties devolving upon them, and has accompanied this reference also with the expression of his opinion that such is the case. His Honor accordingly recommends that a person well versed in the knowledge of his own tongue and possessing the idiom and acquainted with the genius of the English language, be employed temporarily for the remainder of the Session to assist those gentlemen, and in the same manner every year whenever the want of the services of such a person may be felt; and Your Committee are of opinion that this suggestion also should be adopted, and that the Speaker should be requested to take steps without delay for securing the services of such a person for the remainder of this Session.

A letter, addressed by Messrs. Desbarats and Derbishire, as publishers of a new Map of the North-west Territories of America, to the Hon. the Speaker, with a printed prospectus enclosed, has also been referred by the Speaker to your Committee; and, having taken the same into consideration, your Committee recommend that one hundred copies of said Map be subscribed for by the Clerk on behalf of your Honorable House, and for use and distribution by the Members thereof.

Your Committee have been given to understand that Mr. de Léry, the late Clerk, would have it in his power to pay five hundred pounds, if that sum could be accepted in full for the deficiencies in his accounts with your Honorable House, and they accordingly beg leave to express their opinion that, under the peculiar circumstances of the case, it would be advisable that on payment of that sum, with all costs incurred, on or before the first day of June next, he should be discharged from all further liability for such deficiencies.

On the reference made to your Committee of the Petition from Mr. Kimber, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, "praying that he may be re-imbursed a certain amount received by the Clerk of the House from the Insurances Offices on account of certain articles of furniture which belonged to him, and which were destroyed in the fire which burned the Parliament House on the 1st of February, 1854," your Committee are under the necessity of reporting unfavorably. As Mr. Kimber cannot tell the number of the room in which his furniture was contained, and the inventory upon which the Insurance was effected was not made in very minute detail, your Committee have no means of ascertaining what articles of furniture belonging to him were insured, nor for how much. It is

therefore quite out of their power to recommend that any sum be paid to him on this account.

All which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed,) P. H. MOORE, *Chairman.*

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

Ordered, That the Report be taken into consideration by the House on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to extend to the Province of *Canada* Letters Patent granted to *Henry Bessemer* for certain improvements invented or discovered by him, in the manufacture of Malleable or Bar Iron and Steel," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said amendment being twice read, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Bill with the amendment be printed, and read a third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Seymour* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws regulating Ferries, so as to encourage the employment of Steamboats as Ferryboats 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 read a third time on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Act 16 Victoria chapter 171, in so far as it relates to the time fixed for the hunting of Muskrats," 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 Literary Institute of *Sherbrooke*," 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 "incorporating the *Montreal St. Patrick's* Orphan 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 Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to secure to married women certain separate rights of property."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged until this day fortnight.

The Orders of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bills intituled "An Act to amend the Act 19 & 20 Vict., cap. 47, and to authorize the "formation of four Agricultural Societies in the County of *Gaspé* instead of "two," it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until next Monday week.

The Orders of the Day being severally read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of "Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to admit *Richard Dawbarn Ollard* to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor."

Also of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorise the Superior Courts of Law "and Equity in *Upper Canada* to admit *W. R. Mingaye* to practise as an Attorney "and Solicitor therein."

Also of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the "Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to admit "*Charles Gamon* to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney."

And also of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and "the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to admit "*William Darley Pollard* to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney," it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged until this day fortnight.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered, That the second Report of the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House for the present Session, be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Solicitor General *Smith* and others to return the Bill intituled "An Act further to secure

“ the Independence of Parliament,” 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 declared this House continued until Monday next at three o'clock in the afternoon, the House so decreeing.

Monday, 4th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
DIONNE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
MATHESON,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

QUESNEL,
MILLS,
PANET,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
CARTIER,
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
PATTON,
MURNEY.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*—of The Reverend *William Bettridge*, and others of the Town of *Woodstock* in the County of *Oxford*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Walker*—of the Right Reverend The Lord Bishop of *Quebec*, and others of the Parish of *Quebec*—and of *Murdoch McKenzie* of the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*—of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*—and of the Reverend *Thomas*

Wightman and others of *York Mills* and vicinity, in the Township of *York* and County of *York*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Murney*—of *James Reay* and others, Registers of Counties in that part of the Province of *Canada* formerly called *Upper Canada*—and of *John Powell* and others, Registers of Counties in *Upper Canada*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *C. B. Cleveland* and others of *Richmond*—and of *James Ross* and others of the County of *Compton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of *J. G. Beard* and others, Ship Owners and Masters of Vessels at the Port of *Toronto*—and of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *Ottawa*.

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

Of *L. Fournier* and others of the Parish of *Rigaud*, and *Francis Hughes* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Marthe*, in the County of *Vaudreuil*, severally praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855.

Of the Local Municipal Councils and Inhabitants of the Townships of *New Richmond* and *Maria*, in the County of *Bonaventure*, praying for the construction of good and sufficient Bridges over the *Grand* and *Little Cascapedia* Rivers out of the Public Funds.

Of *C. P. de Champlain* and others of the Township of *Halifax*, of the County of *Megantic*, praying that roads may be opened at the expense of the Province, and the wild lands of the Crown may be granted partly gratis and partly at reduced rates in that part of the country.

Of *H. F. Charlebois* of *Vaudreuil*, complaining of injustice done to him by the Commissioners who investigated his accounts as a Returning Officer at the two last elections for the County of *Vaudreuil*, and praying for redress.

Of the *Amherstburg* and *St. Thomas* Railway Company—and of the Executors of the Estate of the late *Samuel Zimmerman*, deceased, severally praying that the Bill to incorporate the Great Southern Railway Company may not become law.

Of *James Crooks* and others, officers, who served during the late war between *Great Britain* and the *United States of America*, praying to be remunerated for services rendered during the said war.

Of the *Brookville* and *Ottawa* Railway Company, praying for an amendment of their charter.

Of *R. J. C. Kennedy* and others of *St. Catharines*, praying that measures may be adopted for the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Municipal Council of the Townships of *Ireland* and *Coleraine* in the

County of *Megantic*, praying that *Plessisville* in the Township of *Somerset*, may be chosen as the *chef-lieu* of the proposed new Judicial District of *Arthabaska*.

Of *Richard Dickinson*, Registrar of the County of *Missisquoi*, praying to be indemnified for losses sustained by him in consequence of the frequent removals of the Registry Office of said County.

Of *Erastus Caswell* and others of the County of *Compton*, praying that the Judicature Bill for *Lower Canada* may not become law in its present shape.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House the annual Return from the Mechanics' Institute of *Montreal*, made up to the 1st November, 1856.

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

(*Vide Sessional papers.*)

The Honorable Messieurs *deBoucherville* and *Dessaulles* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom was referred "the Bill intituled " An Act to incorporate the Church of *England* Male Orphan " Asylum of *Quebec*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Messieurs *Ross* and *Dionne* enter.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled " An " Act to extend to the Province of *Canada* Letters Patent granted to *Henry* " *Bessemer* for certain improvements invented or discovered by him, in the " manufacture of malleable or bar Iron and Steel,"

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, that the said Bill be now read a third time.

After debate,

The Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, that the Bill be not now read a third time, but that the same be read a third time this day six months,

Which being objected to,

After debate,

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

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

Armstrong,

De LaTerrière,

Masson—3.

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Renaud,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>DeBlaquière,</i>	<i>Gordon,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>De Boucherville,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Dessaulles,</i>	<i>Knowlton,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Walker,</i>
<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Matheson,</i>	<i>Quesnel,</i>	<i>Widmer—25.</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>			

So it was resolved in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly,

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That one 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 the Speaker acquainted the House that he had a Message from His Excellency the Governor General, under his sign manual, which His Excellency had commanded him to deliver to this House.

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

EDMUND HEAD,

The Governor General transmits for the information of the Honorable the Legislative Council copy of a Despatch which he addressed to the Secretary of State for the Colonies in forwarding the Addresses of the Legislative Council and Assembly to Her Majesty the Queen on the subject of the Seat of Government ; together with a copy of the Secretary of State's reply thereto.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, 4th May, 1857.

Copy No. 49.

“ GOVERNMENT HOUSE, TORONTO,

“ 28th March, 1857.

“ Sir,—I forward with the present Despatch two addresses to Her Most Gracious Majesty of an unusual character. They are respectively from the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly, and the prayer of both is the same.

2. “ That from the Legislative Council is as follows :—

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

We, your Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council of Canada in Provincial Parliament assembled, beg leave to approach Your Majesty

with renewed assurances of devotion and attachment to your Royal Person and Government.

We desire, may it please Your Majesty, to express our opinion, that the interests of Canada require that the Seat of the Provincial Government should be fixed at some certain place.

We therefore respectfully pray that your Majesty will be graciously pleased to exercise Your Royal Prerogative, and select some one place for the Permanent Seat of Government in Canada.

3. The address from the Legislative Assembly is founded on resolutions passed in Committee of the whole House, which Resolutions contain the additional assurance that the House resolves to appropriate a sum not exceeding £225,000 for providing the necessary buildings and accommodation for the Government and Legislature at such place as Her Majesty may see fit to select.

4. You are aware, Sir, of the difficulty which in this Colony has long surrounded the question of the Seat of Government. After its removal from Kingston to Montreal in 1843, certain circumstances caused the Legislature to adopt a migratory system by which Parliament was to sit alternately four years at Toronto and four years at Quebec.

5. The inconvenience of this arrangement has been strongly felt. It is attended by great expense, and by a periodical suspension of public business in every office. At the same time it is impossible to deny that it has done good; prejudices have been softened and misconceptions removed by it.

6. In the last session, however, the Legislative Assembly asserted the necessity of a fixed Seat of Government by a Resolution of their own, and a vote was carried in favor of Quebec. When the question of providing money for the erection of the public buildings at Quebec came up, a clause appropriating £50,000 for that purpose was struck out of the supplies by the Legislative Council, and the whole supply bill had to be introduced again in the Lower House. Practically, therefore, this main question at the commencement of this session remained yet undecided.

7. Yet my own conviction was, and is, that the time has arrived when this matter ought to be definitely settled. To keep it open is to maintain in full flow a constant source of local bitterness and sectional animosity, which by a little management can always be turned against the Government of the day. Nor is this the worst consequence of its unsettled condition. If the Province of Canada is to remain one, it is essential that its Seat of Government should be fixed and recognized by all.

8. There can be no doubt that Her Majesty's prerogative enables her to summon the Parliament wherever she may please; but Her Majesty, with a desire to meet the wishes of the people of *Canada*, has in practice generally left the matter to be determined by those most immediately interested therein.

9. It now appears to a majority of both branches of the Legislature that the question is one not likely to be arranged satisfactorily by themselves. They do not, I conceive, by their present addresses, in any way renounce or disclaim their own capacity for self-government, nor do they, by referring this question to the Queen, intend to establish a principle in any way inconsistent with the free and unimpeded action of Parliamentary responsibility in the Colony.

10. The matter itself is one of exceptional character. Nothing but this consideration and a strong conviction that its speedy settlement is of the utmost importance, would induce me to recommend that so soon as money necessary for erecting the public buildings at the spot which Her Majesty may select, shall have been placed at her disposal, the prayer of these addresses should be complied with.

11. Under any circumstances I apprehend that the Legislature and public officers will, in 1859, have to be removed again to *Quebec*, according to the present arrangement. What is asked of the Queen is, to select a site at which in the meantime fit and suitable buildings may be erected for the establishment of the permanent Legislative capital of *Canada*.

12. In order to lay fully before the Queen the claims of the several places which may be said to consider themselves entitled to selection as the Seat of ^{23th March, 1857,} Government, I have caused a circular (of which a copy is annexed to this despatch,) to be addressed by my Secretary to the Mayor of each of these cities. I have asked each Corporation to set forth the reasons in favour of their own city, and to forward the statement of such reasons to the Secretary of State before the 1st of July.

13. In doing this I have perhaps presumed too much on the probability of Her Majesty complying with the request of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly. If so I must entreat forgiveness, but I have thought it important that no time should be lost. The question, of course, must be decided after calm and deliberate consideration of the interests of the whole Province, not of those of any particular city or place.

14. It would evidently be improper to convey to the Queen's advisers in England, any opinion or advice in this matter as on the part of the Executive Council here. The whole reference is, as I have observed, of an exceptional character, and if it were to be finally decided on the advice of persons, any of whom are responsible to the Parliament of *Canada*, the great object of removing it beyond the cross-action of local politics and sectional jealousies would be altogether frustrated.

15. I annex to this despatch copies of the votes and proceedings of the Legislative Assembly relative to this matter in this and the preceding session.

16. This despatch has been shown to the Members of my Council and concurred in by them. With this observation I again submit my recommendation that Her

Majesty may be advised to comply with the prayer of the addresses now transmitted.

I have the honor, &c., &c.,

The Right Honorable

(Signed,)

EDMUND HEAD.

H. LABOUCHERE, &c., &c., &c.

Copy.

GOVERNOR'S SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

Toronto, C. W., March 28th, 1857.

SIR,—You are probably aware that the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Canada have addressed Her Most Gracious Majesty to exercise Her Prerogative in the selection of a permanent Seat of Government for the whole Province.

In the event of Her Majesty complying with the prayer of these Addresses, His Excellency is anxious that Her advisers in England should be able to place before Her a full and fair statement of the claim of each separate City, which may be considered a candidate for the honor of becoming the future capital of Canada.

As a matter of course, the final selection must depend on a comprehensive survey of the interests, not of any one place, but of the whole Province, as part of British North America.

The claims, however, of each City are likely to be stated by the persons most interested in supporting them better than they would be by any other party.

His Excellency therefore invites the Corporation of _____ to cause to be prepared a paper setting forth the reasons which may in their opinion favor the claim of that place to be selected by the Queen.

With every wish to afford full time for preparing these statements, His Excellency desires that it may be in the hands of the Colonial Secretary by the first week of July in the present year.

You will please, if you see fit to comply with His Excellency's desire, to address the packet to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State, London, and endorse it with the words "City of _____ Canada."

I have, &c.,

(Signed.)

R. T. PENNEFATHER,

Gov's Secretary.

To His Worship the Mayor of Toronto, Kingston,
Montreal, Ottawa, and Quebec.

COPY No. 50.

DOWNING STREET,
17th April, 1857.

SIR,—I have to acknowledge your Despatch No. 49, of the 28th ult., forwarding addresses from the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, praying that

Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to exercise the Royal Prerogative by the selection of some place for the permanent Seat of Government in Canada. I understand the object of these Addresses to be the selection of some fitting place at which, under all ordinary circumstances, the Legislature of the Province should henceforward be called together, and where the necessary Public Buildings may be provided for that purpose as well as for the general administration of the affairs of Canada.

I have to inform you that Her Majesty, on the advice of her Ministers, and fully weighing the importance of the reference thus made to Her by the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada has been graciously pleased to comply with the prayer of these memorials.

I shall await the farther information which your Despatch promises, and in particular the replies which may be received to the circular which you have addressed to the Mayors of the several Cities, before taking any further steps to initiate the necessary examination into the relative advantages of the places indicated for the information of Her Majesty.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

H. LABOUCHERE.

Governor

Sir Edmund Head, Bart., &c., &c., &c.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws regulating Ferries, so as to encourage the employment of Steamboats as Ferry Boats 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 amend the Act to provide for the sale under executions of the interest of Mortgagors in Real Estate in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Vankoughnet* and *Patton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law of *Upper Canada* with respect to the granting of Licenses," it was

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed till Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Report of the

Select Committee to whom was referred the various Petitions presented during the present Session praying for the better observance of the Lord's Day,

It was moved by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, that the same be postponed until Friday next.

After Debate,

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

Ordered accordingly.

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

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency the Governor General, with the accompanying documents in relation to a permanent Seat of Government, be printed in both languages for the use of Members.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Act relative to Land Surveyors."

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*, that the said Bill be now read a second time.

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, and it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Panet*, *Quesnel*, *de Blaquière* and *Moore*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Bowmanville*, and to define the limits thereof," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Simpson*, *Morris*, *Ferrie* and *Hamilton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Ontario Bank*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Moore*, *Hamilton*, *Morris* and *Renaud*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Bradford*, in the County of *Simcoe*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Renaud* and *Simpson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to encourage

"Mining Companies by empowering them to construct gravel or macadamized roads or train-ways to connect with railways, highways and navigable waters," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *J. Morris* and *Moore*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Municipal Council for the Township of *Stanley*, to construct a Harbour at the entrance of the River *Bayfield* into Lake *Huron*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Armstrong*, and *Masson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the second Report of the Select Committee on the Contingent Accounts, it was

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Wilson* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to appoint Trustees to the estate of the late *Charles Bowman*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *A. A. Dorion* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the '*Richelieu Company*,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Holton* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to define the powers and confirm certain proceedings of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence*, and *Montreal* and *New York* Railroad Companies," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*, it was

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

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

Tuesday, 5th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

ROSS,
PANET,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
DICKSON,
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
SIMPSON,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
MURNEY.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Dessaullès*—of *J. B. E. Dorion*, M. P. P., and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*—of *William A. Chisholm* and others of *St. Catharines*—of *James Cummings* and others of *Chippawa*—of *G. McMicken* and others—of *William Bell* and others, all of *Clifton* in the County of *Welland*—of *Robert Wilson* and others—of *Richard Woodruff* and others, all of *St. Davids*, in the County of *Lincoln*—and of *Wm. Vanderboost* and others of the County of *Niagara* in the State of *New York*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—three Petitions of the Reverend *F. Brunet* and others of the north part of the Township of *Halifax* in the County of *Megantic*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*—of *Robert Moore* and others of the Township of *Cavan*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*—of Messieurs *Hughes*, *Kearsey*, *Masterman* and *Hughes* of No. 17, *Bucklesbury*, *London*, Agents for the Chartered Bank of *Canada*, and certain citizens of *Hamilton*, *Canada*—and of *John Carling* and others of the City of *London*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay*—of the Reverend *O. Paradis* and others of the Parishes of *St. Edouard* and *St. Malachi*, in the Township of *Frampton*, in the County of *Dorchester*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of *R. Martin*, Sheriff, on behalf of a Public Meeting held in the County of *Haldimand*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of the Reverend *Chester Hurd* and others—and of the Reverend *H. G. Burrage* and others of *Hatley*, in the County of *Stanstead*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Stephen*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Usborne* in the County of *Iuron*—and of *D. Boudrias* of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of *John Ryan*, *Edward Fox* and *S. W. Hallen*, Provincial Land Surveyors—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Glenelg* in the County of *Grey*.

The Honorable Mr. *Masson* enters.

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

Of the Municipal Council of the City of *London*, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the sale of a piece of Land granted by the Crown for the purpose of a Burial Ground, and to apply the proceeds of said sale to the purchase of Land for a public Cemetery, and for other purposes.

Of *P. E. Leclerc* and others of the Parish of *Saint Hyacinthe*, praying that their properties may not be included in the limits of the City of *Saint Hyacinthe*.

Of the Corporation of the Seminary of *Saint Hyacinthe* and others, praying that certain lands may not be annexed to the Town of *Saint Hyacinthe*.

Of the Mechanics' Institute of the Village of *Dumontville*, in the Parish of *St. Jerome*, praying for aid.

Of *H. Laurin* and others of the Parish of *St. Timothé* in the County of *Beauharnois*, praying that the Village of *Beauharnois* may be the *chef-lieu* of the proposed Judicial District of *Beauharnois*.

Of *John Nelson* and others of the Parish of *Saint Hyacinthe*, praying that in the Bill for incorporating the City of *St. Hyacinthe*, it may be provided that certain lands adjacent to that City may not be included in the limits thereof, except on the petition of a majority of the resident owners thereof.

Of the *Erie* and *Ontario* Railroad Company, praying that the Bill to incorporate the Great Southern Railway Company may not become law.

Of *Wm. P. McLaren* and others of the City of *Hamilton*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the "Western Canada Loan Company."

Of the Reverend *Joseph Abbott* and others, Clergymen of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, Missionaries in *Lower Canada*, praying to be remunerated from the proceeds of the Clergy Reserves for the losses they have sustained by the reduction of their salaries.

The Honorable the Speaker 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:—

EDMUND HEAD,

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

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Toronto, 24th April, 1857.

The Honorable Messieurs *Dionne* and *Quesnel* enter.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *Joseph Bouchette*, of *Toronto*, presented to this House on the second day of April last, and praying for pecuniary aid to enable him to publish an improved edition of his Geographical Map of *Canada*, together with his prospectus, be printed for the use of Members.

The Honorable Messieurs *de Boucherville*, *Cartier* and *Vankoughnet* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Acts relative to Land Surveyors," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with an amendment, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive it.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said amendment being twice read by the Clerk was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Bill with the amendment be printed and read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to encourage Mining Companies by empowering them to construct gravel or macadamized roads or tramways to connect with railways, highways and navigable waters," 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 13, leave out from "Proprietors," to "provided" in line 14.

Page 1, line 41, after "same," insert "Provided always that such Mining Companies or proprietors of Mines shall be liable to indemnify all or any person or persons who may suffer

“injury to property or rights in consequence of their so
 “doing according to the laws of that part of the Province in
 “which such water-courses may be respectively.”

Page 2, line 8, leave out “of” where it occurs the second time, and insert “for.”

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. *Simpson* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate the Town of *Bowmanville*, and to “define the limits 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 read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate “the Church of *England* Male Orphan Asylum 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.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Western Assurance Company.”

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “An Act to protect parties who have settled on lands in *Lower Canada*, without “knowing the proprietors thereof.”

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Renard*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged until Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “An Act to appoint Trustees to the estate of the late *Charles Bowman*.”

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Dickson, Boulton, Patton, and Murney*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Messieurs *Harmannus Smith* and *Mills* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the House 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, and

The first, second, third, fourth, and fifth paragraphs of the said Report being again read by the Clerk,

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, That the said Paragraphs be severally adopted.

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

The sixth Paragraph being again read by the Clerk,

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, That the said paragraph be adopted,

Which being objected to,

After Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *Armstrong* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*,

To leave out "one hundred" and insert "ten,"

After Debate,

The said motion was by leave of the House withdrawn, and

The question being then put on the original motion, the House divided and the names being called for they were taken down as follow :

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>deBlaquière,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Pamet,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus</i>
<i>deBoucherville,</i>	<i>Knowlton,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet,</i>
<i>de La Terrière,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Quesnel,</i>	<i>Walker,</i>
<i>Dessaulles,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Renaud,</i>	<i>Widmer,—22</i>
<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Morris, J</i>		

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Gordon,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Simpson,—9.</i>
<i>Dickson,</i>			

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The seventh paragraph of the said Report being again read by the Clerk,
The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*,
That the said paragraph be now adopted.

After a short Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable
Mr. *Murney*,

That the said paragraph be not now adopted, but that it be expunged from the
Report.

After a long Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved in amendment to the amendment, seconded
by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*,

That all the words after "That" in the said motion of amendment be left out
and the following inserted:—"As Mr. *de Léry's* debt is a debt due to the Crown,
"that it be left to Her Majesty's Executive Council to take such action in reference
"to the suit now pending as they may see fit."

Which being objected to,

After a short Debate,

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

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs.

<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmanus—9</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>			

NON-CONTENTS

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Dessaullles,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Quesnel,</i>
<i>de Boucherville,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Morris, J</i>	<i>Renaud,</i>
<i>de la Terrière,</i>	<i>Knowlton,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Ross,—16.</i>

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the amendment to the main motion, the same
was also resolved in the negative.

Contents 9—Non-Contents 16.

The question being then put on the main motion, the same was resolved in the
affirmative.

Contents 16.—Non-Contents 9.

The eighth paragraph of the said Report being again read by the Clerk,

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*

That the said paragraph be now adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Murney* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable
Mr. *Patton*,

That the said paragraph be not now adopted, but that it be expunged from the Report.

After Debate,

The said motion was by leave of the House withdrawn.

Whereupon the Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*,

That the said paragraph be referred back to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts.

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*,

That the said Report, minus the eighth paragraph, be adopted.

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 incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu* Company," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Renaud*, *Cartier* and *Dessaulles*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to define the powers and confirm certain proceedings of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence*, and *Montreal* and *New York* Railroad Companies."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Christie*, and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Brantford* in *Frederick T. Wilkes*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Whitney* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to provide for the management and improvement of the Harbor of *Montreal* and the deepening of the Ship Channel between *Montreal* and *Quebec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Sydney Smith* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *Wollaston F. Pym* a certain "Road Allowance in the Township of *Haldimand*, in the County of *Northumberland*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Seymour* seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Simard* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to Savings' Banks "as it concerns the 'Caisse d'Economie Notre Dame de *Quebec*,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *O. C. Fortier* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act of 1856, relating "to Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Clarke* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *John Murrie* a road allowance in "the Township of *Nichol*, County of *Wellington*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Chisholm* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Milton*, in "the County of *Halton*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Chisholm* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Oakville*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

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

Wednesday, 6th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

CROOKS,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
BOULTON,
QUESNEL,

The Honorable Messieurs

PANET,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
CARTIER,
DICKSON,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
PATTON,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS :

The Honorable Messieurs *Dionne, de Boucherville, Renaud, Dessaulles, and Murney* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of the Congregation assembled in *Zion* Church, *Montreal*—and of the *Montreal* Board of Trade.

By the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*—of *William Pring* and others of the City of *Hamilton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the Council of the Town of *Sarnia*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Houghton*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Woodhouse*—of *Samuel Peters* of the City of *London*—of *James Watson* and others—of *Duncan Campbell* and others—of *Thos. C. Pinkett* and others—of *John Magill* and others—of *Seth Smith* and others—of *John C. Schultz* and others—of *Samuel H. Eunes* and others—of *J. Kilborne* and others—of *R. B. Harris* and others—of *John Kirk* and others—of *Wm. Baird* and others—of *Robert French* and others—of *D. McDonell* and others—and of the Reverend *F. Mack*, Rector of *Amherstburg*, and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *A. Bazin* and others of the Parishes of *St. François* and *St. Thomas de Pierre-ville*, in the County of *Yamaska*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of the Reverend *J. D. Desiel* and others of the Parish of *Notre Dame de la Victoire*, in the County of *Levi*.

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

Of the Reverend *Wm. Bettridge* and others of the Town of *Woodstock*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to sell and dispose of certain Lands in said Town, and apply the proceeds towards the erection of a Parsonage House.

Of the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*, praying that a certain Road allowance in said Counties may be vested in one *J. D. Wellington*.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *Ottawa*, praying that measures may be taken to improve the navigation of the *Ottawa River*, by the construction of Canals at the *Châts* and *Chaudière* and the enlargement of those at *Carillon* and *Grenville*.

Of *J. G. Beard* and others, Ship Owners and Masters of Vessels at the Port of *Toronto*, praying that measures may be adopted to obtain certain amendments in the Navigation Laws of this Province and the *United States*.

Of the Reverend *Thomas Wightman* and others of *York Mills* and vicinity, in the Township of *York*, praying for the passing of an Act to secure to married women certain separate rights of property.

Of *James Ross* and others of the County of *Compton*, and also of *C. B. Cleveland* and others of the County of *Richmond*, severally praying that the Bill to amend the Judicature Acts of *Lower Canada* may not become Law in its present shape.

Of *James Réay* and others—and of *John Powell* and others, all Registers of Counties in *Upper Canada*, severally praying for a revision of their Tariff of Fees.

Of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Quebec* and others of the Parish of *Quebec*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate "The *Finlay* Asylum of *Quebec*," having for its object the relief of aged and infirm persons, and poor widows of the Church of *England*, and also praying for pecuniary aid thereto.

Of *Murdoch Mackenzie* of the City of *Quebec*, setting forth that during the conflagration which, on the 28th June, 1845, consumed the *St. John's* Suburbs of *Quebec*, the Petitioner's house and stables and the greater part of his household furniture were blown up by the military at the solicitation of the Mayor, and praying for relief.

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

Ordered, That the Petition of *John Ryan*, *Edward Fox*, and *S. W. Hallen*, Provincial Land Surveyors, be referred to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled "An Act to afford greater facilities to duly qualified persons to practise as Land Surveyors in this Province."

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Return of the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of *Gaspé* for the year 1856.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to legalize and confirm the acts and proceedings of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Brantford*," 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. *Ross* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Ontario* Bank," 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 4, Line 11—After "shall" insert "be."

Page 9, Line 10—Leave out "to" and insert "of."

Page 9, Line 25—Leave out from "return" to "the" in line 31.

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. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Municipal Council for the Township of *Stanley*, to construct a Harbour at the entrance of the River *Bayfield* into "Lake *Huron*," 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 Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Acts relative to Land Surveyors."

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to encourage "Mining Companies by empowering them to construct gravel or macadamized "roads or tramways to connect with railways, highways and navigable waters," 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 incorporate "the Town of *Bowmanville*, and to define the limits thereof," 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 define the "powers and confirm certain proceedings of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence*, "and *Montreal* and *New York* Railroad Companies," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Renaud*, *Knowlton*, *Moore* and *Ross*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *William Foster Coffin*, of the City of *Montreal*, Esquire, presented to this House on the 17th day of April last, praying against the

passing of the said Bill, be referred to the last mentioned Select Committee.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* enters.

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 prevent the cruel and improper treatment of Cattle and other Animals, and to amend the Laws relating to impounding the same," and

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*.

That the said amendments be agreed to.

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

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 the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Courts of Queen's Bench, Common Pleas and Chancery in *Upper Canada*, to admit *William Wise Cobb* to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor therein respectively."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* Pressed Brick Company," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Harmannus Smith*, *Patton* and *Seymour*, 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 Western Assurance Company," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Simpson*, *Gordon*, *Dessaulles*, *Patton* and *J. Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to provide for the management and improvement of the Harbor of *Montreal* and the deepening of the Ship Channel between *Montreal* and *Quebec*."

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*,

That all the Rules appertaining to Private Bills be dispensed with in so far as they relate to this Bill.

After a short Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier, Renaud* and *Hamilton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of the *Montreal* Board of Trade, presented this day, be referred to the last mentioned Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *Wollaston F. Pym* a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Haldimand*, in the County of *Northumberland*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton, Seymour* and *Patton* to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to Savings' Banks as it concerns the Caisse d'Economie Notre Dame *de Quebec*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *de La'Errière, Panet* and *Armstrong*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Acts relating to Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Masson, Armstrong, Cartier, Dessaulles* and *Renaud*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Milton*, in the County of *Halton*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Seymour, Patton* and *Simpson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Oakville*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Seymour, Harmanus Smith* and *Armstrong*, 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 Courts of Queen's Bench, Chancery and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to admit *Henry Edward Bennett* to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor therein

“respectively,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*, it was

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

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

Thursday, 7th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
CROOKS,
FERGUSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.

The Honorable Messieurs

GORDON,
FERRIER,
PANET,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
RENAUD,
DE LATERRIÈRE,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs *Masson*, *Boulton*, *Duchesnay*, *Vankoughnet*, *de Boucherville*, and *Simpson*, enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of *William Fitch* and others of the Counties of *Haldimand*, *Welland* and *Lincoln*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Perry*—of the Town Council of *Cobourg*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of *John McLean* and others of the Township of *Osprey* in the County of *Grey*—and of *John Fitzgibbon* and others of the Township of *Sunnidale* in the County of *Simcoe*.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Welland*—and of the Reverend *Duncan Morrison*, on behalf of the Kirk Session of *St. John's Church, Brockville*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *John Dale* and others of the Township of *Clarendon* in the County of *Pontiac*—and of *A. B. Papineau* and others of the Parish of *St. Martin*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of *George Kemp* and others of the Township of *Ops*—and of *George Read* and others of *Otonabee* in the County of *Peterborough*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of the Corporation of the City of *Ottawa*.

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

Of *J. B. E. Dorion*, M. P. P. and others, praying that a Bill similar to that passed by the Legislative Assembly “to protect parties who have settled on “lands in *Lower Canada*, without knowing the proprietors thereof,” may be passed by this House.

Three Petitions of the Reverend *F. Brunet* and others of the North part of the Township of *Halifax* in the County of *Megantic*, praying that a certain portion of that Township may be formed into a separate Municipality,—also praying for a grant of six hundred pounds towards the opening of roads in that locality,—and also praying for certain amendments to the Bill “to amend the “Judicature Acts of *Lower Canada*.”

Of *R. Martin*, Sheriff, on behalf of a public meeting held in the County of *Haldimand*, praying for certain amendments to the Charter of the *Woodstock* and *Lake Erie* Railway and Harbour Company.

Of *Richard Woodruff* and others of *St. Davids* in the County of *Lincoln*,—and of *G. McMicken* and others of *Clifton*, severally praying that the Bill to incorporate the Great Southern Railway Company may not become law.

Of *James Cummings* and others of *Chippawa*,—of *Robert Wilson* and others of *St. Davids* in the County of *Lincoln*,—of *William Bell* and others of *Clifton*,—and of *William Vanderboost* and others of the County of *Niagara* in the State of *New York*, severally praying that a Charter may not be granted for the construction of a Bridge over the *Niagara River* at or near *Fort Erie*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Stephen*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Usborne* in the County of *Huron*, severally praying for the establishment of a Lunatic Asylum in the City of *London*.

Of *Robert Moore* and others of the Township of *Cavan*, praying that the said Township may be surveyed.

Of *John Carling* and others of the City of *London*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate “The *London and Huron Railway Company*.”

Of Messieurs *Hughes, Kearney, Masterman, and Hughes*, of No. 17 *Bucklesbury, London*, Agents for the Chartered Bank of *Canada*, and certain citizens of *Hamilton, Canada*, praying that the said Bank of *Canada* may have power to establish Banks, Branch Banks and Agencies at such Cities, Towns and places within this Province as the Directors shall determine upon.

Of *D. Boudrias* of the City of *Montreal*, praying for aid to a certain Teachers' Association in connection with the *Jacques Cartier* Normal School.

Of the Reverend *Chester Hurd* and others of *Hatley* in the County of *Stanstead*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable the Trustees of the Freewill Baptist Church at *Hatley* aforesaid, to receive from the Executors of the last will of the late *Taylor Little*, such sums as shall be annually due them under the provisions of the said will.

Of the Reverend of *H. G. Burrage* and others of *Hatley* aforesaid, praying that the prayer of the last mentioned Petition may be favorably entertained.

Of the Reverend *O. Paradis* and others of the Parishes of *St. Eloi* and *St. Malachi* in the Township of *Frampton* in the County of *Dorchester*, praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of *John Ryan, Edward Fox* and *S. W. Hallen*, Provincial Land Surveyors, praying against the passing of the Bill to afford greater facilities to duly qualified persons to practice as Land Surveyors in this Province.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Glenelg* in the County of *Grey*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate a Company for the construction of a line of Railroad directly connecting *Toronto* with *Owen Sound*, and intersecting the Grand Trunk at the Town of *Guelph*.

Of *Wm. A. Chisholm* and others, Ship Owners and Masters of Vessels of *St. Catharines*, praying that measures may be adopted to obtain certain amendments to the Navigation Laws of this Province, and of the *United States of America*.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*,

That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the expediency of adopting measures to ascertain the Boundary Line between *Upper* and *Lower Canada* at the time of the Union, so that private rights dependent thereon can be more clearly ascertained, and that the said Committee be composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Armstrong, de La Terrière, Hamilton, Dessaulles* and the Mover.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Messieurs *Dickson* and *Cartier* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to afford greater facilities to duly qualified persons to practise as Land Surveyors in this Province," and also the Petition of *F. F. Passmore* and others, and all other Petitions on the same subject, 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.

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

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to appoint Trustees to the Estate of the late *Charles Bowman*," 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. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to increase the rate of interest in this Province," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Walker*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration on Wednesday next, and that in the mean time the Bill as proposed to be amended be printed for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Renaud* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu Company*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Renaud* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, That the said Bill be read a third time on next Friday week.

After Debate,

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Seymour* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Milton*, in the County of

"*Halton*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of Oakville," 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. *Simpson* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Western Assurance 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. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* Pressed Brick 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. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Bradford*, in the County of *Simcoe*," 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 2, Line 29.—After "Act" insert clause A.

CLAUSE A.

"The said Village of Bradford shall be entitled to recover
 "from the said Township of West Gwillimbury, such share of
 "all money apportioned to such Township from the Upper
 "Canada Municipalities Fund prior to the said first day of
 "January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty
 "eight, as shall bear the same proportion to the whole sum so
 "apportioned to the said Township as the number of rate
 "payers resident within the limits of the said Village, as shewn
 "by the Collector's Roll of the year one thousand eight hundred
 "and fifty-seven, bears the whole number of rate payers of
 "the said Township.

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to Savings' Banks as "it concerns the '*Caisse d'Economie Notre Dame de 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 read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to legalize "and confirm the acts and proceedings of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Brantford*," 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 "the *Ontario Bank*," 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 enable the "Municipal Council of the Township of *Stanley* to construct a Harbour at the "entrance of the River *Bayfield* into Lake *Huron*," 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 further to amend the "Acts relative to Land Surveyors," 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 prevent the cruel and improper treatment of Cattle and other Animals, and to amend the Law relating to impounding the same," 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. *Ross* enters.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate *Belleville Seminary*."

The Honorable Mr. *Perry* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*,

That the forty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill, and that the said Bill be read a second time presently.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, 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, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Perry*, *Ferrier* and *Ross*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Murney* enters.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to protect parties who have settled on lands in *Lower Canada*, without knowing the proprietors thereof," and

Upon a question of Order arising as to whether the 49th Rule of this House applies to the said Bill,

After a long Debate,

The Honorable the Speaker decided that this Bill does not come under the said 49th Rule, but that it is a Public Bill and can be proceeded with as such.

Whereupon the Honorable Mr. *Dessaullles* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After a further long Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Crooks*,

That the House do now adjourn.

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said Bill be not now read a second time, but that it be read a second time this day three months.

Which being objected to,
After debate,

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

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Knowlton,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>
<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet—14.</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>		

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Dessaulles,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>deBoucherville,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus—11.</i>
<i>de LaTerrière,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Renaud,</i>	

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Brantford* in "*Frederick T. Wilkes.*"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *John Mutrie* a Road Allowance in the Township of *Nichol* County of *Wellington.*"

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Holton* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Canadian* Inland Steam "Navigation Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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,

Wednesday, 6th May, 1857.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable Legislative Council, to request their Honors to give leave to the Honorable *John Ross*, a Member of their House, to attend before the Special Committee appointed to inquire into the condition, management and prospects of the Grand Trunk Railway Company.

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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*,

That the Honorable Mr. *Ross* 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. *Ross* to attend before the Special Committee appointed to inquire into the condition, management and prospects of the Grand Trunk Railway Company, if he thinks fit.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Town of *St. Catharines* to negotiate a loan of forty-five thousand two hundred and forty-eight pounds, to consolidate the debt of the Town, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Merritt* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Agricultural Acts, as far as relates to the time and place of meeting in the County of *Lincoln*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time,

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*, it was

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. *Merritt* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act for the construction of Water Works in the Town of *Saint Catharines*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Conger* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Lindsay* and define the Limits thereof," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Holton* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the *Montreal* Telegraph Company, and to extend the powers of the said Company, and to authorize the establishment of a Transatlantic Line of Telegraph by the said Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

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

Friday, 8th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TAOHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
CROOKS,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
DE BOUCHERVILLE,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
SEYMOUR,
PERRY,
DICKSON,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
MURNEY.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs *Moore, Armstrong, Cartier, Simpson, Patton,* and *Prince* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*—of the *Woodstock Library and Mechanics' Institute*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of *Robert Dawson* and others of the Township of *Enniskillen*—of the Presbytery of *Toronto*, in connection with the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Bosanquet*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Williams*—of the Reverend *David Shanks* and others of *Valcartier*, in the County of *Quebec*—of *William Scott* and others of *St. Sylvestre*—of the Young Men's Christian Association of *Martintown*—and of *Daniel McCowan* and others of *Metis*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of *W. B. Smith* and others, Merchants of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of *A. Jones* and others of *Prescott*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière*—of *Theophile Girouard* and others of the Parish of *St. Eusèbe de Stamford*, in the County of *Arthabaska*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Walker*—of *John O'Brien*, of the Parish of *St. Roch*, of *Quebec*, and others, Proprietors and Residents in and about the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of the Municipal Council of the Parish of *Saint Jean Port Joli*.

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

Of the *Montreal* Board of Trade, praying for certain amendments to the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Act to provide for the management and improvement of the Harbour of *Montreal*, and the deepening of the Ship Channel between *Montreal* and *Quebec*.”

Of the Congregation assembled in *Zion* Church, *Montreal*, praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of *William Pring* and others of the City of *Hamilton*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate “The *Hamilton* Horticultural Society.”

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Houghton*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Woodhouse*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate “The International Bridge Company” for the construction of a Bridge over the *Niagara* River at or near *Fort Erie*.

Of the Council of the Town of *Sarnia*, praying that the Mayors of Towns may be elected by the people.

Of *Samuel Peters* and others of the City of *London*, praying against the passing of the Bill “to afford greater facilities to duly qualified persons to practise as Land Surveyors in this Province.”

Of *James Watson* and others—of *Duncan Campbell* and others—of *Thos. C. Pinkett* and others—of *John Magill* and others—of *Seth Smith* and others—of *John C. Schultz* and others—of *Samuel H. Runes* and others—of *J. Kilborne* and others—of *R. B. Harris* and others—of *John Kirk* and others—of *Wm. Baird* and others—of *Robert French* and others—and of *D. McDonell* and others, severally praying to be incorporated as “The International Bridge Company,” for the construction of a Bridge over the *Niagara* River at or near *Buffalo*.

Of the Reverend *F. Mack*, Rector of *Amherstburg* and others, praying for the passing of an Act to secure to married women certain separate rights of property.

Of *A. Bazin* and others of the Parishes of *St. François* and *St. Thomas de Pierreville* in the County of *Yamaska*, praying that the Act regulating the Common of the first named Parish may not be altered or amended.

Of the Reverend *J. D. Deziel* and others of the Parish of *Notre Dame de la Victoire*, in the County of *Lévi*, praying that this House may concur in any vote of the Legislative Assembly in aid of Institutes or Reading Rooms.

The Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Vankoughnet*, *Ross*, *Panet*, and *Renard* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency may be pleased to take such steps as shall secure the closing of the Canals and Post Offices, and of all Offices of the Public Departments, and the suspension of all work therein from twelve o'clock on Saturday night to twelve o'clock on Sunday night, and that no individual employed in any public office or Institution be subjected to attendance, or incur penalty or blame for absence during said intervals.

Which being objected to,

After a long Debate.

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

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The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>
<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>deBlaquière,</i>	<i>Gordon,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Walker,—15.</i>
<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs.

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Knowlton,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Renaud,</i>	<i>Widmer,—10.</i>
<i>de LaTerrière,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>		

So it was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate the Village of *Newmarket*,” 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 17.—After “section” insert excepting always rates for School purposes.”

Page 2, Line 18.—After “pound” insert “on the annual value of the rateable property of said Village.”

IN THE SCHEDULE OF THE BILL,

Page 3, Line 33.—Leave out “twenty” and insert ninety.”

Page 3, Line ult.—Leave out “twenty” and insert “ninety.”

IN THE PREAMBLE OF THE BILL,

Page 1, Line 3.—Leave out “make” and insert “makes.”

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to vest in *Wollaston F. Pym* a certain Road allowance in the Township of *Haldimand*, in the County of *Northumberland*,” 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. *Perry* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate *Belleville* Seminary,” 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 20.—Leave out “and.”

Page 2, Line 36.—Leave out from “and” to “to” in line 37.

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration on Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Joint Committee of both Houses for the 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 Members on behalf of the Legislative Council of the Joint Committee of both Houses, for the direction of the Library of Parliament, beg leave to present a second Report:—

In conformity with the intention expressed in their First Report, the Committee have the honor to submit, for the approval of the House, a series of Resolutions conveying the thanks of the House to the President of the *United States* and to the authorities of the several States of the American Union, with whom, upon the application of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, arrangements have been entered into for the purpose of organizing a system of exchange of their official publications with this Province.

The Committee have caused a list to be prepared of the Works available for

presentation, on behalf of this Legislature, which consists of the Provincial Journals, Statutes and Law Reports, with copies of such other Works as may have been purchased from time to time, by order of the Committee, with a view to their being distributed in this manner. It has been the endeavour of the Committee to make up a selection for each State, which shall fully answer the purposes in view in regard to these exchanges, and which, as far as possible, shall be a suitable acknowledgement for the liberality evinced in answer to the application of our agent. To enable the Committee to effect this desirable object, it has been necessary to incur an expense of about three hundred pounds for the purchase of Statutes, Law Reports, &c., spare copies of which were not in the possession of the House.

The Committee have directed the Librarians to superintend the annual transmission of the boxes of books intended for the different State Governments with whom exchanges have been agreed upon; and in order to comply with a wish which has been generally expressed by the State Legislatures to possess copies of Reports from all our Public Institutions, as speedily as possible after their publication, they beg to submit a Resolution requiring the Clerk of the House to furnish the Librarians with a sufficient number of copies of all such documents, for this purpose, as there may be issued from the press. These arrangements, they trust, will suffice to ensure a faithful carrying out, on the part of this Province, of the great principle of International Exchange, which will doubtless operate to the mutual advantage of this Province and of the *States*, with whom we have been enabled to enter into these friendly relations.

LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT,
6th May, 1857.

1. That the thanks of this House are due, and ought to be presented, to His Excellency the President of the *United States*, for the very handsome manner in which he received the Honorable *P. H. Moore*, the Agent appointed by the Legislature to organize a system of Exchanges of Official Publications between this Province and the Federal Government of the *United States*; and that this House has received with satisfaction the intelligence of the valuable donations which have been presented to the Library from the several departments of the Federal Government, pursuant to the directions issued by His Excellency for that purpose, and in furtherance of the system of exchanges agreed upon.

2. That the thanks of this House are due, and ought to be presented, to their Excellencies the Governors and to the Legislative Authorities of the State of *New York*, the State of *Connecticut*, the State of *Pennsylvania*, the State of *Ohio*, the State of *Maine*, the State of *Vermont*, the State of *Virginia*, the State of *Michigan*, the State of *Louisiana*, the State of *Massachusetts*, and the State of *New Hampshire*, for their liberality in responding to the application made to them by the Honorable *P. H. Moore*, on behalf of this House, for donations of

books to the Library of Parliament, in furtherance of a system of Exchange of Official Publications between this Province and those several States.

3. That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to convey to the President of the *United States*, and to the Authorities of the respective States named in the preceding Resolution, the thanks of this House therein expressed, in such manner as to His Excellency may appear suitable.

4. That the thanks of this House are due, and are hereby given to the Honorable Judge *Collamer*, of the *United States* Senate, and to the Honorable Judge *Chipman*, of the Department of the Secretary of State, at *Washington*, for the valuable assistance afforded to the Agent of the Legislature, in his application to the Executive Departments of the Government of the *United States*, on behalf of the Library.

5. That the thanks of this House, expressed in the foregoing Resolution, be communicated by Mr. Speaker, to the gentlemen named therein.

6. That the Clerk of this House be directed to furnish the Librarians with sufficient copies of all Reports from Heads of the Public Departments, or concerning any of the Public Institutions of this Province, from time to time, as they may be received, for the purpose of enabling them to despatch the same to the several States with whom this House may exchange Official Publications.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered, That the said Report be taken into consideration by the House on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to define the powers and confirm certain proceedings of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence*, and *Montreal* and *New York* Railroad Companies," and the Petition of *William Foster Coffin*, of the City of *Montreal* praying against the passing of the said Bill, 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 17.—After "liability" insert "incurred."

Page 2, Line 18.—Leave out from "things" to "done."

Page 2, Line 19.—Leave out from "as," where it occurs the first time, to "separate," in line 20, and insert "contra-distinguished from the."

Page 2, Line 20.—Leave out “of” where it occurs the second time, and insert “contracted by.”

Page 2, Line 21.—Leave out from “Company” to “the.”

Page 3, Line 48.—Leave out “and” where it occurs the second time.

Page 5, Line 4.—Leave out “of” and insert “thereof.”

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Act to provide for the management and improvement of the Harbour of *Montreal* and the deepening of the Ship Channel between *Montreal* and *Quebec*,” and the Petition of the *Montreal* Board of Trade, praying for certain amendments to the said Bill, 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, “An Act to appoint Trustees to the estate of the late *Charles Bowman*,” 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 the Town of *Milton*, in the County of *Halton*,” 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 the Town of *Oakville*,” 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 incorporating the Western Assurance 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 without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto Pressed Brick 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 without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Bradford*, in the County of *Simcoe*," 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 relating to Savings' Banks as it concerns the *Caisse d'Economie Notre Dame de 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.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Conger* and others to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Ontario Bank*," 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. *Bell* and others to return the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of Glebe Lot number twenty-nine, in the second Concession of the Township of *Edwardsburgh*, to sell and convey the East half of said Lot, originally granted in trust as an Endowment or Glebe for the Presbyterian Church in the Town of *Brockville*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, and for other purposes," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with an amendment to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which said amendment was then read by the Clerk, as follows:

Page 1, Line 46.—Strike out “as aforesaid” and insert “to them by the Crown, and now remaining unsold to any other party.”

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, that the said amendment be taken into consideration on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Sidney Smith* and others with a Bill intituled “An Act to vest in *James Barnum* a certain “Road allowance in the Township of *Haldimand*, in the County of *Northumber-land*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Somerville* and others with a Bill intituled “An Act to authorize the running of the boundary “line between the Seigniorship of *Beauharnois* and the Township of *Godmanchester*, and the Parish of *St. Anicet*, for the purposes of a Road,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Somerville* and others with a Bill intituled “An Act to erect parts of *Russelltown* and *James-town*, in the County of *Chateaugai*, and parts of *Hemmingford* and *Hinch-inbrooke*, in the County of *Huntingdon*, into a Municipality, and to attach the “same to the County of *Huntingdon*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Angus Morrison* and others with a Bill intituled “An Act to authorize the Court of “Chancery and the Courts of Queen’s Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to admit *John Symons* to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney therein “respectively,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Holton* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal Steam Elevating and Warehousing Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, it was

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

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

Monday, 11th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were:

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,

The Honorable Messieurs

MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
PANET,
ARMSTRONG,
DUCHESNAY,
SMITH, HOLLIS.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs *Prince, Ross, de Beaujeu, Widmer, de LaTerrière, Patton* and *Masson* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*—of the Incumbent and Churchwardens of *St. George's Church, Georgina*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Walker*—of *John Hough* and others of the Township of *Halifax* in the County of *Megantic*—and two Petitions of *John Thompson* and others of the Township of *Leeds* in the County of *Megantic*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of the Reverend *Duncan Cameron*, and others of *Glengarry*.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of *William Smart* and others of *Gananogue*—and of the Presbytery of *Montreal* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of the Officers of the Honorable the Legislative Council.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ross*—of *A. T. McCord* and others of *Woodstock*—and two Petitions of the Municipal Council of the Township of *North Norwich*.

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

Of *John McLean* and others of the Township of *Osprey* in the County of *Grey*—and of *John Fitzgibbon* and others of the Township of *Sunnidale* in the County of *Simcoe*, severally praying that the Western portion of the said County of *Simcoe*, and the Eastern portion of the said County of *Grey*, may be erected into a new County.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Welland*—of the Reverend *Duncan Morrison*, on behalf of the Kirk Session of *St. John's Church, Brockville*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*—and of the Town Council of *Cobourg*, severally praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of *George Kempt* and others of the Township of *Ops*—and of *George Read* and others of *Otonabee* in the County of *Peterborough*, severally praying that a Charter may not be granted for the construction of a Bridge over the *Niagara* River at or near *Fort Erie*.

Of *William Fitch* and others of the Counties of *Haldimand*, *Welland* and *Lincoln*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate "The International Bank of *Canada*."

Of *John Dale* and others of the Township of *Clarendon* in the County of *Pontiac*, praying for aid towards opening a Road from the Village of *Aylmer* in the County of *Ottawa* to the mouth of *Deep River*.

Of the Corporation of the City of *Ottawa*, praying for certain amendments to the Statute 13th & 14th *Vict.* chap. 65, intituled "An Act to amend the Laws 'relative to Tavern Licenses in *Upper Canada*.'"

Of *A. B. Papineau* and others of the Parish of *St. Martin*, praying that the Grand Trunk Railway Company may not be released from its liabilities towards the Province, and that County Councils and the office of County Superintendent may be abolished in *Lower Canada*.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act "to make valid the Deeds given by Sheriffs to the Assignees of Purchasers of "Land sold for Taxes under 13th & 14th *Victoria* chap. 67."

The said Bill was read for the firsttime.

On motion of the Honorable Mr *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

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 vest in *Wollaston F. Pym* a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Haldimand*, in "the County of *Northumberland*," 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 to provide for the management and improvement of the Harbour of "*Montreal* and the deepening of the Ship Channel between *Montreal* and *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.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the Report of the Select Committee on the Petitions for the better observance of the Lord's Day, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Brantford* in "*Frederick T. Wilkes*."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *John Mutrie* a Road Allowance in the Township of *Nichol*, County of *Wellington*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson*, *Ferrie* and *Hamilton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Messieurs *Dickson*, *Moore*, *Murney*, *Vankoughnet* and *Boulton* enter.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Canadian Inland Steam Navigation Company*."

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, that the said Bill be now read a second time.

After debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly,

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Wednesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Town of *St. Catharines* to negotiate a loan of forty-five thousand two hundred and forty-eight pounds, to consolidate the debt of the town, and for other purposes," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Dickson* and *Patton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Lindsay* and define the Limits thereof."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Walker*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the *Montreal* Telegraph Company, and to extend the powers of the said Company, and to authorize the establishment of a Transatlantic line of Telegraph by the said Company," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Hamilton* and *Armstrong*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act 19 and 20 Vict., cap 47, and to authorize the formation of four Agricultural Societies in the County of *Gaspé* instead of two," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *de La Terrière*, *Panet* and *de Beaujeu*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law of *Upper Canada* with respect to the granting of Licenses," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Prince* and *Patton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intitule

“ An Act to authorize the Courts of Queen’s Bench, Chancery and Common Pleas
 “ in *Upper Canada* to admit *Henry Edward Bennett* to practise as an Attorney
 “ and Solicitor therein respectively.”

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Walker*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged.

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 afford greater facilities to duly qualified Persons to practise as Land Surveyors in this Province,” it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged.

Then the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*,

That the said Bill and Report be referred back to the same Select Committee to whom the said Bill was formerly referred, with a view to consider and report what proof, if any, should be required of the qualifications to be possessed by persons desiring to be admitted as Land Surveyors under the provisions of the said Bill.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “ An Act for the construction of Water Works in the Town of *Saint Catharines*.”

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

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 Village of *Newmarket*, and

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the House proceeded to the consideration of the second report of the Joint Committee of both Houses for the direction of the Library of Parliament, and

The said Report being again read by the Clerk,

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*,

That the said Report be adopted.

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

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 define the powers and confirm certain proceedings of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* and *Montreal* and *New York* Railroad Companies," and

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

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 enable the Trustees of Glebe Lot number twenty-nine, in the second Concession of the Township of *Edwardsburgh*, to sell and convey the East half of said Lot, originally granted in trust as an Endowment or Glebe for the Presbyterian Church in the Town of *Brockville* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, and for other purposes," and

The said amendment being again read by the Clerk,

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*,

That the said amendment be agreed to.

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 agree to their amendment made to the last mentioned Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *James Barnum* a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Haldimand*, in the County of *Northumberland*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the running of the boundary line between the Seigniorship of *Beauharnois* and the Township of *Godmanchester*, and the Parish of *St. Anicet*, for the purposes of a Road," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Knowlton* and *Moore*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to erect parts of *Russelltown* and *Jamestown*, in the County of *Chateaugai*, and parts of *Hemmingford* and *Hinchinbrooke*, in the County of

“ *Huntingdon*, into a Municipality, and to attach the same to the County of “ *Huntingdon*.”

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, That the forty-ninth 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 question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Knowlton*, *Moore*, *de Beaujeu* and *Armstrong*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “ An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Steam Elevating and Warehousing Company.”

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Conger* and others with a Bill intituled “ An Act to attach the new Townships of *Galway*, “ *Cavendish* and *Anstruther* to the County of *Peterborough*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

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. *Morrison* and others with a Bill intituled “ An Act to amend the Act of *Upper* “ *Canada*, enabling the Presbyterian Congregation of *York* to purchase ground for “ a Church and Burying-ground,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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 alter and amend the Act “ incorporating the Bank of *Toronto*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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 confirm certain sales and assurances made by the Executors and Trustees of the Will and Codicil of *James Macaulay*, deceased, and the partition, division, and appropriation made by the said Executors and Trustees, and others, parties to a certain Indenture bearing date the tenth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Alley* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled An Act to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Bureau* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to the Commissioners' Courts for the summary 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.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Desaulniers* and others to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act 16 Victoria chapter 171, in so far as it relates to the time fixed for the hunting of Muskrats," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *McKenzie* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to enable the surviving Executor of the late *John McIntosh*, Esquire, to lease certain real property in *Toronto*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

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 *Macdonald* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act for the better Prevention of Accidents on Railways," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with 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 19, strike out from "the" to "to," and insert "Governor in Council."
- Page 1, Line 20, after "persons," insert "not exceeding three in number, whose duty it shall be from time to time."
- Page 1, Line 21, strike out "any," and insert "all," and strike out "Railway," and insert "Railways."
- Page 1, Line 24, after "Stations," insert "fences or gates, road crossings, cattle guards."
- Page 1, Line 42, after "without," insert "unnecessary."
- Page 2, Line 3, Strike out from "thereof," to the end of the clause.
- Page 2, Line 38, strike out from "appointed," to "report," and insert "as aforesaid shall after inspection of any Railway."
- Page 2, Line 47, strike out "General."
- Page 3, Line 14, strike out "General."
- Page 3, Line 26, strike out "General."
- Page 3, Line 28, strike out "or."
- Page 3, Line 29, after "tunnel," insert "fence, road, crossing, or cattle-guard."
- Page 3, Line 31, after "condemned," insert "on the Report of an Inspector or Inspectors."
- Page 3, Line 33, strike out "General."
- Page 3, Line 37, strike out "General."
- Page 4, Line 4, after "President," insert "Managing Director."
- Page 4, Line 5, strike out from "Railway" to "on," and insert "or to any Officer having the management or control of the running of trains."
- Page 4, Line 11, strike out "General."
- Page 4, Line 12, after "confirm," insert "modify."
- Page 4, Line 13, after "confirmation," insert "modification."
- Page 4, Line 16, strike out "General."

Page 4, Line 44, strike out "General."

Page 5, Line 13, strike out "General."

Page 5, Line 25, after "crossing," insert " Provided that anything contained in any
 " Act of the Parliament of this Province which suspends the
 " operation of the 16th Victoria, chap 169, sec. 6, requiring
 " that in all cases where Railways pass any Draw or Swing
 " Bridge over any Navigable River, Canal, or Stream, which
 " is subject to be opened for the purposes of Navigation, the
 " Trains shall in all cases be stopped at least three minutes
 " to ascertain from the Bridge-Tender that such Bridge is
 " closed, and in perfect order for passing, be and the same is
 " hereby repealed. Provided also, that it shall be the duty
 " of every Railway Company to station an officer, at every
 " point on their line crossed on a level by any other Railway,
 " and no train shall proceed over such crossing until signal
 " has been made to the conductor thereof that the way is
 " clear."

Page 5, Line 26, after " Provided," insert " also."

Page 5, Line 31, strike out " ten," and insert " six," and after " hour," insert
 " unless the track is properly fenced, and that whenever
 " any train of cars shall be moving reversely in any City,
 " Town, or Village, the locomotive being in the rear, the
 " Company shall station on the last car in the train, a person
 " whose duty it shall be to warn parties standing on or
 " crossing the track of such Railway on the approach of such
 " train."

Page 5, Line 33, strike out " this proviso," and insert " these provisoes."

Page 6, Line 17, after " casualties," insert " the points at which they occur,
 " whether by night or by day."

Page 7, Line 5, after " Vice-President," insert " Managing Director."

Page 7, line 7, after " Company" insert the following clause, " No horses, sheep
 " or swine or other cattle shall be permitted to be at large
 " upon any highway within half a mile of the intersection of
 " any highway with any railway on grade, unless the same
 " respectively shall be in charge of some person or persons to
 " prevent their loitering or stopping on such highway at such
 " intersection with any Railway, and all such cattle so found
 " at large in contravention hereof, may be impounded by
 " any person finding the same at large, in the nearest pound
 " to the place where the same shall be so found, and the

“ pound-keeper with whom the same shall be so impounded
 “ shall detain the same in the like manner and subject to the
 “ like regulations as to the care and disposal thereof, as in
 “ the case of cattle impounded for trespass on private
 “ property, and no person, any of whose cattle so at large
 “ shall be killed by any train at such point of intersection
 “ shall have any action against any Railway Company in
 “ respect to the same being so killed.”

Page 7, line 21, after “ Province” insert the following clauses, “ That at every
 “ road and farm crossing on the grade of the Railways in
 “ this Province, the said crossings shall be sufficiently fenced
 “ on both sides to such points as will allow the safe passage
 “ of the trains.

“ From and after the passing of this Act, every Railway now
 “ or hereafter to be constructed, so soon as any portion
 “ thereof is in use, shall pay to the Receiver-General an
 “ annual rate to be fixed by the Governor in Council, and
 “ not exceeding two pounds ten shillings per mile of Railway
 “ constructed and in use ; such rate to be paid half-yearly,
 “ on the first days of January and July in each year, and to
 “ form a special fund for the purposes of this Act, to be
 “ called ‘ The Railway Inspection Fund.’ ”

Page 7, Line 25, after “ thereover,” insert “ and all penalties recovered under this
 “ Act shall be paid to the Receiver-General to the credit
 “ of ‘ The Railway Inspection Fund.’ ”

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable
 Mr. *de Blaquièrre*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by a Com-
 mittee of the whole House on Wednesday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr.
 Attorney General *Cartier* and others to return the Bill intituled “ An Act further
 “ to amend the Acts relative to the Royal Institution for the advancement of
 “ Learning and to the University of *M^cGill* College,” and to acquaint this House
 that they have agreed to the said Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House the Report of the
 Council of University College, *Toronto*, for the year 1856.

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

(*Vide Sessional papers.*)

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

Tuesday, 12th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIER,
BOULTON,
PANET,
ARMSTRONG,
DICKSON,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs *de Beaujeu, de La Terrière, Simpson,* and *Vankoughnet* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of the Elders and Managers of the United Presbyterian Church of *Montreal*—of *E. S. Adams* and others of *St. Catharines*—and of *Charles C. Small* of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of *John Christie* of *Oxford*, in the County of *Grenville*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *C. T. de Montigny* and others of the Parish of *St. Jérôme*, in the County of *Terrebonne*—and of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay*—of *Peter Plunkett* and others of the Parish of *St. Sylvestre*, in the County of *Lotbinière*—and of *L. Archambault* and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*—of *J. Edward* and others of the Township of *Otonabee*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *South Norwich, Malden, Anderdon,* and *Gosfield*—of *John W. Ridsdale* and others of the Town of *Amherstburg*—of *John Colborne* and others of the Town-

ship of *Anderdon* aforesaid—of *Henry Harris* and others of the Township of *Gosfield* aforesaid—of the Town Council of the Town of *Niagara*—and of the Municipality of the Town of *Amherstburg*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Panet*—of the Bar of *Lower Canada*, section of the District of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*—of *Charles Robin* and Company, and others of the Municipality of *La Grande Rivière*, in the County of *Gaspé*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of *James Vincent* and others of the County of *Elgin*—of *James P. Weaver* and others of the said County—of the *Toronto* Board of Trade—and of *Miles B. Stennett* of the City of *Hamilton*.

The Honorable Mr. *Murney* enters.

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

Of the Library and Mechanics' Institute of *Woodstock*, praying that copies of the Journals and other Parliamentary Papers may be sent to them.

Of the Presbytery of *Toronto*, in connection with the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*—of the Reverend *David Shanks* and others of *Valcartier*, in the County of *Quebec*—of *William Scott* and others of *St. Sylvestre*—of the Young Men's Christian Association of *Martintown*—and of *Daniel McCowan* and others of *Métis*, severally praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Bosanquet*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Williams*, severally praying that the Line of the Grand Trunk Railway Company may be continued from *St. Mary* to *Sarnia*.

Of the Reverend *Robert Dawson* and others of the Township of *Enniskillen*, praying against the passing of any Bill having for its object the dis-memberment of the Counties of *Middlesex*, *Kent*, *Elgin* and *Lambton*.

Of *W. B. Smith* and others, Merchants, of *Montreal*, praying that the Bankrupt Law now in force may not be changed.

Of *A. Jones* and others of *Prescott*, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the Trustees of the Will of the late *Susannah Jessup* to sell a certain lot of land willed by her for educational purposes, and to apply the proceeds of the sale thereof to the purchase of a more eligible site.

Of *John O'Brien*, of the Parish of *St. Roch*, of *Quebec*, and others, Proprietors and Residents in and about the City of *Quebec*, praying for aid towards the completion of the road leading from the *Lorette* Road to the *St. Foy* Road, and from thence to the *Grand Allée* opposite *Spencer Wood*.

Of *Théophile Girouard* and others of the Parish of *St. Eusèbe de Stanfold*, in

the County of *Arthabaska*, praying that the *chef-lieu* of the said County may be placed at *Princeville*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Parish of *Saint Jean Port Joli*, praying for aid to enable them to construct a wharf on the shore of the *St. Lawrence* in front of that Parish.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *William Rees* of *Toronto*, presented to this House on the 29th April last, and praying "that measures may be adopted and means provided to secure free Vaccination to the inhabitants of this Province," be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Widmer*, *Dessaulles*, *de La Terrière*, *Harmannus Smith* and *Prince*.

Ordered, That the said Petition be printed for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the running of the boundary line between the Seigniority of *Beauharnois* and the Township of *Godmanchester* and the Parish of *St. Anicet*, for the purposes of a Road," 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. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to erect parts of *Russelltown* and *Jamestown*, in the County of *Chateaugai*, and parts of *Hemmingford* and *Hinchinbrooke*, in the County of *Huntingdon*, into a Municipality, and to attach the same to the County of *Huntingdon*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow;—

Page 1, Line 31.—Leave out "Labouchere" and insert "Franklin."

Page 1, Line 34.—After "Chateaugai" insert "and".

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the 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 incorporate the Village of *Newmarket*," 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 define the powers and confirm certain proceedings of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence*, and *Montreal* and *New York* Railroad 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, That one 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. *de Blaquièrè* from the Select Committee to whom was again referred the Bill intituled "An Act to afford greater facilities to duly qualified Persons to practise as Land Surveyors in this Province," together with the Report of the Select Committee thereon, with a view to consider and report what proof, if any, should be required of the qualifications to be possessed, by persons desiring to be admitted as Land Surveyors under the provisions of said Bill, 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 amendments were then read by the Clerk.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Agricultural Acts, as far as relates to the time and place of meeting in the County of *Lincoln*."

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, That the said Order be postponed until next Thursday week.

After Debate,

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to admit *John Symons* to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney therein respectively."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until this day week.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Lindsay*, and define the limits thereof."

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*,

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

After a short Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Simpson*, *Moore*, *J. Morris* and *Dessaulles*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act for the construction of Water Works in the Town of *Saint Catharines*."

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*,

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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Dickson* and *Patton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Steam Elevating and Warehousing Company."

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

That the forty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill.

Which being objected to,

After a short Debate,

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act of *Upper Canada*, enabling the Presbyterian Congregation of *York* to purchase ground for a Church and Burying ground,"

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*,

That the forty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it relates to this Bill,

Which being objected to,

After debate,

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Act incorporating the Bank of *Toronto*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Hamilton*, *Simpson*, *J. Morris* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to confirm certain Sales and Assurances made by the Executors and Trustees of the Will and Codicil of *James Macaulay*, deceased, and the partition, division, and appropriation made by the said Executors and Trustees, and others, parties to a certain Indenture bearing date the tenth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Dickson*, *Vankoughnet*, *Prince* 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 intituled An Act to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, and for other purposes," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walker*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to the Commissioners' Courts for the summary trial of small causes in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Moore*, and *de La Terrière*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the surviving Executor of the late *John McIntosh*, Esquire, to lease certain real property in *Toronto*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Ferrier*, *Simpson*, and *Patton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Robinson* and others to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Bradford*, in the County of *Simcoe*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Holton* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to regulate the Inspection of Beef and Pork," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

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

Wednesday, 13th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIEB,
BOULTON,
PANET,

The Honorable Messieurs

SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
DICKSON,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
PATTON,
MURNEY,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS :

The Honorable Messieurs *Goodhue*, and *Dessaulles* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of *Henry Vansittart* and others of the Village of *Eastwood*, in the County of *Oxford*—and of *James Budwell* and others of the Township of *Denham*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*—of the Reverend *P. M. Mignault* and others of the Parish of *Saint Joseph* of *Chambly*, in the County of *Chambly*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of *William White* and others of the County of *Huntingdon*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Walker*—of *John Hutchison* and others of the Townships of *Leeds*, *Thetford*, *Broughton*, *Ireland*, part of *Inverness*, and *Nelson*, in the County of *Megantic*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*—of the Reverend *Charles P. Reid* of the Town of *Sherbrooke*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of Messieurs *Holcomb* and *Henderson*—Messieurs *Hooker*, *Pridham* and Company, and Messieurs *Jones*, *Macdonell* and Company, three separate Firms of Forwarders and Ship Owners.

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of the Session of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, *St. Catharines*—and of the Session of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, of the Village of *Port Dalhousie*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of *Thomas Mussen* and others of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Carradoc*, *Elderslie*, and *Charlottetown*.

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

Of the Incumbent and Churchwardens of *St. George's Church*, *Georgina*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to exchange and sell and convey certain portions of the Glebe Lands in said Township of *Georgina*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *North Norwich*—and of *Henry Cotton* and others of *North Norwich*, severally praying against the passing of Bill to incorporate "The Great Southern Railway Company."

Of *James Smart* and others of *Gananoque*—and two Petitions of *John Thompson* and others of the Townships of *Leeds* and *Halifax* in the County of *Megantic*, severally praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Presbytery of *Montreal* in connection with the Presbyterian Church of

Scotland, praying that the Report of the Select Committee on the Petitions for the better observance of the Lord's Day, may be adopted, and that an Act may be passed to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Officers of the Honorable the Legislative Council, praying, for reasons therein set forth, that the subject of their salaries may receive such consideration as the matter may appear to deserve.

Of the Reverend *Duncan Cameron* and others of *Glengarry*—and of *John Thompson* and others of the Township of *Leeds* in the County of *Megantic*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to secure to married women certain, separate rights of property.

Of *A. J. McCord* and others of *Woodstock*, praying to be incorporated as "The Canadian Literary Institute."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition presented to this House yesterday from the *Toronto* Board of Trade, praying "for such modifications in the Jury Laws of *Upper Canada* as will allow verdicts on Trials by Jury in civil causes to be returned although the Jury may not be unanimous," be printed for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* presented to the House two affidavits and [certain papers relative to the application of *Miles B. Stennett*, for a Bill of Divorce from *Laura E. Steele*, which he read in his place, and they are as follow :—

County of <i>York</i> , one of the United Counties of <i>York</i> and <i>Peel</i> , to wit :	}	<i>Adam Crooks</i> , of the City of <i>Toronto</i> , Barrister-at-law, maketh oath and saith, that on the 26th day of September last, this deponent, on behalf of <i>Miles B. Stennett</i> , of the City of <i>Hamilton</i> , Surgeon-Dentist, caused true copies of the Notice for Bill of Divorce hereto annexed to be forwarded for publication in the <i>Prescott Telegraph</i> and <i>Brockville Recorder</i> newspapers.
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That the said Notice was immediately thereafter published in the said papers respectively, and continued to be published by weekly insertions for the space of six months next thereafter.

That copies of the said *Prescott Telegraph* containing the said Notice were regularly forwarded to this deponent during the said period of six months.

And that by letter dated the 12th day of May last, from the publisher of the *Brockville Recorder*, this deponent has been informed that the said notice was also published in that paper.

That this deponent has written for formal certificates from the publishers of the said Newspapers respectively.

That the said Notice hath been duly published for the said period of six months in the *Canada Gazette*.

ADAM CROOKS.

Sworn before me at the City of Toronto, this 13th }
day of May, in the year of Our Lord, 1857, }

J. G. BOWES, J. P.

Canada, County of *York*, } *Miles Braithwaite Stennett*, of the City of
one of the United Counties } *Hamilton*, Surgeon Dentist, maketh oath and
of *York* and *Peel*, } saith, that he is the applicant for a Bill of Divorce
TO WIT: } to be granted him by the Honorable the Legisla-
tive Council, to free him from the obligation of his marriage, contracted with
Laura E. Steele, and the particulars and grounds, which are referred to in his
Petition to the said Council are :

That he this deponent hath caused the Notice, a true copy whereof is hereto annexed, to be inserted in the following newspapers, that is to say, the *Prescott Telegraph*, the *Brockville Recorder*, and the *Canada Gazette*.

That the said newspapers called the *Prescott Telegraph* and the *Brockville Recorder*, are published in the United Counties of *Leeds* and *Grenville*, the former *Johnstown* District. And that the said notice hath been published in all the said papers for a space of more than six months, before presenting the said Petition.

That the publishers of the said *Prescott Telegraph* and *Brockville Recorder* have been requested on behalf of this deponent to forward the proper certificates of publication in their said papers, and that the same will be found to have been regularly published according to the Standing Orders of this Honorable House in that behalf.

That the said *Laura E. Steele* was last seen by me in the City of *Oswego*, in the State of *New York*, one of the *United States* of *America*, in the month of June, 1851 in the Recorder's Court of that City, when several letters written by Mr. *Harvey McAlpine* (referred to in the said Petition) to her the said *Laura E. Steele*, were ordered to be given to me, by the Recorder of that City.

That the said *Laura E. Steele*, on the following day, left *Oswego*, in company with the said *Harvey McAlpine*, and this deponent was informed, she and the said *McAlpine* went Southwards.

That since that time, this deponent hath made repeated enquiries to ascertain where she, the said *Laura E. Steele* could be found, but that this deponent hath been unable to learn any thing of where she may be at the present.

That with a view of serving her with notice of the present application for a Bill of Divorce, this deponent hath prosecuted enquiries in various quarters, of what has become of her, and that the generally received opinion of the persons who knew her, is, that she is now dead.

That none of the family of the said *Laura E. Steele* have heard anything from or of her since she so went off with the said *McAlpine*.

That in or about the month of August last, this deponent read in the public prints a notice of a person named *McAlpine*, having been engaged in the City of *New York* in some swindling transaction, and thinking it probable that this might be the said *Harvey McAlpine*, and that thus, this deponent could be informed of the then residence of the said *Laura E. Steele*, this deponent addressed a letter to the Chief of the Police of the said City of *New York*, and received the reply hereto annexed.

That deponent would, if in his power, notify the said *Laura E. Steele* of the present application.

That he is able beyond question to substantiate and prove to this Honorable House the truth of the several matters and allegations contained in his said Petition.

And that he is not acting in anywise in collusion with the said *Laura E. Steele* in that behalf.

And that the present application is made by this deponent in good faith, and that the several matters and things mentioned and contained in his said Petition are, and that each of them is true.

MILES B. STENNETT.

Sworn before me, at the City of Toronto,
 this thirteenth day of May, in the year
 of our Lord, One Thousand Eight
 Hundred and Fifty-seven.

J. P. RIDOUT, J. P.

NOTICE FOR BILL OF DIVORCE.

I, *Miles B. Stennett*, now of the City of *Hamilton*, in the County of *Wentworth*, in that part of this Province formerly *Upper Canada*, Surgeon-Dentist, do hereby give notice that I intend, at the next ensuing Session of the Provincial

Parliament, to apply for an Act to be divorced *a vinculo matrimonii* from *Laura E. Stennett*, formerly *Steele*, for adultery and other causes.

Dated this seventeenth day of September, }
 in the year of our Lord, one thousand }
 eight hundred and fifty-six. }

MILES B. STENNETT.

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE,
New York, Sept. 25th, 1856.

MILES B. STENNETT, ESQ.,
Hamilton, Canada W.,—

SIR,—

The *McAlpine* referred in your letter of the 18th inst., is not the person who was arrested in this City for swindling. The *McAlpine* who was arrested in this City is a large, athletic, robust man.

Respectfully yours,

GEO. EDMATSELL.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Patton* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act for the divorce of *Miles B. Stennett* from *Laura E. Steele*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow fortnight, and that their Honors be summoned.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the *Montreal* Telegraph Company, and to extend the powers of the said Company, and to authorize the establishment of a Transatlantic line of Telegraph by 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 authorize the town of *St. Catharines* to negotiate a loan of forty-five thousand two hundred and forty-eight pounds, to consolidate the debt of the Town, 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 read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act for the construction of Water Works in the Town of

“*Saint Catharines*,” 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. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to enable the surviving Executor of the late *John McIntosh*, Esquire, to lease certain real property in *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 to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to confirm certain Sales and Assurances made by the “Executors and Trustees of the Will and Codicil of *James Macaulay*, deceased, “and the partition, division, and appropriation made by the said Executors and “Trustees, and others, parties to a certain Indenture bearing date the tenth day of “July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty,” 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. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Toronto Bank*” 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. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*,

That all the words after “Bill” be left out, and the words “be committed to a Committee of the whole House to-morrow,” inserted in lieu thereof.

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

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of the Officers of this House read this day be referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts.

The Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Act 19 and 20 Vict., cap. 47, “and to authorize the formation of four Agricultural Societies in the County of “*Gaspé* instead of two,” 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 erect parts of *Russelltown* and *Jamestown* in the County of *Chateaugai*, and parts of *Hemmingford* and *Hinchinbrooke*, in the County of *Huntingdon*, into a Municipality, and to attach the same to the County of *Huntingdon*," 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 intituled An Act to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, 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 without any amendment.

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 *Belleville Seminary*."

The Honorable Mr. *Perry* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, That the same be discharged and that the Bill be referred back to the Select Committee, to whom it was formerly referred, for further consideration.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Brantford*, in *Frederick T. Wilkes*," was read a second time.

Ordered. That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince*, *Harmannus Smith*, *Moore*, *Hollis Smith*, and *Fergusson* 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 Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Canadian Inland Steam Navigation Company*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* 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 Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *de Beaujeu* enters.

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 increase the rate of interest in this Province, and

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk,

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

That the first of the said amendments be now adopted,

Whereupon the Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*,

That the said amendment be not now adopted, but that the amendments reported by the Select Committee be taken into consideration 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 negative.

The question being then put on the main motion the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Upon the question being put on the remaining amendments they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the title be "An Act to amend and consolidate the Usury Laws of this Province, and for the better regulating the rate of Interest."

Ordered, That the said Bill as amended be printed and read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *James Barnum* a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Haldimand*, in the County of *Northumberland*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Perry* and *Simpson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to attach the new Townships of *Galway*, *Cavendish* and *Anstruther* to the County of *Peterborough*."

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Beaujeu*,

That the forty-ninth and fifty-seventh Rules of this House be dispensed with in

so far as they relate to this Bill, and that the same be read a second time presently.

After a short Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton, Perry, Simpson, Patton* and *Vankoughnet*, 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 amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the Bill intituled "An Act for the better Prevention of Accidents on Rail-ways."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said amendments, and had directed him to report the same for the adoption of the House.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be agreed to.

Ordered, That one of the Masters in Chancery do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to their amendments made to the last mentioned Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for putting the House into a Committee of the whole on the Reports of the Select Committee on the Bill intituled "An Act to afford greater facilities to duly qualified Persons to practise as Land Surveyors in this Province."

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to regulate the Inspection of Beef and Pork," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Hartman* and others to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Newmarket*," 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. *Holton* and others to return the Bill intituled "An Act to define the powers and confirm

“ certain proceedings of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence*, and *Montreal* and “ *New York* Railroad 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. *Bellingham* and others to return the Bill intituled “ An Act to encourage Mining Companies “ by empowering them to construct gravel or macadamized roads or tramways “ to connect with railways, highways, and navigable waters,” 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 *Cayley* and others with a Bill intituled “ An Act to explain the “ Act to separate the County of *Bruce* from the County of *Huron*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Lumsden* and others with a Bill intituled “ An Act to vest a certain Allowance for Road in “ the Township of *Whitby*, in *Jonathan Foote* and *William Thorne*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

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 *Macdonald* and others with a Bill intituled “ An Act to amend “ the Common Law Procedure Act, 1856, and to facilitate the remedies on Bills “ of Exchange and Promissory Notes,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Cayley* and others with a Bill intituled “ An Act to authorize “ the payment of the proportionate share of this Province of the cost of certain “ Light-houses in or near the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Sidney Smith* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Statutes of this Province respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property in *Upper Canada*, and to consolidate the same," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Solicitor General *Smith* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and explain the Act establishing a Court of Probate and Surrogate Courts in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Sanborne* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke Manufacturing Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. Solicitor General *Smith* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to prevent delay in the administration of Justice in cases of Misdemeanor in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Cayley* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Clinton*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Cayley* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to empower the Town Council of *Goderich* to apply to certain purposes an unexpended "balance of money raised for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

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. Inspector General *Cayley* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to discontinue the Lunatic Asylum Tax in *Upper Canada*, and to substitute certain other "moneys as part of the *Upper Canada* Building Fund," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Frazer* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act for closing up certain Road Allowances in "the Township of *Thorold*, and to vest the same in parties herein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Chryster* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Iroquois*, in "the County of *Dundas*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

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

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

Thursday, 14th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
BOULTON,

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BEAUJEU,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
DICKSON,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
SIMPSON,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
MURNEY.
SMITH, HOLLIS

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs *Ross* and *Vankoughnet* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*—of *George Crebassa*, of the Borough of *William Henry*, Notary Public.

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of the Reverend *J. B. Mowat* and others of the Town of *Niagara*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*—of the Reverend *R. V. Rogers* and others of *Kingston*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*—of the Minister and Office Bearers of the Presbyterian Church of *Cobourg*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of the Reverend *A. Ferrier* and others of *Collingwood*—and of *John Jarron* and others of *Drummondville*, in the County of *Haldimand*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of the Reverend *G. J. Dingham* and others of the Village of *Meaford*, in the County of *Grey*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Perry*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Adelaide*—and of *James Zimmerman* and others of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*—of *William Veitch* and others of *Woolwich*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of *Thomas Hodgins* and others of the Township of *Biddulph*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *South Gower*, in the County of *Grenville*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Murney*—of *Richard Ham* and others of the Township of *Fredericksburgh*, in the County of *Lennox*—and of *George H. Davy*, Reeve of the Village of *Napanee*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*—of *G. F. Barnes* and others of the Town and Parish of *St. Hyacinthe*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*—of *John Molson* and others, Merchants and Ship Owners engaged in the Trade and Commerce of *Montreal* and the River *St. Lawrence*.

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

Of the Elders and Managers of the United Presbyterian Church of *Montreal*—and of *E. S. Adams* and others of *St. Catharines*, severally praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of *Charles C. Small* of *Toronto*, praying that a certain allowance for Road, lying to the West of Lots thirty-four and thirty-five, and North of the present *Kingston* road, may be vested in him under certain conditions.

Of *John Christie* and others of *Oxford* in the County of *Grenville*, praying that a certain allowance for road across Lot number sixteen, between the fourth and fifth Concessions of the said Township may be vested in him.

Of *C. T. de Montigny* and others of the Parish of *St. Jérôme* in the County of *Terrébonne*, praying for the repeal or amendment of the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of *Montreal*, praying against the passing of the Bill “to amend the Act to authorize investigations in cases of accidents by fire in the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*.”

Of *Peter Plunkett* and others of the Parish of *St. Sylvestre* in the County of *Lotbinière*, praying that the said Parish may form part of the Judicial District of *Beauce*, and not of that of *Quebec*, according to the proposed amendment of the Judicature Acts of *Lower Canada*.

Of *L. Archambault* and others, praying for aid to the “*Institut d'Artisans et Association de bibliothèque de l'Assomption*.”

Of *J. Edward* and others of the Township of *Otonabee*, praying against the passing of any Bill having for its object the construction of a Bridge over the *Niagara* River at or near *Fort Erie*.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *South Norwich*, *Malden*, *Anderdon*, and *Gosfield*—of *John W. Ridsdale* and others of the Town of *Amherstburg*—of *John Colborne* and others of the Township of *Anderdon* aforesaid—of *Henry Harris* and others of the Township of *Gosfield* aforesaid—of the Town Council of the Town of *Niagara*—and of the Municipality of the Town of *Amherstburg*, severally praying against the passing of the Bill to incorporate “The Great Southern Railway Company.”

Of the Bar of *Lower Canada*, section of the District of *Quebec*, praying for certain amendments to the Act 12 Vict. cap. 46, “To incorporate the Bar of *Lower Canada*.”

Of *Charles Robin* and Company, and others, of *la Grande Rivière*, in the County of *Gaspé*, praying for the construction of a Bridge.

Of *James Vincent* and others—and of *James P. Weaver* and others, all of the County of *Elgin*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate “The Great Southern Railway Company.”

Of the *Toronto* Board of Trade, praying for such modifications in the Jury Laws of *Upper Canada* as will allow verdicts on Trials by Jury in civil causes to be returned although the jury may not be unanimous.

Of *Miles B. Stennett* of the City of *Hamilton*, praying for the passing of an Act to divorce him from his wife *Laura E. Steele* for certain reasons therein set forth.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, That the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Act of *Upper Canada*, enabling “the Presbyterian Congregation of *York* to purchase ground for a Church and “Burying-ground,” be restored to the Orders of the Day, and that the same be read a second time to-morrow.

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

Ordered accordingly.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of Messieurs *Holcomb* and *Henderson*—Messieurs *Hooker*, *Pridham* and Company, and Messieurs *Jones*, *Macdonell* and Company, three separate Firms of Forwarders and Ship Owners, presented to this House yesterday, be printed for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*,

That the thirty-seventh and thirty-eighth Rules of this House be dispensed with.

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*,

That this House is willing to concur with the Legislative Assembly (if it shall think fit) in the following arrangements for the transmission of Messages, Bills and Papers from one House to the other, namely,

That with regard to Messages between the Houses, one of the Clerks of either House may be the bearer of Messages from the one to the other.

And that Messages so sent be received at the Bar by one of the Clerks of the House to which they are sent, at any time whilst it is sitting, or in Committee, without interrupting the business then proceeding.

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 and their concurrence therein desired.

The Honorable Mr. *Armstrong* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to the Commissioners "Courts for the summary trial of small causes in *Lower Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow:—

Page 1, Line 9—After "reside" insert "in a Parish or Township being."

Page 1, Line 13—After "costs" insert "for services performed by Bailiffs or Sergeants of Militia."

Page 1, Line 15—After "of" insert "such."

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *James Barnum* a certain Road Allowance "in the Township of *Haldimand*, in the County of *Northumberland*," 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. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to attach the new Townships of *Galway, Cavendish* and *Anstruther* to the County of *Peterborough*," 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. *Perry* from the Select Committee to whom was again referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate *Belleville Seminary*," 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 amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow:

Page 2, Line 25—After "Seminary" insert "(and it shall be the duty of any individual whatever having in his possession any Subscription Book, Notes or other papers intended for the benefit of the said Seminary to deliver the same to the said Trustees on demand.)"

Page 3, Line 49—Leave out from "means," to "for" where it occurs the first time in Line 50.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, the same were agreed to.

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to define the liabilities of persons practising as Conveyancers."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to amend a certain Act therein mentioned, so as better to provide for the security of the lives of passengers on board of Steam Vessels."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act

“incorporating the *Montreal* Telegraph Company, and to extend the powers of the said Company, and to authorize the establishment of a Transatlantic line of Telegraph by the said 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 without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to authorize the Town of *St. Catharines* to negotiate a loan of forty-five thousand two hundred and forty-eight pounds, to consolidate the debt of the Town, 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, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act for the construction of Water Works in the Town of *Saint Catharines*,” 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 the third reading of the Bill intituled “An Act to enable the surviving Executor of the late *John McIntosh*, Esquire to lease certain real property in *Toronto*.”

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

That the said Bill be not read a third time, but that it be referred back to the same Select Committee to which it was formerly referred for further consideration.

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 confirm certain Sales and Assurances made by the Executors and Trustees of the Will and Codicil of *James Macaulay*, deceased, and the partition, division, and appropriation made by the said Executors and Trustees, and others, parties to a certain Indenture bearing date the tenth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty,” 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 19 and 20 Vict., cap. 47, and to authorize the formation of four Agricultural Societies in the County of *Gaspé* instead of two," 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 the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Usury Laws of this Province, and for the better regulating the Rate of Interest."

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Beaujeu*,

That the said Bill be now read a third time.

Which being objected to,

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

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus.</i>
<i>de Blaquière,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Smith, Hollis.</i>
<i>de Beaujeu,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Walker,</i>
<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>	<i>Widmer,—17.</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>			

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The Honorable Messieurs.

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Gordon,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>
<i>de La Terrière,</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Knowlton,</i>	<i>Seymour,—9.</i>
<i>Dessaulles,</i>			

So it was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the

“ Act to regulate the Inspection of Beef and Pork,” 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 make valid “ the Deeds given by Sheriffs to the Assignees of Purchasers of Land sold for “ Taxes under 13 & 14 *Vic. c. 67*,” was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton, Vankoughnet, Prince, Dickson* 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 Bill intituled “ An Act to alter and amend the “ Act incorporating the Bank of *Toronto*.”

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Knowlton* 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 24—Leave out from “ raise” to “ but” in Line 25, and insert “ a
“ larger amount of the Capital Stock hereby allowed than
“ two hundred thousand pounds.”

Page 2, Line 27—After “ Bank” insert “ to an amount not less than the last
“ named sum.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the Bill, as amended read a third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for putting the House into a Committee of the whole on the Reports of the Select Committee, to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to afford greater facilities to duly qualified Persons to practise “ as Land Surveyors in this Province.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow, and that it do then stand as the first item upon the orders of that day.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “ An Act to vest a certain

"Allowance for Road in the Township of *Whitby*, in *Jonathan Foote* and *William Thorne*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Simpson*, *Perry*, and *Patton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Clinton*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Perry*, and *Simpson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Hartman* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Presbyterian Society of *Hamalton* to sell and convey certain Church property held by them," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Somerville* and others, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to erect parts of *Russelltown* and *Jamestown*, in the County of *Chateaugai*, and parts of *Hemmingford* and *Hinchinbrooke*, in the County of *Huntingdon*, into a Municipality, and to attach the same to the County of *Huntingdon*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Inspector General *Cayley* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to dispense with Government Directors in the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and to facilitate the completion of the Company's works from *Rivière du Loup* to *Sarnia*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time,

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

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

After Debate,

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

Ordered accordingly.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Wilson* and others with a Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *John Macara* a certain portion of an Allowance for Road in the Township of *London*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House,

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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 *Cartier* and others to return the Bill intituled "An Act to remove doubts as to the extent of the powers of the Inspectors and Superintendents of the Police of the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

Ordered, That the period for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to the first day of June next.

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

Friday, 15th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
DE BEAUJEU,

The Honorable Messieurs

PANET,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
VANKOUGHNET,
PATTON,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Perry*—of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Williams, Metcalfe, Carradoc Harwich* and *Bosanquet*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*—of the President and Directors of the *Port Hope, Lindsay* and *Beaverton* Railway Company.

By the Honorable Mr. *Panet*—of *J. L. Adams* and others of the *Quebec* Suburbs *Montreal*—of *William Rees* of *Toronto*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Mulmer*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Walker*—of *C. Lyster* and others of *Upper Durham* and *Kingsey* in the Eastern Townships.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of the Magistrates of the County of *Norfolk* in Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace assembled—of *Charles Rhéaume* and others of the Parish of *St. Féréol*—and three Petitions of the Municipal Council of the County of *Norfolk*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*—of the Reverend *F. W. Dobbs* and others of *Portsmouth*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of *John McDonell* and others of *Chatham*—of *B. Thornton* of *Medonte*—of *H. McLeod* and others of *West Zorra*—and of *P. S. Poussett* and others of *Sarnia*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of *John Drum* and others of *Laprairie*—of the Reverend *John Corbett* and others of *Wakefield* in the County of *Ottawa*—of *James Scott*, Mayor, on behalf of the inhabitants of *Port Hope* in Public Meeting assembled—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Moore* in the County of *Lambton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of *James Munro* and others of *Thorold*—and of *William James* on behalf of a Public Meeting held at *Thorold* aforesaid.

By the Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière*—of the Mayor on behalf of the Municipal Council of the Village of *Varennes*—and of the Municipal Council of the Parish of *l'Ange-Gardien* in the County of *Montmorency*.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of *F. M. Guay* and others of *St. Joseph de la Pointe Lévi*—of the Reverend *James Gardiner* and others of *Belleville*—and of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Oakland*.

The Honorable Messieurs *Murney* and *Dessaulles* enter.

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

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Carradoc, Elderslie* and *Charlottetown*, severally praying for the establishment of a Lunatic Asylum at *London, C. W.*

Of the Sessions of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada* at *Port Dalhousie* and

St. Catharines, severally praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Reverend *P. M. Mignault* and others of the Parish of *Saint Joseph of Chambly*, in the County of *Chambly*, praying for the passing of an Act for the suppression of intemperance.

Of *Wm. White* and others of the County of *Huntingdon*, praying that the *chef-lieu* of the proposed new Judicial District of *Beauharnois* may be fixed at a more central place than the Village of *Beauharnois* in said County.

Of *Thomas Mussen* and others of *Montreal*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the *Lower Canada* College.

Of *J. Badwell* and others of the Township of *Durham*, praying that the Bill to incorporate "The Great Southern Railway Company" may not become law.

Of *Henry Vansittart* and others of the Village of *Eastwood* in the County of *Oxford*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Tram or Railway from said Village to some point on the line of the *Buffalo, Brantford* and *Goderich* Railway, and thence to a point on the Grand Trunk at or near *Berlin*.

Of *John Hutchinson* and others of the Townships of *Leeds, Thetford, Broughton, Ireland*, part of *Inverness*, and *Nelson* in the County of *Megantic*, praying for certain amendments to the Act 19th Vic., cap. 47, "To amend the Act to provide "for the better organization of Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*, and for "other purposes connected with Agriculture in *Upper Canada*."

Of the Reverend *Charles P. Reid* of the Town of *Sherbrooke* in the Diocese of *Quebec*, praying that he may be permitted to commute for his stipend of £91 5s. Cy. per annum.

Of Messieurs *Holcomb* and *Henderson*—Messieurs *Pridham, Hooker* and Company, and Messieurs *Jones, Macdonell* and Company, three separate Firms of Forwarders and Shipowners, praying that as Government has afforded public aid to the Grand Trunk Railway Company, and thus enabled that Company to enter into injurious competition with private parties, it may in like manner extend assistance to all persons engaged in the business of Forwarding, by relieving them from the payment of Tolls upon Vessels and Merchandise passing through the *St. Lawrence* Canals between *Montreal* and *Prescott*.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier* and others as follows:—

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
Thursday, 14th May, 1857.

Resolved, That this House do concur with the Honorable the Legislative Council in the Resolution adopted by them respecting the arrangement for the transmission

of Messages, Bills, and Papers, from one House to the other, namely :—

That with regard to Messages between the Houses, one of the Clerks of either House may be the bearer of Messages from one House to the other.

And that Messages so sent be received at the Bar by one of the Clerks of the House to which they are sent, at any time whilst it is sitting or in Committee, without interrupting the business then proceeding.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Cartier* do acquaint the Honorable the Legislative Council with the said Resolution.

Attest, W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk Assembly.

And then they withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, it was

Ordered, That the thirty-seventh and thirty-eighth Rules of this House be suspended for the remainder of the present Session.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Geological Report for the years 1853, '54, '55 and '56.

Also certain Statements and Accounts of the Bursar of the University of *Toronto* and *Upper Canada* College, and also an estimate of the Income for the year 1857.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* presented to the House a Bill intituled “ An Act to enable the Incumbent and Churchwardens of the Mission of the Church of *England* at *Georgina* to dispose of certain lands belonging to the said Mission.”

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannns Smith* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Brantford* in *Frederick T. Wilkes*,” 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. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to make valid the Deeds given by Sheriffs to the Assignees of Purchasers of land sold for Taxes under 13 and 14 *Vict. c. 67*,”

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.

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain Allowance for Road in the Township of *Whitby* in *Jonathan Foote* and *William Thorne*," 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. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Clinton*," 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. *Fergusson* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *John Mutrie* a Road Allowance in the Township of *Nichol*, County of *Wellington*," 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 Order of Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu* Company."

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

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to the Commissioners' Courts for the summary trial of small causes 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *James Barnum* a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Haldimand*, in the County of *Northumberland*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to attach the new Townships of *Galway, Cavendish and Anstruther* to the County of *Peterborough*," was read a third time,

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate "*Belleville Seminary*," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as, amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Act incorporating the Bank 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The House according to order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Reports of the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to afford greater facilities to duly qualified Persons to practise as Land Surveyors in this Province."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* reported from the said Committee that they had taken the said Reports into consideration, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

The amendments contained in the said Reports being again read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, it was

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 secure to married Women certain separate rights of property," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the

Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Patton, Vankoughnet, Seymour, and Murney*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Messieurs *Gordon* and *Boulton* enter.

The Orders of the Day being read for the second readings of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to admit *Richard Dawbarn Ollard* to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor."

Also of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorise the Superior Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada* to admit *W. R. Mingaye* to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor therein."

Also of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada* to admit *Charles Gamon* to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney."

And also of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to admit *William Darley Pollard* to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until this day week.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act of *Upper Canada*, enabling the Presbyterian Congregation of *York* to purchase ground for a Church and Burying-ground," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Hamilton, de Blaquière*, and *Gordon*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Common Law Procedure Act 1856, and to facilitate the remedies on Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes," was read a second time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the payment of the proportionate share of this Province of the cost of certain Light-houses in or near the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*," was read a second time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the

“Statutes of this Province respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property in *Upper Canada*, and to consolidate the same,” was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Vankoughnet*, *Patton*, *Boulton*, *Simpson*, and *Prince*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to amend and explain the Act establishing a Court of Probate and Surrogate Courts in *Upper Canada*,” was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke* Manufacturing Company.”

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Hollis Smith*, *Knowlton*, *Simpson* and *Dessulles*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to prevent delay in the administration of Justice in cases of Misdemeanor in *Upper Canada*,” was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to discontinue the Lunatic Asylum Tax in *Upper Canada*, and to substitute certain other moneys as part of the *Upper Canada* Building Fund,” was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “An Act for closing up certain Road Allowances in the Township of *Thorold*, and to vest the same in parties herein mentioned.”

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, That the forty-ninth 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 question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Armstrong*, and *Simpson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Iroquois*, in the County of *Dundas*,"

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Walker*, That the forty-ninth 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 question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *J. Morris*, *Perry*, *Simpson*, and *Gordon*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Presbyterian Society of *Hamilton* to sell and convey certain Church property held by them," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Harmannus Smith*, *Fergusson*, *Ferris*, *Simpson*, and *Ferris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *John Macara* a certain portion of an Allowance for Road in the Township of *London*," was read a second time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to declare the meaning of the Auction Duties Act of 1841, with respect to Sales in Rural Districts," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a

Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain allowance for Road in the Township of *Winchester* in the County of *Dundas*, in *John Pliny Crysler* and *George Hummel* the elder," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Charter of the Colonial Bank of *Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Sisters of our Lady of *Loretto*, in the "Diocese of *Toronto*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Beaujeu*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Common of the Islands of *Dumoine* and " *Des Barques*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to secure to and confer upon *Edwin Marcus Chaffee*, an "inhabitant of this Province, the civil and political rights of a natural born "British Subject," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Minister and Trustees "of *St. Andrew's Church, Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to provide for the division of the Common of *Maskinongé*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*,

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

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

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

Saturday, 16th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
WALKER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
ROSS,
PANET,
DUCHESNAY,
VANKOUGHNET,
MURNEY,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs *de Beaujeu*, *de La Terrière*, *Harmannus Smith*, *Seymour* and *Armstrong* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of *Joseph F. Ross* and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of *Charles Baker* and others—of *W. C. Morrison* and others—of *J. S. Joseph* and others—of *W. Campbell* and others, all of the City of *Toronto*—and of *James Slater* and others of *Picton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of the Office-bearers in the [Presbyterian Church in *Streetsville*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*—of the Municipal Council of the Village of *Napanee* in the County of *Lennox*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*—of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Quebec* and others.

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

Of *John George Crebassa*, of the Borough of *William Henry*, Notary Public, praying against the passing of the Bill "to regulate the Common of the Islands of *Du Moine* and *des Barques*," and that he may be heard by Counsel against the said Bill.

Of the Reverend *R. V. Rogers* and others of *Kingston*—of the Reverend *J. B. Mowat* and others of the Town of *Niagara*—of *William Veitch* and others of *Woolwich*—of the Minister and Office Bearers of the Presbyterian Church of *Cobourg*—of the Reverend *A. Ferrier*, and others of *Collingwood*—and of the Reverend *G. J. Dingham* and others of the Village of *Meaford*, in the County of *Grey*, severally praying that measures may be adopted for the suppression of intemperance.

Of *James Zimmerman* and others of *Toronto*, praying to be incorporated as a Company for the construction of the *Strathroy* and *Port Frank* Railway.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Adelaide*, praying that the prayer of the last mentioned Petition may be granted.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *South Gower*, in the County of *Grenville*, praying for aid to build a Bridge over the River *Rideau*, at a point known as "*Beckett's Ferry*."

Of *Thomas Hodgins* and others of the Township of *Biddulph*, praying that the Grand Trunk Line of Railway may be continued from *St. Mary* to *Port Sarnia*.

Of *John Jarron* and others of *Drummondville*, in the County of *Haldimand*, praying that the existing provisions for a Railroad from *Simcoe* to *Dunnville* may not be disturbed.

Of *G. F. Barnes* and others of the Town and Parish of *St. Hyacinthe*, praying for certain amendments to the Act of 1853 (16 *Vict.* c. 236) incorporating the Town of *St. Hyacinthe*.

Of *John Molson* and others, Merchants and Ship-owners engaged in the Trade and commerce of *Montreal* and River *St. Lawrence*, praying against the passing of the Bill "to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu* "Company."

Of *George H. Davy*, Reeve, of the incorporated Village of *Napanee*, praying that the said Village may be incorporated as a Town.

Of *Richard Ham* and others of the Township of *Fredericksburg* in the County of *Lennox*, praying that the said Township may be divided for Municipal purposes.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Iroquois* in the "County of *Dundas*," 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.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Act incorporating the Bank of *Toronto*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate *Belleville* Seminary," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act relating to the Commissioners' "Courts for the summary trial of small causes 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.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

Monday, 18th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were:

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
CROOKS,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
FERRIERE,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOULTON,
DE BEAUJEU,
MILLS,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
VANKOUENNET,
PATTON,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of *Thomas Gray* and others of *Markham*, in the County of *York*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Crooks*—of the Reverend *Wm. A. Caldwell* and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*—of *Daniel Murphy* and others of the City of *London*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*—of *André Commeau* and others of the Parish of *St. Edouard*, in the District of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*—of the *Institut Littéraire* of the Parish of *St. Michel de Lachine*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of *Thomas Edison* and others of *Vienna*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of the Reeve and Council of the Municipality of *Yorkville*—and of the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company of *Toronto*.

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

Of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Williams*, *Metcalf*, *Carradoc* and *Bosanquet*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate "The *Strathroy and Port Frank Railway Company*."

Of the President and Directors of the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton Railway Company*, praying that a Charter may not be granted for the construction of a Railway from *Whitby* to *Lake Huron*.

Of *J. L. Adams* and others of the *Quebec Suburbs, Montreal*—of *H. McLeod* and others of *West Zorra*—of the Reverend *James Gardiner* and others of *Belleville*—of the Reverend *John Corbett* and others of *Wakefield* in the County of *Ottawa*—of *James Scott*, Mayor, on behalf of the Inhabitants of *Port Hope* in Public Meeting assembled—of *William James* on behalf of a Public Meeting held at *Thorold*—of *P. T. Poussett* and others of *Sarnia*—of *C. Lyster* and others of *Upper Durham* and *Kingsey* in the Eastern Townships—of the Reverend *F. W. Dobbs* and others of *Portsmouth*—of *John Drum* and others of *Laprairie*—and of *James Munro* and others of *Thorold*, severally praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Municipal Council of the Townships of *Oakland* and *Moore*, severally praying for the establishment of a Lunatic Asylum in the City of *London*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Parish of *l'Ange Gardien* in the County of *Montmorency*, complaining of the dangerous state of the only bridge over the River *Montmorency*, and praying that it may be put in repair.

Of the Mayor on behalf of the Municipal Council of the Village of *Varennes*, praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855, and the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road amendment Act of 1856.

Of *Charles Rhéaume* and others of the Parish of *St. Féréol*, praying for aid towards the opening of Roads in the rear of that Parish.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Mulmer*, praying that a Charter may be granted for the construction of a Railroad from *Owen Sound* to the said Township, and thence to some point on Lake *Huron*, not further South than *Saugeen*.

Of *William Rees* of *Toronto*, praying that the Bill "to amend the Esplanade Act" may not become law in its present shape.

Of *F. M. Guay* and others of the Parish of *St. Joseph de la Pointe Lévi*, in the County of *Lévi*, praying for the abolition of the Turnpike Gate in that Parish or otherwise that certain additional exemptions from payment of toll thereat may be enacted.

Of *B. Thornton* of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act by which he may be enabled to practise his profession of Land Surveyor in *Upper Canada*.

Three Petitions of the County Council of *Norfolk*, praying for certain amendments to the laws regulating the commutation of Statute Labour—also praying that the expenses incurred in the administration of Criminal Justice in *Upper Canada* may be defrayed as in *Lower Canada* out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund; and also praying for the passing of an Act to enable Municipalities holding Stock in Railway Companies, to vote at the election of Directors in proportion to the amount of Stock subscribed.

Of the Magistrates of the County of *Norfolk* in Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace assembled, praying that better accommodation may be provided for the Insane and Destitute.

Of *John McDonell* and others of *Chatham*, praying that a Charter may not be granted to the Great Southern Railway Company except upon certain conditions therein set forth.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to lay before this House a copy of any complaint which may have been made to the Government against the Judge of the County Court of the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*, and of the answer of the said Judge thereto, and also of any other correspondence on the subject.

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

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

The Honorable Messieurs *Harmannus Smith* and *Ross* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr *Vankoughnet*,

That the thirty-seventh and thirty-eighth Standing Orders of this House respecting the intercourse of the Legislative Council with the Legislative Assembly be rescinded, and the Resolution of the Legislative Council adopted on the 14th instant, and agreed to by the House of Assembly as communicated on the 15th instant be substituted in place of the said before recited Standing Orders, and which is in the following words:—

“That with regard to Messages between the Houses, one of the Clerks of either House may be the bearer of Messages from one House to the other.”

“And that Messages so sent be received at the Bar by one of the Clerks of the House to which they are sent, at any time whilst it is sitting or in Committee without interrupting the business then proceeding.”

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Messieurs *Pamet* and *Duchesnay* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Brantford* in *Frederick T. Wilkes*,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint

that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to make valid the Deeds given by Sheriffs to the Assignees of Purchasers of Land sold for Taxes under 13 and 14 Vic., c. 67," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain Allowance for Road in the Township of *Whitby*, in *Jonathan Foote* and *William Thorne*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Clinton*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *John Mutrie* a Road Allowance in the Township of *Nichol*, County of *Wellington*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to afford greater facilities to duly qualified Persons to practise as Land Surveyors in this Province," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *John Macara* a certain portion of an Allowance for Road in the Township of *London*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Iroquois* in the County of *Dundas*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to explain the Act to separate the County of *Bruce* from the County of *Huron*," was read a second time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to empower the Town Council of *Goderich* to apply to certain purposes an unexpended balance of money raised for other purposes," was read a second time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Wednesday next.

The Honorable Messieurs *Goodhue* and *Murney* enter.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to define the liability of persons practising as Conveyancers,"

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Prince*, *Vankoughnet*, *Murney*, and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled

“An Act to enable the Incumbent and Churchwardens of the Mission of the Church of *England* at *Georgina* to dispose of certain lands belonging to the said Mission,”

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday 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 Common Law Procedure Act 1856, and to facilitate the remedies on Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes.”

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* 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 to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* 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 authorize the payment of the proportionate share of this Province, of the cost of certain Light-houses in or near the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*.”

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for putting the House into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled “An Act to amend and explain the Act establishing a Court of Probate and Surrogate Courts in *Upper Canada*.”

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*,

That the said order be discharged and that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince*, *Patton*, *Boulton*, *Dickson* and *Vankoughnet*.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled “An Act to prevent delay in the administration of Justice in cases of Misdemeanor in *Upper Canada*.”

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

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 discontinue the Lunatic Asylum Tax in *Upper Canada*, and to substitute certain other moneys as part of the *Upper Canada* Building Fund."

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to declare the meaning of the Auction Duties Act of 1841, with respect to Sales in Rural Districts, was read a second time.

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

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain Allowance for Road in the Township of *Winchester*, in the County of *Dundas*, in *John Pliny Crysler* and *George Hummel*, the elder,"

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

That the Forty-ninth 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 question of concurrence being put thereon the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly, and it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Charter of the Colonial Bank of *Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the

Honorable Messieurs *Patton, Hamilton, Ferrier, Dickson, Boulton, and Perry*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Common of the Islands of *Dumoine* and *Des Barques*,"

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*,

That the forty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *Armstrong* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*,

That all the words after "the" be left out and the following inserted—"said Bill be discharged from the Orders of the Day."

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

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to secure to and confer upon *Edwin Marcus Chaffee*, an inhabitant of this Province, the civil and political rights of a natural-born British Subject," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier, Boulton, and Moore*, 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 Minister and Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church, Montreal*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier, Ferrie* and *Knowlton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to provide for the division of the Common of *Maskinongé*,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to extend Patents for Inventions granted for one section of the Province to both sections thereof, on certain conditions," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Elora*, in the County of *Wellington*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

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

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Walker*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "The Fishery Act," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Walker*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law for the admission of Attornies," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

Page 1, line 34, strike out "of" and insert "nisi prius."

P. 2, l. 9, after "Bench" insert "or" and after "Pleas" strike out "or."

P. 2, l. 10, strike out "Chancery."

P. 2, l. 22, after "thereof" strike out "and" and insert "together with an."

P. 2, l. 40, after "Bench" insert "or."

P. 2, l. 40, strike out "or Chancery."

P. 3, l. 5, after "thereof" strike out "and" and insert "together with an" and after "of" insert "due."

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- P. 3, l. 15, after "enrolled" insert "an" and strike out "Attornies" and insert "Attorney."
- P. 3, l. 16, strike out "Solicitors" and insert "Solicitor."
- P. 3, l. 18, after "Signet" insert "or Solicitor in the Supreme Courts."
- P. 3, l. 32, after "Bench" insert "or" and strike out "or Chancery."
- P. 4, l. 5, after "thereof" strike out "and" and insert "together with."
- P. 4, l. 6, after "Affidavits of" insert "due."
- P. 4, l. 26, after "made" insert, provided lastly, that nothing in this Section
 " contained shall extend to those persons who, in the present
 " Session of Parliament have applied for Acts enabling them
 " to practise as Attorneys and Solicitors in this Province;
 " but the said Court are hereby authorized to admit them
 " upon proof of their service with any Attorney or Solicitor
 " of either of the said Courts for one year, previous to their
 " applications to such Courts for admission, although such
 " service may not have been under articles of Clerkship;
 " and upon proof by the Certificate of the Clerk of either
 " House of Parliament that a Bill to admit such person to
 " practise had been introduced into the Legislature during
 " the said Session."
- P. 4, l. 42, strike out "or" and insert "and."

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Charter of the *Ontario, Simcoe and Huron* "Railroad Union Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

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

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

Tuesday, 19th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
MCGILL,
CROOKS,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
GORDON,
FERRIER,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,

The Honorable Messieurs

ROSS,
MILLS,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
RENAUD,
DE LATERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
MURNEY,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* enters.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*—of *James Duffly* and others of the twelfth range of the Township of *Durham*, in the County of *Drummond*—and of the *Melbourne Mechanics' Institute and Library Association*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay*—of the Reverend *L. J. Bernard* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Claire*, in the County of *Dorchester*—and of *Zephirin Bertrand* and others of the Parishes of *St. François* and *St. George*, in the County of *Beauce*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dessaules*—of *Henry Starnes* and others of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of *Frederick John Cheshire*, for himself and other Settlers on the Surveyed Lands of *Tuscarora* and *Oneida*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Huntingdon*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—Two Petitions of the Board of Trade of the City of *London*.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of the Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church, *Bathurst*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*.

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

Of *Joseph F. Ross* and others, Office-bearers in the Presbyterian Church in *Streetsville*—of *James Slater* and others of *Picton*—and of the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of *Quebec* and others, severally praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of *W. C. Morrison* and others—of *William Campbell* and others—of *J. S. Joseph* and others—and of *Charles Baker* and others, all of the City of *Toronto*, severally praying for the amendment of the Charter of the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company.

Of the Municipal Council of the Village of *Napanee*, praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Law.

The Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Simpson* and *Boulton* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*,

That the Order made on the 12th instant against dispensing with the Forty ninth Rule of this House in so far as it relates to the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal Steam Elevating and Warehousing Company*," be now re-considered with a view of suspending the same.

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

Ordered, That the forty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly,

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Moore* and *Renard*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr *Panet* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

That the Bill intituled "An Act to allow verdicts on Trials by Jury in Civil

"Causes to be returned although the Jury may not be unanimous" be restored to the Orders of the Day.

After Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *McGill*,

That the said Bill be not restored to the Orders of the Day, and that the same be not re-considered during the present Session of this Parliament.

Which being objected to,

After a long Debate,

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, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke* Manufacturing "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 :—

P. 1, l. 36.—Leave out "ten" and insert "twenty-five."

P. 2, l. 23.—After "Company" insert "holding at least five shares each in their own names respectively."

P. 3, l. 23.—Leave out from "may" to "become" and insert "if so decided at any "meeting of the Stockholders."

P. 5, l. 22.—Leave from "or" to "dispose."

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to define the liability of persons practising as "Conveyancers," 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.

Ordered, That the said Bill with the amendments be printed and read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Minister and "Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church, 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 to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Presbyterian Society of *Hamilton* to sell and convey certain Church property held by "them," 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. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act for closing up certain Road Allowances in the Township of *Thorold*, and to vest the same in parties herein 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 to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu Company*,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to explain the "Act to separate the County of *Bruce* from the County of *Huron*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the "payment of the proportionate share of this Province, of the cost of certain "Light-houses in or near the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to prevent delay in the administration of Justice in cases of Misdemeanor in *Upper Canada*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to discontinue the Lunatic Asylum Tax in *Upper Canada*, and to substitute certain other moneys as part of the *Upper Canada* Building Fund," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to declare the meaning of the Auction Duties Act of 1841, with respect to Sales in Rural Districts."

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

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to admit *John Symons* to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney therein respectively."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to dispense with Government Directors in the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and to facilitate the completion of the Company's works from *Rivière du Loup* to *Sarnia*,"

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

Which being objected to,

After a long Debate,

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

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Dessaulles,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>
<i>Bourret,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Renaud,</i>
<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>de Beaujeu,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Smith, Hollis</i>
<i>de Blaquière,</i>	<i>Knowlton,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet,</i>
<i>de LaTerrière,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Walker—24.</i>

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus—10</i>
<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>		

So it was resolved in the affirmative, and
The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently,
Which being objected to.

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

The House was according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *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.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

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

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bourret*, it was

Ordered, That all the remaining items standing upon the Orders for this day be postponed until to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled "An Act to legalize and make valid certain By laws of the late "Home District Council passed in reference to certain Roads in the County of "Ontario," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Brantford*, in *George S. Wilkes*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act authorizing the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads in *Lower Canada*, with a view to encourage the construction of good and useful roads throughout *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to continue and confirm the separation of the Municipality of *St. Julie de Somerset* from *St. Calixte de Somerset*, and to divide the Township of *Somerset* into two separate Townships," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act for the establishment of a certain Concession Line in the Township of *Clarke*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Fees of Clerks of Justices of the Peace," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Grammar School at *Frelighsburg*, to be "called the *Frelighsburg* Grammar School," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Windsor*, and to divide the "same into Wards, and to define the limits thereof," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Murney*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *St. Lawrence* Warehouse, Dock and Wharfage Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

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

Wednesday, 20th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
MCGILL,
CROOKS,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
MILLS,
PANET,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
PATTON,
MURNEY,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS :

The Honorable Mr. *Cartier* enters.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Goodhue*—of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of *London*—and of *Andrew Horton* and others of *Southwold*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the Reverend *J. B. Howard* and others of *Brantford*.

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

Of the Reverend *Wm. A. Caldwell* and others of *Dundas* in the County of *Wentworth*—of *Daniel Murphy* and others of the City of *London*—of *Thomas Gray* and others of *Markham* in the County of *York*—and of *Thomas Edison* and others of *Vienna*, severally praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of *André Commeau* and others of the Parish of *St. Edouard* in the District of *Montreal*, praying to be indemnified for services rendered during the war of 1812.

Of the Reeve and Council of the Municipality of *Forkville*, praying for certain amendments to the Charter of the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company.

Of the *Institut Littéraire* of the Parish of *St. Michel de Lachine* in the County of *Jacques Cartier*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Of the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company, *Toronto*, praying against the passing of the Bill "to authorize the City of *Toronto* to erect Water Works and "levy a Water rate."

The Honorable Messieurs *Duchesnay, de Beaujeu, and Dessaulles* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to secure to and confer upon *Edwin Marcus Chaffee*, an inhabitant of this Province, the civil and political rights of a natural-born British Subject," 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 Friday next.

The Honorable Messieurs *Vankoughnet, Moore, and Bourret* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Charter of the Colonial Bank of *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 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 :—

P. 4, l. 1.—Leave out "in."

P. 4, l. 16.—Leave out "made" in the Preamble.

P. 1, l. 3.—After "it" insert "is."

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to,

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

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the Bill, as amended, read a third time on Friday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Statutes of this Province respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property in *Upper Canada*, and to "consolidate the same," 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:—

P. 2, l. 34.—Leave out “filed” and insert “registered.”

P. 2, l. 42.—Leave out “filed” and insert “registered.”

P. 3, l. 2.—After “therein” insert “or intending or desiring to acquire any
“interest in the property, or any portion thereof, covered
“thereby.”

P. 4, l. 26.—Leave out from “pence” to “and” in line 28.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the Bill, as amended, read a third time on Friday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to confirm a Conveyance made by the Municipal Council of the Town of *Goderich* of a portion of the Market Square of the said Town to the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*,” 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 Friday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to define the liability of persons practising as Conveyancers,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Minister and Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church, Montreal*,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Presbyterian Society of *Hamilton* to sell and convey certain Church property held by them,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Messieurs *Ross* and *Masson* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for closing up certain Road Allowances in the Township of *Thorold*, and to vest the same in parties herein mentioned," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to declare the meaning of the Auction Duties Act of 1841, with respect to Sales in Rural Districts."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Friday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to dispense with Government Directors in the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and to facilitate the completion of the Company's works from *Rivière du Loup* to *Sarnia*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Messieurs *Dickson* and *Hollis Smith* 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 incorporate the Canadian Inland Steam Navigation Company."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaullles* 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 :—

P, 2, l. 26, leave out “ seven ” and insert “ nine . ”

P. 2, l. 35, leave out “ and , ” and after “ Starnes ” insert “ and Hugh Allan . ”

In the Title, line 2, after “ Company ” insert “ (Limited .) ”

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Steam Elevating and “ Warehousing 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 on Friday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “ An Act to incorporate “ certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu* Company , ” was read a third time.

Upon the question being put whether this Bill shall pass ?

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton* moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*,

That the said Bill do not now pass.

Which being objected to,

After debate,

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

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>de Blaquièrè,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Seymour—6.</i>
<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>		

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>dè La Terrière,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>
<i>Bourret,</i>	<i>Dessauilles,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Renard,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Crooks,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Smith, Hollis</i>
<i>de Beaujeu,</i>	<i>Knowlton,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Widmer.—20.</i>

So it passed in the negative.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*,

That the said Bill be amended by adding the following words thereto : “ That

“ this Act may be amended or repealed by any Act to be passed in this or any
 “ other Session of Parliament of this Province, but such amendment or repeal
 “ shall not, nor shall the consequent dissolution of the Company take away or
 “ impair any remedy given against any such Company, its Stockholders or Officers,
 “ for any liability which shall have been previously incurred.”

Which being objected to,

After a short Debate,

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

Upon the original question being again put, whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint
 that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any
 amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “ An Act to amend a
 “ certain Act therein mentioned, so as better to provide for the security of the
 “ lives of Passengers on board of Steam Vessels,” was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable
 Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House
 on Tuesday 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 empower the Town
 “ Council of *Goderich* to apply to certain purposes an unexpended balance of money
 “ raised for other purposes,”

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr.
Knowlton, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled
 “ An Act to enable the Incumbent and Churchwardens of the Mission of the
 “ Church of *England* at *Georgina* to dispose of certain lands belonging to the
 “ said Mission,”

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr.
Ferrie, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Friday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled

"An Act to amend the Act to provide for the division of the Common of
"Maskinongé,"

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*,

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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read the second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Moore* and *Armstrong*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to extend Patents for Inventions granted for one section of the Province "to both sections thereof, on certain conditions."

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

After a short Debate,

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

The House was then, according to Order, adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *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 a third time on Friday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the "Laws relating to the solemnization of Matrimony in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the

Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Vankoughnet*, *J. Morris*, *Dickson* and *Perry*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of Day the Bill intituled "The Fishery Act" was read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Friday next.

After Debate,

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

Ordered accordingly.

The House according to Order proceeded to the consideration of the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly to the Bill intituled "An Act to amend "the Law for the admission of Attornies," and"

The first thirteen amendments being again read by the Clerk and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

Upon the fourteenth amendment being again read, the Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*,

That at the end of the said fourteenth amendment the words "and that such "person had previously been authorized to practise as a Barrister or Attorney in "some part of Her Majesty's Dominions," be inserted.

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

Ordered, That the said amendment to the amendments be engrossed, and that the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and desire their concurrence thereto.

The fifteenth amendment being again read by the Clerk was agreed to.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the "Charter of the *Ontario*, *Simcoe* and *Huron* Railroad Union Company," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Vankoughnet*, *J. Morris*, *Seymour* and *Dickson*, 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 *Sherbrooke* Manufacturing Company," and

The said amendments being again read and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the Bill, as amended, read a third time on Friday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Sisters of our Lady of *Loretto*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *de La Terrière*, *de Beaujeu*, and *Bourret*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and again put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Common Law Procedure Act 1856, and to facilitate the remedies on Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *de Beaujeu* 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 4, line 12.—After "Act" insert Clauses A, B, and C.

CLAUSE A.

And as to trials at bar be it enacted as follows:

"The plaintiff or demandant, and the defendant or tenant, respectively in any action or suit whatever commenced or brought, or to be commenced or brought in either of the Courts of Queen's Bench or Common Pleas for Upper Canada, may in the Term next after issue joined apply to the said Courts respectively for a trial *at Bar*, and each of the said Courts respectively may, in its discretion, upon hearing the parties, grant or refuse the same."

CLAUSE B.

"In all cases in which the Crown may be actually or immediately interested, a trial *at bar* may be had as of right upon the same principle, and be regulated and governed thereby as in similar cases in England."

CLAUSE C.

"If any trial at bar shall be directed by either of the said Courts, it shall be competent to the Judges of such Court to appoint such day or days for the trial thereof as they shall think fit, and the time so appointed, if in vacation

“shall for the purposes of such trial be deemed and taken
“to be a part of the preceding term.”

P. 5, l. 32.—After “Registered” insert “or within one year after the passing of
“this Act.”

P. 5, l. 33.—After “years” insert “or within one year after the passing of this Act.”

P. 6, l. 19.—After “Bonds” insert “Mortgages.”

P. 7, l. 25.—Leave out from “thereon” to “and” in line 36.

P. 10, l. 19.—Leave out “twenty-ninth” and insert “thirty-first.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the Bill, as amended, read a third time on Friday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate the Village of *Elora*, in the County of *Wellington*.”

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate a Grammar School at *Frelighsburg*, to be called the “*Frelighsburg* Grammar School,”

The Honorable Mr. *Knowlton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*,

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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Knowlton*, *Ferrier* and *Moore*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate “certain persons under the name of the *St. Lawrence* Warehouse, Dock and “Wharfage Company, was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Renaud*, and *Moore*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, That for the remainder of the present Session this House do sit on every Saturday during the continuance thereof.

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

Ordered accordingly.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act providing for the Separation of Cities in *Upper Canada* "from Counties, for Judicial purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Ministers of the Church of the denomination known as "The Methodist Episcopal Church in *Canada*," to solemnize "Matrimony, and to keep Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials in "*Lower 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.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act for the more speedy trial and punishment of juvenile "offenders," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the disposal of Road Allowances in the "Rural Municipalities of *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act for diminishing expense and delay in the administration of "Criminal Justice in certain cases," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Charter of the 'Marmora Foundry Company,' "and to change its name to the "Marmora Iron Company,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time,

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Fort Erie*, in the County "of *Welland*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act conveying to the City of *Toronto* "certain Water Lots, with power to the said City for the construction of an "Esplanade, and to enable the said City to locate the Grand Trunk Railroad "and other Railroads along the frontage of the said City," to which they desire "the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, it was

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

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

Friday, 22nd May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
CROOKS,
FERGUSSON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
ARMSTRONG,
CARTIER,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* enters.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*—of *J. O. Chalut* and others of the Parish of *St. Gabriel*, of *Brandon*, in the County of *Berthier*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*—of the Local Municipal Council of the Township of *Dudswell*—of *R. M. Watts* and others of the County of *Drummond*—and of *J. Chamberlin* and others of the County of *Richmond*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of *Joseph Donegani* of the City of *Montreal*—and of the Municipal Councils of the Townships of *Raleigh* and *Williams*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*—of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of *Donald McBeath* and others, natives of the Settlement situated on the *Red River*, in the *Assiniboine* Country, *British North America*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of the *St. Andrew's* Society, *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Walker*—of the *Quebec* Board of Trade.

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

Of the Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church, *Bathurst*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the *Melbourne* Mechanics' Institute and Library Association, praying for a grant of fifty pounds per annum.

Of *Henry Starnes* and others of *Montreal*, praying that this House will pass the Bill to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu* Company.

Of *Zephirin Bertrand* and others of the Parishes of *St. Francis* and *St. George* in the County of *Beauce*, praying that the *Chef-lieu* of the proposed Judicial District of *Beauce* may be placed in the Parish of *St. Francis* aforesaid.

Of the Reverend *L. T. Bernard* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Claire* in the County of *Dorchester*, praying for a grant of one thousand pounds to enable them to procure seed for their lands.

Of *James Duffy* and others of the Township of *Durham* in the County of *Drummond*, praying that the Bill to regulate the Survey of the back range of the said Township may not become Law.

Two Petitions of the Board of Trade of the City of *London*, praying for the passing of an Act to increase the legal rate of interest from six to seven per cent—and also praying for certain amendments to the Bill intituled "An Act to facilitate arrangements between Debtors and Creditors.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Huntingdon*, praying that the Village of *Durham* may be selected as the *Chef-lieu* of the proposed Judicial District of *Beauharnois*.

Of *Frederick John Cheshire* of *Toronto*, praying for the redress of certain alleged wrongs, and especially that he may be secured in the quiet possession of certain Indian Lands in the Township of *Tuscarora* upon which he settled in good faith, having been previously assured of the right of occupation to purchase when the return of the inspection and valuation thereof should be made.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*,

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, and

Ordered accordingly.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walker*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition presented this day from the *Quebec* Board of Trade be printed for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Knowlton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate a Grammar School at *Frelighsburg*, to be called the *Frelighsburg* Grammar School," 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. *de LaTerrière* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Sisters of our Lady *Loretto*, in the Diocese 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 to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to secure to and confer upon *Edwin Marcus Chaffee*, an inhabitant of this Province, the civil and political rights of a natural-born British Subject," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Charter of the Colonial Bank of *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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Statutes of this Province respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property in *Upper Canada*, and to consolidate 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Messieurs *Panet* and *Dessaulles* enter:

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to confirm a Conveyance made by the Municipal Council of the Town of *Goderich* of a

“portion of the Market Square of the said Town to the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce*,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Steam Elevating and Warehousing Company,” was read a third time.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Walker*,

That the word “limited” be added to the title of the Bill.

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

The question was then put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to declare the meaning of the Auction Duties Act of 1841, with respect to Sales in Rural Districts,” was read a third time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Walker*,

That the following proviso be added to the said Bill, “Provided always that no duly licensed Auctioneer who may have sold by Auction any such Furniture, Grain, Cattle and Real Estate or Chattel Property, and who may have received duties and fees thereon, shall be sued or in any way made liable therefor.”

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to empower the Town Council of *Goderich* to apply to certain purposes an unexpended balance of money raised 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to extend

“ Patents for Inventions granted for one section of the Province to both sections thereof, on certain conditions,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “ An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke* Manufacturing 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “ An Act to amend the Common Law Procedure Act of 1856, and to facilitate the remedies on Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes,” was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, “ An Act to amend the Agricultural Acts, as far as relates to the time and place of meeting in the County of *Lincoln*,” was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Dickson*, and *Crooks*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “ An Act to enable the Incumbent and Churchwardens of the Mission of the Church of *England* at *Georgina* to dispose of certain lands belonging to the said Mission,”

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*,

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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *de Blaquièrè, Gordon, and Patton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to admit *Richard Dawbarn Ollard* to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor."

Also of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Superior Courts of Law and Equity in *Upper Canada* to admit *W. R. Mingaye* to practise as an Attorney and Solicitor therein."

Also of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada* to admit *Charles Gamon* to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney."

Also of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to admit *William Darley Pollard* to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney."

And also of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Court of Chancery and the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas in *Upper Canada*, to admit *John Symons* to practise as a Solicitor and Attorney therein respectively

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to legalize and make valid certain By-laws of the late *Home District* Council passed in reference to certain Roads in the County of *Ontario*."

And also of the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Brantford*, in *George S. Wilkes*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to continue and confirm the separation of the Municipality of *St. Julie de Somerset* from *St. Calixte de Somerset*, and to divide the Township of *Somerset* into two separate Townships."

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

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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Berrie*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Knowlton* and *Armstrong*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act for the establishment of a certain Concession Line in the Township of *Clarke*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Beaujeu*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bourret*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Fees of Clerks of Justices of the Peace," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Knowlton* and *Armstrong*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Messieurs *Murney* and *Mills* enter.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Windsor*, and to divide the same into Wards, and to define the limits thereof,"

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Murney*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

The House according to Order proceeded to the consideration of the amendments reported by the Committee of the whole to the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Canadian* Inland Steam Navigation Company," and

The first and second amendments being again read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

Upon the third amendment being again read,

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bourret*, That the said amendment be not adopted.

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

Ordered, That the said first and second amendments be engrossed and the 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 "The Fishery Act."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* 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 :—

P. 4, l. ult, After "light," where it occurs the second time, insert "in *Lower Canada*" and the following clause, viz: "It shall not be lawful to kill Salmon, Maskinongé, Speckled Trout nor Bass at any time by the aid of Spears, Torch Light, or other artificial light in *Upper Canada*."

P. 5, l. 1, Leave out from "whatever" to "Maskinongé" in line 2.

" 5, " 3, Leave out "November" and insert "October."

" 5, " 4, After "April" and insert in "*Upper Canada*" and the following clause, viz.:

"It shall not be lawful to catch Speckled Trout in any way whatever between the first of October and the fourteenth of February in any year in *Lower Canada*."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrre*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and make better provision for the encouragement of Agriculture, and also to provide for the promotion of Mechanical Science."

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. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate the Laws relating to the organization of Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*."

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 their Clerk with a

Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Iberville, Brome, Shefford* and "*Missisquoi* Road Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act for establishing Prisons for Young Offenders—for the better government of Public Asylums, Hospitals and Prisons, and for the better construction of Common Gaols," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable *Moore*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act for amending the Act for incorporating and granting a certain powers to the *Canadian Loan and Investment Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to enable *James Carlton Grant* and others to confirm the Sale of certain Lands in the Town and Township of *Hope*, in the County of *Durham*, late of *Reuben Pitkin Grant*, deceased, and to execute conveyances of the same, notwithstanding their disability," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows:—

Page 3, line 45.—After "aforesaid" insert "shall be taken to be parcel of the
"personal estate of the said *Reuben Pitkin Grant*, and
"accounted for as such by the said Executors in the
"administration of such personal estate."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendment be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

The Honorable the Speaker presented to the House a Statement of the affairs of the *London Savings Bank* on the 28th February, 1857.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House the Report of the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture for the year 1856.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable the Speaker declared this House continued until to morrow at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the House so decreeing.

Saturday, 23rd May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

CROOKS,
FERGUSON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERBIER,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,

The Honorable Messieurs

ROSS,
PANET,
ARMSTRONG,
CARTIER,
RENAUD.
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
PATTON,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the County Council of the County of *Oxford*—and of *Hugh Richardson* and others of the Town of *Woodstock*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ross*—of *Richard Spencer* and others of the Townships of *Brighton, Cramahe, Murray, Percy, Seymour, Belmont* and *Marmora*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*—of *Louis Th. Fortier* and others—and of *J. B. G. Proulx* and others, all of the Parish of *St. Jean Baptiste de Nicolet*, in the County of *Nicolet*.

By the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*—of *James Strang* and others of the Town of *Galt* in the County of *Waterloo*.

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

Of *J. B. Howard* and others of *Brantford*—and of *Andrew Horton* and others of *Southwold*, severally praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of *London*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate "The *London* and *Lake Huron* Railroad Company."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition read in this House yesterday from *Frederick John Cheshire* of *Toronto*, praying "for the redress of certain alleged wrongs, and especially that he may be secured in the quiet possession of certain Indian Lands in the Township of *Tuscarora* upon which he settled in good faith, having been previously assured of the right of occupation to purchase when the return of the inspection and valuation thereof should be made," be printed for the use of Members.

The Honorable Messieurs *Walker*, *Dessaulles*, *Hollis Smith* and *Widmer* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *St. Lawrence* Warehouse, Dock and Wharfage 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 on Tuesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to provide for the division of the Common of *Maskinongé*" 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 12.—After "follows" insert clauses A and B.

CLAUSE A.

"It shall be lawful for all and every of the co-proprietors of the said common who may not have exhibited their deeds of concession, judgments or other titles establishing their respective rights in the said common, at the Office of the Commissioner under the provisions of the said Act, to file the

“same at the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court for the
“Three Rivers Circuit within one month from and after the
“passing of this Act.”

CLAUSE B.

“All titles filed as aforesaid in pursuance of this Act, shall
“be dealt with in every respect, and the parties filing the same
“shall have the same rights, and be in the same position, as if
“they had been transmitted to a Judge of the Superior Court
“of Lower Canada, in the Town of Three Rivers, by the Com-
“missioner under the provisions of the said Act.”

P. 1, l. 15.—After “amended” insert, “or filed in pursuance of this Act.”

In the Preamble of the Bill.

P. 1, l. 10.—After “them” insert “and” whereas some of the parties interested
“in the said Common, may not have been aware of the publi-
“cation of the notice required by the fifth section of the said
“Act.”

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence
put on each they were severally agreed to.

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

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the Bill, as amended,
read a third time on Tuesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate a
“Grammar School at *Frelighsburg*, to be called the *Frelighsburg* Grammar
School,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint
that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any
amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate the
“Sisters of our Lady of *Loretto*, in the Diocese of *Toronto*,” was read a third
time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint
that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any
amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Canadian* Inland Steam 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, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Ministers of the Church of the denomination known as "The Methodist Episcopal Church in *Canada*," to solemnize matrimony, and "to keep Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials in *Lower Canada*, and "for other purposes therein mentioned."

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Bourret* and *Moore*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the disposal of Road Allowances in the Rural Municipalities of *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ross*, *Crooks* and *Ferrier*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Charter of the '*Marmorata* Foundry Company,' and to "change its name to the '*Marmorata* Iron Company.'"

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*,

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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the last mentioned Select Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Fort Erie*, in the County of *Welland*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince*, *Fergusson*, *Patton* and *Hollis Smith*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act conveying to the City of *Toronto* certain Water Lots, with power to the said City for the construction of an Esplanade, and to enable the said City to locate the Grand Trunk Railroad and other Railroads along the frontage of the said City," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Prince*, *Ross*, *Renaud* and *J. Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *William Rees* of the City of *Toronto*, praying that the last mentioned Bill may not become law in its present shape, be referred to the said Committee.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Iberville*, *Brome*, *Shefford* and *Missisquoi* Road Company," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Hollis Smith*, *Dessaulles*, *Armstrong* and *Knowlton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act for amending the Act for incorporating and granting certain powers to the Canadian Loan and Investment Company."

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

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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie, Fergusson, Gordon, J. Morris, and Patton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The House according to Order proceeded to the consideration of the amendment made by the Legislative Assembly to the Bill intituled "An Act to enable *James Carlton Grant* and others to confirm the Sale of certain Lands in the "Tawn and Township of *Hope*, in the County of *Durham*, late of *Reuben Pitkin Grant*, deceased, and to execute conveyances of the same, notwithstanding their disability," and

The said amendment being again read by the Clerk, and the question of concurrence put thereon the same was agreed to, and it was

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to their amendment made to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *New Hamburg* in the "County of *Waterloo*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the several Acts to remedy abuses prejudicial "to Agriculture," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "The Fishery Act," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for the more "speedy trial and punishment of Juvenile offenders," was read a second time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Tuesday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for diminishing expense and delay in the administration of Criminal Justice in certain cases," was read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on Tuesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Incumbent and Churchwardens of the Mission of the Church of *England* at *Georgina* to dispose of certain lands belonging to the said Mission," 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.

The said amendment being read a second time and the question of concurrence put thereon the same was agreed to,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince* it was

Ordered, That the said Bill with the amendment be printed and read a third time on Tuesday next.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke* Manufacturing Company."

Also the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Statutes of this Province respecting Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property in *Upper Canada*, and to consolidate the same."

And also the Bill intituled "An Act to declare the meaning of the Auction Duties Act of 1841, with respect to Sales in Rural Districts," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to facilitate the Despatch of Business before Grand Jurie," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Laws of *Upper Canada* relating

"to the incorporation of Villages," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act further to amend and extend the Act to establish Mutual Insurance Companies in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relative to the Inspectors of Houses of Public entertainment," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Board of Examiners of Surveyors for *Upper Canada*, to examine *William Grain* for admission as a Surveyor," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

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

The said Bill was read for the first time,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Beaujeu*,

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, and

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

Tuesday, 26th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were:

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
BOULTON,
BOURET,

The Honorable Messieurs

ROSS,
MILLS,
PANET,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
CARTIÈRE,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
PATON,
SMITH, HOLLIS,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable the Speaker acquainted the House that he had received a communication announcing the intention of His Excellency the Governor General to come down to this House to-morrow the 27th instant, at two o'clock, for the purpose of assenting to certain Bills passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly.

The Honorable Messieurs *de Beaujeu*, *Vankoughnet* and *Simpson* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Mills*—of *W. A. Smith* and others, Bailiffs of the Division Court of the several Counties of *Canada West*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of the Municipal Council of *Windsor*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*—of *James F. Bartal* and others of the Village of *Napanee*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Horton* in the County of *Renfrew*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*—of the Municipal Council of *Peterborough*—and of *J. Stevenson* and others of *Peterborough* aforesaid.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the *Two Creeks* and River *St. Clair* Ship Canal Committee—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Colchester* in the County of *Essex*—and of *Charles George Charteris*, Mayor, on behalf of the Town of *Chatham*.

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

Of *J. O. Chalut* and others of the Parish of *St. Gabriel* of *Brandon* in the County of *Berthier*, praying for the opening of a Road from the said Parish to the Settlement called *Matawin* in the rear of the said Parish, as a means to prevent the emigration to the *United States*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Dudswell*, praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855.

Of *R. M. Watts* and others of the County of *Drummond*—and of *F. Chamberlin* and others of the County of *Richmond*, severally praying that the Bill for the establishment of Local Courts of Inferior Jurisdiction in each County in *Lower Canada*, may not become law in its present shape.

Of *Joseph Donegani* of the City of *Montreal*, setting forth that in a clause in the *Montreal* Harbour Bill, which passed this Session, his rights are most unjustly disregarded, and the solemn decision of a Court obtained by him, in a measure rendered nugatory, and praying relief.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *Toronto*, praying that the Bill to provide for the separation of the Cities in *Upper Canada* for Judicial purposes, may not become law in its present shape.

Of *Donald McBeath* and others, inhabitants and natives of the Settlement situated on the *Red River*, in the *Assiniboine* County, *British North America*, praying that measures may be adopted to extend to them the protection of the Government laws and Institutions of *Canada*, and to make them participators in the rights and liberties enjoyed by *British* subjects.

Of the *St. Andrew's* Society, *Montreal*, praying that the subject of the transmission of the Immigrants through the Province to their various destinations may receive full and mature consideration—that Sheds and Lavatories may be erected at the Ports of *Quebec* and *Montreal* for their use, and that Hospitals be erected on suitable localities along the course of the *St. Lawrence* and Lakes, and also that

burial places may be provided in accessible places sufficiently apart from the Towns and Villages on the route.

Of the *Quebec* Board of Trade, praying that the Bill now before Parliament, for preventing the desertion and regulating the shipping of Seamen may not become law during the present Session,

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Williams*, praying against the adoption of any measure having for its object the dismemberment of the Counties of *Middlesex*, *Elgin* and *Kent*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Raleigh*, praying that the Bill to incorporate "The Great Southern Railway Company" may not become law.

The Order of the Day being read for moving, pursuant to notice, for the consideration of the question on the suspension of the forty-ninth Rule of this House in so far as it relates to the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the Common of the Islands of *Dumoine* and *Des Barques*."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency, the Governor General praying that he will be pleased to lay before this House a list of Addresses, &c., presented to His Excellency for a dissolution of the House of Assembly and in relation thereto since last Session, with copies of His Excellency's answers thereto, and the names of any parties to whom communication was made acknowledging receipt of such Addresses.

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

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

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain allowance for Road in the Township of *Winchester* in the County of *Dundas* in *John Pliny Crysler* and *George Hummel* the elder, 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. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Fort Erie*, in the County of *Welland*," 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. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Return to an Address dated the 18th instant, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to lay before this House "a copy of any complaint which may have been made to the Government against the Judge of the County Court of the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*, and of the answer of the said Judge thereto, and also of any other correspondence on the subject."

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

(*Vide Appendix No. 5*)

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *St. Lawrence* Warehouse, Dock and Wharfage Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to provide for the division of the Common of *Maskinongé*," was, as amended read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* enters.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Incumbent and Churhwardens of the Mission of the Church of *England* at *Georgina* to dispose of certain lands belonging to the said Mission."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act authorizing the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads in *Lower Canada*, with a view to encourage the construction of good and useful roads throughout *Lower Canada*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed 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 a certain Act therein mentioned, so as better to provide for the security of the lives of Passengers on board of Steam Vessels."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Cartier* 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 to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Elora* in the County of *Wellington*,

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*,

That the forty-ninth and fifty seventh Rules of this House be dispensed with in so far as they relate to the said Bill.

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*.

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson*, *Ferrie* and *Hamilton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Murney* enters,

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act providing for the Separation of Cities in *Upper Canada* from Counties, for Judicial purposes."

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquiere*,

That the said Bill be not now read a second time, but that it be read a second time this day three months.

Which being objected to,

After Debate,

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

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>
<i>Bourret,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>de Beaujeu,</i>	<i>Gordon,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Walker,</i>
<i>de Blaquière,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Murney,</i>	<i>Widmer,—19.</i>
<i>de LaTerrière,</i>	<i>Knowlton,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	

NON-CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>	<i>Smith, Hollis</i>
<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Seymour,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus</i>	<i>Vankoughnet,—9.</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>			

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

The *Order* of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to legalize and make valid certain By-laws of the late *Home* District Council passed in reference to certain Roads in the County of *Ontario*."

And also of the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Brantford*, in *George S. Wilkes*."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

The *Order* of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Windsor*, and to divide the same into "Wards, and to define the limits thereof."

The Honorable Mr. *Murney* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, That the forty-ninth and fifty-seventh Rules of this House be dispensed with in so far as they relate to this Bill.

After Debate,

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Murney* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Murney, Prince, J. Morris, Moore* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for establishing Prisons for Young Offenders, for the better government of Public Asylums, Hospitals and Prisons, and for the better construction of Common Gaols," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *New Hamburg* in the County of *Waterloo*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie, Fergusson* and *J. Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the several Acts to remedy abuses prejudicial to Agriculture," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Armstrong, Duchesnay, Moore, Cartier, de la Terrière Knowlton* and *Masson*, 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 Bill intituled "An Act for the more speedy trial and punishment of Juvenile Offenders."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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 for diminishing expense and delay in the administration of Criminal Justice in certain cases."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, as follows :

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Tuesday 26th May, 1857.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, praying their Honors will permit the Honorable *Etienne P. Taché*, Speaker of that House, and the Honorable *John Ross* a Member thereof, to appear and give evidence before the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Return to an Address and the Petition of the Board of Trade of the City of *Toronto* relating to the expenses incurred in procuring the establishment of Reciprocity in trade between the *United States* and this Province.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest

W. B. LINDSAY.

Clerk, Assembly.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr *de Blaquiére*,

That the Honorable *Etienne P. Taché*, Speaker of this House, and the Honorable *John Ross*, 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 they think fit.

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

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth give leave to the Honorable *Etienne P. Taché*, Speaker of this House, and the Honorable *John Ross*, a Member thereof, to appear and give evidence before the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Return to an Address and the Petition of the Board of Trade of the City of *Toronto*, relating to the expenses incurred in procuring the establishment of Reciprocity in trade between the *United States* and this Province, if they think fit.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Common Law Procedure Act "1856, and to facilitate the remedies on Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act further to provide for the accommodation of the Courts of "Superior Jurisdiction in *Upper Canada*, and for that purpose to amend, extend "and continue two certain Acts therein mentioned," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act for further increasing the efficiency and simplifying the "proceedings of the Court of Chancery," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Criminal Law, as regards the uttering of certain spurious Foreign Coin," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act for the Imposing and Collection of Tolls on the Public "Works," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled "An Act to encourage the gradual Civilization of the Indian Tribes "in this Province, and to amend the Laws respecting Indians," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act regulating the Culling and Measurement "of Lumber, and to extend the provisions of the same," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walker*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate, the North Western Steam Navigation Company of *Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Act to incorporate the "Members of the British American Friendly Society of *Canada*, and to change "the name of the said Society to the "*Canadian* National Assurance Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Walker* it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Canadian* Inland Steam "Navigation Company."

Also the Bill intituled "The Fishery Act."

And also the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Charter of the Colonial "Bank of *Canada*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bills without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law for the admission of "Attornies," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment made by this House to their amendments without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrre* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*,

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

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

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

Wednesday, 27th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were:

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIERE,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURET,
DE BEAUJEU,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs *Moore* and *Patton* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrre*—of Messieurs *Betley & Kay*, and others of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of the Reverend *S. Tassé* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Thérèse de Blainville* in the County of *Terrebonne*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*—of *John Colville* and others of *Saltfleet*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of the Young Men's Christian Association in *London, Canada West*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*—of *Pierre O. Triganne*, of *Plessisville*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of *John Hawley* and others of the Parish of *St. George* of *Clarenceville*—and of *P. C. Derek* and others of the Parish of *St. Thomas*, in the West Riding of the County of *Missisquoi*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of *F. W. Jarvis* and others of the City of *Toronto*.

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

Of *Hugh Richardson* and others of the Town of *Woodstock*, praying against the passing of the Bill to incorporate "The Great Southern Railway Company."

Of the County Council of the County of *Oxford*, praying against the passing of the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Railway from some point on the *Niagara* River to some point on the *Detroit* River.

Of *Richard Spencer* and others of the Townships of *Brighton*, *Cramahe*, *Murray*, *Percy*, *Seymour*, *Belmont* and *Marmora*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate "The *Presqu'Isle* and *Marmora* Railroad Company."

Of *Louis Th. Fortier* and others—and of *J. B. G. Proulx* and others, all of the Parish of *Saint Jean Baptiste de Nicolet*, in the County of *Nicolet*, severally praying for aid to a Girl's School in that Parish.

Of *James Strang* and others of the Town of *Galt* in the County of *Waterloo*, praying for the passing of an Act to secure to married women certain separate rights of property

The Honorable Messieurs *Vankoughnet*, *Panet*, *Gordon*, *Simpson*, and *Perry* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, For the re-consideration of the question on the suspension of the 49th Rule of this House in so far as it relates to the Bill intituled "An Act to regulate the "Common of the Islands of *Dumoine* and *Des Barges*."

Which being objected to,

And the Petition of *Pierre O. Triganne* of *Plessisville*, presented this day praying against the passing of the said Bill, read by the Clerk.

After Debate,

The question was put for the re-consideration of the said question, the House divided, and the names being called for they were taken down as follow :

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Bourret,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>
<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Knowlton,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>
<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Masson,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet—12.</i>

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>de LaTerrière,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Smith, Harmannus,</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Walker,</i>
<i>de Beaujeu,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Widmer—13.</i>
<i>de Blaquièrre,</i>			

So it passed in the negative.

The Honorable Messieurs *Dessaulles*, *Boulton*, *Ross*, and *Murney* enter.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

His Excellency SIR EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, 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 Deputy Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the titles of the Bills to be passed severally as follow:—

An Act to increase the Capital Stock of the *Port Dalhousie* and *Thorold* Railway Company, and to change the name of the Company.

An Act for the establishment of a Weekly Postal Communication by Steamers between this Province and the United Kingdom.

An Act to amend the Municipal and Assessment Acts of *Upper Canada*, in so far as they relate to the commutation of Statute Labour.

An Act for the protection of persons owning Lands on the Shore of Lake *Ontario* in the Counties of *York*, *Peel* and *Halton*.

An Act to provide for the transfer of certain Books and Documents from the Registry Office for the County of *Chateauguay* to that for the County of *Huntingdon*.

An Act further to amend the Act intituled "An Act to encourage the establishment of Building Societies in *Lower Canada*."

An Act to amend the Laws in *Upper Canada*, respecting Appeals, and to alter the Constitution of the Court of Error and Appeal.

An Act to amend an Act intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Kemptville*, and to legalize the late election for Village Councillors held there under."

An Act to incorporate the Village of *Waterloo*, in the County of *Waterloo*.

An Act to authorize the Trustees for the Congregation of *Saint Andrew's* Church in the Town of *Guelph*, adhering to the Presbyterian Church of *Canada* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, to sell certain lands held by them in trust for such Congregation.

An Act to authorize the Ministers of the Church of the denomination known as "the Church of the order of the Countess of *Huntingdon's* Connexion," in *Lower Canada*, to solemnize matrimony and to keep Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An Act to amend the Act to provide for the formation of Incorporated Joint Stock Companies for Manufacturing, Mining, Mechanical or Chemical purposes, so as to render Foreign Stockholders eligible as Trustees.

An Act for the amendment of the Practice and Procedure in Suits instituted on behalf of the Crown in matters relating to the Revenue.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal St. Patrick's* Orphan Asylum.

An Act to incorporate the Church of *England* Male Orphan Asylum of *Quebec*.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Literary Institute of *Sherbrooke*.

An Act to amend the Laws regulating Ferries, so as to encourage the employment of Steamboats as Ferryboats in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to incorporate the Town of *Bowmanville*, and to define the limits thereof.

An Act to amend the Act relating to Savings' Banks as it concerns the "*Caisse d'Economie Notre Dame de Québec*."

An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* Pressed Brick Company.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Western Assurance Company.

An Act to incorporate the Town of *Oakville*.

An Act to incorporate the Town of *Milton*, in the County of *Halton*.

An Act to appoint Trustees to the estate of the late *Charles Bowman*.

An Act to incorporate the *Ontario* Bank.

An Act to enable the Municipal Council for the Township of *Stanley*, to construct a Harbour at the entrance of the River *Bayfield* into Lake *Huron*.

An Act to legalize and confirm the acts and proceedings of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Brantford*.

An Act to enable the Trustees of Glebe Lot number twenty-nine, in the second Concession of the Township of *Edwardsburgh*, to sell and convey the East half of said Lot, originally granted in trust as an Endowment or Glebe for the Presbyterian Church in the Town of *Brockville*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, and for other purposes.

An Act to amend the Act 16 *Victoria* chapter 171, in so far as it relates to the time fixed for the hunting of Muskrats.

An Act further to amend the Acts relative to the Royal Institution for the advancement of Learning, and to the University of *McGill* College.

An Act to vest in *Wollaston F. Pym* a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Haldimand*, in the County of *Northumberland*.

An Act to authorise the running of the boundary line between the Seignior of *Beauharnois* and the Township of *Godmanchester*, and the Parish of *St. Aricet*, for the purposes of a Road.

An Act to incorporate the Village of *Bradford*, in the County of *Simcoe*.

An Act to incorporate the Village of *Newmarket*.

An Act to define the powers and confirm certain proceedings of the *Champlain* and *St. Lawrence* and *Montreal* and *New York* Railroad Companies.

An Act to encourage Mining Companies by empowering them to construct gravel or macadamized Roads or tramways to connect with railways, highways and navigable waters.

An Act to erect parts of *Russelltown* and *Jamestown*, in the County of *Chateaugai*, and parts of *Hemmingsford* and *Hinchinbrooke*, in the County of *Huntingdon*, into a Municipality, and to attach the same to the County of *Huntingdon*.

An Act to amend the Act intituled "An Act to consolidate the Laws relative to the powers and duties of the Trinity House of *Quebec*, and for other purposes."

An Act to confirm certain Sales and Assurances made by the Executors and Trustees of the Will and Codicil of *James Macarlay*, deceased, and the partition, division, and appropriation made by the said Executors and Trustees, and others, parties to a certain Indenture bearing date the tenth day of July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty.

An Act to amend the Act 19 and 20 *Vict.*, cap 47, and to authorise the formation of four Agricultural Societies in the County of *Gaspé*, instead of two.

An Act to amend the Act to regulate the Inspection of Beef and Pork.

An Act for the construction of Water Works in the Town of *Saint Catharines*.

An Act to authorize the Town of *St. Catharines* to negotiate a loan of forty-five thousand two hundred and forty-eight pounds, to consolidate the debt of the Town, and for other purposes.

An Act to amend the Acts incorporating the *Montreal* Telegraph Company, and to extend the powers of the said Company, and to authorize the establishment of a Transatlantic line of Telegraph by the said Company.

An Act to remove doubts as to the extent of the powers of the Inspectors and Superintendents of the Police of the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*.

An Act for the better Prevention of Accidents on Railways.

An Act to vest in *James Barnum* a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Haldimand*, in the County of *Northumberland*.

An Act to attach the new Townships of *Galway*, *Cavendish* and *Anstruther* to the County of *Peterborough*.

An Act to incorporate *Belleville* Seminary.

An Act to amend the Act relating to the Commissioners' Courts for the summary trial of small causes in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to alter and amend the Act incorporating the Bank of *Toronto*.

An Act to incorporate the Village of *Iroquois*, in the County of *Dundas*.

An Act to incorporate the Village of *Clinton*.

An Act to vest in *John Macara* a certain portion of an Allowance for Road in the Township of *London*.

An Act to vest a certain Allowance for Road in the Township of *Whitby*, in *Jonathan Foote* and *William Thorne*.

An Act to vest a certain Road allowance in the Township of *Brantford*, in *Frederick T. Wilkes*.

An Act to vest in *John Mutrie* a Road Allowance in the Township of *Nichol*, County of *Wellington*.

An Act to authorize the payment of the proportionate share of this Province of the cost of certain Light-houses in or near the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*.

An Act to discontinue the Lunatic Asylum Tax in *Upper Canada*, and to substitute certain other moneys as part of the *Upper Canada* Building Fund.

An Act to explain the Act to separate the County of *Bruce* from the County of *Huron*.

An Act to dispense with Government Directors in the Grand Trunk Railway Company of *Canada*, and to facilitate the completion of the Company's works from *Rivière-du-Loup* to *Sarnia*.

An Act for closing up certain Road Allowances in the Township of *Thorold*, and to vest the same in parties herein mentioned.

An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Richelieu* Company

An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Presbyterian Society of *Hamilton* to sell and convey certain Church property held by them.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Minister and Trustees of *St. Andrew's Church, Montreal.*

An Act to secure to and confer upon *Edwin Marcus Chaffee*, an inhabitant of this Province, the civil and political rights of a natural born British Subject.

An Act to confirm a Conveyance made by the Municipal Council of the Town of *Goderich* of a portion of the Market Square of the said Town, to the Municipal Council of the United Counties of *Huron* and *Bruce.*

An Act to incorporate the *Montreal Steam Elevating and Warehousing Company.*

An Act to empower the Town Council of *Goderich* to apply to certain purposes an unexpended balance of money raised for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate a Grammar School at *Frelighsburg*, to be called the *Frelighsburg Grammar School.*

An Act to incorporate the Sisters of our Lady of *Loretto*, in the Diocese of *Toronto.*

An Act to enable *James Carlton Grant* and others to confirm the sale of certain Lands in the Town and Township of *Hope*, in the County of *Durham*, late of *Reuben Pitkin Grant*, deceased, and to execute conveyances of the same, notwithstanding their disability.

An Act to facilitate the Despatch of Business before Grand Juries.

An Act to declare the meaning of the Auction Duties Act of 1841, with respect to Sales in Rural Districts.

An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke Manufacturing Company.*

An Act to amend the Statutes of this Province respecting Mortgages and Sales Personal Property in *Upper Canada*, and to consolidate the same.

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. *Hamilton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to amend the Act of *Upper Canada*, enabling the Presbyterian Congregation of *York* to purchase ground for a Church and Burying-ground,” 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. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the surviving Executor of the late *John McIntosh*, Esquire, to lease certain real property in *Toronto*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendment 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 :—

- P. 2, l. 8, After "to" insert "make and"
- P. 2, l. 9, After "part" insert "or parts."
- P. 2, l. 20, After "Will" insert "or through the said Testator."
- P. 2, l. 21, After "to" insert "make entries."
- P. 2, l. 22, After "any" insert "condition."
- P. 2, l. 31, Leave out from "premises to come" and insert "at the time of
"making any such lease or leases, and had so covenanted
"and agreed for himself, his heirs and assigns, and the
"demised premises had subsequently."
- P. 2, l. 35, After "contained" insert "and provided also that the terms
"created by any such lease and for which it shall be agreed
"to be renewed shall not taken together, exceed the
"period of forty-two years, and that the powers hereby
"conferred on the said *Thomas Elliott* shall be exercised
"within ten years from the passing of this Act, and not
"later."

In the Preamble of the Bill

- P. 1, l. 9, Leave out from "purchased" to "from."
- P. 1, l. 17, Leave out "her" and insert "his."
- P. 1, l. 28, Leave out "survivors" and insert "survivor of the Testators."

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Windsor*, and to divide the same into Wards, and to define the limits 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 read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Charter of 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 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:—

P. 40, l. 40, After " "*Toronto*" insert " and the County of *Simcoe* each."

P. 2, l. 6, After " Company" insert " and so long as the County of *Simcoe* shall
 " hold stock to the amount of twenty-five thousand pounds
 " and upwards the said County of *Simcoe* may also an-
 " nually, on or before the day of the annual meeting of the
 " Shareholders of the said Company for the election of
 " Directors, nominate one of the Councillors or such other
 " person, as they may see fit, to be a Director of the said
 " Company in addition to the number of Directors authorized
 " by the Acts incorporating the said Company, who shall
 " have the same rights, powers and duties as any of the
 " Directors of the Company." 'And after " not" insert
 " nor shall the said County."

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *New Hamburg*, in the "County of *Waterloo*," 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. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Ministers of the Church of the denomi-
 " tion known as "The Methodist Episcopal Church in *Canada*," to solemnize
 " matrimony, and to keep Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials in *Lower*
 " *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 read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain allowance for Road in the Township of *Winchester* in the County of *Dundas*, in *John Pliny Cryster* and *George Hummel*, the elder," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Fort Erie*, in the County of *Welland*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Incumbent and Churchwardens of the Mission of the Church of *England* at *Georgina* to dispose of certain lands belonging to the said Mission."

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*,

That the said Order be discharged, and that the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

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

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill,

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière* 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 a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè* seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, it was

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 for the more

“speedy trial and punishment of Juvenile Offenders,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act for diminishing the expense and delay in the administration of Criminal Justice in certain cases,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “An Act for the establishment of a certain Concession Line in the Township of *Clarke.*”

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Walker*, That the forty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill.

Which being objected to,

After Debate,

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Walker*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time:

The question of concurrence being put thereon, 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, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Perry* and *Simpson*, to meet and adjourn as the please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and make better provision for the encouragement of Agriculture, and also to provide for the promotion of Mechanical Science,” was read a second time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

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

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* 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 to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate the Laws relating to the organization of Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Laws of *Upper Canada* relating to the incorporation of Villages," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Vankoughnet*, *Boulton*, *Prince* and *Simpson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Collingwood*,"

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

That the Forty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill.

Which being objected to,

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Prince* 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 authorizing the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads in *Lower Canada*, with a view to encourage the construction of good and useful roads throughout *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Moore*, *Knowlton* and *Bourret*, 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 Bill intituled: "An Act to amend a certain Act therein mentioned, so as better to provide for the security of the lives of Passengers on board of Steam Vessels."

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.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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 legalize and make valid certain By-laws of the late Home District Council passed in reference to certain Roads in the County of *Ontario*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Simpson*, *Ferrie* and *Seymour*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Brantford* in *George S. Wilkes*."

The Honorable Mr. *Perry* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*, That the forty-ninth and fifty-seventh Rules of this House be dispensed with in so far as they relate to the said Bill.

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Perry* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Perry*, *Seymour*, *Simpson*, *Mills* and *Harmannus Smith*, 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 Bill intituled "An Act for establishing Prisons for Young Offenders, for the better government of Public Asylums, Hospitals and Prisons, and for the better construction of Common Gaols."

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act regulating the Culling and Measurement of Lumber, and to extend the provisions of the same," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Perry*, *Walker*, *de La Terrière*, *Armstrong* and *Bourret*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Act to incorporate the Members of the British American Friendly Society of *Canada*, and to change the name of the said Society to the "Canadian National Assurance Company."

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bourret*, That the forty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill.

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bourret*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Ferrier*, *Dessaulles*, *Moore* and *Bourret*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend and extend the Act to establish Mutual Insurance Companies in *Upper Canada*."

And also of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relative to the Inspectors of Houses of Public Entertainment."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to provide for the division of the "Common of *Maskinongé*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the City of *St. Hyacinthe*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Masson*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act 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.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Literary Institute of *Woodstock*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the First Free Will Baptist "Church in *Hatley*, to receive a legacy bequeathed to the said Church," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Masson*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the construction of Water Works in the "Village of *Terrebonne*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Masson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Fergus*, in the County of "*Wellington*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to divide the Township of *Halifax* into two separate "Townships," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act "of 1855, and to erect *St. Aubert* into a separate Municipality," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital, "to raise a further loan of money," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *Josiah D. Wellington* a certain allowance for "road in the Township of *Brighton*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the City of *Toronto* to erect Water Works, "and to levy a water rate," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Whitby* in *John W. Gamble*, Esquire," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Municipality of the Township of "*McGillivray* to dispose of certain Road Allowances in the said Township," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to protect the property and rights of Married Women "in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time,

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House Returns of the Commutations of Tenure effected in the Seignior of *Lauzon*, and in the Censives of *Quebec* and *Three Rivers*, from the 1st January, 1856, to the 28th January, 1857.

And also Returns of the Commutations of Tenure effected within the Censives of the late order of Jesuits in the Districts of *Three Rivers*, *Quebec* and *Montreal* during the same period.

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

(*Vide Sessional Papers.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to "incorporate the *Toronto* Horticultural Society."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

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

Thursday, 28th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs.

FERGUSSON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
BOULTON,
FERRIER,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
MILLS,

The Honorable Messieurs

SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PEREY,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
MASSON,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
SMITH, HOLLIS

PRAYERS :

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*—of the *Brantford Mechanics' Institute*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the Reeves and Deputy Reeves of the County of *Peel*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Carleton*—and of the *St. Patrick's Library Association* of the City of *Ottawa*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of *William Stanley* of the City of *Toronto*.

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

Of the Municipal Council of *Peterborough*, and of *J. Stevenson* and others of *Peterborough* aforesaid, severally praying for the amendment of the Charter of the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton Railway Company*.

Of *W. A. Smith* and others, Bailiffs of the Division Court of the several Counties of *Canada West*, praying that the Tariff of Fees allowed to them by Law may be increased.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Horton* in the County of *Renfrew*, praying for aid towards the erection of an Academy or Grammar School in the Village of *Renfrew*.

Of the Municipal Council of the Village of *Windsor*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the said Village.

Of *James F. Burtal* and others of the Village of *Napanee*, praying against the passing of the Bill to incorporate the said Village.

Of *Charles George Charteris*, Mayor, on behalf of the Town of *Chatham* praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Colchester*, praying that the Bill to incorporate "The Great Southern Railway Company" may not become Law.

Of the *Two Creeks and River St. Clair Ship Canal Committee*, praying that a Charter may not be granted for the construction of the *St. Clair, Chatham and Rondeau, Ship Canal*, until the Plan and Profile of the Survey of the *Two Creeks and River St. Clair Ship Canal* shall have been examined.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House Extracts from the Reports on the *Paris Industrial Exhibition of 1855*, by the International Juries, being those portions relating to Canadian Products.

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

(*Vide Appendix No. 6.*)

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bourret*, it was

Ordered, That the said Extracts be printed for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Elora*, in the County of *Wellington*," 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. *Simpson* from the Select Committee to whom was referred

the Bill intituled "An Act to legalize and make valid certain By-laws of the late Home District Council passed in reference to certain Roads in the County of Ontario," 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. *Perry* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of Brantford, in *George S. Wilkes*," 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. *Perry* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Lindsay* and define the limits thereof," 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:—

P. 1, l. 28, leave out "Kent" and insert "Peel."

P. 1, l. 32, leave out "Kent" and insert "Peel."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Perry*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Collingwood*," 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:—

P. 1, l. 32, leave out from "Westerly" to "the" in line 36, and insert "along the said side line, and the side lines of lots forty and forty-one in the seventh, eight, ninth and tenth concessions to where the side line of lots forty and forty-one, in the eleventh concession strikes."

The said amendment being read a second time and the question of concurrence put thereon the same was agreed to.

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

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act for the establishment of a certain concession Line in "the Township of *Clarke*," 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 amend the "Act of *Upper Canada*, enabling the Presbyterian Congregation of *York* to "purchase ground for a Church and Burying-ground," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the "surviving Executor of the late *John McIntosh*, Esquire, to lease certain real "property in *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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate "the Town of *Windsor*, and to divide the same into Wards, and to define the "limits thereof," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the "Charter of the *Ontario, Simcoe and Huron* Railroad Union 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *New Hamburg*, in the County of *Waterloo*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Ministers of the Church of the denomination known as "The Methodist Episcopal Church in *Canada*," to solemnize matrimony, and to keep Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials in *Lower Canada*, 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, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Thursday, 28th May, 1857.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council requesting a conference with that House on the subject of the Rules relating to Private Bills, with a view to uniformity of regulation respecting the same, and acquainting that House that the Honorable Mr. *Cameron*, Mr. Solicitor General *Smith*, Mr. *Wilson* and Mr. *Polette* have been appointed Managers of the said Conference on the part of this House.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Cameron* 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. *Duchesnay* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of Day the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Incumbent and Churchwardens of the Mission of the Church of *England* at *Georgina* to dispose of certain lands belonging to the said Mission," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint

that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend a certain Act therein mentioned, so as better to provide for the security of the lives of Passengers on board of Steam Vessels," was read a third time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

Ordered, That the eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth clauses of the said Bill be left out.

The question was then put whether this Bill pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for establishing Prisons for Young Offenders, for the better government of Public Asylums, Hospitals and Prisons, and for the better construction of Common Gaols," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act further to provide for the accommodation of the Courts of Superior Jurisdiction in *Upper Canada*, and for that purpose to amend, extend and continue two certain Acts therein mentioned," was read a second time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently

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

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for further increas

“ing the efficiency and simplifying the proceedings of the Court of Chancery,” was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Criminal Law, as regards the uttering of certain spurious Foreign Coin,” was read a second time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

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

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act for the Imposing and Collection of Tolls on the Public Works,” was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate the North Western Steam Navigation Company of *Canada*,” was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Seymour*, *Boulton*, *Armstrong* and *J. Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Messieurs *Pamet* and *Prince* enter.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled “An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and make better provision for the encouragement of Agriculture, and also to provide for the promotion of Mechanical Science.”

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 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.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill with the amendments, be printed and read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the organization of Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend and extend the Act to establish Mutual Insurance Companies in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relative to the Inspectors of Houses of Public Entertainment," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Gordon, J. Morris, Patton, Armstrong* and *Dessaulles*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the City of *St. Hyacinthe*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Dessaulles, Moore, Ferrier, Cartier, Armstrong, Hollis Smith* and *Duchesnay*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the 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, composed of

the Honorable Messieurs *Armstrong, de Beaujeu* and *Panet*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Canadian Literary Institute of *Woodstock*"

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

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the First Free Will Baptist Church in *Hatley*, to receive a legacy bequeathed to the said Church," was read a second time,

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Hollis Smith, Moore* and *Armstrong*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Fergus*, in the County of *Wellington*."

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, That the forty-ninth and fifty-seventh 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 being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson, Ferrie* and *Walker*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act for the Divorce of *Miles B. Stennett* and *Laura E. Steele*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

Ordered, That the amount deposited by the said *Miles B. Stennett* in pursuance of the Rules of this House be refunded to him on application to the Clerk of this House.

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

Ordered, That the Petitions of *P. E. Leclerc* and others—and of *John Nelson* and others of the Parish of *St. Hyacinthe*, severally praying for certain amendments to the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate the City of *St. Hyacinthe*,” be referred to the Select Committee to whom the said Bill has been referred.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Seymour* be added to the Select Committee, to whom has been referred the Bill intituled “An Act for amending the Act for “incorporating and granting certain powers to the Canadian Loan and Investment “Company.”

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled “An Act to change the tenure of the Indian lands in the Township “of *Dundee*, in the County of *Huntingdon*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Acts relating to the *Stanstead, Shefford* and “*Chambly* Railroad Company,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Act to abolish the rights of Primogeniture, “and to afford relief to parties succeeding to the real estate of persons dying “intestate, in certain cases in *Upper Canada*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled “An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of “1855, and to erect *St. Lambert* into a distinct Municipality,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* and *Owen Sound* Central Railway Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Masson*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to vest certain real estate of the late *Thoms Benson* in "the hands of Trustees," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Brantford* and South Western Railway Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That this House do concur in the Conference desired by the Legislative Assembly, in their message received this day.

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the Honorable Messieurs *Moore* and *Patton*, do manage the said Conference on the part of this House.

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 agrees to the Conference desired on the subject of the Rules relating to Private Bills, with a view to uniformity of regulation respecting the same, and that the Managers on

the part of this House are to be the Honorable Messieurs *Moore* and *Patton*, who are to meet the number of Managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly, required by Parliamentary usage to-morrow at four o'clock in the afternoon, in the Conference Chamber of this House.

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

Friday, 29th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,
MILLS,

The Honorable Messieurs

PANET,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
CARTIER,
SMITH HARMANNUS,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
PATTON,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The following Petition was brought up and laid on the Table :—

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the County Council of *Oxford*.

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

Of Messieurs *Betley* and *Kay*, and others of *Toronto*, praying for certain amendments to the Charter of the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company.

Of the Reverend *S. Tassé* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Thérèse de Blain*

ville, in the County of *Terrebonne*, praying that the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855 may be repealed or amended.

Of *John Colville* and others of *Saltfleet*—and of the Young Men's Christian Association of *London*, severally praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of *John Hawley* and others—and of *P. C. Derek* and others, all of the Parishes of *St. Thomas* and *St. George* of *Clarenceville* in the West Riding of the County of *Missisquoi*, severally praying that the said Parishes may be annexed to the County of *St. John's* and included in the new District of *Iberville*.

Of *Pierre O. Triganne* of *Plessisville*, praying that the Bill “to regulate the Common of the Islands of *Dumoine* and *Des Barques*,” may not be concurred in by this House.

Of *F. W. Jarvis* and others of the City of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate “The *Toronto* Horticultural Society.”

The Honorable Messieurs *Desaulles* and *Boulton* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* presented to the House a Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Act providing for the separation of the County of *Peel* from the County of *York*.”

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Act authorizing the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads in *Lower Canada*, with a view to encourage the construction of good and useful roads throughout *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 to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Armstrong* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the 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 read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate the Village of *Fergus*, in the County of *Wellington*,” 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. *Hollis Smith* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the First Free Will Baptist Church in *Hatley*, to receive a legacy bequeathed to the said Church," 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. *Gordon* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relative to the Inspectors of Houses of Public Entertainment," 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. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *William Rees*, M. D., of *Toronto*, presented their Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL COMMITTEE ROOM,
29th May, 1857.

The Select Committee to whom was referred the Petition of *William Rees*, M. D. of *Toronto*, praying that measures may be adopted and means provided to secure free Vaccination to the inhabitants of this Province, have, in obedience to the order of reference of the twelfth instant considered the subject matter of the said Petition, and now beg leave to report thereon as follows:—

Your Committee concur in the opinion expressed by the Petitioner as to the necessity of provision being made by law for the encouragement of the practice of Vaccination in this Province; and they agree with him in thinking that the Managers of Hospitals, receiving aid from the public funds, may reasonably be charged with the execution of a trust in that behalf.

Your Committee would therefore recommend to the favourable consideration of Your Honorable House a Bill embodying the views of the Petitioner, which will shortly be presented.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN PRINCE,
Chairman.

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Prince* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to encourage and to provide for the extension of the practice of vaccination."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act conveying to the City of *Toronto* " certain Water Lots, with power to the said City for the construction of an " Esplanade, and to enable the said City to locate the Grand Trunk Railroad and " other Railroads along the frontage of the said City," and also the Petition of *William Rees*, praying " that the said Bill may not become law in its present " shape," 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.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Masson*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of the Mayor and Town Council of *St. Hyacinthe*, praying for a new Act of Incorporation; and also the Petition of *G. F. Barnes* and others, praying for certain amendments to the 16th *Victoria* chap. 326, be referred to the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill to incorporate the City of *St. Hyacinthe*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate " the Village of *Elora*, in the County of *Wellington*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to legalize " and make valid certain By-laws of the late Home District Council passed in " reference to certain Roads in the County of *Ontario*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain " Road Allowance in the Township of *Brantford* in *George S. Wilkes*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Lindsay*, and define the limits thereof," was as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Collingwood*," was as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for the establishment of a certain Concession Line in the Township of *Clarke*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act further to provide for the accommodation of the Courts of Superior Jurisdiction in *Upper Canada*, and for that purpose to amend, extend and continue two certain Acts therein mentioned," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Criminal Law, as regards the uttering of certain spurious Foreign Coin," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for the Imposing and Collection of Tolls on the Public Works," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend and extend the Act to establish Mutual Insurance Companies in *Upper Canada*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Board of Examiners of Surveyors for *Upper Canada*, to examine *William Grain* for admission as a Surveyor."

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

That the same be discharged.

After Debate,

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the construction of Water Works in the Village of *Terrebonne*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Masson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to divide the Township of *Halifax* into two separate Townships."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855, and erect *St. Aubert* into a separate Municipality."

The Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr *Cartier*,

That the forty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to the said Bill.

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *de La Terrière*, *Cartier* and *Duchesnay*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The House was informed that the Managers for the Legislative Assembly were ready in the Conference Chamber on the subject of the Rules relating to Private Bills, with a view to uniformity of regulation respecting the same.

The names of the Managers for this House were then called over.

The House was adjourned during pleasure, and their Honors went to the Conference,

Which being ended, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* 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. *Cameron* and others, who delivered to them a paper containing as follows :—

That all applications for private or local Bills for granting to any individual or individuals any exclusive or peculiar rights or privileges whatsoever, or for doing any matter or thing which in its operation would affect the rights or property of other parties, or for making any amendment of a like nature to any former Act, shall require the following notice to be published, viz :

In Upper Canada—A notice inserted in one newspaper published in the County or Union of Counties affected, or if there be no paper published therein, then in a newspaper in the next nearest County in which a newspaper is published.

In Lower Canada—A notice inserted in one newspaper in the English and one newspaper in the French language, in the District affected, or in both languages if there be but one paper : or if there be no paper published therein, then [in both languages] in a paper published in an adjoining District. Such notices shall be continued in each case for a period of at least two months, during the interval of time between the close of the next preceding Session and the consideration of the

Petition. Provided that if the application be of such a nature as not to affect any particular locality the notice may be published in the *Official Gazette*.

That before any Petition praying for leave to bring in a Private Bill for the erection of a Toll Bridge, is presented to this House, the person or persons purposing to petition for such bill shall, upon giving the notice prescribed by the preceding Rule, also, at the same time, and in the same manner, give a notice in writing, stating the rates which they intend to ask, the extent of the privilege, the height of the arches, the interval between the abutments or piers for the passage of Rafts and Vessels, and mentioning also whether they purpose to erect a Drawbridge or not, and the dimensions of such Drawbridge—neither House shall enquire whether any rule of the other House respecting a private or local Bill has been complied with, but each House shall confine itself to enquiries into the compliance with its own rules. That the fee payable on the second reading of any private or local Bill, shall be paid only in the House in which such Bill originates, but the disbursements for printing such Bill shall be paid in each House.

That when any private or local Bill requiring the publication of notice in any local newspaper, shall be read a second time in either House, notice of such second reading shall be communicated to the Clerk of the other House, and notice shall be immediately put up in the Lobby of both Houses, that such second reading has taken place, and the putting up of such notice shall be a sufficient compliance with the Rules of either House, requiring notice to be posted in the Lobby.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

Ordered, That the subject matter of the said Paper be printed and taken into consideration by the House on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and make better provision for the encouragement of Agriculture, and also to provide for the promotion of Mechanical Science," was read a third time.

Upon the question being put whether this Bill shall pass?

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said Bill do not now pass, but that the same be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

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

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with

several amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the said Report be now received, 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.

Upon the question being then put, whether this Bill, with the amendments shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Murney* enters.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to encourage the gradual Civilization of the Indian Tribes in this Province, and to amend the Laws respecting Indians."

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*.

That the said Bill be read a second time presently.

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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

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

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *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.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital, to raise a further loan of money," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Hermannus Smith*, and *Widmer*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *Josiah D. Wellington* a certain allowance for road in the Township of "*Brighton*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Perry*, and *Seymour*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the City of *Toronto* to erect Water Works, and to levy a water rate," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Masson*, *Seymour*, *Boulton*, and *Dickson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Whitby* in *John W. Gamble*, Esquire.

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bourret*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Perry* and *Patton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Municipality of the Township of *McGillivray* to "dispose of certain Road Allowances in the said Township."

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, 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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Armstrong*, *Moore*, *Perry* and *Boulton* to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to protect the property and rights of Married Women in *Upper Canada*."

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*. That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After a short Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Vankoughnet*, *Dickson*, *Dessaulles*, *Masson*, *Boulton* and *Prince*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the "Toronto Horticultural Society," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Moore*, *J. Morris*, *Ferrier* and *Seymour*, 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 Bill intituled "An Act for further increasing the "efficiency and simplifying the proceedings of the Court of Chancery."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* 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:—

P. 4, l. 34.—After "personally" insert "Any absent defendant may be served with a copy of any Bill or proceeding in the said Court although without the jurisdiction of the said Court, without any application being previously made to the said Court for the allowance of such service, but no such service shall be allowed except upon proof to the satisfaction of such Court, that such service has been made, and upon order allowing the same."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bourret*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed and the Bill as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for putting the House into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the organization of Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow, and that it do then stand as the first item upon the Orders for that Day.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Canadian* Literary Institute of *Woodstock*," was read a second time.

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to change the tenure of the Indian lands in the Township of *Dundee*, in the County of *Huntingdon*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Acts relating to the *Stanstead*, *Shefford* and *Chambly* Railroad Company," was read a second time,

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Knowlton*, *Moore* and *Dessaulles*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to abolish the rights of Primogeniture, and to afford relief to parties succeeding to the real estate of persons dying intestate, in certain cases in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time,

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Vankoughnet*, *Prince*, *Boulton* and *Dickson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855, and to erect *St. Lambert* into a distinct Municipality."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto and Owen Sound Central Railway Company*."

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, 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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton, J. Morris, Armstrong, Seymour* and *Perry*, to meet adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to vest certain real estate of the late *Thomas Benson* in the hands of "Trustees,"

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, 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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, That the said bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Seymour* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Charter of the *Ontario, Simcoe and Huron Railroad Union Company*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the surviving Executor of the late *John McIntosh*, Esquire, to lease certain real property in *Toronto*," and to acquaint

this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to correct an Error in an Act of the present Session relative to the Harbour and Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Bank of *Brantford*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled An Act for the construction of Water Works in the City of *Hamilton*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the "*De Salaberry* Navigation Company of *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Masson*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Act relating to the *Galt* and "*Guelph* Railway, and to incorporate the *Preston* and *Berlin* Railway Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Mills*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to make more ample provision for the incorporation of the Town of *Three-Rivers*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Post-Office Laws of this Province," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*,

That when the House adjourns this day it do stand adjourned until to-morrow at half past ten o'clock in the forenoon.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable the Speaker reported that a Commission under the Great Seal had been issued appointing *Olivier Vallerand*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod.

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

PROVINCE OF CANADA.

EDMUND HEAD.

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 faithful and loving Subject, *Olivier Vallerand*, Esquire.

GREETING:

KNOW You that reposing trust and confidence in your loyalty, integrity and ability, We have nominated, constituted and appointed, and by these presents do nominate, constitute and appoint you the said *Olivier Vallerand* to the Office and place of *Gentleman Usher* of the *Black Rod* of the Legislative Council of our Province of *Canada*, in the room and stead of *René Kimber*, Esquire, absent on leave, and whose Commission is hereby suspended, and to perform the duties incumbent upon the Gentleman Usher of the *Black Rod*, of attending upon the said Legislative Council of our said Province.

To have and to hold the said Office and place for and during the remainder of the present Session of the Legislature of Our said Province, together with all

the rights, powers, authorities, profits and emoluments to the said Office belonging or which of right ought to belong and appertain,

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of our said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, OUR Trusty and Well-Beloved Sir EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, 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 TORONTO, this TWENTY-THIRD day of MAY, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven, and in the Twentieth year of Our Reign.

By Command,

T. L'E TERILL, *Secretary.*

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THOS. AMIOT,
Deputy Registrar.

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

Saturday, 30th May, 1857.

The Members convened, were:

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
DE BEAUJEU,
ROSS,
MILLS,
PANET,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,

The Honorable Messieurs

PERRY,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DE LA THERIÈRE,
DÉCHESNAY,
MASSON,
VANOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PATON,
MURPHY,
SMITH, HOLLIS
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* enters.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of *Frederick John Cheshire* of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Masson*—of the Reverend *William Macalister* and others of *Métis*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*—of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *Hamilton*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of *J. Daly* and others of *Stratford*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of *F. H. Heward* and others of *Toronto*—and of the Provisional Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*—of *Samuel C. Cole* and others of the Township of *Plympton* and *Sarnia*, and of the Village of *Perchmouth*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*—of the Reverend *Henry Patton* and others of *Cornwall*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Moore*—of *John Reid* and *Robert Shepperd*.

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

Of the Mechanics' Institute, *Brantford*, praying that copies of the Statutes, Journals and other Parliamentary Papers may be sent to the said Institute.

Of the Reeves and Deputy Reeves of the County of *Peel*, praying for the amendment of the Act to provide for the separation of the County of *Peel* from the County of *York*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Carleton*, praying that Jurors attending the administration of Justice in *Lower Canada* may not be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund.

Of the *St. Patrick's* Library Association of the City of *Ottawa*, praying for pecuniary aid.

Of *William Stanley* of the City of *Toronto*, praying for certain amendments to the Bill intituled "An Act for further increasing the efficiency and simplifying the proceedings of the Court of Chancery."

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Armstrong* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the several Acts to remedy 'abuses prejudicial to Agriculture,'" 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 :—

- P. 2, l. 41.—Leave out from “Stallion” to “£” and insert “not under two years
“of age, not less than £1 5s. nor more than”
- P. 2, l. 42.—After “Ram” insert “not less than 5s. nor more than”
- P. 4, l. 25.—After “be” insert “2, the person who shall have confined such animal
“shall be bound to provide it with proper food, in sufficient
“quantity, and to give it water and take proper care of it,
“under a penalty of two shillings for each day during which
“he shall neglect to do so, besides the damages occasioned
“by such neglect. This penalty and these damages, if any,
“shall belong to the owner of such animal, and may be
“recovered by him before a Justice of the Peace if the person
“who shall have confined the animal refuse or neglect to pay
“them, after having been required so to do.”
- P. 4, l. 38.—After “sold” insert “on the said Monday.”
- P. 4, l. 39.—Leave out from “effect” to “by.”
- P. 6, l. 3.—Leave out “six” and insert “five.”
- P. 6, l. 4.—Leave out “six” and insert “nine.”
- P. 6, l. 7.—After “of” insert “not more than.”
- P. 6, l. 30.—Leave out “less” and insert “more.”
- P. 8, l. 5.—After “seed” insert “or any person bound to keep in order any public
“or private road or by-road.”
- P. 8, l. 9.—After “commons” insert “or public or private road or by-road.”
- P. 10, l. 21.—After “open” insert “deepen.”
- P. 13, l. 26.—Leave out from “sworn” to “by” in l. 27.
- P. 13, l. 44.—Leave out from “other” to “than” and insert “property.”
- P. 13, l. 45.—Leave out “those” and insert “that.”
- P. 14, l. 4.—Leave out from “affect” to “not” in line 5 and insert “property
“which was.”
- P. 15, l. 17.—Leave out from “course” to “The” in line 22.
- P. 15, l. 37.—After “interested” insert “in a Water Course.”

- P. 15, l. 38.—Leave out “may” and insert “shall.”
- P. 15, l. 39.—Leave out “any” and insert “such.”
- P. 16, l. 1.—Leave out from “than” to “and” and insert “two years.”
- P. 16, l. 19.—After “works” insert “4. If the Inspector finds that the line ditch
“of the party complaining is equally insufficient, and if he
“is required so to do by the person of whom complaint is
“made, he shall immediately condemn the party complaining
“to deepen, cleanse or repair his line ditch within a delay
“which shall not exceed the time strictly necessary.”
- P. 16, l. 25.—After “complaint” insert “mentioned in the preceding sections.”
- P. 17, l. 26.—After “work” insert “4. If the Inspector finds that the line fence
“of the complainant is equally insufficient, and if he is re-
“quired so to do by the person complained of he shall imme-
“diately condemn the complainant to repair it within a
“delay which shall not exceed the time strictly necessary.”
- P. 18, l. 15.—Leave out “District” and insert “Parish or Township.”
- P. 18, l. 26.—After “party” insert “or they shall be paid in equal portions by
“the parties interested in the matter in dispute, if the In-
“specter have condemned them respectively to perform their
“joint labour or cause it to be performed.”
- P. 19, l. 10.—Leave out “he” and insert “Inspector.”
- P. 19, l. 14.—Leave out “such” and insert “all.”
- P. 19, l. 15.—After “him” insert “in virtue of this Act. The copies thus certified
“shall be received in evidence in all Courts of competent
“jurisdiction or before any Justice of the Peace.”
- P. 19, l. 16.—Leave out from “it” to “law” in line 35 both inclusive, and insert
Clause A.

CLAUSE A.

“It shall be lawful for any person who shall have made or
“caused to be made any water course, ditch, bridge, fence or
“*decouvert*, in conformity with the provisions of this Act to
“recover the amount of the expense incurred in performing
“such work from the person bound to perform such work or
“from the owner of the land on which it has been performed
“before any Court of competent jurisdiction or before any
“Justice of the Peace if the person bound to perform such
“work shall neglect or refuse to pay such amount; and such
“amount may be recovered in the manner prescribed by the

"laws and Statutes in force or which shall be in force, in
"Lower Canada."

P. 20, l. 5.—Leave out from "changes" to "any" in line 12 and insert "3, These
"affidavits shall be annexed to the *procès-verbal* drawn up
"on the occasion, and copies of these affidavits certified by
"the person charged with the enregistrement of the *procès*
"*verbal*, shall be sufficient proof before any Court of com-
"petent jurisdiction, or before any Justice of the Peace."

P. 20, l. 40.—After "therein" insert "5, With the exception of the cases for
"which it is otherwise provided by this Act, no Inspector
"shall act as such in any matter in which he shall be inter-
"ested, or in which any one of his relations within the third
"degree, shall be interested. If it be impossible to find in
"the Parish or Township in which the services of an Inspector
"are required, any disinterested Inspector not related at
"aforesaid, an Inspector shall be chosen from one of the
"neighboring Parishes or Townships."

P. 21, l. 11.—After "recovered" insert "summarily."

P. 21, l. 21.—After "committed" insert "unless it is otherwise provided."

P. 21, l. 39.—After "penalty" insert "or damages and costs, as the case may be."

P. 22, l. 32.—Leave out from "day" to "of," where it occurs the second time
"and leave out from "Court" to "ten" in line 33, and insert,
"next following the expiration of."

P. 22, l. 33.—Leave out "after" and insert "from," and leave out from "judg-
"ment" to "the" in line 35.

P. 23, l. 25.—Leave out from "the" where it occurs the second time, to "costs"
in line 26.

P. 23, l. 28.—Leave out from "execution" to "in," in line 29.

P. 23, l. 33.—Leave out from "no" to "such," in line 34.

P. 23, l. 34.—After "judgment" insert "shall be removed by, or quashed upon
"writ of *certiorari*."

P. 23, l. 39.—Leave out from "Worship" to "in" in line 40.

P. 24, l. 28.—After "shall" insert "mean equally, and."

P. 24, l. 36.—After "the," where it occurs the second time, insert "third," and
"leave out from "degree" to the end of the Bill.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of consent

rence put on each they were severally agreed to,

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

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson* and *Cartier* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to vest certain real estate of the late *Thomas Benson* in the hands of Trustees," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass;

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Whitby* in *John W. Gamble*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Beaujeu*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Canadian* Literary Institute of *Woodstock*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto and Owen Sound Central 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 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 vest in *Josiah D. Wellington* a certain allowance for Road in the Township of *Brighton*," 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. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*,

That the Honorable Mr. *Seymour* be added to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill to provide for the disposal of Road Allowances in the Rural Municipalities of *Upper Canada*, and that the Honorable Mr. *Crooks* be relieved from further attendance upon the said Select Committee.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Knowlton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Acts relating to the *Stantead, Shefford and Chambly Railroad Company*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the North Western Steam Navigation Company of *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 :

P. 9, l. 37—After "Shareholder" insert clause A.

CLAUSE A.

"If after making trial of the proposed connexion with the Ontario, Simcoe and Huron Railway at Collingwood, it shall be deemed advisable, at a special meeting of the Shareholders to be called for that purpose, (one month's notice of such meeting to be given to each Shareholder,) to connect with some other line of Railway terminating at the Shore of Lake Huron, it shall and may be lawful for the Company to place their Vessels in connexion with such other line; upon condition, however, that payment be first made to the Shareholders residing in the County of *Simcoe* of the amount of their paid up Shares, and interest at the rate of six per cent, or such proportion thereof as may have been paid in, together with interest as aforesaid upon each instalment from the day of payment thereof."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to.

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

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* Horticultural 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 printed and read a third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Municipality of the Township of *McGillivray* to dispose of certain Road Allowances in the said Township," 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. *de La Terrière* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855, and to erect *Saint Aubert* into a separate Municipality," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* Island Bridge Company."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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 amend the Act authorizing the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads in *Lower Canada*, with a view to encourage the construction of good and useful roads throughout *Lower Canada*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to enable the inhabitants of the Parish of *St. François du Lac* better to regulate the Common of *St. François*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Fergus*, in the County of *Wellington*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the First Free Will Baptist Church in *Hatley*, to receive a legacy bequeathed to the said Church," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Messieurs *Gordon* and *Widmer* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Law relative to the Inspectors of Houses of Public Entertainment," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the the Act conveying to the City of *Toronto* certain Water Lots, with power to the said City for the construction of an Esplanade, and to enable the said City to locate the Grand Trunk Railroad and other Railroads along the frontage of the said City," was read a third time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*,

That the following Proviso be added to the said Bill:—

"Provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall apply to or affect any of the lands or property formerly vested in the Principal Officers of Her Majesty's Ordnance, and referred to in the Act passed in the nineteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign, chaptered forty-five, or any lands or property of Her Majesty; nor shall any of the powers herein given to the Mayor, Aldermen, and Commonalty of the City of *Toronto* be construed, as in any way applying thereto."

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

Ordered, That the said Proviso be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to encourage the gradual Civilization of the Indian Tribes in this Province, and to amend the Laws respecting Indians," was read a third time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*,

That the said Bill do now pass.

Which being objected to,

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

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for further increasing the efficiency and simplifying the proceedings of the Court of Chancery," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The 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 relating to the organization of Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière* 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 this day.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Brantford* and South Western Railway Company."

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*,

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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the

Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Seymour, Fergusson, Boulton, and Gordon*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to divide the Township of *Halifax* into two separate Townships," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to change the tenure of the Indian Lands in the Township of *Dundee*, in the County of *Huntingdon*."

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier, Ross, Moore, Cartier, and Vankoughnet*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855, and to erect *St. Lambert* into a distinct Municipality," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier, Dessaulles, and Knowlton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to correct an Error in the Act of the present Session relative to the Harbour and Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Bank of *Brantford*."

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*,

That the forty-ninth and fifty-seventh Rules of this House be dispensed with in so far as they relate to the said Bill.

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Dickson*, *Armstrong*, *Moore*, and *Seymour*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled An Act for the construction of Water Works in the City of *Hamilton*."

Then the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*,

That the forty-ninth and fifty-seventh Rules of this House be dispensed with in so far as they relate to the said Bill.

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Harmannus Smith*, *Mills*, *Fergusson*, *Hollis Smith*, and *Ferrie*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *De Salaberry* Navigation Company of *Montreal*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Dessaulles*, *Masson*, and *Moore*, 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 *Three Rivers*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Moore*, *Ferrier*, *Panet*, and *de Beaujeu*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Charter of the *Marmora* Foundry Company, and to change its name to the *Marmora* Iron 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 on Monday next.

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure, and again put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the organization of Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière* 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 a second time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill with the amendments be printed, and read a third time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Sandwich*, in the County of *Essex*," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with an amendment to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

The said amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows:

P. 1, l. 22.—After "town" insert "Provided always that this Act shall not affect
"the rights of the Sandwich and Windsor Gravel Road
"Company."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon the same was agreed to.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, it was

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to the amendment made to the last mentioned Bill without any amendment.

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

Monday, 1st June, 1857.

The Members convened, were:

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
DE BEAUJEU,
MILLS,

The Honorable Messieurs

PANET,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
CAETIER,
DICKSON,
SMITH, HAEMANNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
MASSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Dessaullès*—of *D. S. Ramsay* and others, Proprietors of Fiefs and Seigniories in *Lower Canada*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the Reeves of *Woodhouse, North Norwich, South Norwich, and Woodstock*—and of *Frederick John Cheshire* of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*—of *John Harbour* and others of *Gaspé Basin* and vicinity.

By the Honorable the Speaker—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Enniskillen*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Dereham*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petition was read:—

Of the County Council of *Oxford*, praying against the passing of the Bill to incorporate "The Great Southern Railway Company," and that they may be heard by Counsel at the Bar of this House against the said Bill.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Beaujeu*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *D. S. Ramsay* and others, Proprietors of Fiefs and Seignories, presented this day, be printed for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855, and to erect *St. Lambert* into a distinct 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 to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Brantford* and South-Western 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 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 Bank of *Brantford*," 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 amend the several Acts to remedy abuses prejudicial to Agriculture," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* and *Owen Sound* Central Railway Company," was read a third time. The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *Josiah D. Wellington* a certain allowance for road in the Township of *Brighton*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint

that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the North Western Steam Navigation Company of *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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* Horticultural Society," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Municipality of the Township of *McGillivray* to dispose of certain Road Allowances in the said Township," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act conveying to the City of *Toronto* certain Water Lots, with power to the said City for the construction of an Esplanade, and to enable the said City to locate the Grand Trunk Railroad or other Railroads along the frontage of the said City," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill as amended shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to divide the Township of *Halifax* into two separate Townships," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint

that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the organization of Agricultural Societies 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to correct an Error in an Act of the present Session relative to the Harbour and Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Charter of the *Marmora* Foundry Company, and to change its name to the *Marmora* Iron Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* enters.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Acts providing for the separation of the County of *Peel* from the County of *York*."

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Desaulles*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After debate,

The said motion was by leave of the House withdrawn, and it was

Ordered, That the Order for the second reading of the said Bill be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to encourage and to provide for the extension of the practice of vaccination,"

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* enters.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the subject matter of the paper presented by the Managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly at the Conference held on the subject of the Rules relating to Private Bills,

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, That the said Order be discharged, and that the subject matter of the said paper be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

After Debate,

The said motion was by leave of the House withdrawn, and it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Act relating to the *Galt and Guelph* Railway, and to incorporate the *Preston and Berlin* Railway Company," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Mills, Fergusson, and Ferrier*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Post Office Laws of this Province."

And also of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* Island Bridge Company."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Wednesday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act for further increasing the efficiency and simplifying the proceedings of the Court of Chancery," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to legalise certain proceedings of the Municipality of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *St. Olair, Chatham and Bondeau* Ship

“Canal Company, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled “An Act to explain and amend the Municipal Loan Fund Acts,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate the *Eastwood* and *Berlin* Railway Company,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House,

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince* seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Goodhue*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled “An Act to provide for the Codification of the Laws of *Lower Canada* relative to Civil matters and Procedure,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

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

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled “An Act to explain an Act intituled An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Hamilton* and *Toronto* Railway Company,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled “An Act to authorize *G. S. Wilkes* to construct a Dam on the “Grand River at *Holmedale*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, it was

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

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

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled "An Act to constitute the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish of *Quebec* a Corporation for the management of the *Finlay* Asylum at *Quebec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Walker*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act for amending the Act for incorporating and granting certain powers to the Canadian Loan and Investment 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 :

P. 2, l. 35.—After "mentioned" insert "Provided always that three of the Directors of the said Company shall be resident in Canada, and that Stockholders of the said Company resident in Canada, shall at all times be entitled to vote either in person or by proxy at all meetings of the Company in Canada or elsewhere, and shall have sufficient notice of all such meetings given to them for that purpose."

The said amendment being read a second time and the question of concurrence put thereon the same was agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

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

Tuesday, 2nd June, 1857

The Members convened, were:

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
GORDON,
FERRIER,

The Honorable Messieurs

PANET,
SEYMOUE,
ARMSTRONG,
DICKSON,
SMITH, HARMAUNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Messieurs *Masson, J. Morris, Cartier, Duchesnay, Ross, and de Beaujeu* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of *Henry Airth* on behalf of the inhabitants of the County of *Renfrew* in Public Meeting assembled.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*—of the Reeves and Deputy Reeves of the Townships of *Toronto, Gore of Toronto, and Albion*, in the County of *Peel*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Ross*—of the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company of the City of *Toronto*—and of *Thomas Wilkinson* and others of the Township of *Whitby*.

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

Of *F. H. Heward* and others of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Bridge over *Ashbridge's Bay* to the Island opposite the said City of *Toronto*.

Of *John Reid* and *Robert Shepherd*, praying to be indemnified for certain works performed on the *St. Lawrence Canals*.

Of *Frederick John Cheshire* of *Toronto*, praying that the Bill to provide for the civilization of the Indians may not become law until certain documents and papers shall have been examined by this House.

Of the Reverend *William Macalister* and others of *Métis*, praying for a grant to build a Wharf and open a certain road in that settlement.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the City of *Hamilton*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to construct certain works in order to protect the said City from floods.

Of the Provisional Council of the County of *Bruce*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable said County to assist in the construction of "The *Canada North West Railway*."

Of *J. Daly* and others of *Stratford*—and of the Reverend *Henry Patton* and others of *Cornwall*, severally praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better observance of the Lord's Day.

Of *Samuel C. Cole* and others of the Townships of *Plympton* and *Sarnia*, and of the Village of *Perchmouth*, praying against the passing of any Bill to widen, extend and deepen the "Cull Drain."

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled, An Act for the "construction of Water Works in the City of *Hamilton*," 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:—

P. 1, l. 15.—After "five" insert "in the said third Concession."

The said amendment being read a second time and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Act relating to the *Galt and Guelph Railway*, and to incorporate the *Preston and Berlin 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 read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Iberville, Brome, Shefford* and *Missis-* " *quoi* 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 :—

- P. 2, l. 51.—After "Directors" insert "the number of votes that."
- P. 2, l. 52.—Leave out from "to" to "he" and insert "shall be in proportion to
"the number of shares."
- P. 3, l. 1.—After "Company" insert "according to the following scale,—
"that is
"to say, for one or two shares, one vote, for three shares, two
"votes, for six shares, three votes, for eight shares, five votes,
"and for ten or more shares, six votes, so that no Stockholder
"shall be entitled to give more than six votes."
- P. 3, l. 3.—Leave out from "McCorkell" to "who" in line 4 and insert "F. X.
"Langelier."
- P. 4, l. 25.—Leave out "fifth" and insert "fourth."
- P. 4, l. 26.—Leave out "ten" and insert "forty."
- P. 5, l. 12.—Leave out from "otherwise" to "the."
- P. 5, l. 13.—Leave out "may" and insert "shall" and leave out "any" and
insert "a."
- P. 5, l. 16.—Leave out "three" and insert "four."
- P. 17, l. 19.—After "applied" insert "Provided always that no Stock shall be
"subscribed for, acquired, accepted and held, or departed
"with and transferred under this section by any Municipality
"unless nor until a By-Law to that effect shall have been
"approved by a majority of the qualified Electors of such
"Municipality in the manner and after the formalities re-
"quired for the approval of By-Laws by the Municipal
"Loan Fund Acts now in force in Lower Canada; and pro-
"vided also that when and so long as any Municipality shall
"hold Stock in the said Company to the extent of fifty shares
"or more, the Mayor or Chief Officer for the time being of
"such Municipality shall be *ex-officio* a Director of such

“ Company in addition to the seven Directors hereinbefore mentioned ; but in that case such Mayor or Chief Officer shall not vote on behalf of such Municipality at any election of Directors of such Company.”

P. 18, l. 43—After “ toll ” insert clause A.

CLAUSE A.

“ Nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to entitle the said Company to demand toll for the horses, cattle or vehicles of any proprietor of land along the line of their road passing any of their gates in going to and fro between parts of the same farm or between two or more farms belonging to such proprietor, nor to oblige such proprietor to pay tolls for the same or make him liable to any penalty for evading payment of tolls under such circumstances.”

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the Bill, as amended, read a third time on Thursday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankonghnet* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to authorize the City of *Toronto* to erect Water Works, and to levy a water rate,” 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 Thursday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to amend the Laws relating to the solemnization of matrimony in *Upper Canada*,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow:—

P. 1, l. 27.—After “ pence ” insert “ From and after the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.”

P. 1, l. 35.—After “ year ” insert “ after the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.”

P. 2, l. 11.—Leave out “ five ” and insert “ ten.”

P. 2, l. 23.—After “Canada” insert “Provided however, that nothing in this Act
“contained shall be construed or held to prevent the payment
“to the officiating Clergyman or Minister of such remunera-
“tion as the parties may see fit to make.”

P. 3, l. 18.—After “named” insert Cisuses A and B.

CLAUSE A.

“It shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Peace for each
“County or Union of Counties in Upper Canada to procure
“without delay from the Queen’s Printer, a sufficient num-
“ber of copies of this Act to enable him to mail one to the
“address of each Clergyman or Minister entitled to
“solemnize matrimony under the provisions of this Act
“whom he shall know, or shall ascertain at any time within
“six months from and after the passing of this Act to be
“resident in such County or Union of Counties, and to mail
“the same accordingly, and also from time to time to furnish
“all such Clergymen or Ministers on demand with the books
“and with printed blank forms for the lists to be used and
“returned by them in pursuance of this Act; and such
“books shall have columns and headings printed on each
“page thereof according to the form of the Schedule here-
“unto annexed, and shall, as shall also the blank forms
“aforesaid, be of such size and form as to admit of the
“necessary entries being conveniently made therein, and
“the cost of such books and forms as well as of procuring
“and distributing copies of this Act as aforesaid, shall be
“borne by the Counties or Unions of Counties respectively.”

CLAUSE B.

“Copies of this Act shall be mailed from the office of the
“Provincial Secretary to the addresses of the Clerks of the
“Peace of the several Counties and Unions of Counties in
“Upper Canada respectively as soon as conveniently may
“be after the passing of the same.”

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr *Dickson*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the Bill, as amended read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred

the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Laws of *Upper Canada* relating to the incorporation of Villages," 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:—

P. 1, l. 11.—After "Village" insert "After having given one month's notice in
"some newspaper published in each County in which such
"Village may be situated."

P. 1, l. 27.—After "Counties" insert "or of two or more Ridings of the same
"County, or of two or more Electoral Divisions."

P. 1, l. 29.—After "Counties" insert "or Ridings or Electoral Divisions."

P. 1, l. 44.—Leave out from "Canada" to "all" in p. 2, l. 9.

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the "*Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855, and to erect *St. Lambert* into "a distinct Municipality," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate "the *Brantford* and South Western Railway Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate "the 'Bank of *Brantford*,'" was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for amending the Act for incorporating and granting certain powers to the Canadian Loan and Investment 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* enters.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the construction of Water Works in the Village of *Terrebonne*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Masson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaules*, it was

Ordered, That the same be discharged.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Acts providing for the separation of the County of *Peel* from the County of *York*."

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*,

That the forty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill.

Which being objected to,

After Debate,

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

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the subject matter of the paper presented by the Managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly at the Conference held on the subject of the Rules relating to Private Bills.

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

That the House be now put into a Committee of Privileges for the purpose of taking the subject matter of the said paper into consideration.

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

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of Privileges.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable the Speaker reported from the said Committee that they had taken the subject referred to them into consideration, and had agreed to a certain Resolution which he was directed to submit for the adoption of the House.

Which said Resolution was then read by the Clerk as follows :—

Resolved, That the Message of the Legislative Assembly dated the 28th ultimo, requesting a Conference with this House on the subject of the Rules relating to Private Bills with a view to uniformity of regulation respecting the same ;—and also the paper delivered to the Managers on the part of this House by the Managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly at the Conference, held on Saturday the 30th ultimo, be referred for consideration, and report to the Committee appointed on the 19th day of March last to examine the Rules of this Honorable House, and report such changes and amendments as experience may deem necessary and advisable.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and ordered that the said Report be adopted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “ An Act to legalize certain proceedings of the Municipality of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*,” was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince*, *Knowlton* and *Dessaulles*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “ An Act to incorporate the *St. Clair, Chatham and Rondeau* Ship Canal Company;” was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince*, *J. Morris*, *Moore*, *Mills* and *de La Terrière*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “ An Act to incorporate the *Eastwood and Berlin* Railway Company.”

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, 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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince*, *de Blaquière*, *Ross*, *Dickson* and *Goodhue*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize *G. S. Wilkes* to construct a Dam on the *Grand River* at "*Holmedale*."

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, That the forty-ninth and fifty-seventh Rules of this House be dispensed with in so far as they relate to the said Bill.

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Dickson, Seymour, Ferrie* and *Gordon*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to amend the Sleigh Ordinances.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaules*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Masson*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to constitute the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish of *Quebec*, a "Corporation for the management of the *Finlay* Asylum of *Quebec*."

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*,

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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Walker* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Walker, Boulton* and *Knowlton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return

the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the North Western Steam Navigation Company of *Canada*."

And also the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act conveying to the City of *Toronto* certain Water Lots, with power to the said City for the construction of an Esplanade, and to enable the said City to locate the Grand Trunk Railroad and other Railroads along the frontage of the said City," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bills without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend and extend the Charter of the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Draining of Lake *Wawanosh*, in the Township of *Sarnia*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Provisional Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce*, to take stock in certain Railways," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the International Bridge Company," to which they desire concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Judicature Acts of *Lower Canada*," to

which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the several Acts to remedy abuses prejudicial to Agriculture," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Joliette Mining Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to enable Counties united for Municipal purposes to carry on improvements independently of each other," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to alter the limits of the Township of *Halifax*, and the Parish of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to divide the Township of *Whitby* in the County of *Ontario*, into two separate Municipalities," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *London and Lake Huron Railway Company*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Goodhue*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to enable the City Council of the City of *London*, to sell 'and convey certain land in the City of *London*, called the Potters' Field,'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Goodhue*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

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

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

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to vest certain Road Allowances in the Township of "*Whitby in Thomas N. Gibbs, Esquire*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the City of *Hamilton* to negotiate a Loan of "one hundred thousand pounds," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a

Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Strathroy and Port Frank* Railway Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Fort Erie* Railway Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Masson*, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *de Beaujeu* be added to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the City of *St. Hyacinthe*," and that the Honorable Mr. *Hollis Smith* be relieved from further attendance upon the said Committee.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the time limited for receiving Petitions for Private Bills, and for receiving Private Bills, be extended to this day week.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*,

That when this House adjourns to-morrow, it do stand adjourned until Thursday next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.

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

Ordered accordingly.

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

Wednesday, 3rd June, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
GORDON,
FERRIER,
BOURET,

The Honorable Messieurs

PANET,
SEYMOUR,
PERRY,
CARTIER,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS :

The Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Armstrong*, and *Moore* enter.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of the Municipal Council of the Village of *Oshawa*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Goodhue*—of *Elijah Leonard*, a Director and Shareholder in the *London and Port Stanley Railway Company*—of the City of *London* Board of Trade—and of *Robert Craig* and others of the County of *Middlesex*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of *Richard Smith* and others of the Township of *Woodhouse*—and of the Mayor and Common Council of the City of *Schenectady*.

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

Of *D. S. Ramsay* and others, proprietors of Fiefs and Seigniories in *Lower Canada*, praying for certain amendments to the Seigniorial Act of 1856.

Of the Reeves of *Woodhouse*, *North Norwich*, *South Norwich* and *Woodstock*, praying against the passing of the Bill to incorporate “The Great Southern Railway Company.”

Of *Frederick John Cheshire* of *Toronto*, praying that his Petitions may be

printed, and that the Bill "to provide for the Civilization of the Indians" be re-considered.

Of *John Harbour* and others of *Gaspé Basin* and vicinity, praying that measures may be adopted to secure the better Observance of the Lord's Day.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Lenniskillen*, praying for the establishment of a Lunatic Asylum in the City of *London*.

Of the Municipal Council of *Dereham*, praying that measures may be taken to give effect to the recommendation of the Legislative Assembly to annul the sentence of banishment passed on *P. F. Gourlay* in the year 1819.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Seymour* be added to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House.

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

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Renard* be added to the Select Committee to whom has been referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the '*De Salaberry Navigation Company of Montreal*,'" and that the Honorable Mr. *Masson* be relieved from further attendance upon the said Committee.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to abolish the rights of Primogeniture, and to afford relief to parties succeeding to the real estate of persons dying intestate, in certain cases 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 read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Walker* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to constitute the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish of *Quebec*, a Corporation for the management of the *Finlay* Asylum at *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 read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Messieurs *Ross* and *Vankonghnet* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled, An Act for the construction of Water Works in the City of *Hamilton*," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Act relating to the *Galt* and *Guelph* Railway, and to incorporate the *Preston* and *Berlin* Railway Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Laws relating to the solemnization of Matrimony 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the the Municipal Laws of *Upper Canada* relating to the incorporation of Villages," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to encourage and to provide for the extension of the practice of Vaccination," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Post-Office Laws of this Province,"

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

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

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* 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 :—

P. 1, l. 22.—After “fortnightly” insert “or monthly.”

P. 1, l. 25.—After “to” insert “Religious and to.”

P. 3, l. 4.—After “incurred” insert Clause A.

CLAUSE A.

“This Act shall take effect on and from the first day of
“August next.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* Island Bridge Company,”

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*,

That the Forty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far it relates to this Bill.

After Debate,

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*.

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton, Vankoughnet, Dickson, Seymour* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Messieurs *Duchesnay* and *de Beaujeu* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Municipal Loan Fund Acts, was read a second time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently. The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *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.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the Codification of the Laws of *Lower Canada* relative to Civil matters and Procedure," was read a second time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bourret*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently. The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to explain an Act intituled An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Hamilton and Toronto Railway Company*."

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, That the fifty-seventh 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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince*, *Dickson*, *Mills*, and *Patton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the "Sleigh Ordinances," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Armstrong*, *Bourret*, *Panet*, *Cartier* and *de La Terrière*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and "extend the Charter of the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway Company," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Hamilton*, *de Blaquière*, *Boulton* and *Seymour*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Provisional Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce*, "to take Stock in certain Railways,"

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, 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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Patton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Prince*, *Armstrong*, *Boulton*, and *Dickson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate

“the International Bridge Company,” was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince, Dickson, J. Morris, Fergusson and Dessaulles*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Joliette Mining Company*,”

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*,

That the forty-ninth and fifty-seventh Rules of this House be dispensed with in so far as they relate to the said Bill.

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier, Renaud and Dessaulles*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to enable Counties united for Municipal purposes to carry on improvements independently of each other,” was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier, Ross, and Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “An Act to alter the limits of the Township of *Halifax*, and the Parish of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*,”

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*, it was

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to divide the Township of *Whitby* in the County of *Ontario*, into two separate Municipalities,” was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier, Ross, and Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* presented a Petition from *George Brown* and

others of *Toronto*, praying against the passing of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *London and Lake Huron Railway* Company."

Which said Petition was then read by the Clerk.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *London and Lake Huron Railway* Company."

The Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Panet*, That the forty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill.

After Debate,

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Panet*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Goodhue*, *Dickson*, *Mills*, *Boulton* and *J. Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* from the Committee appointed on the 19th day of March last to examine the Rules of this Honorable House, and report such changes and amendments as experience may deem necessary and advisable, and to whom was also referred the Message of the Legislative Assembly dated the 28th ultimo, requesting a Conference with this House on the subject of the Rules relating to Private Bills with a view to uniformity of regulation respecting the same; and also the paper delivered to the Managers on the part of this House by the Managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly at the Conference, held on Saturday the 30th ultimo, presented their Report.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows:

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

COMMITTEE ROOM, 3rd June, 1857.

The Select Committee appointed, on the nineteenth day of March last, to examine the Rules of Your Honorable House and report such changes and amendments as experience may deem advisable, and to whom were yesterday referred for consideration and report the Message of the Legislative Assembly, dated the twenty-eighth ultimo, requesting a conference with this House on the subject of the Rules relating to Private Bills, with a view to uniformity of regulation respecting the same, and also the paper delivered to the Managers on the part of this

House by the Managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly at the conference held on Saturday the thirtieth ultimo, have in obedience to your commands considered the said Message and Paper, and now beg leave to report thereon as follows:—

Your Committee are of opinion that it is desirable to incorporate the Rules contained in the said Paper with those already existing in Your Honorable House as to such Bills, but Your Committee deem it indispensable for the protection of private rights that notice of all such Bills be required still to appear, as at present, in the *Canada Gazette*.

Your Committee are also of opinion that it should be required of parties seeking the interference of the Legislature in any private or local matter, to file with the Clerk of this House the evidence of their having complied with the Rules and Standing Orders in this behalf and that in the absence of such proof being so furnished it should be competent to the Clerk to report in regard to such Bill, "that the Rules have not been complied with."

A copy of the said Paper, altered and modified so as to convert it into the draught of a Standing Order of Your Honorable House in conformity with the above suggestions, is hereunto annexed, and in the event of their adoption, Your Committee would recommend that such Standing Order be printed, and that a copy thereof be sent by the Clerk to the Warden, Mayor or Reeve of each Municipal Council and Municipality in Upper and Lower Canada, with a view to an effective knowledge of such Rules being communicated throughout the Province as well as in the ordinary mode of publication in the Official Gazette.

All which is respectfully submitted.

P. B. de BLAQUIÈRE,

Chairman.

That all applications for private or local Bills for granting to any individual or individuals any exclusive or peculiar rights or privileges whatsoever, or for doing any matter or thing which in its operation would affect the rights or property of other parties, or for making any amendment of a like nature to any former Act, shall require the following notice to be published, viz :

In Upper Canada—A notice inserted in the Official Gazette and in one newspaper published in the County or Union of Counties affected, (or if there be no paper published therein, then in a newspaper in the next nearest County in which a newspaper is published.)

In Lower Canada—A notice inserted in the Official Gazette in the English and French languages and in one newspaper in the English and one newspaper in the French language, in the District affected, or in both languages, if there be but one paper; or if there be no paper published therein, then (in both languages) in the Official Gazette, and in a paper published in an adjoining District. Such notices

shall be continued in each case for a period of at least two months, during the interval of time between the close of the next preceding Session and the consideration of the Petition.

That before any Petition praying for leave to bring in a Private Bill for the erection of a Toll Bridge, is presented to this House, the person or persons purposing to petition for such Bill shall, upon giving the notice prescribed by the preceding Rule, also, at the same time, and in the same manner, give a notice in writing, stating the rates which they intend to ask, the extent of the privilege, the height of the arches, the interval between the abutments or piers for the passage of Rafts and Vessels, and mentioning also whether they purpose to erect a Drawbridge or not, and the dimensions of such Drawbridge. That the fee payable on the second reading of any private or local Bill, shall be paid only in the House in which such Bill originates, but the disbursements for printing such Bill shall be paid in each House.

That when any private or local Bill requiring the publication of notice in any local newspaper, shall be read a second time in either House, notice of such second reading shall be communicated to the Clerk of the other House, and notice shall be immediately put up in the lobby of both Houses, that such second reading has taken place, and the putting up of such notice shall be a sufficient compliance with the Rules of either House, requiring notice to be posted in the lobby.

That it shall be the duty of parties seeking the interference of the Legislature in any private or local matter, to file with the Clerk of this House the evidence of their having complied with the foregoing Rules and Standing Orders thereof; and that in default of such proof being so furnished as aforesaid, it shall be competent to the Clerk to report the Bill of such parties respecting such matter, that said Rules and Standing Orders have not been complied with.

Then the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquiere* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*,

That the said Report be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow, and that it do then stand as the first item upon the Orders for that Day, and that in the mean time the said report be printed for the use of Members.

After debate.

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

Ordered accordingly.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the City Council of the City of *London* to sell and convey "certain land in the City of *London*, called the Potters' Field."

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Goodhue*, *Seymour*, and *Dickson*, 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 Bar of *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Panet*, *Armstrong* and *Duchesnay*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to vest certain Road Allowances in the Township of *Whitby* in *Thomas N. Gibbs*, Esquire."

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bourrett*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Morris* and *Seymour*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the City of *Hamilton* to negotiate a Loan of One hundred thousand pounds.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*,

That the forty-ninth and fifty-seventh Rules of this House be dispensed with in so far as they relate to the said Bill.

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Fergusson*, *Mills*, *J. Morris* and *Ferrie*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Fort Erie* Railway Company," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince*, *Dickson*, *Harmannus Smith*, *Hamilton*, and *J. Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act for amending and granting certain powers to the "Canadian Loan and Investment Company," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Proprietors of the Common of the Islands *Du Moine* and *Des Barques*, to make regulations for the better government of "the Common of the said Islands," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*,

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

Aftet Debate,

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

Ordered accordingly.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to revive and amend a certain Act passed in the sixteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, An Act to incorporate the Port *Whitby* and Lake *Huron* Railway Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

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

The Honorable Mr. *Armstrong* 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 *Three Rivers*," 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 :—

- P. 1, l. 25—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 1, l. 31—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 1, l. 33—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 2, l. 1—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 2, l. 12—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 2, l. 19—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 2, l. 24—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 2, l. 38—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 2, l. 40—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 2, l. 41—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 2, l. 43—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 2, l. 46—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 2, l. 47—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
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- P. 3, l. 5—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
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- P. 3, l. 34—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 3, l. 38—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 3, l. 46—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 3, l. 48—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 3, l. 49—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 4, l. 2—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 4, l. 10.—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 4, l. 15—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 4, l. 19—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 4, l. 37—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 4, l. 42—Leave out “Town” and insert “City” and after “also” insert “shall
be posted up.
- P. 4, l. 44—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 4, l. 51—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 5, l. 4—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 5, l. 12—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 5, l. 15—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 5, l. 24—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 5, l. 26—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 5, l. 28—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 6, l. 28—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 6, l. 40—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 7, l. 21—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 7, l. 23—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 7, l. 27—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 7, l. 32—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
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- P. 9 l. 25—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
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- P. 11, l. 13—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 11, l. 16—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 11, l. 34—Leave out "a" and insert "the."
- P. 12, l. 35—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 13, l. 33—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 13, l. 36—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 13, l. 38—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
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- P. 13, l. 42—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
- P. 13, l. 44—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
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- P. 14, l. 8—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
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- P. 14, l. 47—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
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- P. 15, l. 3—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 15, l. 4—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 15, l. 9—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 15, l. 13—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 15, l. 16—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 15, l. 19—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 15, l. 23—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 15, l. 24—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 15, l. 25—After “Peace” insert “in and for the District of Three Rivers.”
- P. 15, l. 29—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 15, l. 36—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 15, l. 37—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 15, l. 46—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 15, l. 48—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
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- P. 16, l. 7—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 16, l. 16—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 16, l. 17—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 16, l. 18—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 16, l. 20—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 16, l. 21—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 16, l. 21—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 16, l. 25—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 17, l. 11—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 17, l. 13—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
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- P. 18, l. 26—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 19, l. 4—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 19, l. 5—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 19, l. 8—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 19, l. 35—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 19, l. 36—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 19, l. 42—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 20, l. 2—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 20, l. 6—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 20, l. 9—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 20, l. 11—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 20, l. 13.—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 20, l. 16—Leave out “Catholic.”
- P. 20, l. 17—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 20, l. 19—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 20, l. 23—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 20, l. 27—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
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P. 26, l. 42—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
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P. 26, l. 45—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
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P. 27, l. 3—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
P. 27, l. 5—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
P. 27, l. 8—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
P. 27, l. 30—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
P. 27, l. 39—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
P. 27, l. 42—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
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P. 29, l. 9—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
P. 29, l. 11—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
P. 29, l. 15—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
P. 29, l. 28—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
P. 29, l. 38—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
P. 30, l. 4—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."
P. 30, l. 6—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."

P. 30, l. 33—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”

P. 30, l. 38—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”

P. 31, l. 32—After “Act” insert “or by any By-Law or order of the said “Council”

IN THE SCHEDULES TO THE BILL.

P. 32, l. 5—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”

P. 32, l. 14—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”

P. 32, l. 15—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”

P. 32, l. 18—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”

P. 33, l. 5—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”

P. 33, l. 9—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”

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

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

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

Thursday, 4th June, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WIDMER,
FERRIER,
BOULTON,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,

The Honorable Messieurs

MILLS,
PANET,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
CARTIER,
DICKSON,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay* enters.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *deBlaquière*—of *Joseph Beaupré* of the City of *Montreal* Bailiff.

By the Honorable Mr. *Goodhue*—of the *London and Port Stanley* Railway Company.

By the Honorable Mr. *Patton*—of *Fennings Taylor*, Clerk Assistant and Master in Chancery.

By the Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay*—of *John Dillon* and others of the Township of *Frampton*.

The Honorable Mr. *Renaud* enters.

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

Of *Henry Airth* on behalf of the inhabitants of the County of *Renfrew* in Public Meeting assembled, praying for a grant towards the erection of a Grammar School in the Village of *Renfrew*.

Of the Reeves and Deputy Reeves of the Township of *Toronto*, Gore of

Toronto, and *Albion* in the County of *Peel*, praying that the said County may not be separated from the County of *York*.

Of the Metropolitan Gas and Water Company of *Toronto*, praying that the further consideration of the Bill to authorize the City of *Toronto* to erect Water Works may not be proceeded with for reasons therein set forth.

Of *Thomas Wilkinson* and others of the Township of *Whitby*, praying that the said Township may be divided into two separate Municipalities.

The Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière* enters.

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 *Brockville* and *Ottawa* 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 read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Povisional Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce* to take Stock in certain Railways," 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* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the City Council of the City of *London* to sell and convey certain land in the City of *London* called the Potters' Field," 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. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to enable Counties united for Municipal purposes to carry on improvements independently of each other," 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. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Joliette* 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 read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Panet* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Bar 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 read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *St. Clair, Chatham and Rondeau* Ship Canal Company," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Eastwood and Berlin* 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 read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to legalize certain proceedings of the Municipality of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*," 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 *Iberville, Brome, Shefford and Missisquoi* 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Messieurs *Gordon, J. Morris, Vankoughnet, Hamilton, Walker* and *Harmannus Smith* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the City of *Toronto* to erect Water Works, and to levy a water rate," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act to abolish the rights of Primogeniture, and to afford relief to parties succeeding to the real estate of persons dying intestate, in certain cases in *Upper Canada*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to constitute the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish of *Quebec*, a Corporation for the management of the *Finlay* Asylum at *Quebec*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Post Office Laws 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Municipal Loan Fund Acts," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the codification of the Laws of *Lower Canada* relative to Civil matters and Procedure," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to encourage and to provide for the extension of the practice of Vaccination," was read a third time.

Then on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Widmer*,

An amendment was made to the said Bill.

The question was put whether this Bill pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

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

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the House proceeded to the consideration of the Report of the Select Committee appointed on the 19th day of March last to examine the Rules of this Honorable House, and report such changes and amendments as experience may deem necessary and advisable, and to whom was also referred the Message of the Legislative Assembly dated the 28th ultimo, requesting a Conference with this House on the subject of the Rules relating to Private Bills with a view to uniformity of regulation respecting the same; and also the paper delivered to the Managers on the part of this House by the Managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly at the Conference held on Saturday the 30th ultimo.

And the said Report being again read by the Clerk.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, That the said Report be now adopted.

After Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*,

That the said Report be not now adopted, but that the same be referred back to the same Select Committee for further consideration.

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

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Draining of Lake *Wawanosh* in the Township of *Sarnia*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Prince*, *Fergusson*, *Goodhue* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* enters.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Judicature Acts of *Lower Canada*."

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bourret*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After a long Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Bourret*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

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

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed

The House according to Order was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the last mentioned Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Strathroy and Port Frank* Railway Company."

The Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*,

That the Petition of the *London and Port Stanley* Railway Company, presented this day, and praying against the passing of said Bill, be now read.

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

The said Petition was then read by the Clerk.

Then the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*,

That the forty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with, in so far as it relates to this Bill.

After debate,

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

Then the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*.

That the said bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris*, *Hamilton*, *Dickson*, *Perry*, *Patton*, *Goodhue* and *Mills*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to alter the limits of the Township of *Halifax*, and the Parish of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Proprietors of the Common of the Islands *Du Moine* and *Des Barques*, to make regulations for the better government of the Common of "the said Islands."

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, That the Forty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far as it relates to this Bill.

Which being objected to,

After Debate,

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

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Moore,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>
<i>Bourret,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Renaud,</i>
<i>de Beaujeu,</i>	<i>Gordon,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Dessaulles,</i>	<i>Knowlton,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet—19.</i>
<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Hamilton,</i>	<i>Seymour—6.</i>
<i>Cartier,</i>	<i>Fergusson,</i>		

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

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

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Dessaulles*, *Panet*, *Ferrier*, *Bourret*, and *Moore*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to revive and "amend a certain Act passed in the sixteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and

“intituled an Act to incorporate the *Port Whitby* and Lake *Huron* Railway “Company,” was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Patton*, *Dickson*, *Seymour*, *J. Morris* and *Prince*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

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 make more ample provision for the incorporation of the Town of *Three Rivers*,” and

The said amendments being again read by the Clerk and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

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

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to vest certain Road Allowances in the Township of “*Whitby* in *Thomas N. Gibbs*, Esquire,” 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. *Dessaulles* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the “*de Sababerry* Navigation Company 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 to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *deBlaquière* from the Select Committee appointed on the 19th day of March last to examine the Rules of this Honorable House, and report such changes and amendments as experience may deem necessary and advisable, and to whom was also referred the Message of the Legislative Assembly dated the 28th ultimo, requesting a Conference with this House on the subject of the Rules relating to Private Bills, with a view to uniformity of regulation respecting the same; and also the paper delivered to the Managers on the part of this House by the Managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly at the Conference, held on Saturday, the 30th ultimo, and to whom was again referred their Report for further consideration, presented their further Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows:

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,
Committee Room,
4th June, 1857.

The Select Committee appointed on the nineteenth day of March last, to examine the Rules of Your Honorable House, and report such changes and amendments as experience may deem advisable, and to whom was this day referred back for further consideration their Report of yesterday's date, on the reference to them made the day before of the Message of the Legislative Assembly, dated the twenty-eighth ultimo, requesting a conference with this House on the subject of the Rules relating to Private Bills, with a view to uniformity of regulation respecting the same, and also of the paper delivered to the Managers on the part of this House by the Managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly, at the conference held on Saturday the thirtieth ultimo, have in obedience to your Commands further considered the said Report, and now beg leave to recommend that the following amendmends be made to the paper annexed to, and printed with the said Report, viz:

Line 16.—Leave out “consideration,” and insert “presentation.”

Line 26.—Leave out from “House” to “That” in line 33.

Line 35.—Leave out “foregoing—”

Line 36.—Leave out from “report” to “such” in line 37, and insert “in regard to.

Line 37.—Leave out “said” and insert “the.”

Line 38.—After “with” insert “That the foregoing Rules be published in both
“languages in the *Official Gazette*, over the signature of the
“Clerk of this House weekly during each Recess of Parliam-
ment.

All which is respectfully submitted together with a copy of the said Paper as proposed to be amended.

P. B. DE BLAQUIÈRE,
Chairman.

That all applications for Private or Local Bills for granting to any individual or individuals any exclusive or peculiar rights or privileges whatsoever, or for doing any matter or thing which in its operation would affect the rights or property of other parties; or for making any amendment of a like nature to any former Act,—shall require the following notice to be published, viz:

In *Upper Canada*—A notice inserted in the *Official Gazette*, and in one newspaper published in the County, or Union of Counties, affected, or if there be no paper published therein, then in a newspaper in the next nearest County in which a newspaper is published.

In *Lower Canada*—A notice inserted in the Official Gazette, in the English and French languages, and in one newspaper in the English and one newspaper in the French language, in the District affected, or in both languages if there be but one paper; or if there be no paper published therein, then (in both languages) in the Official Gazette, and in a paper published in an adjoining District.

Such notices shall be continued in each case for a period of at least two months during the interval of time between the close of the next preceding Session, and the presentation of the Petition.

That before any Petition praying for leave to bring in a Private Bill for the erection of a Toll Bridge, is presented to this House, the person or persons purposing to petition for such Bill, shall, upon giving the notice prescribed by the preceding Rule, also, at the same time, and in the same manner, give a notice in writing, stating the rates which they intend to ask, the extent of the privilege, the height of the arches, the interval between the abutments or piers for the passage of rafts and vessels, and mentioning also whether they purpose to erect a draw-bridge or not, and the dimensions of such draw-bridge.

That the Fee payable on the second reading of any Private or Local Bill, shall be paid only in the House in which such Bill originates, but the disbursements for printing such Bill shall be paid in each House.

That it shall be the duty of parties seeking the interference of the Legislature in any private or local matter, to file with the Clerk of this House the evidence of their having complied with the Rules and Standing Orders thereof: and that in default of such proof being so furnished as aforesaid, it shall be competent to the Clerk to report in regard to such matter, "that the Rules and Standing Orders have not been complied with."

That the foregoing Rules be published in both languages in the Official Gazette, over the signature of the Clerk of this House, weekly, during each recess of Parliament.

The said Report being again read

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

Ordered, That the same be adopted.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, That a further Conference be desired with the Legislative Assembly on the subject matter of the last Conference.

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 desire a further Conference with that House on the subject of the Rules relating to Private Bills with a view to uniformity of regulation respecting the same, and that the Managers on the part of this House are to be the Honorable

Messieurs *Moore* and *Patton*, who are to meet the number of Managers on the part of the Legislative Assembly required by Parliamentary usage, to-morrow at half-past three o'clock in the afternoon, in the Conference Chamber of this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* Island Bridge 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 amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill with the amendments be printed and read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* from the Joint Committee of both Houses for the direction of the Library of Parliament, presented their third Report.

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

The Members on behalf of the Legislative Council of the Joint Committee of both Houses for the direction of the Library of Parliament,

Beg leave to present a third Report.

An application has been made to the Committee by the Reverend *J. B. Ferland* and *G. B. Faribault*, Esquire, for a grant of £350 to procure 6,000 pages of manuscripts on *Canada* affairs, from the archives of the Ministry of Marine of the Government of *France* in addition to the series previously obtained from that department. The Library already possesses 23 volumes of these papers, containing documents concerning the years 1637 to 1730, but it has been represented to the Committee that a further selection of documents relating to the history, the jurisprudence, and the civil administration of *New France* between the years 1730 and 1760, could be advantageously made as a complement to the former series. The Committee are of opinion that it is most desirable to render our collection of manuscripts concerning the early history of *Canada*, as complete as possible, and they have entered into a correspondence with the Reverend *Mr. Ferland* for the purpose of obtaining his assistance in effecting this object.

The Committee have received from *Mr. Gould*, the eminent Ornithologist, a Prospectus with specimen plates, of his magnificent series of works descriptive of the Birds of *Europe*, *Asia* and *Australia*, with Monographs of certain species commonly found in *America*, and they have had much pleasure in subscribing for the entire series of these publications. They have authorised the Librarians to make arrangements with *Mr. Gould*, in accordance with this determination.

The Honorable *P. H. Moore* has laid before the Committee his account of expenses and disbursements in the execution of the mission with which he was charged by the Legislature to the *United States*, on behalf of the Library. It appears that he entered upon his duties on the 10th of June last, and was engaged therein, with the intermission of a few weeks only, until the 8th of February of the present year. His account for disbursements actually incurred in this service, amounts to £487; but it having been represented to the Committee that his actual outlay for incidental expenses considerably exceeded this sum, they resolved unanimously, (with the exception of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly) to recommend that a further payment of £125 should be made to Mr. *Moore*, in full of all demands; the same to be defrayed in equal proportions out of the Contingencies of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly respectively.

The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, however, desires to record his dissent from this recommendation, he being of opinion that no further payment should be made to Mr. *Moore* beyond the amount stated by that Gentleman to have been his actual expenses on behalf of the Mission.

The Committee have subscribed for two hundred copies of the Map of the North Western Territory recently prepared under the direction of the Crown Lands Department, and they have directed that copies of the same be transmitted to the several States and Provinces with whom Exchanges may be made.

They have also directed the purchase of two hundred copies of a work which has been written by the Reverend Father *Martin*, upon certain Indian Remains and Antiquities discovered by the French Missionaries in remote parts of this Province. The cost of these copies will not exceed £50.

LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT,
2nd June, 1857.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Beaujeu*, it was

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

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, That the Petition of *Frederick John Cheshire* be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Goodhue*, *Fergusson*, *J. Morris*, *de La Terrière*, *Armstrong*, *Dessaulles* and the Mover.

After Debate,

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed, and

After further Debate upon the foregoing Motion,

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

Ordered accordingly.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the organization of Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

- P. 1, l. 24—After "pounds" insert "and shall have signed a declaration in the form of the Schedule A to this Act annexed."
- P. 2, l. 10—After "Warden of the County" insert "at the *chef-lieu* where there is but one Society, and at the most frequented place within the territorial limits where there are two Societies."
- P. 2, l. 17—After "Society" insert "Provided further that in those Counties in which there is only one Agricultural Society in operation at the time of the passing of this Act, and organized prior to the nineteenth of June one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six it shall and may be lawful for the Agricultural Society of each County to re-organize under this Act through the President or Vice-President of such Society giving notice as required by this Act, and in such case a statement of such organization shall be transmitted through the Warden of the County to the Board of Agriculture."
- P. 3, l. 6—After "Society" insert "or part of a County."
- P. 4, l. 2—After "accordingly insert "with the sanction and approval of the Minister of Agriculture, after such notice as he may advise."
- P. 4, l. 19—After "County" insert "and its relative population to the rest of the County."
- P. 5, l. 12—Strike out from "Society" to the end of the clause.
- P. 5, l. 22—After "each" insert "and in proportion to the relative population of their territorial limits."
- P. 5, l. 31—Strike out from "perjury" to "all" in line 43 and insert "Every Electoral Division shall be deemed a County within the meaning of this Act, and all the provisions hereof and of former Acts in force relating to Agriculture in *Lower Canada* shall apply to each Electoral Division provided that such Electoral Division whenever it shall not embrace the limits of a County proper shall not be entitled to more than one half of the amount of the Public Grant for a County."
- P. 6, l. 24—Strike out from "entitled" to "and" in line 25 and insert "if this Act had not been passed."

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said amendments be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

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

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said amendments.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* reported from the said Committee that they had taken the said amendments into consideration and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments thereto, which he was ready to submit whenever they would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the Report be now received, and

The said amendments to the amendments of the Legislative Assembly were then read by the Clerk as follow :

In the amendments made by the Legislative Assembly.

P. 2, l. 8.—Leave out from “advise” to “strike” in line 11.

P. 2, l. 12.—Leave out from “Clause” to “strike” line 16.

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to their amendments to the last mentioned Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Act intituled An Act for the “construction of Water Works in the City of *Hamilton*.”

Also the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Municipal Laws of *Upper Canada* relating to the incorporation of Villages.”

And also the Bill intituled “An Act to amend the Laws relating to the solemnization of Matrimony in *Upper Canada*,” and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bills without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled “An Act to amend a certain Act therein mentioned, so “as better to provide for the security of the lives of Passengers on board of “Steam Vessels,” and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with several amendments to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council,

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow:—

At the end of Clause 12, insert the following Clauses:

“ So much of the said Act as provides, that inspectors shall be paid and allowed any remuneration for their services by Masters and Owners of Steam Vessels, or persons applying for the Inspection thereof, is hereby repealed and in lieu thereof, from and after the first day of July next there shall be paid by the Owner or Master of every Steam Vessel in this Province, yearly and every year a rate or duty to be fixed by the Governor in Council and not exceeding sixpence currency for every ton which such Steam Vessel may measure, and an inspection fee of one pound five shillings, for every Propeller, freight, or tug Steamer, and every Ferry Steamer not exceeding 100 tons burden, and of two pounds for every ferry or passenger Steamer over one hundred tons burden, for each inspection; and the amount of such rate or duty and inspection fee or fees, shall in each case be paid to and received by the Collector of Her Majesty's Customs at some one of the Ports in this Province, who shall account for and pay over the same to the Receiver General, at such times and in such manner as the Governor in Council may from time to time direct, and such sums so from time to time collected and paid over shall form a special fund for the purposes of this Act, to be called “ The Steamboat Inspection Fund.”

“ All Collectors of Her Majesty's Customs are hereby authorized and required from time to time to demand of the Owners or Masters of any Steam Vessels, which they may have reason to think have not been inspected for more than six months, or in respect of which they may have reason to think the rate or duty aforesaid, may be due and unpaid, the exhibition of the receipts and certificates in that behalf, appertaining to such Steam Vessels, and if receipts and certificates as aforesaid, to their satisfaction, be not produced within a reasonable time, then to seize and detain such Steam Vessels until the same are procured, and exhibited, and any fines or penalties incurred and lawfully imposed in respect of such Vessels under the provisions of this Act, have been paid in full; and default of payment, to sell such Steam Vessels, for the payment of such rate or duty, fines or penalties in the usual manner.”

“ No Inspector shall make or deliver a certificate respecting
 “ any Steam Vessel under the said Act or this Act, unless
 “ the receipt of a Collector of Her Majesty’s Customs for the
 “ rate or duty payable in respect of such vessel for the then
 “ current year have been produced and shewn to him, nor
 “ unless he be satisfied that all the conditions and requirements
 “ of the said Act and of the Act passed in the sixteenth year
 “ of Her Majesty’s Reign chapter one hundred and sixty
 “ seven amending the said Act, and of this Act, have been
 “ fulfilled and complied with by and in respect of such Steam
 “ Vessel, and it shall be the duty of every Inspector to report
 “ to some one of the Collectors of Her Majesty’s Customs, any
 “ case of omission to pay such rate or duty or of omission to
 “ apply for such inspection as aforesaid, for more than six
 “ months from the date of the then last inspection, or refusal to
 “ submit to inspection at any time which may at any time or in
 “ any way come to his knowledge and any Inspector shall be
 “ carried free of expense on every vessel which he shall desire
 “ to inspect while under way and during such period as may
 “ be necessary for such Inspection and for his return to the
 “ Port at which he may have embarked on such vessel for
 “ such purpose or for his disembarkation at any Port which
 “ such vessel may touch on her voyage.”

“ All penalties incurred under the said Act or this Act,
 “ may be recovered in the name of Her Majesty by Her
 “ Majesty’s Attorney General in any Court having jurisdic-
 “ tion to the amount thereof, and all penalties recovered
 “ under the said Act or this Act, shall be paid to the
 “ Receiver General, and shall be by him placed to the credit
 “ and form part of “ The Steamboat Inspection Fund.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to their amendments made to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled “ An Act to amend the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund Act,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Clergy Reserves Appropriation Amendment Act of 1856, as regards the mode of ascertaining the number of Rate-payers in the several Municipalities in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Law in relation to the *Upper Canada* County Courts," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* be added to the Select Committee appointed to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House, and that the Honorable Mr. *Dionne* be relieved from further attendance upon the said Committee.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital "to raise a further loan of money," 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 Friday next.

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

Friday, 5th June, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,
BOULTON,
BOURRET,
DE BEAUJEU,

The Honorable Messieurs

MILLS,
PANET,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
PERRY,
CARTIER,
DICKSON,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Whitby*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*—of *Edward Griffin* and others of the City of *Ottawa*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent*, in Council assembled.

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

Of the Municipality of the Village of *Oshawa*, praying for the passing of an Act to vest certain allowances for Road in the Township of *Whitby*, in *Thomas N. Gibbs*.

Of *Robert Craik* and others of the County of *Middlesex*—of *Elijah Leonard*, a Director and Shareholder in the *London and Port Stanley* Railway Company—and of the City of *London* Board of Trade, severally praying that a Charter may

not be granted for the construction of a Railway from the City of *London* to *Port Frank* or some other point on Lake *Huron*.

Of *Richard Smith* and others of the Township of *Woodhouse*, in the County of *Norfolk*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate "The Great Southern Railway Company."

Of the Mayor and Common Council of the City of *Schenectady*, praying that a Charter may be granted for the construction of a Bridge over the *Niagara* River from the City of *Buffalo* to the Canadian Shore—and also that a Charter may be granted for the construction of a Harbour of Refuge and Ship Canal at the foot of Lake *Erie*.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Board of Trade of the City of *Ottawa*."

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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 incorporate the *Strathroy* and *Port Frank* 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 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 authorize *G. S. Wilkes* to construct a Dam on the "Grand River at *Holmedale*," 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 authorize the Draining of Lake *Wawanosh*, in "the Township of *Sarnia*," 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:—

P. 3, l. 27.—After "final" insert Clause A.

CLAUSE A.

"Provided always that if the said Municipal Council shall find on proper examination by a Provincial Surveyor or Engineer, that the said Lake *Wawanosh* can be more thoroughly drained by any other mode

“ than by widening, deepening and extending the said
 “ Cull Drains, then and in that case the said Council
 “ shall have power to pass a By-law for and to carry
 “ out the draining thereof by such other mode, and all
 “ the provisions of this Act shall apply thereto in like
 “ manner as to the said Cull Drains,”

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed and the 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 Lake Huron* 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 read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Seymour* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to provide for the disposal of Road Allowances in the “ Rural Municipalities 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 as follow :—

P. 2, l. 7.—After “Power” insert “and they are hereby authorized and
 “ required, upon the Report in writing of the Township
 “ or County Surveyor, or a Deputy Provincial Land
 “ Surveyor, that such new Road Allowance or
 “ travelled Road is sufficient for the purposes of a
 “ Public Road or Highway.”

P. 2, l. 13.—Leave out “may” and insert “shall.”

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to revive and amend a certain Act passed in the sixteenth “ year of Her Majesty’s Reign, and intituled An Act to incorporate the *Port Whitby* “ and *Lake Huron* 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 read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the City of *St. Hyacinthe*," 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:—

P. 5, l. 38.—Leave out "Town" and insert "City."

P. 6, l. 8.—After "City" insert "in case two or more Candidates for the office of Mayor have an equal number of votes the Councillor presiding at the Election shall give a casting vote in favor of one of them."

P. 6, l. 9.—After "Candidates" insert "for the office of Councillor."

P. 8, l. 27.—Leave out "one" and insert "two."

P. 8, l. 28.—After "Pounds" insert "nor less than one Pound."

P. 8, l. 30.—After "to" insert "the decision of" and leave out "Justice" and insert "Justices."

P. 8, l. 39.—Leave out "such" and insert "a gaol in that District."

P. 10, l. 27.—Leave out from "the" where it occurs the second time to "Provided" in l. 28, and insert "said City."

P. 11, l. 13.—Leave out from "on" to "which" in l. 14, and insert "any question."

P. 11, l. 22.—Leave out "at" where occurs the second time and insert "a," and after "regular" insert "or."

P. 12, l. 8.—After "Pounds" insert "nor less than the sum of five Shillings."

P. 12, l. 11.—Leave out from "punish" to "by" in l. 12.

P. 12, l. 14.—Leave out from "less" to "any."

P. 13, l. 27.—Leave out "or" and insert "and."

P. 14, l. 4.—After "Currency" insert "Provided always that no person whose age at the time when he may be elected or appointed to the said offices shall exceed sixty years shall be bound to accept the same or liable to pay a fine for refusing to act therein."

- P. 14, l. 19.—Leave out “Town” and insert “City.”
- P. 16, l. 3.—After “and” insert “for.”
- P. 16, l. 9.—Leave out “License” and insert “Certificate.”
- P. 16, l. 10.—Leave out “to” and insert “on.”
- P. 16, l. 19.—Leave out “twenty-five” and insert “fifteen.”
- P. 17, l. 13.—After “majority” insert “in number and in value of assessed real property.”
- P. 17, l. 32.—After “nays” insert “and within four days thereafter he shall lay before the City Council a statement shewing the value of the real property of each of the voters according to the Assessment Roll then in force.”
- P. 17, l. 33.—After “majority” insert “in number and in value of assessed real property.”
- P. 17, l. 36.—After “poll-list” insert “and the aforesaid statement.”
- P. 17, l. 51.—Leave out “or” and insert “and.”
- P. 18, l. 30.—Leave out from “Bull” to “at” and leave out “ten” and insert “twelve,” and after “pounds” insert “ten shillings, every Ram, at five pounds.”
- P. 19, l. 1.—After “Vehicles” insert “as well as all farm Stock and all implements used for agricultural purposes.”
- P. 19, l. 16.—After “fix” insert “by a By-law or By-laws.”
- P. 19, l. 36.—After “all” insert “mechanical.”
- P. 21, l. 41.—Leave out “or” and insert “and”
- P. 26, l. 2.—Leave out “Catholic” each time it occurs, and after “Nuns” insert “or Protestant Clergymen.”
- P. 30, l. 4.—Leave out from “City” to “for” in l. 7.
- P. 34, l. 47.—Leave out from “the” where it occurs the second time to “*Montreal*” and insert “Superior Court or Clerk of the Circuit Court at” and leave out from “or” to “St.” in l. 48 and insert “at.”
- P. 34, l. 51.—After “Prothonotary” insert “or Clerk.”
- P. 35, l. 1.—After “Prothonotary” insert “or Clerk.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended read a third time to-morrow.

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

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Thursday, 4th June, 1857.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, acquainting their Honors that this House agrees to the further Conference desired by that House, on the subject of the rules relating to Private Bills, with a view to uniformity of regulation respecting the same, and that the Managers on the part of this House be the same as managed the first conference, to meet the number of Managers on the part of the Legislative Council, to-morrow afternoon, at the hour and place appointed for holding the said further conference.

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

Attest. W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk of Assembly.

And then they withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered, That the paper annexed to the Report of the Select Committee and adopted by this House yesterday on the subject of the first Conference be handed to the Managers of the Conference on the part of the Legislative Assembly who are to meet the Managers on the part of the Legislative Council this day, on the subject of the Rules relating to private Bills, with a view to uniformity of regulation respecting the same.

The House being informed that the Managers of the Conference for the Legislative Assembly were ready in the Conference Chamber,

The names of the Managers for this House were called over :

The House was adjourned during pleasure, and their Honors went to the Conference,

Which being ended, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* 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. *Cameron* and others, and had delivered to them a paper adopted by this House yesterday on the subject of the Rules relating to Private Bills with a view to uniformity of regulation respecting the same.

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the International Bridge Company,"

reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act intituled an Act to amend the "Act incorporating the *Hamilton and Toronto 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 read a third time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the City of *Hamilton* to negotiate a Loan "of One hundred thousand pounds," 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:—

P. 1, l. 20—Leave out "one hundred" and insert "fifty."

P. 1, l. 24.—Leave out from "by" to "of" in line 25, and insert "a By-law or "By-laws."

P. 1, l. 29—Leave out "one hundred" and insert "fifty."

P. 1, l. 32.—Leave out "resolution" and insert "such By-law or By-laws."

P. 2, l. 13.—Leave out "any" and insert "no."

P. 2, l. 14—After "be" and insert "valid unless nor until after the same have "been" and after "to" insert "and approved by."

IN THE PREAMBLE OF THE BILL.

P. 1, l. 9—Leave out "one hundred" and insert "fifty"

IN THE TITLE OF THE BILL.

Leave out "one hundred" and insert "fifty."

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

Ordered, That that the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to divide the Township of *Whitby* in the County of "Ontario into two separate Municipalities," 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 amend and extend the Charter of the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Provisional Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce* to take Stock in certain Railways," was read a third time,

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the City Council of the City of *London*, to sell and convey certain land in the City of *London* called the Potters' Field," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* enters,

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to enable Counties united for Municipal purposes to carry on improvements independently of each other."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrè*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Joliette* Mining Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Bar of *Lower Canada*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *St. Clair, Chatham and Rondeau* Ship Canal Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Eastwood and Berlin* Railway Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to legalize certain proceedings of the Municipality of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Judicature Acts of *Lower Canada*,"

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said Bill be now read a third time.

The Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière* moved in amendment, seconded, by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*,

That all the words after "be" in the said Motion be left out, and the following inserted, "committed to a Committee of the whole House for the purpose of amending Schedule A, by leaving out *Parish of St. Etienne de la Malbaie* and inserting in lieu thereof two *chefs-lieux*, one in the Parish of *Notre Dame*

“ *de Bonsecours des Eboulements*, in the County of *Charlevoix*, and the other in the Parish of the Village of *Chicoutimi*, in the County of *Chicoutimi*.”

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

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

Armstrong, *de La Terrière*, *Duchesnay*—3.

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boulton</i> ,	<i>Dickson</i> ,	<i>Knowlton</i> ,	<i>Perry</i> ,
<i>Bourret</i> ,	<i>Fergusson</i> ,	<i>Mills</i> ,	<i>Renaud</i> ,
<i>Cartier</i> ,	<i>Ferrie</i> ,	<i>Moore</i> ,	<i>Seymour</i> ,
<i>de Beaujeu</i> ,	<i>Goodhue</i> ,	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Vankoughnet</i> ,
<i>de Blaquièrè</i> ,	<i>Gordon</i> ,	<i>Panet</i> ,	<i>Walker</i> ,
<i>Dessaulles</i> ,	<i>Hamilton</i> ,	<i>Patton</i> ,	<i>Widmer</i> —24.

So it passed in the negative.

Then the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*,

That all the words after “ *be* ” in the main motion be left out, and the following inserted “ Committed to a Committee of the whole House for the purpose of amending Schedule A, by leaving out the words “ *Parish of St. Etienne de la Malbaie* ” and inserting in lieu thereof, “ *Parish de Notre Dame de Bonsecours des Eboulements*,”

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the House divided, and the names being called for they were taken down as follow :

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs

Armstrong, *de La Terrière*, *Duchesnay*, *Morris, J.*—4.

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boulton</i> ,	<i>Fergusson</i> ,	<i>Mills</i> ,	<i>Ross</i> ,
<i>Bourret</i> ,	<i>Ferrie</i> ,	<i>Moore</i> ,	<i>Seymour</i> ,
<i>Cartier</i> ,	<i>Goodhue</i> ,	<i>Panet</i> ,	<i>Simpson</i> ,
<i>de Beaujeu</i> ,	<i>Gordon</i> ,	<i>Patton</i> ,	<i>Vankoughnet</i> ,
<i>de Blaquièrè</i> ,	<i>Hamilton</i> ,	<i>Perry</i> ,	<i>Walker</i> ,
<i>Dessaulles</i> ,	<i>Knowlton</i> ,	<i>Renaud</i> ,	<i>Widmer</i> .—25.
<i>Dickson</i> ,			

So it passed in the negative.

The Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay* then moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*,

That all the words after "now" in the main motion be left out, and the following inserted in lieu thereof, "Committed to a Committee of the whole House for the purpose of amending Schedule A, by attaching the Parishes of *St. Anselme*, "*St. Isidore*, *St. Claire* and *St. Hémédine* to the District of *Quebec*."

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the House divided, and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:—

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

Armstrong, *de LaTerrière*, *Duchesnay*.—3.

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boulton</i> ,	<i>Fergusson</i> ,	<i>Moore</i> ,	<i>Ross</i> ,
<i>Bourrett</i> ,	<i>Ferrie</i> ,	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Seymour</i> ,
<i>Cartier</i> ,	<i>Goodhue</i> ,	<i>Panet</i> ,	<i>Simpson</i> ,
<i>de Beaujeu</i> ,	<i>Gordon</i> ,	<i>Patton</i> ,	<i>Vankoughnet</i> ,
<i>de Blaquière</i> .	<i>Hamilton</i> ,	<i>Perry</i> ,	<i>Walker</i> ,
<i>Dessaulles</i> ,	<i>Knowlton</i> ,	<i>Renaud</i> ,	<i>Widmer</i> ,—26.
<i>Dickson</i> ,	<i>Mills</i> ,		

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to make more ample provision for the incorporation of the Town of *Three Rivers*," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to vest certain "Road Allowances in the Township of *Whitby* in *Thomas N. Gibbs*, Esquire," as read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled " An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the "*De Salaberry* Navigation Company of "*Montreal*, was read a third time."

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled " An Act to incorporate the "*Toronto* Island Bridge Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled " An Act to enable the Trustees of the "*Toronto* General Hospital to raise a further loan of money," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled " An Act to alter the limits of the Township of "*Halifax*, and the Parish of "*St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*,"

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*,

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.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Dessaules*, *Knowlton* and *Simpson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*,

That when the House adjourns this day it do stand adjourned until to-morrow at twelve o'clock, noon, and that it do meet at that hour during the remainder of the present Session.

Which being objected to,

After debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

The Order of the Day being read for the consideration of the third Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses for the direction of the Library of Parliament, and

The said Report being again read by the Clerk.

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*,

That the said Report be adopted, and

The first and second paragraphs of the said Report being read a second time, and the question of concurrence being put on each, they were severally agreed to.

Upon the third paragraph being again read,

The Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*,

That the same be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*,

“That the paragraph of the said Report recommending the sum of £125 to be paid to the Honorable *P. H. Moore* be expunged, he having previous to his departure received the sum of £500 for his expenses in visiting certain States of the adjoining Republic, to endeavour to make an arrangement with the Public Departments of such States for the exchange of certain Parliamentary and other Public Documents of such States with the Legislature of *Canada*, and such sum of £600, of which Mr. *Moore* has returned £14, being very ample for any expenses and services rendered by him in relation to the matter referred to.”

After Debate,

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

After further Debate upon the foregoing motion of amendment,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, the House divided, and the names being called for they were taken down as follow:—

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boulton,</i>	<i>Ferrie,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Widmer—7.</i>
<i>Fergusson,</i>	<i>Morris, J.</i>	<i>Simpson,</i>	

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Armstrong,</i>	<i>Dessaulles,</i>	<i>Knowlton,</i>	<i>Prince,</i>
<i>Bourret,</i>	<i>Dickson,</i>	<i>Mills,</i>	<i>Renard,</i>
<i>de Beaujeu,</i>	<i>Duchesnay,</i>	<i>Panet,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>de La Terrière,</i>	<i>Goodhue,</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Vankoughnet—16.</i>

So it passed in the negative.

The question being then put on the main motion the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Upon the fourth paragraph being again read,

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, That the same be adopted.

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the affirmative.

The fifth paragraph of the said Report being then read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to, and it was

Ordered, That the said Report be adopted.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Post Office Laws of this Province."

And also the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Iberville, Brome, Shefford* and *Missisquoi* Road Company," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bills without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act for settling the Law concerning Lands held in Free and Common Socceage in *Lower Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a

Bill intituled "An Act further to provide for defraying the expense of the River "Police at *Quebec*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Tavern License Act of "1851," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the establishment of Boards of Boundary "Commissioners in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "The *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Amendment Act of "1857," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable the Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow at twelve o'clock, noon, the House so decreeing.

Saturday, 6th June, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERGUSSON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
GOODHUE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
GORDON,
FERRIER,

The Honorable Messieurs

BOURRET,
SEYMOUR,
DICKSON,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PATTON,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the Table:—

By the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*—of the Municipal Electors of the Township of *Clarendon* in the County of *Pontiac*—of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Bristol* in the said County—and of the *Port Hope* Mechanics' Institute and Library Association.

The Honorable Messieurs *de Beaujeu, Panet, Renaud* and *Armstrong* enter

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petitions were severally read :

Of *Joseph Beaupré* of the City of *Montreal*, Bailiff, praying against the passing of the Bill "to enable the Proprietors of the Common of the Islands of *Du Moine* and *Des Barques* to make regulations for the better government of "the Common of the said Islands."

Of the *London* and *Port Stanley* Railway Company, praying against the passing of the Bill to incorporate a Company for the construction of a Railway from the Village of *Srathroy* to *Port Frank*.

Of *Fennings Taylor*, Clerk Assistant and Master in Chancery, praying that he may receive a like salary to that enjoyed by his colleague in rank and title.

Of *John Dillon* and others of the Township of *Frampton*, praying for aid towards the opening of a certain road.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 26th ultimo, praying His Excellency will be pleased to lay before this House a list of Addresses. &c., presented to His Excellency for a dissolution of the House of Assembly, and in relation thereto since last Session, with copies of His Excellency's answers thereto, and the names of any parties to whom communication was made acknowledging receipt of such Addresses.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table and it is as follows:—

(*Vide Appendix No. 7.*)

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a Bill intituled “ An Act for the regulation of Municipal Institutions in *Upper Canada.*”

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* reported to the House that it is the intention of His Excellency the Governor General, should the state of the public business permit, to prorogue the present Session of the Legislature on Wednesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay* enters.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

Ordered, That the Petition of *Fennings Taylor*, Clerk Assistant and Master in Chancery, read this day, 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. *Patton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to protect the property and rights of Married Women “ in *Upper Canada,*” reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same with several amendments which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

- P. 1, l. 7.—Leave out from “ follows” to “ every” in line 8.
- P. 1, l. 9.—Leave out from “ shall” where it occurs the first time to “ marry” and after “ marry” insert “ after the passing of this Act.”
- P. 1, l. 14.—After “ debts” insert “ and.”
- P. 1, l. 15.—After “ obligations” insert “ of her husband, and from his” and leave out from “ disposition” to “ without.”
- P. 1, l. 18.—After “ notwithstanding” insert Clause A.

CLAUSE A.

“Every woman already married without any marriage contract or settlement shall and may from and after the passing of this Act notwithstanding her coverture, have, hold and enjoy all her personal property not already reduced into the possession of her husband, whether belonging to her before marriage or acquired by her after marriage, and also all her personal earnings and any acquisitions therefrom not already reduced into the possession of her husband free from his debts and obligations contracted after the passing of this Act and from his control or disposition without her consent in as full and ample a manner as if she were sole and unmarried, any law, usage or custom to the contrary notwithstanding.”

- P. 1, l. 30.—Leave out “whether” and leave out from “before” to “marriage.”
- P. 1, l. 38.—Leave out from “woman” to “may.”
- P. 1, l. 41.—After “marriage” insert “to or among her child or children, issue of any marriage and failing there being any issue, then to her husband or as she may see fit.”
- P. 2, l. 6.—Leave out from “process” to “the” in line 8.
- P. 2, l. 10.—After “husband” insert “and” and leave out from “children” to “as” in l. 11.
- P. 2, l. 12.—After “wife” insert “and” and leave out from “children” to “in” in l. 13 and insert “and if there be no child or children living at the death of the wife so dying intestate then such property shall pass or be distributed as if this Act had not been passed.”
- P. 2, l. 15.—Leave out from “before” to “marriage.”
- P. 2, l. 19.—Leave out “whether” and insert “that” and leave out from “before” to “marriage” in l. 20.
- P. 2, l. 37.—After “made” insert “and as to such property, and her personal earnings and any acquisitions therefrom such women shall be considered as having married without any marriage contract or settlement.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next, and that in the meantime the said Bill, as amended, be printed for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to alter the limits of the Township of *Halifax*, and the "Parish of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :—

P. 1, l. 45.—After "of" where it occurs the the second time insert "North."

P. 2, l. 14.—After "*Arthabaska*" insert Clause A.

CLAUSE A.

"The Act passed during the present Session and intituled "An Act to divide the Township of *Halifax* into two separate Townships," shall be construed "subject to the provisions of this Act, and notwithstanding anything in the said Act contained, neither "the Township of *North Halifax* nor the Township "of *South Halifax* shall include any of the Lots "hereby annexed to the Parish of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*,"

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Beaujeu*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Armstrong* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Sleigh Ordinances," 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 he report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :—

P. 1, l. 8—Leave out "Recorder" and insert "Recorders Court."

P. 1, l. 13—Leave out "he" and insert "th^e said Court."

P. 2, l. 16—After "Peace" insert Clause A.

CLAUSE A.

“It shall and may be lawful for any Officer or Constable of the Constabulary, or Police Force of the said City, to arrest on view any person contravening the provisions of the said Ordinances, or to arrest any person contravening the same immediately, or very soon after the commission of the offence, upon good and satisfactory information given, and every person so summarily arrested shall be forthwith conveyed to the City Hall for trial before the said Recorder’s Court, if then sitting, or if the said Recorder’s Court can be soon thereafter assembled, or if not, that bail may be taken for his appearance at the next sitting of the said Court to answer the charge or complaint preferred against him, and for which he may have been so arrested as aforesaid; and to the cases of all persons so arrested, the provisions of the eighty seventh section of the Act passed in the session held in the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty’s Reign, intituled ‘An Act to amend and consolidate the provisions of the Ordinance to incorporate the City of Montreal, and of a certain Ordinance and certain Acts amending the same, and to vest certain other powers in the Corporation of the said City of Montreal,’ shall apply as fully and effectually as if persons contravening the provisions of the Ordinances cited in the preamble of this Act were specially mentioned and referred to in the said section.”

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the 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 continue and confirm the separation of the Municipality of *St. Julie de Somerset* from *St. Coliate de Somerset* into two separate Townships,” 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.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to incorporate

“ the *Strathroy and Port Frank Railway Company*,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “ An Act to authorize *G. S. Wilkes* to construct a Dam on the Grand River at *Holmedale*,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Cartier* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “ An Act to authorize “ the Draining of Lake *Wawanosh* in the Township of *Sarnia*,” was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “ An Act to incorporate “ the *London and Lake Huron Railway Company*,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “ An Act to incorporate “ the City of *St. Hyacinthe*,” was as amended, read a third time.

The Honorable Mr. *Cartier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*,

That the said Bill be further amended, as follows :—

Page 3, line 1—After “ *Petit Rang*” insert “ and residing within the said extent
“ of Territory.”

Which being objected to,

After debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That the said further amendment be engrossed.

The question was then put whether this Bill as amended shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Fort Erie* 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 read a third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Renaud* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Acts relating to Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*," reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

Ordered, That the report be now received, and

The said amendments were then read by the Clerk as follow :

P. 1, l. 23.—Leave out from "comprising" to "the" in l. 24.

P. 1, l. 24.—After "formed" insert "and in the event of the County for which
 " such former Society was formed being now divided
 " between two or more Counties, then to the Treasurers
 " of the present Societies for such Counties or for por-
 " tions of such Counties, in proportion to the population
 " by the last census of the respective portions of the
 " territory of such former Society comprised in the
 " territories of such present Societies respectively."

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Renaud*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the 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 International Bridge Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint

that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to explain an Act, intituled An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Hamilton* and *Toronto* Railway Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to divide the Township of *Whitby* in the County of *Ontario* into two separate Municipalities."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The House according to Order proceeded to the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the disposal of Road Allowances in the Rural Municipalities of *Upper Canada*," and

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Seymour* seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund Act," was read a second time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

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 explain and amend the Clergy Reserves Appropriation Amendment Act of 1856, as regards the mode of ascertaining the number of Rate-payers in the several Municipalities in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Law in relation to the *Upper Canada* County Courts," was read a second time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendements, 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 amendements were then read by the Clerk as follow :—

P. 3, l. 39.—After "Attorney" insert "Sheriffs, Coroners and Officers of the said Courts."

P. 3, l. 47.—After "Attorney" insert "Sheriffs, Coroners and Officers of the said Courts."

The said amendements being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendements be engrossed and the Bill, as amended read a third time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Board of Trade of the City of *Ottawa*."

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

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,

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Vankoughnet*, *Hamilton* and *Walker*, 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 authorize the City of *Hamilton* to negotiate a loan of One Hundred Thousand Pounds," and

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the Bill, as amended, read a third time on Monday next.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for settling the Law concerning Lands held in Free and Common Soccage in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *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.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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 further to provide for defraying the expense of the River Police at *Quebec*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

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 *Lower Canada Tavern License Act of 1851*," was read a second time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Hamilton* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time on Monday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the establishment of Boards of Boundary Commissioners in *Upper Canada*."

And also of the Bill intituled "The *Lower Canada Municipal and Road Amendment Act of 1857*."

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, with leave of the House, presented a Petition from *C. E. Chadwick* and others of the Village of *Ingersoll* in the County of *Oxford*.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with Bill intituled "An Act to divide the Township of *Fredericksburgh* in the County of *Lennox*, into two separate Municipalities," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a

Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate "The Millers' Association of *Canada West*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the International Bank of *Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the "organization of Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made to their amendments by the Legislative Council to this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and make "better provision for the encouragement of Agriculture, and also to provide for "the promotion of Mechanical Science," 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:—

P. 3, l. 11.—After "institutions" insert "and the Chief Superintendents of "Education in *Upper* and in *Lower Canada*."

P. 5, l. 17.—After "respectively" insert "and the Chief Superintendents in " *Upper* and in *Lower Canada*."

P. 12, l. 30.—After "hold" insert "lease, mortgage, and alienate."

P. 13, l. 45.—After "*Norfolk*" insert "*Peel*."

And the said amendments being read a second time,

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Kvovlton*, it was

Ordered, That the same be agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to their amendments made to the last mentioned Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to make more ample provision for the incorporation

“ of the Town of *Three Rivers*,” and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled “ An Act to make valid the Deeds given by Sheriffs to the Assignees of Purchasers of Land sold for Taxes under the thirteenth and fourteenth *Victoria*, chapter sixty-seven, and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled “ An Act for improving the organization and increasing the efficiency of the Civil Service of *Canada*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled “ An Act to make further Legislative Provision for the partition of certain lands in the Townships of *Bolton* and *Magog*,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*,

That for the remainder of the present Session this House do meet at eleven o'clock in the forenoon of each day, adjourn at two o'clock, P. M., and meet again at three o'clock in the afternoon, and that the forty-sixth Rule of this House be dispensed with for the remainder of the present Session.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable the Speaker then declared this House continued until Monday next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the House so decreeing.

Monday, 8th June, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
MORRIS, J.
FERRIER,
BOULTON,
DE BEAUJEU,
ROSS,

The Honorable Messieurs

PANET,
SEYMOUR,
ARMSTRONG,
CAETIE,
DICKSON,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
RENAUD,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
DUCHESNAY,
VANKOUGHNET,
DESSAULLES,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the Table :—

By the Honorable Mr. *Walker*—of the *South Megantic* Library Association.

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of *George Duggan* of the City of *Toronto*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dessaullès*—of *Polycarpe Renaud* and others of that part of the Seigniorie of *Lachenaie* which lies in the County of *L'Assomption*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petitions were severally read :—

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Whitby*, praying that the said Township may not be divided into two separate Municipalities until the question of said division be submitted to a direct vote of the rate-payers.

Of *Edward Griffin* and others of the City of *Ottawa*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the Board of Trade of the said City.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Kent* in Council assembled, praying that in the proposed Charter for the construction of "The Great Southern Rail-road," it may be enacted that all contracts for building the said Road may be thrown open to public competition, and that all parties holding stock in the undertaking may be permitted to inspect such contracts, and that the accounts be verified by Auditors not connected with the Board of Directors.

The Order of the Day being read for moving, pursuant to notice, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General to restore to the Commission of the Peace, for the County of *Essex* in *Canada West*, *John Alexander Wilkinson* and *Thomas Woodbridge*, Esquires, of the Town of *Sandwich* in that County, pursuant to a Memorial of the inhabitants of *Sandwich* and others to that effect.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to enable Counties united for municipal purposes to carry on improvements independently of each other."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

Ordered, That the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to alter the limits of *Halifax* and the Parish of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Sleigh Ordinances," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to continue and confirm the separation of the Municipality of *Ste. Julie de Somerset* from *St. Cabiste de Somerset*, and to divide the Township of *Somerset* into two separate Townships," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Fort Erie* Railway Company," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the "Acts relating to Agricultural Societies 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for "the disposal of Road Allowances in the Rural Municipalities 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the "Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund Act," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to explain and "amend the Clergy Reserves Appropriation Amendment Act of 1856, as regards "the mode of ascertaining the number of Rate-payers in the several Municipalities "in *Upper Canada*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the "Law in relation to the *Upper Canada* County Courts," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the City of *Hamilton* to negotiate a loan of one hundred thousand pounds," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill as amended shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for settling the Law concerning Lands held in Free and Common Soccage 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for defraying the expense of the River Police at *Quebec*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Tavern License Act of 1851," was read a third time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be amended as follows:

P. 3, l. 44—After "discretion" insert Clause A.

CLAUSE A.

"Any person examined or called as a witness in any such prosecution, shall be bound to answer all questions put to him which are deemed pertinent to the issue.

“notwithstanding any declaration on his part that his
 “answers may disclose facts tending to subject him to the
 “penalty imposed by the ninth section of the above men-
 “tioned act, provided that such evidence shall not be used
 “against him in any prosecution under the said Section.

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed, and

Ordered, that the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to revive and amend a certain Act passed in the sixteenth year of Her Majesty’s Reign, and intituled An Act to incorporate the *Port Whitby* and Lake *Huron* Railway Company,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to divide the Township of *Whitby* in the County of *Ontario*, into two separate Municipalities,” was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to authorize the establishment of Boundary Commissioners in *Upper Canada*,” was read a second time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* 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 at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto Horticultural Society*," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Lindsay* and define the "Limits thereof."

Also the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the City of *St. Hyacinthe*."

And also the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Draining of Lake *Waraw-nosh*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bills without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to the hunting of wild animals and other game in *Lower-Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de La Terriere*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to legalize the Articles of Notarial Students who have "neglected to have them enregistered within the delay prescribed by law," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Panet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to extend the powers of the *St. Clair* and *Rond Eau* "Road Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled An Act to incorporate the Village of *Mitchell*, in the County of "*Perth*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince* seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was,

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House,

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Act incorporating the *Niagara* "District Bank," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to improve the mode of obtaining Evidence in cases of "controverted Elections" to which they desire the concurrence of this House,

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Napanee*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Act to authorize the improvement of Water Courses," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to legalise the proceedings of the County Council of

"*Kamouraska* and the Local Council of *St. Paschal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain allowance for road in the Township of *Oxford* in *John Christie*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Railway Clauses Consolidation Act," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *John Shang* a certain allowance for road in the Township of *Wilberforce*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of a certain School Lot in the Town of *Prescott* to sell the said Lot, and for other purposes," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a

Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Municipalities of the Townships of *East Zorra*, *West Zorra*, and *East Nissouri*, in the County of *Oxford*, to dispose of "certain Road Allowances in the said Townships," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for ascertaining unknown Boundaries in all "cases in which the Concession Lines were not run in the original survey," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Fort Erie* Ship Canal Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Prince*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Patton* enters.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* Island Bridge "Company," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act for the Appointment of County Attorneys, and for other "purposes, in relation to the Local Administration of Justice in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Western *Canada* Loan Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the better administration of Justice in the "unorganized tracts of Country within the limits of this Province," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Patton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to divide the *Quebec* Turnpike Road into two separate "Trusts, and to make other provision relative thereto," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

The House was then adjourned until three o'clock, this afternoon.

At three o'clock, the House was accordingly resumed.

The Honorable Messieurs *de Blaquièrè* and *Gordon* enter.

The House according to Order was ajourned during pleasure and again put into a Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the establishment of Boards of Boundary Commissioners in *Upper Canada*."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière* reported from the said Committee that they had again taken the said Bill into consideration had made some further progress therein, and had directed him to ask leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the said Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "The *Lower Canada* "Municipal and Road amendment Act of 1857," was read a second time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then according to order adjourned during pleasure, and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Simpson* 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 :—

P. 2, l. 13.—After “ Council” insert “ and the extent of ground designated in a
“ Proclamation inserted in the number of the Canada
“ *Gazette*, published by authority, under date of the seventh
“ day of February one thousand eight hundred and fifty
“ seven, as being intended to form a separate Municipality
“ after the first day of January next, under the name of the
“ corporation of the Village of *St. Césaire*, shall be detached
“ from the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Césaire*, and
“ shall form a distinct and separate Municipality under the
“ name aforesaid from the passing of this act: and the
“ Elections for the choice of Municipal Councillors of the
“ said Corporation of the Village of *St. Césaire* may take
“ place in the manner provided by law, on the first Monday
“ of the month of July next.

P. 3, l. 41—Leave out “ government” and insert “ regulation.”

P. 3, l. 44—After “ Act” insert “ with respect to all other Ferries under its
“ control.”

P. 4, l. 30—After “ him” insert “ be it declared, That the Chief Officer of every
“ Council has and always had a right to vote upon all dis-
“ puted questions incapable of being decided without the
“ votes of two-thirds of the Members of such Council.”

P. 6, l. 28—After “ Section” insert “ and notwithstanding anything in the said
“ Acts, or in this act contained, it shall not be lawful after
“ the first day of January, 1858, for any Council of any
“ Municipality in any part of the Townships of *Lower*
“ *Canada*, to raise money for making or maintaining roads
“ or bridges, therein, or to cause roads or bridges therein to
“ be made or maintained otherwise than by assessment and
“ statute labour.

2. And from and after the said first day of January,
“ 1858, the provisions of the 50th Section of the Act

“ of 1855, in so far as they have not been repealed or
 “ altered by the Act of 1856, or by this Act, shall apply to
 “ every Municipality in the Townships of Lower Canada,
 “ as fully and effectually as if the Council of every such
 “ Municipality had passed a by-law requiring the roads and
 “ bridges therein, to be made and maintained by assessment
 “ and Statute labour in the manner provided in the said last
 “ mentioned section.”

P. 7, l. 47—After “ possession” insert 2, “ Every Deed of Sale to a lot or parcel
 “ of land sold under the provisions of the said Acts, or of
 “ the Municipal laws in force prior to 1855, which during
 “ the interval between the sale thereof and the execution of
 “ such Deed, has been, or shall be hereafter, detached from
 “ one County, and attached to another, shall be executed by
 “ the Secretary-Treasurer of the Council of the County in
 “ which such lot or parcel of land shall be at the time when
 “ the purchaser shall be entitled to receive such Deed, and
 “ shall exhibit to such Secretary-Treasurer the Certificate
 “ specifying the particulars of his purchase.”

The said amendments being read a second time and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquièrre*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the Bill, as amended, read a third time to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled “ An Act to divide the Township of *Fredericburgh* in the County of *Lennox* “ into two separate Municipalities.”

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*,

That the Forty-ninth Rule of this House be dispensed with in so far it relates to this Bill.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, and the same was resolved in the affirmative.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ross*, *Hamilton*, *Fergusson*, *Vankoughnet* and *Seymour*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Millers' Association of *Canada West*."

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Walker*, That the forty-ninth and fifty-seventh Rules of this House be dispensed with in so far as they relate to the said Bill.

The question of concurrence being put thereon the same was resolved in the affirmative.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Boulton*, *Ross*, *Seymour*, *Simpson* and *Hamilton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the "International Bank of *Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ross*, *Hamilton*, *Dickson*, *Mills* and *J. Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for improving the "organization and increasing the efficiency of the Civil Service of *Canada*," was read a second time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *deBlaquière*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Gordon* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled, "An Act to make further Legislative provision for the partition of certain lands in "the townships of *Bolton* and *Magog*."

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr *Knowlton*,

That the forty-ninth and fifty-seventh Rules of this House be dispensed with in so far as they relate to the said Bill.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *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.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to protect the property and rights of Married Women 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the hunting of Wild Animals and other Game in *Lower Canada*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *de La Terrière*, *Prince* and *Panet*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to legalize the Articles of Notarial Students who have neglected to have them enregistered within the delay prescribed by law," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Panet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to extend the powers of the *St. Clair and Rond Eau Road Company*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince, Moore, Dickson, Gordon* and *J. Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Mitchell* in the County of *Perth*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince, Moore, Dickson, J. Morris* and *Gordon*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Act incorporating the *Niagara District Bank*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *J. Morris, Hamilton*, and *de Blaquière*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Napanee*,"

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*,

That the forty-ninth and fifty-seventh 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.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* then moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, That the said Bill be now read a second time,

Whereupon the Honorable Mr. *Seymour* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*,

That the said Bill be not now read a second time, but that the same 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 affirmative.

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to legalise the proceedings of the County Council of *Kamouraska* and the Local Council of *St. Paschal*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier* it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to improve the mode of obtaining Evidence in cases of Controverted Elections," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince*, *Simpson*, *Armstrong*, *Harmaninus Smith* and *Fergusson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain allowance for road in the Township of *Oxford* in *John Christie*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince*, *Dickson*, *Simpson*, *Armstrong* and *J. Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Railway Clauses Consolidation Act," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Dessaulles*, *Ross*, *Ferrier*, *Renaud* and *Prince*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *John Shaw* a certain allowance for Road in the Township of *Wilberforce*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of a certain School Lot in the Town of *Prescott* to sell the said Lot, and for other purposes," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Dickson*, *Hamilton* and *J. Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Municipalities of the Townships of *East Zorra*, *West Zorra* and *East Nissouri*, in the County of *Oxford*, to dispose of certain road allowances in the said Townships," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

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.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for ascertaining unknown Boundaries in all cases in which the Concession Lines were not run in the original survey," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ross*, *Seymour* and *Boulton*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act for the Appointment of County Attorneys, and for other purposes, in relation to the Local Administration of Justice in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *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.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time to-morrow.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Fort Erie* Ship Canal Company," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Prince*, *Renaud* and *Armstrong*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Western Canada* Loan Company," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrie*, *Boulton* and *Fergusson*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to divide the *Quebec* Turnpike Roads into two separate Trusts, and to make other provision relative thereto," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Duchesnay*, *de La Terrière*, *Walker*, *Vankoughnet* and *Panet*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

The Honorable Mr. *Moore* from the Select Committee appointed, to examine and report upon the Contingent Accounts of this House 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, 1857.

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 third Report.

The last audit of the Clerk's Accounts extended to the twenty-eight day of February last, on which day there was a balance of three hundred and fifty-three pounds fifteen shillings and eleven pence, (£353 15s. 11d.) left in his hands at the credit of your Honorable House.

He has since received to the thirty-first day of May last, inclusive, five thousand five hundred and eighty pounds, (£5,580,) making with the aforesaid sum a total of five thousand nine hundred and thirty three pounds fifteen shillings and eleven pence (£5,933 15s. 11d.,) to be accounted for by him on the first day of June instant.

The Clerk has accounted to the satisfaction of your Committee (as per vouchers numbered from three hundred and thirty-six to five hundred and forty seven, both inclusive), for payments between the first and last of the above dates to the amount, of five thousand five hundred and twenty-two pounds six shillings and sixpence, (£5,522 6s. 6d.,) so that on the last mentioned day there remained in his hands to the credit of your Honorable House a balance of four hundred and eleven pounds nine shillings and five pence, (£411 9s. 5d.)

Your Committee deem it right to inform your Honorable House that in the above sum of five thousand five hundred and eighty pounds there is included a sum of five hundred pounds received on the twenty eight day of May last from Mr. *de Lery*, the late Clerk, in full for the deficiencies in his Accounts with your Honorable House, according to the terms of the recommendation contained in their last Report, which was adopted.

With respect to the several Petitions from the Officers, Clerks, and Servants of your Honorable House for increase of Salary, which have been referred to your Committee, they have agreed to recommend that it be referred to the Honorable the Speaker of this House to consider the subject of the Salaries of the Officers, Clerks and Servants of this House with a view to regulate the same, and to place them on some proper footing in correspondence with the Salaries of Officers, Clerks and Servants holding corresponding positions in the either Branch of the Legislature, and with this view to communicate with the Honorable the Speaker of the other House, upon whom a similar duty has been devolved by that House.

All which is respectfully submitted.

Signed,

P. H. MOORE,
Chairman.

The said Report being read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaullles*, it was

Ordered, That the same be adopted.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Moore* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dessaullles*.

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to direct that a Warrant be issued in favor of the Clerk of this House for the sum of Fourteen 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, and it was

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House, do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Board of Trade of the "City of *Ottawa*," 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.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill, with the amendments be printed, and read a third time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *St. Maurice* Railway and Navigation "Company," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate the debt of the City of *Ottawa*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled An Act to vest in *Charles Coxwell Small*, Esquire, certain Road Allowances in the Township of *Pickering*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act intituled "An Act to repeal a certain Act and Ordinance therein mentioned, relating to the Trinity House of *Montreal*, and to amend and consolidate the provisions thereof," and to make further provisions concerning Pilots," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to 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.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return "the Bill intituled An Act to amend the Sleigh Ordinances."

Also the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the City of *Hamilton* to negotiate a Loan of One hundred thousand pounds."

Also the Bill intituled "An Act to alter the limits of the Township of *Halifax*, and the Parish of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*."

Also the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Town of *Collingwood*."

Also the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Tavern License Act of 1851."

Also the Bill intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Law in relation to the *Upper Canada* County Courts."

And also the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Acts relating to Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed

to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bills without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize investigations in cases of accident by Fire, and to repeal the Act authorizing such investigations in the Cities of *Québec* and *Montreal*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk with a Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Corporation of the City of *Quebec* to establish a Police force for the said City," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, it was

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 their Clerk, with a Bill intituled "An Act to extend the right of Appeal in Criminal Cases in *Upper Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Fergusson*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable the Speaker declared this House continued until to-morrow at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, the House so decreeing.

Tuesday, 9th June, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
MOORE,
WALKER,
WIDMER,
FERRIER,
DE BEAUJEU,

The Honorable Messieurs

MILLS,
PANET,
ARMSTRONG,
CAETIEE,
DICKSON,
SMITH, HARMANNUS
DUCHESNAY,
DESSAULES,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS.

The following Petition was brought up and laid on the Table :—

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*—of *Henry Allen* of the City of *Toronto*, and Town of *Niagara*, Esquire, Barrister, and heretofore Judge of the *London* District.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petitions were severally read :

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Clarendon*, in the County of *Pontiac*, praying for certain amendments to the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855.

Of the Municipal Council of the Township of *Bristol*, in the aforesaid County of *Pontiac*, praying for aid towards the opening of a Road in the said County.

Of the *Port Hope* Mechanics' Institute and Library Association, praying that copies of the Journals and Parliamentary Papers may be sent to the said Institution.

Of *C. E. Chadwick* and others of the Village of *Ingersoll*, in the County of *Oxford*, praying that the case of *Robert Fleming Gourley* may receive the favorable consideration of this House.

The Honorable Messieurs *Simpson*, *Seymour*, *de La Terrière*, *Ross*, *Renard*, *J. Morris*, *Vankoughnet*, and *Boulton* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to divide the Township of *Fredericburg* in the

“ County of *Lennox* into two separate Municipalities,” 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 at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to incorporate the International Bank of *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 at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Dickson* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to enable the Trustees of a certain School Lot in “ the said Town of *Prescott* to sell the said Lot, 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 read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to alter and amend the Act incorporating “ the *Niagara* District 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 at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to incorporate the Village of *Mitchell* in the County “ of *Perth*,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to extend the powers of the *St. Clair* and *Rond* “ *Eau* Plank Road 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 at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “ An Act to incorporate the *Fort Erie* Ship Canal Company,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to improve the mode of obtaining Evidence in Cases of Controverted Elections," 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. *Prince* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain allowance for road in the Township of *Oxford*, in *John Christie*," 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 at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Railway Clauses Consolidation Act" 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 :—

P. 1, l. 8—Leave out from "imply" to "with" in l. 9, and insert "sliding gates, commonly called hurdle gates."

P. 1, l. 14—After "gates" insert "and provided further, that nothing in this Act contained shall in any way affect or apply to any Railway at present constructed, or in part constructed; but the same shall be taken and held to apply only to such Railways as may be constructed or commenced after the passing of this Act."

Then the Honorable Mr. *Dessaulles* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*,

That the said amendments be now read a second time.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative,

The said amendments were then read a second time accordingly, and the question of concurrence being put on each they were severally agreed to.

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed, and the said Bill, as amended, read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Duchesnay* from the Select Committee to whom was

referred the Bill intituled "An Act to divide the *Quebec* Turnpike Roads into "two separate Trusts, and to make other provision relative thereto," 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 at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Western *Canada* 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 read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating "to the hunting of Wild Animals and other Game 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 were then read by the Clerk as follows:—

P. 1, l. 17—Leave out "first" where it occurs the first time, and insert "fifteenth" "and leave out "August" and insert "September."

The said amendment being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put thereon, the same was agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendment be engrossed and the Bill, as amended, read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Goodhue* enters.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "The *Lower Canada* "Municipal and Road Amendment Act of 1857," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for improving "the organization and increasing the efficiency of the Civil Service of *Canada*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to make further Legislative provision for the partition of certain lands in the Townships of *Bolton and Magog*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to legalize the Articles of Notarial Students who have neglected to have them enregistered within the delay prescribed by law," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to legalize the proceedings of the County Council of *Kamouraska* and the Local Council of *St. Paschal*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *John Shaw* a certain allowance for Road in the Township of *Wilberforce*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Municipalities of the Townships of *East Zorra*, *West Zorra*, and *East Nissouri*, in the County of *Oxford*, to dispose of certain Road Allowances in "said Townships," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act for the appointment of County Attorneys and for other purposes in relation to the local administration of Justice in *Upper Canada*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Board of Trade of the City of *Ottawa*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Act to authorize the improvement of Water Courses,"

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *de Beaujeu* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière*,

That the said Bill be not now read a second time, but that it be read a second time this day three months.

Which being objected to,

After debate,

The said motion in amendment was by leave of the House withdrawn, and

The question being then put on the original motion the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Dickson* and *Renaud*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*,

That the Honorable Messieurs *de LaTerrière* and *Duchemay* be added to the said Committee.

Which being objected to,

The question of concurrence was put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

The Order of the Day being read for again putting the House into Committee of the whole on the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the establishment of Boards of Boundry Commissioners in Upper Canada."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, that the same be discharged.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *St. Maurice* Railway and Navigation Company," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill intituled "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government for the year 1857, and for certain other expenses connected with the public service, and also for raising a Loan on the credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton* it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, to return the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the disposal of Road Allowances in the Rural Municipalities 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 their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to extend to the Province of *Canada* Letters Patent granted to *Henry Bessemer* for certain improvements invented or discovered by him, in the manufacture of Malleable or Bar Iron and Steel," 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 :—

P. 1, l. 20.—After “ Patent” insert “ a copy of which is contained in the
“ Schedule to this Act annexed.”

P. 1, l. 33.—After “ same” insert “ Schedule.”

SCHEDULE.

[L.S.] “ *Victoria*, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom
“ of *Great Britain and Ireland*, Queen, Defender of the
“ Faith, to all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting :
“ Whereas, *Henry Bessemer* of Queen Street Place, New
“ Cannon Street in the City of *London*, Civil Engineer,
“ hath by his Petition humbly represented unto Us that he
“ is in possession of an invention for “ Improvements in the
“ manufacture of malleable or bar Iron and Steel,” which
“ the Petitioner believes will be of great public utility,
“ that he is the first and true Inventor thereof, and that the
“ same is not in use by any other person or persons, to the
“ best of his knowledge and belief. The Petitioner there
“ fore most humbly prayed that We would be graciously
“ pleased to grant unto him, his executors, administrators
“ and assigns, Our Royal Letters Patent for the sole use,
“ benefit and advantage of his said Invention, within Our
“ United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland*, the
“ Channel Islands and *Isle of Man*, for the term of Four-
“ teen years, pursuant to the Statute in that case made and
“ provided ; and We being willing to give encouragement
“ to all Arts and Inventions which may be for the public
“ good, are graciously pleased to condescend to the
“ Petitioner’s request. Know ye therefore, that We, of Our
“ especial grace, certain knowledge and mere motion, have
“ given and granted, and by these Presents, for Us, Our
“ heirs and successors, do give and grant unto the said
“ *Henry Bessemer* his executors, administrators and assigns,
“ Our especial license, full power, sole privilege and
“ authority, that he the said *Henry Bessemer* his executors,
“ administrators and assigns and every of them, by himself
“ and themselves, or by his and their Deputy or Deputies,
“ Servants or Agents, or such others as he the said *Henry*
“ *Bessemer*, his executors, administrators or assigns shall at
“ any time agree with, and no others, from time to time,
“ and at all times hereafter, during the term of years herein
“ expressed, shall and lawfully may make, use, exercise and
“ vend his said Invention within Our United Kingdom of

“ *Great Britain and Ireland, the Channel Islands and the*
“ *Isle of Man*, in such manner as to him, the said *Henry*
“ *Bessemer*, his executors, administrators and assigns, or any
“ of them, shall in his or their discretion seem meet. And
“ that he the said *Henry Bessemer*, his executors, adminis-
“ trators and assigns shall and lawfully may have and enjoy
“ the whole profit, benefit, commodity and advantage from
“ time to time, coming, growing, accruing and arising by
“ reason of the said Invention for and during the term of
“ years herein mentioned, to have, hold, exercise and enjoy
“ the said licenses, powers, privileges and advantages
“ hereinbefore granted or mentioned to be granted unto
“ the said *Henry Bessemer*, his executors, administrators
“ and assigns, for and during and unto the full end and term
“ of Fourteen years from the day of the date of these
“ Presents next and immediately ensuing according to the
“ Statute in such case made and provided. And to the end
“ that he the said *Henry Bessemer*, his executors, administra-
“ tors, and assigns and every of them, may have and enjoy
“ the full benefit and the sole use and exercise of the said
“ Invention according to Our gracious intention hereinbefore
“ declared, We do by these presents for Us, Our heirs and
“ successors, require and strictly command all and every
“ person and persons, bodies politic and corporate, and
“ all other Our subjects whatsoever, of what estate, quality,
“ degree, name or condition soever they be within Our
“ United Kingdom of *Great Britain and Ireland, the Channel*
“ *Islands and Isle of Man*, that neither they nor any of
“ them, at any time during the continuance of the said term
“ of Fourteen years hereby granted either directly or
“ indirectly do make use or put in practice the said Inven-
“ tion or any part of the same so attained unto by the said
“ *Henry Bessemer* as aforesaid, nor in any wise counterfeit,
“ imitate or resemble the same, nor shall make or cause to
“ be made any addition thereunto or subtraction from the
“ same whereby to pretend himself or themselves the Inven-
“ tor or Inventors, Devisor or Devisors thereof without the
“ consent, licence or agreement of the said *Henry Bessemer*,
“ his executors, administrators or assigns, in writing under
“ his or their hands and seals, first had and obtained in that
“ behalf upon such pains and penalties as can or may be
“ justly inflicted on such offenders for their contempt of this
“ Our Royal Command. And further, to be answerable to
“ the said *Henry Bessemer*, his executors, administrators

“ and assigns, according to Law, for his and their damages
“ thereby occasioned. And moreover, we do by these pre-
“ sents for us, Our heirs and successors, will and command
“ all and singular the Justices of the Peace, Mayors,
“ Sheriffs, Bailiffs, Constables, Headboroughs and all other
“ Officers and Ministers whatsoever of us Our heirs and suc-
“ cessors for the time being that they or any of them do not
“ nor shall at any time during the said term hereby granted
“ in anywise molest, trouble or hinder the said *Henry*
“ *Bessemer*, his executors, administrators or assigns or any
“ of them, or his or their Deputies, Servants or Agents, in
“ or about the due and lawful use or exercise of the afore-
“ said Invention, or anything relating thereto. Provided
“ always, and these Our Letters Patent are and shall be
“ upon this condition, that if at any time during the
“ said term hereby granted, it shall be made appear
“ to Us, Our heirs or successors or any six or more of
“ Our or their Privy Council that this Our Grant is
“ contrary to Law or prejudicial or inconvenient to Our
“ subjects in general, or that the said Invention is not a new
“ Invention as to the public use and exercise thereof, within
“ our *United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland*, the
“ *Channel Islands and Isle of Man*, or that the said *Henry*
“ *Bessemer* is not the first and true Inventor thereof within
“ this Realm as aforesaid, these our Letters Patent shall
“ forthwith cease, determine and be utterly void, to all
“ intents and purposes, anything hereinbefore contained to
“ the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding. Pro-
“ vided also, that these our Letters Patent or anything
“ herein contained, shall not extend or be construed to ex-
“ tend, to give privilege unto the said *Henry Bessemer*, his
“ Executors, Administrators or Assigns, or any of them to
“ use or imitate any Invention or Work, whatsoever, which
“ hath heretofore been found out or invented by any other of
“ Our Subjects whatsoever, and publicly used or exercised
“ within Our *United Kingdom of Great Britain and*
“ *Ireland, the Channel Islands or Isle of Man*, unto whom
“ Our like Letters Patent or Privileges have been already
“ granted for the sole use, exercise and benefit thereof. It
“ being Our Will and Pleasure, that the said *Henry Besse-*
“ *mer*, his Executors, Administrators and Assigns, and all and
“ every other person or persons to whom like Letters
“ Patent or Privileges have been already granted as aforesaid,
“ shall distinctly use and practise their several Inventions

“ by them invented, and found out according to the true
“ intent and meaning of the same respective Letters Patent
“ and of these Presents. Provided likewise, nevertheless;
“ And these Our Letters Patent are upon this express condi-
“ tion, that if the said *Henry Bessemer*, his Executors or
“ Administrators, shall not particularly describe and ascer-
“ tain the nature of the said Invention and in what manner
“ the same is to be performed by an Instrument in writing,
“ under his or their or one of their hands and seals, and
“ cause the same to be filed in the Great Seal Patent
“ Office, within six calendar months next, and immediately
“ after the date of these Our Letters Patent; And also if
“ the said *Henry Bessemer*, his Executors, Administrators
“ or Assigns, shall not pay the Stamp Duty of Fifty Pounds
“ and produce these Our Letters Patent stamped with a
“ proper Stamp to that amount at the Office of Our Com-
“ missioners of Patents for Inventions, before the expiration
“ of three years from the date of these Our Letters Patent
“ pursuant to the provisions of the Act of the sixteenth year
“ of Our Reign, Chapter 5. And also if the said *Henry*
“ *Bessemer*, his Executors, Administrators or Assigns shall
“ not pay the Stamp Duty of one hundred pounds, and
“ produce these Our Letters Patent stamped with a proper
“ Stamp to that amount at the said Office of Our said Com-
“ missioners before the expiration of seven years from the
“ date of these Our Letters Patent, pursuant also to the said
“ Act. And also if the said *Henry Bessemer*, his Executors,
“ Administrators or Assigns, shall not supply or cause to be
“ supplied for our service, all such articles of the said Inven-
“ tion as he or they shall be required to supply by the Offi-
“ cers or Commissioners, administering the Department of
“ Our Service, for the use of which the same shall be
“ required, in such manner at such times, and at and upon
“ such reasonable prices and terms as shall be settled for that
“ purpose, by the said Officers or Commissioners requiring the
“ same that then and in any of the said cases, these Our
“ Letters Patent and all liberties and advantages whatsoever
“ hereby granted, shall utterly cease, determine and become
“ void, anything hereinbefore contained to the contrary
“ thereof, in anywise notwithstanding. Provided that
“ nothing herein contained shall prevent the granting of
“ Licences; in such manner and for such considerations as
“ they may by Law be granted. And lastly, We do by these
“ Presents for Us, Our heirs and successors, grant unto the

“ said *Henry Bessemer*, his Executors, Administrators and
 “ Assigns, that these Our Letters Patent or the filing thereof,
 “ shall be in and by all things good, firm valid and sufficient
 “ and effectual in the Law, according to the true intent and
 “ meaning thereof, and shall be taken, construed and adjudged
 “ in the most favorable and beneficial sense for the best
 “ advantage of the said *Henry Bessemer*, his Executors,
 “ Administrators and Assigns, as well in all Our Courts of
 “ Record as elsewhere, and by all and singular the Officers
 “ and Ministers whatsoever of Us, Our heirs and successors
 “ in Our United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, the
 “ *Channel Islands* and *Isle of Man* and amongst all and
 “ every the Subjects of Us, Our heirs and successors what-
 “ soever and wheresoever, notwithstanding the not full and
 “ certain, describing the nature or quality of the said Inven-
 “ tion, or of the materials thereunto conducing and belonging.
 “ In witness whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to
 “ be made Patent this Twelfth day of February, one thousand
 “ eight hundred and fifty-six, in the nineteenth year of Our
 “ Reign and to be sealed as of the said twelfth day of Febru-
 “ ary, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six,

“ By Warrant,

Signed,

EDMUNDS.

“ We hereby certify the above,

“ to be a true Copy,

“ (Signed) W. S. SHEPPARD,

“ EDWARD TOWERS.

“ Clerks in the Great Seal Patent Office.”

The said amendments being read a second time,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*,
 it was

Ordered, That the same be agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint
 that House that the Legislative Council doth agree to their amendments to the
 last mentioned Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a
 “ Bill intituled “ An Act to afford relief to the sufferers by the late fire at *Three*
 “ *Rivers*, by authorizing a loan on the credit of the Consolidated Municipal Loan
 “ Fund, to enable them to re-build the houses and other buildings destroyed by
 “ the said fire,” to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr.
Renaud, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting of the House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act further to amend the Acts relative to Land Surveyors," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bill with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of the Legislative Council.

Which said amendment was then read by the Clerk as follows:

P. 1, l. 19—After "Engineer" insert "and Land Surveyor"

The said amendment being read a second time,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Simpson*, it was

Ordered, That the same be agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House, that the Legislative Council doth agree to their amendment made to the said Bill without any amendment.

The House was then adjourned until three o'clock this afternoon.

At three o'clock the House was accordingly resumed.

The Honorable Messieurs *de Blaquière* and *Gordon* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a digest of returns from *A. C. Buchanan*, *A. B. Hawke* and *J. C. Dixon*, Esquires, Emigration Agents, of the number of emigrants arrived in *Canada* this Season, up to the 8th June, 1857.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table and it is as follows:—

(*Vide Appendix No. 8.*)

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 *St. Maurice* Railway and Navigation Company."

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Harmannus Smith* reported from the said Committee that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*,

That when the House resumes this evening, at half past seven o'clock, it be considered a distinct sitting.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

The Order being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government for the year 1857, and for certain other expenses connected with the public service, and also for raising a Loan on the Credit of the Consolidated Revenue Fund."

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

After Debate,

The question of concurrence was 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 read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the better administration of Justice in the unorganized tracts of country within this Province,"

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly,

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

That the said Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House presently,

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The House was then according to Order adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole on the said Bill.

After some time the House was resumed, and

The Honorable Mr. *Mills* 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 :—

- P. 2, l. 36.—After “Constable” where it occurs the first time, insert “and such
“Constable may be selected from among the body of men
“known as the enrolled pensioners, and such persons so
“selected shall be bound to discharge the duties of
“Constables.”
- P. 3, l. 31.—Leave out “County” and insert “Common.”
- P. 5, l. 5.—Leave out from “the” where it occurs the first time to “upon” in
“line 6 and insert “said stipendiary Magistrate.”
- P. 5, l. 12.—Leave out from “Bench” to “to” in line 13, and insert “or the said
“Court of Common Pleas, or any Judge of the said Court.”
- P. 5, l. 18.—Leave out from “person” to “holding” and insert “unlawfully.”
- P. 8, l. 27.—After “proof” insert “and the said books may be kept in the form
“given in the said Schedule.”
- P. 9, l. 1.—After “if” insert “not.”
- P. 11, l. 26.—Leave out “of” where it occurs the first time, and insert “or.”
- P. 11, l. 47.—After “Defendant” insert “in evidence.”
- P. 12, l. 4.—Leave out “or” and after claim” insert “or set off.”
- P. 12, l. 15.—After “before” insert “him or before.”
- P. 12, l. 24.—After “to” insert “the.”
- P. 13, l. 4.—After “made” insert “or judgment given.”
- P. 17, l. 36.—Leave out from “within” to “or” and insert “any such temporary
“judicial District.”
- P. 17, l. 42.—After “and” insert “that”
- P. 21, l. 4.—Leave out “founded” and insert “formed.”
- P. 21, l. 9.—After “formed” insert Clauses A. B. and C.

CLAUSE A.

“The Queen’s Writ shall run from all the Courts of Law
“and Equity in *Upper Canada* into the said unorganized

“ Country, and have the same force and effect upon persons
 “ and property as the said Writs do in *Upper Canada*, and
 “ may be directed to the Sheriff of the County next adjacent
 “ thereto.”

CLAUSE B.

“ It shall be lawful for the Governor General in Council
 “ to appoint a Registrar of Deeds in and for the unorganized
 “ tracts of Country bordering on and adjacent to Lakes
 “ *Superior* and *Huron*, whose duty it shall be to register all
 “ Deeds and other conveyances and agreements relating to
 “ lands situate in any part of the said unorganized tracts
 “ and laid out and surveyed by the Crown.”

CLAUSE C.

“ The said Registrar shall keep his Office in the place to
 “ be named for that purpose in his Commission or at such
 “ other place as may be appointed for that purpose from
 “ time to time by the Governor in Council, and his
 “ duties shall be the same as the duties of other Registrars in
 “ *Upper Canada*, under the Acts of the Legislature now
 “ passed or hereafter to be passed in that behalf. His fees
 “ shall be the same as those appointed by the Statute passed
 “ in the sixteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign, chaptered
 “ one hundred and eighty-seven, or the Governor General in
 “ Council may order an annual Salary not exceeding two
 “ hundred pounds to be paid to the said Registrar, out of the
 “ Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province in lieu of such
 “ fees which in such case shall be paid into such Revenue.”

P. 23, l. 19—Leave out from “ paid” to “ towards” and leave a blank.

P. 23, l. 20.—Leave out from “ costs” to “ and” and leave a blank.

P. 23, l. 49—Leave out from “ for” to “ 20th” in line 50.

P. 23, l. 50—Leave out from “ Plaintiff” to “ debt,” and leave a blank.

P. 25, l. 33—After “ had” insert “ and.”

P. 31, l. 18—After “ hath” insert “ absconded from this Province leaving personal
 “ property liable to seizure under execution for debt in the
 “ temporary judicial District of (or hath attempted to
 “ remove his personal property out of the temporary judicial
 “ district of) or keep himself or property concealed
 “ within the temporary judicial district of to avoid the
 “ service of process (as the case may be.)

P. 31, l. 20—Leave out “his” and insert “the.”

P. 36, l. 19—After “said” insert “Temporary Judicial.”

P. 36, l. ult.—After Clerk insert.

“Fine £ “

“Costs £ “

“Execution £ “

The said amendments being read a second time, and the question of concurrence put on each, they were severally agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquiére*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be engrossed and the Bill, as amended, read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to explain and amend the Act to authorize the improvement of Water Courses,” 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:—

P. 1, l. 11.—Leave out from “thereof” to “either” in line 12, and insert “after the passing of this Act, at some certain place in front of such land.”

P. 1, l. 16.—Leave out from “place” to “unless.”

P. 1, l. 35.—Leave out from works” to “the” in line 36, and insert “if by so doing he would cause.”

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*, it was

Ordered, That the said amendments be taken into consideration by the House at the next sitting thereof.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to consolidate the debt of the City of *Ottawa*,” was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Vankoughnet*, *Ross*, and *Moore*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled “An Act to vest in *Charles Coxwell Small*, Esquire, certain Road Allowances in the Township of *Pickering*,” was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *J. Morris*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act intituled An Act to repeal a certain Act and ordinance therein mentioned, relating to the Trinity House of *Montreal*, and to amend and consolidate the provisions thereof, and to make further provisions concerning Pilots," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts and Ordinances therein mentioned, and for other purposes," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Blaquière*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize investigations in cases of accident by Fire, and to repeal the Act authorizing such investigations in the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*," was read a second time.

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Ferrier*, *Ferrie* and *J. Morris*, to meet and adjourn as they please.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize the Corporation of the City of *Quebec* to establish a Police force for the said City," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de LaTerrière*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cartier*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to extend the right of Appeal in Criminal cases in *Upper Canada*," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Boulton*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Hamilton*, it was

Ordered, that the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to divide the Township of *Fredericksburgh* in the County of *Lennox*, into two separate Municipalities," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the International Bank of *Canada*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Trustees of a certain School Lot in the Town of *Prescott* to sell the said Lot, 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to alter and amend the Act incorporating the *Niagara* District Bank" was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Village of *Mitchell* in the County of *Perth*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint

that House that the Legislative Council have passed this bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to extend the powers of the *St Clair and Rond Eau Road Company*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to vest a certain allowance for road in the Township of *Oxford* in *John Christie*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Fort Erie Ship Canal Company*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Railway Clauses Consolidation Act," was, as amended, read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to divide the *Quebec Turnpike Roads* into two separate Trusts, and to make other provision relative thereto," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Western Canada Loan Company*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the hunting of Wild Animals and other Game 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the Bill intituled "An Act to enable Counties united for Municipal purposes to carry on improvements independently of each other," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to afford relief to the sufferers by the late fire at *Three-Rivers*, by authorizing a loan on the credit of the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund, to enable them to re-build the houses and other buildings destroyed by the said fire," was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Armstrong*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Millers' Association of *Canada West*," 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 :—

P. 5, l. 46—Leave out from "interest" to "eight" and insert "not exceeding."

P. 6, l. 44—After "directed" insert Clause A.

CLAUSE A.

“Provided always, that nothing in this Act shall be construed to authorize the said Association to purchase grain or flour, or to sell the same.”

The Honorable Mr. *Boulton* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Gordon*, That the said amendments be now adopted.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Mills*,

That the said amendments be not now adopted, but that the Bill and Report be referred back to the Select Committee for further consideration.

Which being objected to,

After Debate,

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, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to consolidate the debt of the City of *Ottawa*,” reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time at the next sitting of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled “An Act to authorize investigations in cases of accident by Fire, and to repeal the Act authorizing such investigations in the Cities of *Quebec* and *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 at the next sitting of the House.

The House was then adjourned until half-past seven o'clock this evening.

At half-past seven o'clock the House was accordingly resumed.

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 Legislature to-morrow at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled “An Act to provide for the better administration of Justice in the unorganized tracts of country within the limits 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint

that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to vest in *Charles Cowell*, Esquire, certain Road Allowances in the Township of *Pickering*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to amend an Act intituled an Act to repeal a certain Act and Ordinance therein mentioned, relating to the Trinity House of *Montreal*, and to amend and consolidate the provisions thereof, and to make further provisions concerning Pilots," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to authorise the Corporation of the City of *Quebec* to establish a Police force for 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 the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to extend the right of Appeal in Criminal Cases in *Upper Canada*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order, the Bill intituled "An Act to afford relief to the sufferers by the late fire at *Three-Rivers*, by authorising a loan on the credit of the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund, to enable them to re-build the houses and other buildings destroyed by the said fire," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate the debt of the City of *Ottawa*," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Pursuant to Order the Bill intituled "An Act to authorize investigations in cases of accidents by Fire, and to repeal the Act authorizing such investigations 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.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to restore to the Commission of the Peace for the County of *Essex*, in *Canada West*, *John Alexander Wilkinson* and *Thomas Woodbridge*, Esquires, of the Town of *Sandwich*, in that County, pursuant to a Memorial of the Inhabitants of *Sandwich* and others to that effect.

After a long Debate,

The said motion was by leave of the House withdrawn.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Drummond* and others, in the following words:—

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Tuesday, 9th June, 1857.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, acquainting their Honors that this House have agreed to all the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill intituled "The *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Amendment Act of 1857," except the fifth, and that the reasons which have induced this House to disagree to the said last mentioned amendment, are the following:—

1st.—Because they are of opinion that it would be more expedient to allow the Municipal Councils to continue to tax the inhabitants by divisions so as to be

enabled to apply the taxes towards the performance of work to be done in the divisions where they are levied, or to tax the whole Municipality as they may see fit and as circumstances may require.

2nd.—Because in the opinion of this House much confusion as well as injustice would be occasioned by annulling all By-laws and *procès-verbaux* in the Townships of *Lower Canada* in so far as they relate to the manner of making roads and bridges, and

3rd.—Because it is not expedient to introduce a system of compulsory legislation in one part of *Lower Canada* which cannot be extended to another portion of the same section of the Province.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Drummond* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Attest,

W. B. LINDSAY,
Clerk Assembly.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Knowlton*, to

Resolve, That this House does not insist upon their fifth amendment to the said Bill.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the Legislative Assembly by the Clerk of this House.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the "hunting of Wild Animals and cther Game in *Lower Canada*,"

And also the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for the better administration of "Justice in unorganized tracts of Country within 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.

The Order being read for the consideration of the amendments proposed by the Select Committee to the Bill intituled "An Act to explain and amend the Act to "authorize the improvement of Water Courses,"

Which said amendments being again read by the Clerk,

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrie*,

That the said amendments be now adopted.

After Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *de La Terrière* moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Seymour*,

That the said amendments be not now adopted, but that they be taken into consideration this day three months.

The question of concurrence being put thereon the same was resolved in the affirmative.

The question being then put on the main motion, as amended, the same was also resolved in the affirmative, and

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* from the Select Committee to whom was referred the Bill intituled "An Act to provide for ascertaining unknown Boundaries in all "cases in which the Concession Lines were not run in the original survey," reported that they had gone through the said Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrie* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*,

That when the House adjourns this day it do stand adjourned until to-morrow at twelve o'clock, noon.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The Honorable the Speaker then declared this House continued until to-morrow at twelve o'clock, noon, the House so decreeing.

Wednesday, 10th June, 1857.

The Members convened, were :

The Honorable ETIENNE P. TACHÉ, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

DE BLAQUIÈRE,
FERGUSSON,
HAMILTON,
FERRIE,
KNOWLTON,
WALKER,
WIDMER,

The Honorable Messieurs

FERRIER,
DE BEAUJEU,
SEYMOUR,
DE LA TERRIÈRE,
SIMPSON,
VANKOUGHNET,
PRINCE.

PRAYERS :

The following Petition was brought up and laid on the Table :—

By the Honorable Mr. *Prince*—of the Municipal Council of the Town of *Sarnia*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petitions were severally read :

Of the South *Meganitic* Library Association and Mechanics' Institute, praying for pecuniary aid.

Of *George Duggan* of the City of *Toronto*, praying to be indemnified for services rendered during the War.

Of *Polycarpe Renaud* and others, of that part of the Seigniorship of *Lachenaie*, which lies in the County of *L'Assomption*, praying that an Act may be passed to provide for the establishment of the Boundary lines of the said Seigniorship.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* presented to the House a return in compliance with an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 20th May, 1856, praying that His Excellency will be pleased to cause to be laid before this House a return shewing the number of Licenses issued in the years 1854, 1855, and 1856, in *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, for the sale of intoxicating liquors, distinguishing the number issued in each City, Town, Township, or Parish in the Province, and also the amount received in each locality for the issue of such Licenses; and also shewing to what extent the persons who obtained such Licenses have sleeping accommodation for travellers.

Ordered, That the same do lie on the Table, and it is as follows :

(*Vide Appendix No. 4.*)

The Honorable Messieurs *Cartier, Duchesnay, Armstrong, Dickson, Mills,* and *Moore* enter.

The Honorable Mr. *Prince*, moved seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dickson*,

That all Bills, Petitions, and other Proceedings now before this House, and which may remain incomplete and undisposed of at the end of the present Session, be revived and taken up at the commencement of the next Session (unless Parliament be in the meantime dissolved) in the order in which they happen to stand at the Prorogation of this House, and that the Select Committees to whom any Petition, or other proceeding has been referred during this Session, do remain the same, and do proceed with the business so referred to them in the next Session, as if no such Prorogation had taken place.

After debate

The said motion was by leave of the House withdrawn.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assrmbly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to amend the Railway Clauses Consolidation Act," and to acquaint this House that they have agreed to the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the said Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk to return the Bill intituled "An Act to incorporate the Board of Trade of the City of *Ottawa*."

Also, the Bill intituled "An Act to enable the Incumbent and Churchwardens of the Mission of the Church of *England* at *Georgina* to dispose of certain lands belonging to the said Mission.

And also, the bill intituled "An Act to prevent the cruel and improper treatment of Cattle and other Animals, and to amend the Law relating to impounding the same," and to acquaint this House that they have passed the said Bills without any amendment.

The Honorable Messieurs *Patton* and *Boulton* enter.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the Bill intituled "An Act to improve the mode of obtaining evidence in cases of Controverted Elections," was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable Mr. *J. Morris* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *deBlaquière* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Moore*,

That the Standing Orders, numbers forty-nine and fifty-four, be repealed, and the following be substituted for Rule forty-nine.

That all applications for Private and Local Bills for granting to any individual or individuals any exclusive or peculiar rights or privileges whatsoever, or for doing any matter or thing which in its operation would affect the rights or property of other parties; or for making any amendment of a like nature to any former Act,—shall require the following notice to be published, viz:

In *Upper Canada*—A notice inserted in the Official Gazette, and in one newspaper published in the County, or Union of Counties, affected, (or if there be no paper published therein, then in a newspaper in the next nearest County in which a newspaper is published.)

In *Lower Canada*—A notice inserted in the Official Gazette, in the English and French languages, and in one newspaper in the English and one newspaper in the French language, in the District affected, or in both languages if there be but one paper; or if there be no paper published therein, then (in both languages) in the Official Gazette, and in a paper published in an adjoining District. Such notices shall be continued in each case for a period of a least two months during the interval of time between the close of the next preceding Session, and the presentation of the Petition.

That before any Petition praying for leave to bring in a Private Bill for the erection of a Toll Bridge, is presented to this House, the person or persons purposing to petition for such Bill, shall, upon giving the notice prescribed by the preceding Rule, also, at the same time, and in the same manner, give a notice in writing, stating the rates which they intend to ask, the extent of the privilege, the height of the arches, the interval between the abutments or piers for the passage of rafts and vessels, and mentioning also whether they purpose to erect a draw-bridge or not, and the dimensions of such draw-bridge.

That the Fee payable on the second reading of any Private or Local Bill, shall be paid only in the House in which such Bill originates, but the disbursements for printing such Bill shall be paid in each House.

That it shall be the duty of parties seeking the interference of the Legislature in any private or local matter, to file with the Clerk of this House the evidence of their having complied with the Rules and Standing Orders thereof: and that in default of such proof being so furnished as aforesaid, it shall be competent to the Clerk to report in regard to such matter, "that the Rules and Standing Orders have not been complied with."

That the foregoing Rules be published in both languages in the Official Gazette, over the signature of the Clerk of this House, weekly during each Recess of Parliament.

The question of concurrence being put thereon the same was resolved in the affirmative and

Ordered accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *Boss* enters.

The Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into and report upon the expediency of adopting measures to ascertain the boundary line between *Upper* and *Lower Canada* at the time of the Union, so that private rights dependent thereon can be more clearly ascertained, presented their Report.

Ordered, That it be received, and

The same was then read by the Clerk as follows :—

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Committee Room,

10th June, 1857.

The Select Committee appointed to enquire into and report upon the expediency of adopting measures to ascertain the Boundary Line between *Upper* and *Lower Canada*, at the time of the Union, so that private rights dependent thereon, can be more clearly ascertained, beg leave respectfully to report, that they have heard the statements of several persons who have appeared before them, and that they have examined a variety of documents relating to the matter submitted to them, and have not considered it necessary to take any additional evidence to enable them to report to your Honorable House that in their opinion it is a matter of great importance that the true Boundary Line between the two divisions of the Province should be ascertained on the ground.

It appears that upwards of two thousand acres are affected by the disputed line, and that a number of people reside upon that tract who in consequence of the doubt as to the true line refuse to recognize a title in any one.

The consequences that may result from this state of things ought if possible to be averted ; and your Committee respectfully recommend that it be left to the Executive Government to take such action as they may think best, either by appointing Commissioners or by selecting competent Surveyors to run and fix the line on the ground, under such instructions as may enable them accurately to ascertain the true line.

When this has been done, final legislation, if legislation be then necessary, can be had on the matter ; but at present your Committee are of opinion that the Legislature would not be in a position to do justice to the question, as they could not, with a certainty of being right, fix the line where it should properly be.

All which is respectfully submitted.

P. M. VANKOUGHNET,
Chairman.

Then the Honorable Mr. *Vankoughnet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ross*,

That the said Report be now adopted.

After Debate,

The Honorable Mr. *de Beaujeu* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

That the said Report be not now adopted, but that it be referred back to the Select Committee for further consideration.

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, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and

The said Report was adopted accordingly.

The Honorable Mr. *de Beaujeu* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Prince*,

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 Honorable House,

1st. Copies of all papers and correspondence which may have been exchanged between the Ordnance Department and the Provincial Government, since the 19th February, 1855, on the subject of seven acres of Land at *Côteau-du-Lac*, taken possession of by the Military Authorities for Military purposes, and upon which were constructed a Fort, Barracks and Canal, (now all in ruins.)

2nd. Copies of all Despatches received since the 19th of February, 1855, from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, respecting the above piece of land, or respecting generally the Ordnance Lands in Canada mentioned in the Schedule G, in the Report of the Commissioners on the re-organization of the Militia of *Canada*.

3rd. Copies of the Reports of the Executive Council on the Petitions of the Heirs and Representatives of the late Colonel Baron de Longueuil, real owners of the said above mentioned piece of land, and revertable to them if not occupied solely for military purposes, the said Petitions bearing respectively the dates of 3rd October, 1854, 29th May, 1855, and 17th March, 1857, to which Petitions no answers were received.

4th. Copies of the Instructions with respect to the said above mentioned land at *Coteau-du-Lac*, or of the land mentioned in the said Schedule G in the above cited Report, given to the Superintendent of the Ordnance Lands, *W. F. Coffin* Esquire.

5. Copies of all applications by Petitions, Letters or, recommendations, with their respective dates to the Government, for the grant, lease or purchase of any part of the said land and canal at Côteau-du-Lac, with the name or names of the applicant with the nature of these applications and the replies thereto by the Government.

The question of concurrence being put thereon, the same was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That such Members of the Executive Council as are Members of this House do wait on His Excellency the Governor General with the said Address.

The House was adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

His Excellency SIR EDMUND WALKER HEAD, Baronet, 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 commauded 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 Acting Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the titles of the Bills to be passed severally as follow:—

An Act to require accounts rendered to the Provincial Government to be so rendered in dollars and cents.

An Act further to secure the Independence of Parliament.

An Act to amend the Act to provide for the management and improvement of the Harbour of *Montreal* and the deepening of the Ship Channel between *Montreal* and *Quebec*.

An Act to prevent delay in the administration of Justice in cases of Misdemeanor in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to extend Patents for Inventions granted for one section of the Province to both sections thereof, on certain conditions.

An Act to amend the Law for the admission of Attorneys.

The Fishery Act.

An Act to amend the Charter of the Colonial Bank of *Canada*.

An Act to incorporate the *Canadian* Inland Steam Navigation Company.

An Act to amend the Common Law Procedure Act 1856, and to facilitate the remedies on Bills of Exchange and Promissory notes.

An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of "The *St. Lawrence Warehouse, Dock and Wharfage Company*."

An Act to amend the Act to provide for the division of the Common of *Maskinongé*.

An Act for diminishing expenses and delay in the administration of Criminal Justice in certain cases.

An Act for the more speedy trial and punishment of juvenile offenders.

An Act to incorporate the Village of *Fort Erie*, in the County of *Welland*.

An Act to vest a certain Allowance for Road in the Township of *Winchester* in the County of *Dundas*, in *John Pliny Cryster* and *George Hummel*, the elder.

An Act to enable the surviving Executor of the late *John McIntosh*, Esquire, to lease certain real property in *Toronto*.

An Act to amend the Charter of the *Ontario, Simcoe and Huron* Railroad Union Company.

An Act to legalize and make valid certain By-laws of the late Home District Council passed in reference to certain roads in the County of *Ontario*.

An Act to incorporate the Village of *Elora*, in the County of *Wellington*.

An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Brantford*, in *George S. Wilkes*.

An Act for the establishment of a certain Concession Line in the Township of *Clarke*.

An Act further to provide for the accommodation of the Courts of Superior Jurisdiction in *Upper Canada*, and for that purpose to amend, extend and continue two certain Acts therein mentioned.

An Act to amend the Criminal Law, as regards the uttering of certain spurious Foreign Coin.

An Act for the imposing and collection of Tolls on the Public Works.

An Act further to amend and extend the Act to establish Mutual Insurance Companies in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to authorize the Ministers of the Church of the denomination known as "The Methodist Episcopal Church in Canada," to solemnize matrimony, and to keep Registers of Marriages, Baptisms and Burials in Lower Canada, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

An Act to amend the Charter of the Marmora Foundry Company, and to change its name to the Marmora Iron Company.

An Act to incorporate the Town of *Sandwich*, in the County of *Essex*.

An Act to vest certain real estate of the late *Thomas Benson* in the hands of Trustees.

An Act to incorporate the Village of *New Hamburg*, in the County of *Waterloo*.

An Act to vest in *Josiah D. Wellington* a certain allowance for road in the Township of *Brighton*.

An Act to incorporate the *Toronto and Owen Sound Central Railway Company*.

An Act to authorize the Municipality of the Township of *McGillivray* to dispose of certain Road Allowances in the said Township.

An Act to amend the *Lower Canada Municipal and Road Act of 1855*, and to erect *St. Aubert* into a separate Municipality.

An Act to amend the Acts relating to the *Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Railroad Company*.

An Act to vest a certain Road Allowance in the Township of *Whitby*, in *John W. Gamble*, Esquire.

An Act to amend the Act of *Upper Canada*, enabling the Presbyterian Congregation of *York* to purchase ground for a Church and Burying-ground.

An Act to amend the Act to enable the inhabitants of the parish of *St. François du Lac* better to regulate the Common of *St. François*.

An Act to correct an Error in an Act of the present Session relative to the Harbour and Harbour Commissioners of *Montreal*.

An Act to incorporate the Town of *Windsor*, and to divide the same into Wards, and to define the limits thereof.

An Act to incorporate the Canadian Literary Institute of *Woodstock*.

An Act to divide the Township of *Halifax* into two separate Townships.

An Act to enable the Trustees of the First Free Will Baptist Church in *Hatley*, to receive a legacy bequeathed to the said Church.

An Act to amend the Act authorizing the formation of Joint Stock Companies for the construction of Roads in *Lower Canada*, with a view to encourage the construction of good and useful roads throughout *Lower Canada*.

An Act to amend the Law relative to the Inspectors of Houses of Public Entertainment.

An Act to encourage the gradual Civilization of the Indian Tribes in this Province, and to amend the Laws respecting Indians.

An Act for establishing Prisons for Young Offenders, for the better government of Public Asylums, Hospitals and Prisons, and for the better construction of Common Gaols.

An Act to incorporate the Village of *Fergus*, in the County of *Wellington*.

An Act for further increasing the efficiency and simplifying the proceedings of the Court of Chancery.

An Act for amending the Act for incorporating and granting certain powers to the Canadian Loan and Investment Company.

An Act to alter and amend the Act relating to the *Galt* and *Guelph* Railway, and to incorporate the *Preston* and *Berlin* Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate the Bank of *Brantford*.

An Act to incorporate the *Brantford* and *South Western* Railway Company.

An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Act of 1855, and to erect *St. Lambert* into a distinct Municipality.

An Act to amend the Act conveying to the City of *Toronto* certain Water Lots, with power to the said City for the construction of an Esplanade, and to enable the said City to locate the Grand Trunk Railroad and other Railroads along the frontage of the said City.

An Act to incorporate the North Western Steam Navigation Company of *Canada*.

An Act to amend the several Acts to remedy abuses prejudicial to Agriculture.

An Act to amend the Laws relating to the solemnization of Matrimony in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to amend the Municipal Laws of *Upper Canada* relating to the incorporation of Villages.

An Act to amend the Act intituled, "An Act for the construction of Water Works in the city of *Hamilton*."

An Act to provide for the Codification of the Laws of *Lower Canada* relative to Civil matters and Procedure.

An Act to constitute the Rector and Churchwardens of the Parish of *Quebec*, a Corporation for the management of the *Finlay* Asylum at *Quebec*.

An Act to amend the Act to abolish the rights of Primogeniture, and to afford relief to parties succeeding to the real estate of persons dying intestate, in certain cases in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to authorize the City of *Toronto* to erect Water Works, and to levy a water rate.

An Act to explain and amend the Municipal Loan Fund Acts.

An Act to amend a certain Act therein mentioned, so as better to provide for the security of the lives of Passengers on board of Steam Vessels.

An Act to legalize certain proceedings of the Municipality of *St. Norbert d'Arthabaska*.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Bar of *Lower Canada*.

An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Joliette Mining Company*,

An Act to incorporate the *Eastwood and Berlin Railway Company*;

An Act to incorporate the *St. Clair, Chatham and Rondeau Ship Canal Company*.

An Act to enable the City Council of the City of *London*, to sell and convey certain lands in the City of *London*, called the *Potter's Field*.

An Act to authorize the Provincial Municipal Council of the County of *Bruce*, to take Stock in certain Railways.

An Act to amend and extend the Charter of the *Brockville and Ottawa Railway Company*.

An Act to amend the Judicature Acts of *Lower Canada*.

An Act to vest certain Road Allowances in the Township of *Whitby*, in *Thomas N. Gibbs*, Esq. re.

An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the "*De Salaberry Navigation Company of Montreal*."

An Act to enable the Trustees of the *Toronto General Hospital*, to raise a further loan of money.

An Act to amend the Post-Office Laws of this Province.

An Act to incorporate the *Iberville, Brome, Shefford and Missisquoi Road Company*.

An Act to make valid the Deeds given by Sheriffs to the Assignees of Purchasers of Land sold for Taxes under thirteenth and fourteenth Victoria, chapter sixty-seven.

An Act to incorporate the *London and Lake Huron Railway Company*.

An Act to authorize *G. S. Wilkes* to construct a Dam on the Grand River at *Holmedale*.

An Act to incorporate the *Strathroy and Port Frank Railway Company*.

An Act to explain an Act, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Hamilton and Toronto Railway Company*."

An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to the organization of Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to make more ample provision for the incorporation of the Town of *Three-Rivers*.

An Act to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned, and to make better provision for the encouragement of Agriculture, and also to provide for the promotion of Mechanical Science.

An Act to incorporate the *Toronto Island Bridge Company*.

An Act to authorize the Draining of Lake *Wawanosh* in township of *Sarnia*.

An Act to incorporate the Town of *Lindsay* and define the Limits thereof.

An Act to incorporate the City of *St. Hyacinthe*.

An Act to incorporate the *Toronto Horticultural Society*.

An Act to divide the Township of *Whitby* in the County of *Ontario*, into two separate Municipalities.

An Act to revive and amend a certain Act passed in the sixteenth year of Her Majesty's Reign, and intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Port Whitby* and "*Lake Huron Railway Company*."

An Act further to provide for defraying the expense of the River Police at *Quebec*.

An Act for settling the Law concerning Lands held in Free and Common Socage in *Lower Canada*,

An Act to explain and amend the Clergy Reserves Appropriation Amendment Act of 1856, as regards the mode of ascertaining the number of Rate-payers in the several Municipalities in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to amend the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund Act.

An Act to incorporate the *Fort Erie Railway Company*.

An Act to continue and confirm a separation of the Municipality of *Ste. Julie de Somerset* from *St. Calixte de Somerset*, and to divide the Township of *Somerset* into two separate Townships.

An Act to amend the Sleigh Ordinances.

An Act to authorize the City of *Hamilton* to negotiate a Loan of Fifty thousand pounds.

An Act to alter the limits of the Township of *Halifax*, and the Parish of *St. Norbert & Arthabaska*.

An Act to incorporate the Town of *Collingwood*.

An Act to amend the *Lower Canada* Tavern License Act of 1851.

An Act to alter and amend the law in relation to the *Upper Canada* County Courts.

An Act to amend the Acts relating to Agricultural Societies in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to legalize the proceedings of the County Council of *Kamouraska* and the Local Council of *St. Paschal*.

An Act to vest in *John Shaw* a certain allowance for road in the Township of *Wilberforce*.

An Act to authorize the Municipalities of the Townships of *East Zorra*, *West Zorra*, and *East Nissouri*, in the County of *Oxford*, to dispose of certain Road allowances in the said Townships.

An Act for the appointment of County Attorneys, and for other purposes in relation to the Local Administration of Justice in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to make further Legislative provision for the partition of certain lands in the Townships of *Bolton* and *Magog*.

An Act for improving the organization and increasing the efficiency of the Civil Service of *Canada*.

An Act to legalize the Articles of Notarial Students who have neglected to have them enregistered within the delay prescribed by law.

An Act to provide for the disposal of Road Allowances in the Rural Municipalities of *Upper Canada*.

An Act to extend to the Province of *Canada* Letters Patent granted to *Henry Bessemer* for certain improvements invented or discovered by him, in the manufacture of Malleable or Bar Iron and Steel.

An Act further to amend the Act relative to Land Surveyors.

An Act to amend an Act "intituled, "An Act to repeal a certain Act and " Ordinance therein mentioned, relating to the Trinity House of *Montreal*, and to

“amend and consolidate the provisions thereof,” and to make further provisions concerning Pilots.

An Act to vest in *Charles Coxwell Small*, Esquire, certain Road Allowances in the Township of *Pickering*.

An Act to provide for the better administration of Justice in the unorganized tracts of country within the limits of this Province.

An Act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to the hunting of wild animals and other game in *Lower Canada*.

An Act to provide for ascertaining unknown Boundaries in all cases in which the Concession Lines were not run in the original survey.

An Act to incorporate the *St. Maurice* Railway and Navigation Company.

An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts and Ordinances therein mentioned, and for other purposes.

An Act to divide the Township of *Fredericksburgh* in the County of *Lennox*, into two separate Municipalities.

An Act to incorporate the “International Bank of *Canada*.”

An Act to enable Counties united for Municipal purposes to carry on improvements independently of each other.

An Act to authorize investigations in cases of accident by Fire, and to repeal the Act authorising such investigations in the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*.

An Act to consolidate the debt of the City of *Ottawa*.

An Act to afford relief to the sufferers by the late fire at *Three Rivers*, by authorizing a loan on the credit of the Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund, to enable them to rebuild the houses and other buildings destroyed by the said fire.

An Act to extend the right of Appeal in Criminal Cases in *Upper Canada*.

An Act to authorize the Corporation of the City of *Quebec* to establish a Police force for the said City.

An Act to enable the Trustees of a certain School Lot in the Town of *Prescott* to sell the said Lot, and for other purposes.

An Act to alter and amend the Act incorporating the *Niagara* District Bank.

An Act to incorporate the Village of *Mitchell*, in the County of *Perth*.

An Act to extend the powers of the *St. Clair* and *Rond Eau* Plank Road Company.

An Act to vest a certain allowance for road in the Township of *Oxford*, in *John Christie*.

An Act to incorporate the *Fort Erie* Ship Canal Company.

An Act to incorporate the *Western Canada* Loan Company.

An Act to divide the *Quebec* Turnpike Roads into two separate Trusts, and to make other provision relative thereto.

The *Lower Canada* Municipal and Road Amendment Act of 1857.

An Act to prevent the cruel and improper treatment of Cattle or other Animals, and to amend the Law relating to impounding the same.

An Act to incorporate the Board of Trade of the City of *Ottawa*.

An Act to enable the Incumbent and Churchwardens of the Mission of the Church of *England* at *Georgina* to dispose of certain lands belonging to the said Mission.

An Act to amend the Railway clauses Consolidation Act.

An Act to improve the mode of obtaining Evidence in cases of controverted Elections.

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 Acting Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the title of another Bill to be passed as follows :

“An Act to incorporate the International Bridge Company.”

To this Bill the Clerk of this House, by His Excellency’s command, did there upon 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,

The Commons, in their liberality have voted the supplies required to defray the expenses of your Government. I have the honor to present to Your Excellency or this purpose, 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 1857, and for certain other expenses connected with the public
“ service, and also for raising a Loan on the Credit of the Consolidated Revenue
“ Fund,” for which Bill Her Majesty’s faithful Commons solicit the Royal Assent.

To this Bill the Clerk of this House, by His Excellency’s command, did thereupon say :

“ His Excellency the Governor General thanks Her Majesty’s dutiful and loyal
“ subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill in Her Majesty
“ 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 :*

When I opened this Session of the Legislature I recommended to your especial consideration certain subjects, on which, in your addresses, you assured me you were ready to deliberate. On the present occasion, at the close of the Session, it is my welcome duty to thank you for the manner in which you have fulfilled these assurances, and for the labour which you have bestowed on the general business of the Province.

Every one of the matters which I ventured to submit to you has been dealt with by the wisdom of Parliament.

The state of our Prisons and Lunatic Asylums—the administration of the Law in *Lower Canada*—the improved organization of the Civil Service—the encouragement of Arts and Agriculture—and the welfare of the Indian Tribes—all these have become the subject matter of fresh legislation.

You have not failed to show your impartial zeal for the progress of the Province and for the increase of settlement in every direction. The valleys of the *Ottawa* and the *St. Maurice*, and our western frontiers towards the territory of the Hudson’s Bay Company, have alike received consideration at your hands.

I earnestly hope that our efforts on all these important subjects may be crowned with success, and that the measures devised by your wisdom will be promptly and effectually carried out by the agency of the servants of the Queen.

In submitting to the decision of Her Most Gracious Majesty the final choice of a seat of Government for *Canada*, you have done that, which, without derogating from the rights of the Colonial Parliament, will remove from its walls a constant source of heart burning and local jealousy.

By generously postponing your lien on the Grand Trunk Railway, you will, I conceive, infuse new vigor into an association the interests of which are inseparably connected with those of *United Canada*; I, myself, view with much satisfaction the complete separation of the Executive Government from the direction of the Commercial Body.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

In the Queen's name I thank you for the supplies which you have liberally granted for Her Service.

The additional appropriation for the Ocean Steamers, will give a fresh impulse to the trade of the *St. Lawrence*, and the power given me to meet overtures of the Imperial Government for the better lighting of the Gulf will tend to promote the same important object.

By your votes in aid of the Militia you have responded to the zeal and loyalty of the people, and you appear to admit the fact that the growing importance of *Canada* demands a military organization of your own, in some degree at least corresponding to the position which you hold.

I rejoice that you have repealed the anomalous tax for the support of Lunatic Asylums in *Upper Canada*, and that you have appropriated a sum which may be applied for improving our communications with the Red River.

Honorable Gentlemen and Gentlemen:

I am bold enough to believe that the experience of the present Session in the working of our Legislative Council, composed, as it now is, partly of those named by the Crown, and partly of those chosen by the people, gives strong assurance of ultimate success. The test is, I know, as yet imperfect, but from what I already see, I anticipate with confidence the continued action among you of a second Legislative body capable in itself of calm deliberation, firm in its loyalty to our Sovereign, and strong in the consciousness of popular support.

My earnest prayer is that Providence may bless the produce of your lands and the increase of your Trade, and that our people, whilst rejoicing in the full measure of prosperity, may be kept from those snares of rash speculation and improvidence, which sometimes attend on such a state of things.

Once more, I thank you for your diligence in the work of Legislation, and I release you from such work for the present by proroguing the Parliament.

Then the Speaker of this House 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 Monday, the twentieth day of July next, to be here held; and this Provincial Parliament is accordingly prorogued until Monday, the twentieth day of July next.

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APPENDIX No. 1.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To the Honorable the Legislative Council of the Province of
Canada, in Provincial Parliament Assembled.

The Report of Librarian upon the State of the Library,

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH :

That since the last Session of Parliament, a building has been erected under the the superintendance of the Commissioners of Public Works, which, by connecting the wings wherein the Library apartments were originally placed, affords accommodation for the Books, and space for the exhibition of a series of Portraits of the Speakers of the Legislative Assembly of *Canada*, and of the Upper and Lower Provinces previous to the Union. This building was delivered over to the Librarians on the 27th of December last, but owing to the dampness of the walls, which had very recently been plastered, it was not deemed prudent to commence the removal of the Books until about three weeks afterwards, when they were all transferred from the ground floor of the buildings to the suite of rooms prepared for their reception.

The extent of the collection to be removed and arranged, within such a limited period, has prevented the classification of the Books, from having been so thoroughly completed as could be wished and is intended ; but, in their general arrangement, the convenience of Members of both Houses has been carefully consulted. The two rooms nearest to the respective Legislative Chambers having been especially appropriated to the reception of Books which may be useful in furthering the progress of public business in either House, while in the central apartment, those of a more general character have been placed.

During the recess, unremitting attention has been bestowed upon the compilation and printing of a complete Catalogue of the Library ; copies of which will, within a few days, be placed in the hands of Honorable Members. The extent of this catalogue, and the time occupied in its preparation, have prevented its completion before the commencement of the Session, besides which, it was not considered

advisable to place it in the hands of the printer until the arrival in *Canada* of some valuable series of volumes, the last of which did not reach your Librarian's hands until the month of January last, had these books not been included in the catalogue, the immediate publication of a supplement would have been requisite. These series comprise, 1st, An extensive and valuable collection of works presented by the Honorable the *East India Company*; 2nd, Numerous and important Official Publications from the Federal Government at *Washington*, and from several States of the American Union, obtained through the instrumentality of the Honorable *P. H. Moore*, who, last Session, was specially authorized to proceed to the *United States* to solicit donations, and to organize a system of exchanges with the Canadian Legislature; and 3rd, Books expressly directed by the Speakers to be obtained from *Paris*, *London* and *New York*, to supply deficiencies in the Library.

Your Librarian is glad to be enabled to state, that all the Books above referred to have been received, and their titles included in the Catalogue, with the exception of a few volumes from the States of *Pennsylvania* and *Ohio*, which were not received until the present month.

Since last Session, there has also been received from the House of Lords, the remainder of their Lordships Series of Sessional Papers, from 1789 to the present time—a most valuable donation to the Library.

Measures have been taken to replace the magnificent donation of the Maps of the Ordnance Survey of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, which were unfortunately shipwrecked last year, by the purchase (with the funds obtained from the insurance effected upon that set) of another series still more complete, and which includes in addition, the Maps of the Geological Survey of the United Kingdom, a collection which will be highly prized by all who are interested in Geological investigations.

Your Librarian humbly hopes that the general condition of the Library will be found to be satisfactory; although during the progress of the alterations which have been made since last Session, the Books have been unavoidably exposed to much risk of damage, from lime-dust, carpentry and paint, as well as from the continual presence of workmen for several months.

Your Librarian regrets to state, that in one important particular, the recommendations of the Library Committee of last Session have not been carried out. Notwithstanding the opinion expressed by that Committee, as to the necessity for providing accommodation for the residence, adjoining the Library, of some person connected with the Library, and having a knowledge of the Books, who should be forthcoming at every emergency, by day and by night. No such provision has been made, and the valuable collection, in consequence, remains exposed to much risk and danger. Being strongly impressed with the necessity for the continual presence, in or adjacent to the Library buildings, of some responsible

person connected with the department, and conversant with its arrangements and requirements, your Librarian respectfully submits this matter to Your Honorable House, in the hope that some provision will be speedily made for this purpose.

Reference has already been made to the results of the mission of the Hon. Mr. *Moore*, and as that gentleman purposes to present a detailed Report, it is merely necessary for your Librarian to add, that Lists of the Donations he succeeded in procuring, will be found appended to this Report.

In consequence of the press of business lately devolving upon your Librarian he has not been able to ascertain the precise number of volumes now upon your shelves, but it may be fairly estimated at about Thirty Thousand.

All which is respectfully submitted,

W. AGAR ADAMSON,
Librarian Legislative Council.

Library, Legislative Council,
26th February, 1857.

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APPENDIX No. 2.

RETURN

To an Address from the Honorable the Legislative Council to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 4th instant, praying His Excellency to be pleased to cause to be laid before that Honorable House "a Copy of the "Instructions given by His Excellency to the Honorable "Mr. Chief Justice Draper, respecting the Mission with "which he has been charged, as also any other "Documents or Despatches, which have passed between "the Imperial and the Canadian Government, respecting "the Hudson's Bay Company, and the renewal of their "Charter."

By Command.

T. LEE TERRILL,

Secretary.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Toronto, 9th March, 1857.

(Copy.)—No. 179.

DOWNING STREET,
4th December, 1856.

SIR,—I am desirous of informing you at the earliest period, of certain important questions which have recently been raised respecting the affairs of the *Hudson's Bay Company* in *British North America*, and of the steps which Her Majesty's Government have in contemplation regarding them.

You are aware that the *Hudson's Bay Company* claim under their Charter of 1670, and the various Acts of Parliament which they consider to have subsequently recognized it, rights of proprietorship, exclusive trade, taxation, and government, over all the regions under the British Dominion watered by streams flowing into *Hudson's Bay*. The extent and ground of this claim are defined in the "Statements of Rights" printed in the annexed Parliamentary Paper and in the accompanying Map.

The *Hudson's Bay Company* also claim, and actually exercises rights of exclusive trade, although not the ownership of the soil, over all the territory comprised in a certain license to trade, granted in the year 1838, by the Crown, under the provisions of the Act "for regulating the Fur Trade," 1 & 2, Geo. IV., Cap. 66, of which license, copy is also annexed to this Despatch.

It has been intimated to me, on the part of the *Hudson's Bay Company*, that as their license expires in 1859, and as a very long period is required before any important change of arrangements can be notified and acted on throughout the vast and distant regions affected by it, it will be very desirable that the views of Her Majesty's Government and of Parliament as to the renewal of the license should be ascertained as early as possible.

Her Majesty's Government have therefore determined on bringing the whole subject under the investigation of a Committee of the House of Commons, at the earliest convenient time. The enquiry will be mainly directed to the question of the renewal of the license; but it must incidentally embrace the general position and prospects of the *Hudson's Bay Company*.

As many points may arise in the course of this enquiry which may affect the interests of *Canada*, I have to instruct you to consider, with the advice of your Council, the question whether it may be desirable to send witnesses to appear before the Committee, or in any other manner to cause the views of the Provincial Government, and the interests of the Canadian community to be represented before this Committee.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

H. LABOUCHÈRE.

Governor

Sir EDMUND HEAD, Bart.

&c., &c., &c.

(Copy.)—No. 9.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Toronto, 17th Jan, 1857.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge your despatch of 4th December last, No. 179, relating to the *Hudson's Bay Company*.

I now enclose a Copy of a Minute of Council, which I have approved this day. At the same time I desire to observe that I express no opinion of my own as to the fact that the Western Boundary of *Canada* extends to the *Pacific Ocean*.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,) EDMUND HEAD.

The Right Honorable
H. LABOUCHERE,
&c., &c., &c.

(Copy.)

MINUTE OF COUNCIL.

Approved, } E. HEAD.
Jan. 17, 1857. }
The Committee of Council have read, with great satisfaction, the despatch of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, of the 4th of December last, on the subject of the *Hudson's Bay Company's* occupation of the great North Western Territory of *America*.

They rejoice that the important position and advantages of that great portion of the Continent have received such prominent attention from the Imperial Government, and are to undergo the examination and consideration of a Committee of the House of Commons in England.

The Committee desire to urge the importance of ascertaining the limits of *Canada* in the direction of the Territory over which the *Hudson's Bay Company* claim jurisdiction. The general feeling here is strongly that the Western Boundary of *Canada* extends to the *Pacific Ocean*.

In this, or in any view, the tracing and fixing on the ground, the line of separation between the *United States* and these territories of the North West, is of great importance. The rapid settlement of *Minnesota*, shortly to be admitted a State of the American Union, renders this the more necessary, for as civilization approaches the boundary, so will be increased the difficulty of maintaining the distinction between the rights of the two nations on the frontier. Already, the Committee have reason to believe, that difficulties in this respect have occurred, or at least, have been threatened, and the importance cannot be underrated of early guarding against any such.

4 Appendix No. 2--Instructions to Chief Justice Draper. A. 1857.

The Committee are most anxious that Canadian interests should be properly represented before the proposed Committee of the House, and that opportunity should be afforded for carefully and closely watching any evidence that may be adduced before that body, and they will take the earliest occasion of suggesting to Your Excellency the manner in which they conceive this can be best accomplished. Situated as *Canada* is, she necessarily has an immediate interest in every portion of *British North America*, and the question of the jurisdiction and title claimed by the *Hudson's Bay Company*, is to her of paramount importance.

Copy.)—No. 23.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Toronto, Feb. 17. 1857.

SIR,—I have the honor to enclose a Copy of a Minute of the Executive Council approved by myself, embodying the instructions given to Chief Justice *Draper* C. B. whom I have selected to proceed to *England* with reference to the proposed enquiry into the matter of the *Hudson's Bay Company*, and its Territory in *North America*.

I have the fullest confidence in Mr. *Draper's* discretion and ability, and I believe that Her Majesty's Government may rely with confidence on any information derived from him.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) EDMUND HEAD.

Right Honorable
H. LABOUCHERE,
&c., &c., &c.

Copy.)

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Executive Council, dated 16th February, 1857, approved by His Excellency the Governor General.

In furtherance of the order in Council of the 27th January, ultimo, directing the appointment of a Special Agent to proceed to *England* to represent Canadian rights and interests before the proposed Committee of the House of Commons, on the subject of the *Hudson's Bay Territory*, the Committee respectfully recommend that the instructions to be given to such Agent for his guidance in the matter referred to, be as follows:—

“The fact that a Parliamentary Committee will probably hear evidence and report to the House of Commons on the subject of the *Hudson's Bay Territory*, makes it impossible for His Excellency to convey to you instructions which are not in themselves more or less vague.

“His Excellency cannot anticipate the nature of the evidence to be given, or forestal the conclusion to be arrived at by such Committee. Even after the Committee shall have reported, the course likely to be taken by Parliament or by Her Majesty's Government can only be conjectured.

“You will not therefore expect to receive instructions of a very definite character, but His Excellency has full and complete confidence in your knowledge and discretion, and he confides this mission to you the more readily, because your position in the Country is such as to imply an entire estrangement from all the ordinary ties of local or party politics.

“Immediately on your arrival in *London*, you will place yourself in communication, with the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies, (to whom these instructions have been communicated) and as soon as any Parliamentary Committee on the subject of the *Hudson's Bay Company* or Territory is constituted, you will take steps for offering to afford all information in your power, relating to the interest or claims of *Canada*.

“You will consider it as part of your duty to watch over those interests by correcting any erroneous impressions, and by bringing forward any claims of a legal or equitable kind which this Province may possess, on account its territorial position, or its past history,

“You will not consider yourself as authorized to conclude any negotiation, or to assent to any definite plan of settlement affecting *Canada*, without reporting the particulars of the same, and your own views thereon, to His Excellency in Council.

“His Excellency has full and complete confidence in the justice and consideration of Her Majesty's Government, and he is sure that the interests and feelings of *Canada* will be consulted, so far as is consistent with right and justice.

“The people of *Canada* desire nothing more.

“His Excellency feels it particularly necessary that the importance of securing the North West Territory against the sudden and unauthorized influx of immigration from the *United States* side, should be strongly pressed. He fears that the continued vacancy of this great tract, with a boundary not marked on the soil itself, may lead to future loss and injury, both to *England* and to *Canada*. He wishes you to urge the expediency of marking out the limits, and so protecting the frontier of the lands above Lake *Superior*, about the *Red River*, and thence to the *Pacific*, as effectually to secure them against violent seizure or irregular settlement, until the advancing tide of emigrants from *Canada* and the *United Kingdom* may fairly flow into them, and occupy them as subjects of the Queen on behalf of the British Empire.

“With these objects in view, it is especially important that Her Majesty's

Government should guard any renewal of a license of occupation (should such be determined on) or any recognition of rights in the Company, by such stipulations as will cause such license or such rights not to interfere with the fair and legitimate occupation of tracts adapted for settlement.

“ It is unnecessary, of course, to urge in any way the future importance of *Vancouver's* Island as the key to all *British North America* on the side of the *Pacific*, situated as it is between the extensive sea-board of *Russian America* and the vast territory in the hands of the *United States*.

“ His Excellency cannot foresee the course which a Committee of the House of Commons may see fit to pursue in the proposed enquiry, or determine beforehand on what points evidence may be required.

“ At any moment, however, His Excellency will be ready to attend to your suggestions, and supply such information, either by documentary evidence, or by witnesses from *Canada*, as you think necessary, and he may be able to send over.

“ You will, of course, act upon such instructions as you may, from to time receive.

Certified.

(Signed) Wm. H. LEE,
C. E. C.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Toronto, 20th Feb, 1857.

SIR,--I have the honor, by command of His Excellency the Governor General to communicate to you hereby, His Excellency's instructions for your guidance in connection with your mission to *England* as the Special Agent appointed to represent Canadian Rights and Interests, before the proposed Committee of the House of Commons, on the subject of the *Hudson's Bay Territory*.

I am to premise, however, that as it is impossible to anticipate the nature of the evidence that may be taken, or the conclusion that may be arrived at by the Committee; or the course which Parliament or Her Majesty's Government may think proper to adopt on the Report of the Committee, it is not in His Excellency's power to convey to you, at present, any instructions of a precise or definite character.

His Excellency has, however, entire confidence in your knowledge and discretion, and he has the more readily entrusted this important mission to you, inasmuch as your high position in the Colony removes you from all the ordinary influences of local, or party considerations.

Immediately on arriving in *London*, you will place yourself in communication with the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, (to whom these instructions have been communicated), and as soon as any Parliamentary Committee on the subject of the *Hudson's Bay Company* or Territory is constituted, you will take steps for offering to afford all information in your power, relating to the interests or claims of *Canada*.

You will consider it as part of your duty, to watch over those interests, by correcting any erroneous impressions, and by bringing forward any claims of a legal or equitable kind, which this Province may possess, on account of its Territorial position or its past history.

You will not consider yourself as authorized to conclude any negotiation, or to assent to any definite plan of settlement affecting *Canada*, without reporting the particulars of the same, and your own views thereon to His Excellency in Council.

His Excellency has full and complete confidence in the justice and consideration of Her Majesty's Government, and he is sure that the interests and feelings of *Canada* will be consulted, so far as is consistent with right and justice. The people of *Canada* desire nothing more.

His Excellency feels it particularly necessary that the importance of securing the North West Territory against the sudden and unauthorized influx of emigration from the *United States* side, should be strongly pressed.

He fears that the continued vacancy of this great tract, with a boundary, not marked on the soil itself, may lead to future loss and injury, both to *England* and *Canada*. He wishes you to urge the expediency of making out the limits, and so protecting the frontier of the lands above Lake *Superior*, about the *Red River*, and thence to the *Pacific*, as effectually to secure them against violent seizure, or irregular settlement, until the advancing tide of emigrants from *Canada* and the United Kingdom, may fairly flow into them, and occupy them as subjects of the Queen, on behalf of the British Empire.

With these objects in view it is especially important that Her Majesty's Government should guard any renewal of a license of occupation, (should such be determined on,) or any recognition of Rights in the Company, by such stipulations as will cause such license, or such rights, not to interfere with the fair and legitimate occupation of tracts adapted for settlement.

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Commons, may see fit to pursue in the proposed inquiry, or determine beforehand on what points evidence may be required.

At any moment, however, His Excellency will be ready to attend to your suggestions, and supply such information, either by documentary evidence, or by witnesses from *Canada* as you may think necessary, and he may be able to send over.

You will of course, act upon such further instructions in the premises, as His Excellency may from time to time cause to be communicated to you.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

E. A. MEREDITH,
Assistant Secretary.

The Honorable

MR. CHIEF JUSTICE DRAPEE, C. B.,

&c.,

&c.,

&c.,

Toronto.

APPENDIX No. 3.

RETURN

To an Address from the Honorable the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL to HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL, dated the 30th ultimo, praying HIS EXCELLENCY to cause to be laid before their Honorable House "copies of all correspondence and papers which "passed between the Government and any person or persons "relating to charges against JOHN ALEXANDER WILKINSON and "THOMAS WOODBRIDGE, Esquires, which resulted in the dismissal "of those gentlemen from the Commission of the Peace for the "County of Essex; and also a copy of the Memorial from the "inhabitants of Sandwich, to His Excellency, praying His "Excellency to restore them to the said Commission, and of "the names subscribed thereto."

By Command,

(Signed,)

T. LEE TERRILL,

Secretary.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Toronto, 1st April, 1857.

TORONTO, 16th Feb., 1856.

SIR,

I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to bring the enclosed Memorial under the notice of His Excellency the Governor General, at your earliest convenience.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

HENRY GARRETT.

The Honorable
The Provincial Secretary,
&c., &c., &c.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL IN COUNCIL,
&c., &c., &c.

The Petition of *Henry Garrett* humbly and respectfully represents ;

That on or about the 29th day of December last, on the information and complaint of one *George Osborne*, an American citizen, resident in the city of *Detroit* or elsewhere in the *United States*, a warrant for the apprehension of *Archy Luster* (a colored man resident at *Windsor, C. W.*) was issued by *Thomas Woodbridge* and *John A. Wilkinson*, Esquires, Justices of the Peace for the County of *Essex*.

That the said magistrates ordered one *Samuel Port*, a constable, to execute the warrant, and that in obedience to the instructions he had received, the said constable proceeded to *Windsor* and arrested the said *Archy Luster*, handcuffed him, and in his own (the constable's sleigh) accompanied by two American citizens from *Detroit*, drove to *Sandwich*.

That on arriving there (after dark) the sleigh was driven to a public house ; that here the constable left the prisoner, in company of the two Americans, and intimated his intention to proceed in search of the magistrates. That while the constable was absent, the two Americans forced the prisoner, who was still handcuffed, into the sleigh, and drove across the river, on the ice, to the American side. That on the following day the horse and sleigh were returned to the constable. That your Petitioner has repeatedly applied to the magistrates to investigate the circumstances of this case, and call upon the constable either to produce the prisoner, or hold him answerable for not doing so, but that up to this date, they have declined taking any action in the matter, alleging that it is not their duty to act except upon the sworn complaint of some one acquainted with the facts.

That your Petitioner is informed and believes, that the prisoner who was kidnapped in the manner above described was a fugitive from slavery, and that the

charge advanced against him, was a mere device, by which to get him into the hands of his pursuers.

That the only redress which could be obtained by lodging a complaint before the Magistrates above named, would in all probability, be some trifling punishment inflicted upon the constable. That your Petitioner has a higher object in view, than the gratification of a spirit of resentment, and he confidently relies upon the belief that your Excellency and your honorable Council, will at once perceive, that if Magistrates suffer conduct, such as he has described, on the part of the constable acting under their orders to pass unnoticed, there must at once be an end to that happy feeling of security which the colored inhabitants of this Province have hitherto enjoyed under the Government of Her Majesty.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly prays that your Excellency in Council will be graciously pleased to order an enquiry to be made into the circumstances of this case, and as in duty bound your Petitioner will ever pray, &c.

(Signed) HENRY GARRETT.

JANUARY, 29th 1856.

[Memorandum.]

A copy of the above petition was transmitted to Messrs. Woodbridge and Wilkinson, for their remarks thereon on the 23rd February, 1856.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
1st April, 1857.

SANDWICH, 23rd February, 1856.

Sir,

We have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of the 22d instant, calling upon us as Magistrates for the County of *Essex*, for any remarks we may have in relation to a Petition of a person calling himself, Mr. *Henry Garrett*, and as we have not received the copy of the Petition referred to, or know this Mr. *Henry Garrett*, it is not in our power to give any remarks relating thereto. We are always inclined to give any explanation regarding our acts as Magistrates, and as we are always ready to do the duty required of us as such, and seldom or ever have the assistance of other Magistrates in our neighbourhood.

We have, &c.,

(Signed) { THOS. WOODBRIDGE, J. P.
JNO. A. WILKINSON, J. P.

The

Provincial Secretary,
Toronto.

SANDWICH, 28th Feb'y, 1856.

Sir :

I beg leave to acknowledge the receipt of the Petition referred to in yours of the 22nd inst.

In reply thereto, I beg to state for the information of His Excellency, that the following are the facts of the case, alluded to in the Petition.

On the 29th of December last, one *George Osborne* of the County of *Washtenaw* in the State of *Michigan*, Deputy Sheriff, came to me for the purpose of obtaining a warrant to apprehend *Archy Lanton* (not *Luster*) a colored man, who had made his escape *from the custody of the said Sheriff, charged with horse stealing*, and upon his presenting a requisition, to which was attached the signature and seal of the Governor of the State of *Michigan*, wherein was stated the nature of the crime committed by the said *Archy Lanton*, and after taking an affidavit of the facts, myself and Mr. *Wilkinson* issued a warrant directed to *Samuel Port*, constable for this county, to apprehend the said *Archy Lanton*, and bring him before us, the said Justices.

On the 5th of January last, one week from the date of the warrant, I went to my office about 3 o'clock in the afternoon (not after dark as stated in Petition.) During my absence, *Samuel Port* had been there with the prisoner *Lanton*. I waited for his return, and shortly after *Port* came and told me had he been for Mr. *Wilkinson*, he (*Port*) was alone. I then ordered him to bring the prisoner. He soon returned and said the prisoner was gone, and the men (with whom the prisoner was left) also. I then told him he must search for him; it was not dark then. On my afterwards learning that the prisoner was not found, I enquired from the Chairman of the Quarter Sessions how I should proceed, as I had no proof of any intentional conniving or neglect of the constable. He informed me I could not do anything, *as he considered the remedy was by civil action*. I also consulted the Statutes, and found I could do nothing without a complaint upon oath, touching the guilt or innocence of the constable.

About three or four days after the occurrence, -Petitioner came to lay a complaint to me, which I at once proceeded to take. Upon enquiry, he said, that he was in *London, C. W.*, at the time alluded to, and knew nothing of the matter but what he had heard, neither could he produce any evidence of the escape or how it occurred. I then pointed out to him the course of the law in such cases, and furnished him with the names of the parties concerned, and dates. In fact I gave him all the advice I could upon the subject to assist, and the communication from His Excellency the Governor General is the first I have heard of it since, to which I most cheerfully respond.

Should His Excellency require any further information, I shall be most happy to give it; but I believe I have stated all I know in reference to the charges against myself.

I have, &c.,

(Signed)

THOS. WOODBRIDGE, J. P.

The Honorable

The Provincial Secretary.

SANDWICH,

29th February, 1856.

SIR,

I have the honor of giving you all the information I have, relating to the Petition of a colored man of the name of *Henry Garrett*, concerning a colored man, who was arrested under a Warrant issued by Mr. *Thomas Woodbridge* and myself, as Magistrates, charged under Oath by a Mr. *Osborne* a Deputy Sheriff, that he, the colored man named *Archy Lanton* had committed a crime in the *United States*, and on the said information, Mr. *Woodbridge* and myself issued our Warrant, directed to the Constable *Samuel Port*, to apprehend the said colored man, and bring him before us. The said Constable about a week afterwards told me that he had arrested the said man, and that he had made his escape from him:—On enquiry I found that he had been taken away, or had consented to go to the other side with some men; I could not get any reliable information in what manner the prisoner had been taken away.

The Petitioner *Henry Garrett* came to my house shortly after, and he had one other colored man with him, to give me information upon the subject, and when I asked the colored man what he could prove, he said that a colored man had told him that he saw the prisoner, *Archy Lanton*, in the custody of *Samuel Port*, the Constable, and I said that as the Constable had said he had taken the colored man, that it was not of any use to take this, as it was only hearsay evidence, and the Constable acknowledged that he had taken the man prisoner.

I have read the letter of Mr. *Woodbridge*, and I fully agree with him as far as I know of the circumstances, and I do not believe Mr. *Woodbridge* has ever seen the prisoner, neither have I.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

JOHN A. WILKINSON, J. P.

The Honorable,

The Provincial Secretary.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Toronto, 19th March, 1856.

SIR,

Adverting to your letter of the 28th ultimo, I have the honor by Command of His Excellency the Governor General, to request that you will furnish me at once for the information of His Excellency, with a copy of the deposition upon which you issued your Warrant for the arrest of *Archy Lanton*, and also with a copy of the said Warrant.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) G. E. CARTIER,
Secretary.

THOMAS WOODBRIDGE, Esquire, J. P.
Sandwich,

SANDWICH,
24th March, 1856.

SIR,

I have the honor of enclosing you herewith, a copy of the information and Warrant, for the arrest of one *Archy Lanton*, as required by your letter of the ———instant received on the 22nd instant.

I have, &c.

(Signed) THOMAS WOODBRIDGE.

The Honorable,
The Provincial Secretary,

INFORMATION.

Province of *Canada*,
County of *Essex*.

The information and complaint of *George M. Osborne* of *Ysplant*, in the *United States of America*, taken this twenty-ninth day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, before us the undersigned, two of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said County of *Essex*, who saith that he is Deputy Sheriff of the County of *Wastinaw*, that he is ordered by the Governor of the State of *Michigan*, to take and apprehend a man of the name of *Archy Lanton* of *Cleveland*, (a fugitive from Justice,) who is charged with the crime of stealing horses: This informant further saith, that the said *Archy*

Lanton, is now in Canada, within this County;—Informant wants a Warrant to have the said Archy Lanton, who may be brought before the said Justices, to have the ends of Justice attended to.

(Signed,) G. M. OSBORNE,
Deputy Sheriff.

Sworn before us the day and year first above mentioned, at Sandwich in the County aforesaid.

(Signed,) J. A. WILKINSON, J. P.
THOMAS WOODBRIDGE, J. P.

WARRANT TO APPREHEND.

Province of Canada, }
County of Essex. }

To all or any of the Constables or other Peace Officers in the County of Essex.

Whereas Archy Lanton (colored man) from the State of Ohio, has this day been charged upon oath before the undersigned two of her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in and for the said County of Essex, for that he is a refugee from Justice, being charged with Felony in the United States, and has made his escape from the Officer who had him in custody.

These are therefore to command you in Her Majesty's name forthwith to apprehend the said *Archy Lanton*, and bring him before us, or some other of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the said County of *Essex*, to answer unto the said charge, and to be further dealt with according to law.

Given under our hands and Seals, this twenty-ninth day of December, in the year of Our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and fifty-five, at the Town of *Sandwich*, in the County of *Essex* aforesaid.

(Signed,) } THOS. WOODBRIDGE, J. P. (L. S.)
J. A. WILKINSON, J. P. (L. S.)

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Toronto, 21st April, 1856.

GENTLEMEN,—I am commanded by His Excellency the Governor General, to inform you that His Excellency has had under his consideration the Petition of *Henry Garrett*, (a copy of which was transmitted to you in my letter of the 22nd

February last,) together with the several letters and papers forwarded by you to me, for His Excellency's information in connection therewith.

His Excellency directs me now to inform you, that he is advised that you had no power to arrest the colored man *Lanton*, referred to in the Petition, for a crime committed in the *United States*, unless under the Statute 12 *Victoria*, chapter 19, and then only on a specific application for his Extradition, under the *Ashburton Treaty*.

Had you taken the trouble to consult the above mentioned Statute, (as in a matter of such importance, it was your duty to do), you could not have failed to see that neither the Warrant from the authorities in *Michigan*, nor the deposition of *Osborne*, the complainant, shewed that *Lanton* had committed any crime, for which he could be surrendered to the Authorities of the *United States*.

It appears therefore that *Lanton* was illegally arrested and improperly put into the hands of the pursuing parties; and His Excellency considers that your conduct, even if it was caused from ignorance or carelessness, was highly reprehensible, and that your supineness in not pressing an enquiry into the complaint made to you, by *Henry Garrett*, and into the conduct of the constable concerned was equally so.

Under these circumstances His Excellency is forced to the conclusion, that your further continuance in the Commission of the Peace would not be conducive to the ends of Justice, His Excellency has accordingly directed your removal from the Commission of the Peace by the usual Writ of Discharge.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,) G. E. CARTIER,
Secretary.

THOS. WOODBRIDGE, Esq., J. P.
Sandwich, and

JOHN A. WILKINSON, Esq., J. P.
Sandwich.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Toronto, 21st April, 1856.

SIR,—I am commanded by His Excellency the Governor General to transmit to you herewith a copy of a Letter addressed to Messrs. *Woodbridge* and *Wilkinson*, the Magistrates complained of in your Petition of the 29th January last, giving His Excellency's decision on the subject of your complaint against them.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,) G. E. CARTIER,
Secretary.

MR. HENRY GARRETT,
Care of A. RANKIN, Esq., M.P.P.

TO HIS EXCELLENCY SIR EDMUND WALKER HEAD, BARONET, GOVERNOR
GENERAL OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA, &c. &c.

The Memorial of the undersigned inhabitants of *Sandwich*, and its immediate neighbourhood.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

In the month of April last, or about that time, *John Alexander Wilkinson* and *Thomas Woodbridge*, Esquires, of *Sandwich*, were dismissed by Your Excellency from the Commission of the Peace for this County, in consequence of an error committed by them, with reference to a man of colour from the *United States*, whom they caused to be arrested, by mistake, as we sincerely believe. Both the above gentlemen are two of the oldest Magistrates in this County, and we may add, two of the most respectable. *Mr. Woodbridge* is Reeve of the Township of *Sandwich*, and being a Justice of the Peace, by virtue of his office as Reeve, he has applied himself, and still applies himself, most properly and sedulously to his magisterial duties; and his time has, to our knowledge, been occupied for whole days together in those duties, without any remuneration whatever. In short, there is but one other magistrate in *Sandwich* (the County town) to assist him in his labors.

As good and loyal subjects of the Queen, and as citizens of the County, we believe that Your Excellency will perform an act of justice, (and such act would be most gratefully accepted by us, and every body else, who can estimate the character and useful conduct of worthy and experienced magistrates) if these gentlemen, *Mr. Wilkinson* and *Mr. Woodbridge*, were restored to the Commission of the Peace for this County; and we therefore do most humbly and most respectfully solicit Your Excellency to perform to them, as well as to ourselves and the community at large, a gracious act of justice, and a very high compliment, by directing a Commission to issue, with their names included as Magistrates for our County.

We have the honor to remain,

Your Excellency's very faithful and obd't servants,

SANDWICH, ESSEX,

6th December, 1856.

(Signed,)

JOHN PRINCE, Q. C.

FRANCOIS CARON, J. P.

JOHN McEWAN, Sheriff, Essex.

JOHN A. ASKIN, Deputy Registrar, Essex,

DANIEL GUICHARD, M. D.

O. BARTLEY, County Surveyor.

ALBERT PRINCE, Barrister.

THOMAS McKEE, Esq.

ROBERT A. WHYTE, G. W. Railway
Company's Freight Superintendent.
EDWARD BOISMIER, Ex-Collector, Sandwich
JOHN RICHMOND, Esq.
WILLIAM HENNELL, of Hennell's Hotel.
E. DAVIS, Civil Engineer, Sandwich,
GEORGE BULLOCK, County Treasurer, Essex.
JOHN B. LAUGHTON, Esq., Sandwich.
A. CHEWETT, County Judge, &c.
W. JOHNSON, Attorney-at-Law,
D. A. McMULLEN, do.
L. J. FLUETT, do.
S. S. MACDONELL, Warden of Essex.
W. B. HIRONS, of Windsor, Councillor.
ALFRED B. SUTTON, do., Apothecary.
H. C. GUILLOT, Merchant, Sandwich.
W. G. HALL, Coroner.
JOHN STUART, Barrister.
JOHN MACLEOD, Esq.
H. KENNEDY, Esq.
JOHN O'CONNOR, jr., Barrister, Windsor.
JAMES DOUGALL, Merchant, Windsor.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
15th Dec, 1856.

SIR :

I am commanded by His Excellency the Governor General to acknowledge the receipt of the Memorial dated the 6th inst., signed by you, and certain others of the inhabitants of Sandwich and its vicinity, praying for the restoration of John Alexander Wilkinson and Thomas Woodbridge, Esquires, to the Commission of the Peace for the County of Essex.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) T. L. TERRILL,
Secretary.

JOHN PRINCE, Esq. Q. C.,
The Park Farm, Sandwich.

APPENDIX No. 4.

RETURN,

In part, to an Address from the Legislative Council of 20th May, 1856, for a Statement, showing the number of Licenses issued in the years 1854, 1855, and 1856, for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors.

By Command,

E. PARENT,

Assistant Secretary.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Toronto, 20th April, 1857.

No. 623.

INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,

Toronto, 14th April, 1857.

SIR,—In compliance with the Address of the Legislative Council of the 20th May, 1856, I have the honor to enclose herewith a Return shewing the number of Licenses issued in the years 1854, 1855, and 1856, for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in *Lower Canada*, not including the Districts of *Three Rivers*, *Kamouraska*, and *Magdalen* Islands, the Revenue Inspectors of these Districts not having made their Return up to this date, and a like Return will be furnished with reference to *Upper Canada*, when the necessary information is received from the several Municipal Clerks to whom Circulars have been addressed on the subject.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

WILLIAM DICKINSON,

Atg. D., L. G.

The Hon. T. L. TERRILL,
Provincial Secretary,
Toronto.

RETURN, in compliance to an Address of the Honorable the Legislative Council, of 20th May, 1856, shewing the number of the Licenses issued in the years 1854, 1855, and 1856, in *Lower Canada*, for the sale of intoxicating liquors—distinguishing the number issued in each City, Town, Township or Parish; also the amount received for the issue of such Licenses; and also shewing to what extent sleeping accommodation is provided for travellers, by the persons who have obtained such Licenses.

MONTREAL,—FIRST DIVISION.

PLACES.	1854.					1855.					1856.				
	Taverns at £7 each.		Shops at £5 each.		Amount Received	Taverns at £7 each.		Shops at £5 each.		Amount Received	Taverns at £7 each.		Shops at £5 each.		Amount Received.
	£	s.	£	s.		£	s.	£	s.		£	s.	£	s.	
City of Montreal.....	126	31	1037	0	0	124	25	993	0	0	150	30	1200	0	0
Parish of Montreal.....	4	2	38	0	0	6	1	47	0	0	8	1	61	0	0
Village of Lachine.....	7	1	54	0	0	8	1	61	0	0	12	2	94	0	0
Pointe Claire.....	2	2	31	0	0	4	2	38	0	0	4	0	28	0	0
Ste. Anne (Bout de l'Isle)....	3	2	31	0	0	4	3	43	0	0	2	2	24	0	0
St. Laurent.....	4	0	28	0	0	2	0	14	0	0	4	0	28	0	0
St. Martin.....	1	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Coteau du Lac.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	2	0	14	0	0
St. Zotique.....	3	2	31	0	0	4	2	38	0	0	6	4	62	0	0
Pointe-Fortune.....	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0
Les Cedres.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0
St. Polycarpe.....	2	2	24	0	0	2	0	14	0	0	4	0	28	0	0
Pointe a Cavagual.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	1	5	0	0
Vaudreuil.....	5	3	50	0	0	3	1	26	0	0	2	4	34	0	0
Rigaud.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0
Ste. Marthe.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	12	0	0
St. Dominique.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Joseph de Soulanges.....	1	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0
St. Andrews.....	6	1	47	0	0	7	2	59	0	0	6	2	52	0	0
Chatham.....	2	2	24	0	0	0	2	10	0	0	0	2	10	0	0
Grenville.....	1	2	17	0	0	1	1	12	0	0	0	1	5	0	0
St. Jerusalem.....	2	0	14	0	0	2	0	14	0	0	2	0	14	0	0
St. Hermas.....	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0
Ste. Scholastique.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0
Lasolle.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	14	0	0
St. Eustache.....	4	1	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Jerome.....	0	1	5	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kildare.....	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Alexis (of Leinster).....	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Gabriel (of Brandon).....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	1	5	0	0
St. Roch (of L'Achigan).....	0	1	5	0	0	0	2	10	0	0	0	2	10	0	0
St. Lin.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
L'Assomption.....	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0
Lachenaie.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0
Repentigny.....	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	14	0	0	2	0	14	0	0
St. Sulpice.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0
Berthier.....	0	2	10	0	0	0	5	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Industrie.....	0	1	5	0	0	0	2	10	0	0	0	3	15	0	0
St. Clet.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	14	0	0
St. Colomban.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0
St. Henry (of Mascouche).....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0
Totals.....	176	59	1527	0	0	177	53	1504	0	0	218	58	1816	0	0

NOTE.—In Villages and country parts, Public Houses 'are' provided with sleeping accommodations. In the City, where the law does not make it obligatory to have such accommodations it is estimated that three-fourths of the Public Houses are provided with the same.

MONTREAL, SECOND DIVISION.

PLACES.	1854.			1855.			1856.									
	Inns at £7.	Shops at £5	Amount Received.			Inns at £7.	Shops at £.	Amount Received.			Inns at £7.	Shops at £5	Amount Received.			
			£	s.	D.			£	s.	D.			£	s.	D.	
CITY OF MONTREAL.	East Ward.....	42	10	344	0	0	45	11	370	0	0	56	10	442	0	0
	St. Lawrence Ward....	28	5	221	0	0	38	4	286	0	0	33	8	271	0	0
	St. Louis Ward.....	6	5	67	0	0	10	7	105	0	0	12	12	144	0	0
	St. Mary's Ward.....	11	4	97	0	0	10	4	90	0	0	13	2	101	0	0
		87	24	729	0	0	103	26	851	0	0	114	32	958	0	0
Village Coteau St. Louis....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	
St. Laurent, part of.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	
Longue Pointe.....	1	1	12	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	
Pointe aux Trembles.....	0	1	5	0	0	2	2	24	0	0	2	1	19	0	0	
Montreal, part of.....	2	1	19	0	0	1	1	12	0	0	4	1	33	0	0	
Ste. Martine.....	1	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	35	0	0	
St. Jean Chrysostome.....	2	0	14	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	
St. Malachie D'Ormstown....	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
St. Timothé.....	2	1	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	
Ste. Cécile.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	14	0	0	
St. Louis de Gonzague.....	1	1	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	
St. Urbain.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	
St. Anicet.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	31	0	0	
Dundee.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	10	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	
Hinchinbrooke.....	2	2	14	0	0	3	2	31	0	0	3	0	21	0	0	
Hemmingford.....	3	0	21	0	0	0	2	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Russelltown, part of.....	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
St. Valentin.....	2	2	24	0	0	1	1	12	0	0	2	1	19	0	0	
Chateaugay.....	2	0	14	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	
Ste. Philomène.....	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	
St. Remi.....	1	1	12	0	0	1	1	12	0	0	1	1	12	0	0	
St. Philippe.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	
St. Edouard.....	1	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	19	0	0	
La Calle.....	1	0	7	0	0	2	0	14	0	0	3	0	21	0	0	
St. Cyprien.....	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
St. Jacques le Mineur.....	1	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	12	0	0	
St. Marguerite de Blair- findie.....	1	0	7	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	2	1	19	0	0	
St. Lambert.....	0	1	5	0	0	1	1	12	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	
St. Valentin, County of Chambly.....	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
St. Jean L'Evangeliste.....	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	
St. Joseph de Chambly.....	5	0	35	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	11	10	0	
St. Marguerite de Blair- findie, Co. Chambly.....	1	1	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
Laprairie.....	3	0	21	0	0	3	0	21	0	0	2	0	14	0	0	
Varennes.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	
Beloeil.....	1	1	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	10	0	0	
Verchères.....	1	0	4	10	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	2	10	0	0	
St. Marc.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	10	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	
Carried forward.....	124	37	1057	10	0	125	45	1100	0	0	156	51	1351	10	0	

*Beer Tavern at £4 10s.

MONTREAL,—SECOND DIVISION, (CONTINUED.)

LACES.	1854.				1855.				1856.							
	Inns at £7.	Shops at £5	Amount Received.			Inns at £7.	Shops at £5	Amount Received.			Inns at £7.	Shops at £5	Amount Received.			
			£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.	
Brought Forward.....	124	37	1067	10	0	125	45	1100	0	0	156	51	1351	10	0	0
Ste. Julie.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	10	0	0	0
St. Antoine de Chambly.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Contreccœur.....	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Charles.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	0
St. Ephrém d'Upton.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	0
St. Pie.....	2	1	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	14	0	0	0
St. Cesaire.....	3	3	36	0	0	2	1	19	0	0	3	0	26	0	0	0
St. Jean Baptiste.....	0	1	5	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	1	10	0	0	0
St. Mathias.....	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	2	7	0	0	0
Ste. Brigitte.....	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	0
Ste. Marie de Monoir.....	1	0	7	0	0	2	0	14	0	0	2	0	29	0	0	0
St. Gregoire le Grand.....	2	0	14	0	0	2	0	14	0	0	2	3	19	0	0	0
St. George de Noyen ou de Henryville.....	2	2	24	0	0	2	1	19	0	0	2	1	14	0	0	0
Clarenceville.....	1	0	7	0	0	1	1	12	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	0
St. Thomas de Foucault.....	1	0	7	0	0	1	1	12	0	0	1	0	12	0	0	0
St. Alexandre.....	1	0	7	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	1	1	7	0	0	0
Ely.....	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Granby.....	0	1	5	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	2	0	19	0	0	0
Shefford.....	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	14	0	0	0
Stukeley.....	0	2	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	14	0	0	0
Farnham.....	0	1	5	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	3	0	21	0	0	0
Broome.....	0	2	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Roxton.....	0	1	5	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	0
Bottom.....	1	0	7	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Potton.....	2	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stanbridge.....	7	1	54	0	0	8	0	56	0	0	8	3	71	0	0	0
Dunham.....	5	1	40	0	0	3	1	26	0	0	6	2	52	0	0	0
St. Armand, West.....	1	2	17	0	0	1	3	22	0	0	1	4	27	0	0	0
St. Armand, East.....	3	3	36	0	0	3	1	26	0	0	3	2	31	0	0	0
Sutton.....	4	1	33	0	0	2	0	14	0	0	2	1	19	0	0	0
Village of Laprarie.....	6	2	52	0	0	6	1	47	0	0	8	1	61	0	0	0
Town of William Henry.....	6	3	57	0	0	5	3	50	0	0	3	3	36	0	0	0
Village of Chambly, Canton.....	2	2	24	0	0	2	2	24	0	0	2	0	14	0	0	0
Village of Chambly, Basin.....	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	21	0	0	4	0	28	0	0	0
Town of St. Johns.....	17	6	149	0	0	16	5	137	0	0	16	5	137	0	0	0
Village of Napierville.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	1	0	7	0	0	0
Do. St. Athanase.....	2	1	19	0	0	2	2	24	0	0	2	2	24	0	0	0
Carried forward.....	195	76	1749	10	0	189	74	1693	0	0	240	87	2119	10	0	0

MONTREAL,—SECOND DIVISION, (CONTINUED.)

PLACES.	1854.					1855.					1856.				
	Inns at £7.		Shops at £5		Amount Received.	Inns at £7.		Shops at £5		Amount Received.	Inns at £7.		Shops at £5		Amount Received
	£	s.	D.	£		s.	D.	£	s.		D.	£	s.	D.	
Brought forward.....	195	76	1749	10	0	189	74	1693	0	0	240	87	2119	10	0
Village of Longueil.....	0	2	10	0	0	1	2	17	0	0	1	1	12	0	0
Do. Beauharnois.....	3	0	21	0	0	3	0	21	0	0	3	0	21	0	0
Do. Huntingdon.....	1	1	12	0	0	1	1	12	0	0	0	1	5	0	0
Town of St. Hyacinthe.....	6	3	57	0	0	1	5	32	0	0	12	7	119	0	0
Village of Philipsburg.....	2	1	19	0	0	2	1	19	0	0	2	1	19	0	0
Totals.....	207	83	1868	10	0	197	83	1794	0	0	258	97	2295	10	0
	1 Beer Tav.					1 Beer Tav.									

NOTE.—For the accommodation of travellers and others, hotels and taverns in Villages and country parts, contain at least three rooms, with one good bed in each, also stabling, &c., for four horses, 10 Sec., 14, 15 Vic., Cap. 100.

In Cities and Towns it is optional with the Innkeepers to provide such accommodation, but it is estimated that three-fourths of the number of Inns in the City of Montreal are so provided, and that all Licensed Inns and Taverns in the Towns of St. Johns, St. Hyacinthe and William Henry, are so provided.

QUEBEC.

PLACES.	1854.				1855.				1856.			
	Taverns at £7 each.	Amount Received.			Taverns at £7 each.	Amount Received.			Taverns at £5 each.	Amount Received.		
		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
City of Quebec.....	105	735	0	0	118	826	0	0	100	700	0	0
County of Quebec.....	24	168	0	0	21	147	0	0	20	140	0	0
Do Dorchester.....	2	14	0	0	2	14	0	0	1	7	0	0
Do Lévi.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	42	0	0
Do Megantic.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	0
Totals.....	131	917	0	0	141	987	0	0	128	896	0	0

NOTE.—The sleeping accommodation for Travellers in Taverns, is set forth in the certificates of qualifications of applicants, submitted for the approval and sanction of local or Municipal Councils, such certificates bear the signatures of fifty Municipal Electors, as perform hereunto annexed. There are not many more than three Counties in the District of Quebec, in which Licensed Taverns exist; Boarding Houses and Temperance Hotels are the only places for the reception of Travellers in the other Counties. The refusal of municipalities to license even proper Houses, renders travelling in the rural parts of the District frequently unpleasant; every one having the right to open Boarding Houses, no one incurs the expense of fitting up a house properly, and complaints are very general, especially in the Winter months. In many Taverns in the City the sleeping accommodation is scarcely in accordance with the requirements of the Law. The Licensed Houses of public entertainment are generally orderly and well kept, but complaints are frequently made about unlicensed Houses, in localities such as Champlain Street, or the suburbs of Quebec.

ST. FRANCIS.

PLACES.	1854.			1855.			1856.		
	Taverns.	Shops.	Amount Received.	Taverns.	Shops.	Amount Received.	Taverns.	Shops.	Amount Received.
TOWNSHIPS.			£ s. D.			£ s. D.			£ s. D.
Ascot.....	2	1	19 15 0	1	1	12 10 0	1	0	7 5 0
Barnstown.....	3	1	41 10 0	0	1	5 5 0	0	0	0 0 0
Bury.....	1	0	7 5 0	1	0	7 5 0	0	0	0 0 0
Compton.....	2	2	25 0 0	2	1	19 15 0	2	0	14 10 0
Dudswell.....	2	0	14 10 0	1	0	7 5 0	0	0	0 0 0
Durham.....	0	2	10 10 0	1	1	12 10 0	0	0	0 0 0
Eaton.....	3	0	21 15 0	2	0	14 10 0	2	0	14 10 0
Hatley.....	1	0	7 5 0	1	0	7 5 0	2	0	14 10 0
Kingsley.....	0	3	15 15 0	0	1	5 5 0	0	1	5 5 0
Melbourne.....	1	0	7 5 0	1	1	12 10 0	0	0	0 0 0
Magog.....	2	0	14 10 0	0	1	5 5 0	0	0	0 0 0
Stanstead.....	4	6	60 10 0	1	3	23 0 0	0	3	15 15 0
Shipton.....	4	5	55 5 0	6	6	75 0 0	2	0	14 10 0
Sherbrooke, Town.....	4	11	86 15 0	5	8	78 5 0	6	3	104 5 0
Winslow.....	0	1	5 5 0	0	0	0 0 0	0	0	0 0 0
Hereford.....	0	0	0 0 0	0	1	5 5 0	0	1	5 5 0
Cleveland.....	0	0	0 0 0	0	0	0 0 0	1	2	22 15 0
Oxford.....	0	0	0 0 0	0	0	0 0 0	1	0	7 5 0
Totals.....	31	32	392 15 0	22	25	290 15 0	17	10	225 15 0

NOTE.—I would observe that the duty on Shop Licenses in the Town of Sherbrooke has been increased this year, by the Municipal Council, £15 on each License, and an increase of £2 10s. in the Municipality of the Township of Cleveland, on each Shop License. I beg further to state that three Tavern Keepers, who had obtained Licenses, had not the sleeping accommodation required by Law, but that all others had double the number of spare beds than the Law requires, and most of them have extensive Hotels with great sleeping accommodation.

GASPÉ.

PLACES.	1854.					1855.					1856.				
	Inns and Taverns.	Shops	Amount Received.			Inns and Taverns.	Shops.	Amount Received.			Inns and Taverns.	Shops.	Amount Received.		
			£	s.	D.			£	s.	D.			£	s.	D.
Gaspé Bay, South.....	3	1	23	8	0	1	2	15	6	0	0	2	9	0	0
Percé.....	1	0	6	8	6	1	0	6	8	6	1	0	6	6	0
Malbaie.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	6	8	6	0	0	0	0	0
Cap de Rosier.....	0	3	13	10	0	0	2	9	0	0	0	1	4	10	0
Cox, County of Bonaventure.	0	1	4	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	4	5	47	16	6	3	4	37	3	0	1	3	19	16	0

NOTE.—The accommodations for Inns and Taverns are agreeable to Provincial Statutes 14 Vic., Cap. 100, Sec. 10, viz., three Beds in each.

COUNTY OF BONAVENTURE.—DISTRICT OF GASPÉ.

PLACES.	1854.					1855.					1856.				
	Taverns.	Shops.	Amount Received.			Taverns.	Shops.	Amount Received.			Taverns.	Shops.	Amount Received.		
			£	s.	D.			£	s.	D.			£	s.	D.
Bonaventure.....	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.			Nil.	Nil.	Nil.			Nil.	1	5	3	10
Cox.....	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.			2	3	29	19	2	1	4	27	19	2
Hope.....	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.			1	Nil.	7	3	10	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.		
New Richmond.....	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.			Nil.	3	15	11	6	Nil.	1	5	3	10
Totals.....	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.			3	6	52	14	6	1	6	38	6	10

DISTRICT OF OTTAWA.

PLACES.	1854.					1854.					1856.				
	Taverns.	Shops.	Amount Received.			Taverns.	Shops.	Amount Received.			Taverns.	Shops.	Amount Received.		
			£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.			£	s.	d.
Aylmer.....	5	2	42	15	0	3	2	32	5	0	4	0	29	0	0
Hull.....	2	2	25	0	0	2	2	25	0	0	1	0	7	5	0
Templeton.....	2	0	14	10	0	2	1	19	15	0	2	1	19	15	0
Buckingham.....	3	4	34	15	0	5	3	52	0	0	3	1	27	0	0
Lochaber.....	1	1	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	5	0
Petite Nation.....	0	1	3	5	0	0	1	5	5	0	1	0	7	5	0
Wakefield.....	0	3	9	15	0	0	1	5	5	0	0	1	5	5	0
Clarendon.....	1	0	7	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Onslow.....	2	0	14	10	0	2	1	19	15	0	1	1	12	10	0
Litchfield.....	1	0	7	5	0	1	0	7	5	0	1	0	7	5	0
Portage du Fort.....	0	1	3	5	0	0	3	11	15	0	0	4	21	0	0
Calumet Island.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mansfield.....	1	0	7	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Eardley.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7	5	0	0	0	0	0	0
Low.....	0	1	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	18	15	183	5	0	16	15	183	15	0	14	8	143	10	0

NOTE.—Most invariably those that have taken out Licenses have had sleeping apartments and other appurtenances as the Act requires; they all produced Certificates.

WILLM. DICKINSON,
Acty. D. I. G.

INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Toronto, April 14th, 1857.

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As far as relates to Upper Canada, to an ADDRESS from the Honorable the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 20th May, 1856, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before the House a Return “showing the “number of Licenses issued in the years 1854, 1855 and 1856, “in Upper and Lower Canada, for the sale of intoxicating “liquors, distinguishing the number issued in each City, Town, “Township or Parish in the Province, and also the amount “received in each locality for the issue of such Licenses; and “also showing to what extent the persons who obtained such “Licenses, have sleeping accommodation for travellers.”

By Command,

T. LEE TERRILL,
Secretary.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Toronto 9th June, 1857.

RETURN in compliance to an ADDRESS of the Honorable the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL of 20th May, 1856, showing the number of LICENSES issued in the years 1854, 1855 and 1856, in Upper Canada, for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors, distinguishing the number issued in each City, Town and Township Municipality; also the amount received for the issue of such LICENSES, and also showing to what extent sleeping accommodation is provided for Travellers by the persons who have obtained such LICENSES.

NAME OF MUNICIPALITY.	1854.			1855.			1856.			REMARKS.
	No of Licenses.	Amount Received.	No of Sleep- ing Accom.	No of Licenses.	Amount Received.	No of Sleep- ing Accom.	No of Licenses.	Amount Received.	No of Sleep- ing Accom.	
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	
Albion.....	18	100 0	0	17	94 0	0	14	79 0	0	Required by a By-Law of Council, 4 beds each, before License granted. Do do 4 do do Do do 2 do do Required to have sufficient sleeping accommodation. Houses Licensed required to have sleeping accommodation for 5 or 6 persons. No return of amount received, sleeping accommodation approved of by Inspector Taverns average about 2 beds each, for Travellers. Cannot give the required information respecting sleeping accommodation. No return of sleeping accommodation. Required by By-Law to have 2 spare bed-rooms and 2 beds. United with Sheffield and Kalador, no Licenses issued. The average accommodation for Travellers in each Tavern is 5 rooms.
Adelaide.....	8	36 13	4	11	52 18	0	10	50 17	6	
Ancaster.....	10	50 0	0	10	50 0	0	8	60 0	0	
Adjala.....	9	15 15	0	8	20 0	0	10	35 0	0	
Adolphustown.....	1	3 10	0	1	3 10	0	1	3 10	0	
Arthur, Luther and Mimto.....	11	45 10	0	14	51 18 11	6	21	82 17	6	
Asphodel.....	5	46 0	0	9	75 0	0	9	77 10	0	
Anderdon.....	2			2			2			
Alfred.....	1	2 0	0	3	10 0	0	2	7 0	0	
Admaston.....	2	4 7	6	6	14 3	10	6	16 3	9	
Aldbrough.....	3	8 10	0	1	2 10	0	3	7 10	0	
Alnwick.....	1	5 0	0	1	5 0	0	3	5 0	0	
Amaranth.....				2	2 1	8	2	3 5	0	
Ameliasburgh.....	5	37 15	0	6	45 15	0	7	50 15	0	
Amherst, Island.....	1	11 0	0	2	14 10	0	2	14 10	0	
Anglesea.....							6	24 0	0	
Arman.....	3	12 0	0	5	20 0	0	5			

TAVERN LICENSES—UPPER CANADA.—(Continued.)

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		£	s. d.		£	s. d.		£	s. d.	
Artemesia.	4	15	0	7	17	0	6	20	0	Some have 2 rooms, others 1; 2 beds in each room. There has been no Licenses issued since 1851, for sale of Intoxicating Liquors. Sleeping accommodation for 167; for the 3 years, say '54, '55 and '56. 16 Hotels with not less than 4 beds each. Each Tavern must have at least 3 beds, as required by By-Law. No Licenses were issued during the years 1854, 1855 or 1856. Each person keeping a Tavern required to keep 4 beds. Do do do Most of the Taverns have from 6 to 20 bed-rooms. Tavern keepers are obliged to have 4 beds over those used by Boarders. Required by the By-Laws of the Municipality to have 3 beds. Do do do No record of the number issued in '54 or the amount received, neither of the accommodation. No Municipal organization.
Ashfield	5	18	5	8	35	0	11	23	15	
Athol										
Augusta	5	37	5	5	97	5	1	8	5	
Amherstburgh, Town	7	70	0	9	90	0	10	100	0	
Brighton	7	49	0	10	62	4	11	76	0	
Beverley	19	93	0	28	123	0	23	105	0	
Berlin	11	85	0	15	115	0	19	152	10	
Bentinck	4	19	0	3	22	0	5	27	10	
Bosanquet	6	15	0	5	12	0	4	10	0	
Belmont										
Blenheim	7	49	0	7	49	0	11	99	0	
Burford	10	65	0	11	71	10	11	61	15	
Barrie, Town	10	77	0	11	82	10	10	87	10	
Brockville, Town	11	159	10	14	134	0	21	313	12	
Brock	6	16	10	8	21	10	9	24	0	
Howmanville										
Bagot				6	54	0	6	54	0	
Barrie				6	13	14	9	18	11	

Barton	12	90	0	9	67	10	10	100	0	The number of beds vary from 3, 15 and 20 each Tavern in Villages require to have 5 beds and in country places. No return received. Each tavern keeper is bound to have at least 4 spare beds. Number of beds in each Tavern, 6 in Villages and 3 in country places. In the year 1856 the Licenses were only for 6 months. Amount received for Licenses includes 8 recesses and 6 shops. No return received. Number of Taverns not stated; ample sleeping accommodation. Required by By-Law to have 2 beds each for travellers. United with Bagot for Municipal purposes. Required by By-Law to have 3 spare beds for travellers. No return received. No return for 1854; no return of sleeping accommodation; the number and amount includes 27 Saloons in '55, and 20 in '56. United with Enniskillen for Municipal purposes. No return of amount received for Licenses for 1856, (1854 and 1855 included in Kincardine.) No return received. United with Bastard for Municipal purposes. Do Dunmer do do Required by By-Law of Municipal Council to have 4 beds each. Do do do Do do do Do do do By a By-Law of the Municipality each Tavern to have at least 4 beds.
Bastard	7	32	8	5	24	1	4	19	5	
Bathurst										
Bayham	20	140	0	20	140	0	20	140	0	
Beckwith	6	33	0	6	27	10	6	25	10	
Bedford	2	4	0	2	4	0	2	2	5	
Belleville, Town	18	203	7	19	210	12	17	193	0	
Bertie	5	28	0	9	64	15	10	71	10	
Bexley										
Biddulph										
Binbrook	2	10	0	1	5	0	2	10	0	
Blanchard	8	40	0	4	16	0	8	26	16	
Blenford	1	8	5	1	8	5	1	8	5	
Blithfield										
Brant	3	9	0	10	30	0	11	33	0	
Brautford										
Brautford, Town				62	418	0	34	264	7	
Bromley	4	10	18	3	14	17	4	16	9	
Brooke										
Bruce										
Burgess North										
Burgess South										
Burling										
Brampton, Town	7	70	0	7	70	0	10	88	3	
Colchester	6	30	0	6	30	0	6	25	10	
Caledon	9	37	10	9	42	0	13	59	0	
Canborough	3	15	0	3	15	0	3	15	0	
Clarke	16	128	0	21	168	7	26	176	17	
Chatham, Town	26	410	0	26	390	0	29	430	0	
Chingenscony	15	105	0	16	112	0	18	126	0	

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		£	s. d.		£	s. d.		£	s. d.		
Ernestown	11	89	0 0	9	75	16 3	9	67	4 2	33	These amounts include Beer Shops and Shop Licenses. No Tavern Licenses issued in this Municipality. Cannot ascertain the number or amount received for Licenses in 1855, (no record.) No Licenses have been issued in this Municipality. Each house might possibly have sleeping accommodation for 4 persons. Includes Beer and Shop Licenses, required to have 4 bed-rooms and 1 sitting-room each. No Licenses issued and no Intoxicating Liquors sold in the Municipality. All have sleeping accommodation according to Law. United with rear of Yonge for Municipal purposes. Do front of do, do United with Tossoronto for Municipal purposes.
Elmsley North	2	7	0 0	2	7	0 0	2	7	0 0	8	
Eldon	2	9	0 0	4	18	0 0	4	18	0 0	29	
Euphemia	6	25	10 0	7	29	15 0	8	50	0 0	48	
Easthope North	6	24	15 0	9	51	10 0	10	63	0 0	40	
Easthope South	6	42	0 0	9	51	10 0	11	65	15 0	44	
Ekfrid	6	39	0 0	6	39	0 0	8	52	0 0	48	
Elderslie	8	37	0 0	10	46	0 0	3	11	6 8	70	
Elizabethtown	1	5	0 0	1	7	10 0	9	47	0 0	18	
Ellice	2	10	0 0	2	9	0 0	1	7	10 0	18	
Elma	4	22	13 4	5	31	2 6	5	30	8 4	34	
Elmsley	16	78	8 3	20	97	8 0	17	93	3 0	6	
Ennisikilen	7	28	10 0	10	47	10 0	2	9	0 0	6	
Ennismore											
Erin											
Escott, Rear of											
Escott, Front of											
Essa											

Etobicoke	12	104	10 0	72	94	10 0	66	9	74	10 0	54	Each Tavern keeper required to have 4 beds (some have three times that number) This includes 6 Shop Licenses. Includes 20 Shop Licenses; sufficient accommodation for the travelling community. The amount received for Licenses includes 6 Stores. Do do do 2 Shops and 14 Recesses. Cannot say what sleeping accommodation there was for travellers in '54 and '55. Township only settled in 1856. The sleeping accommodation was not less than 5 extra beds each. Three beds for travellers required before License granted. The Taverns average from 12 to 42 beds each. Required by By-Law to have 2 bed-rooms and 4 beds. Each Tavern can accommodate about 10 comfortably. No return received. Required to have 4 beds each, but many have more.
Finch	4	18	0 0	8	15	0 0	6	5	19	0 0	10	
Fullerton	2	15	0 0	12	15	0 0	12	3	22	10 0	18	
Frederickburgh	5	20	0 0	10	20	0 0	10	3	12	0 0	6	
Flamborough West	17	124	0 0	15	180	0 0	15	108	11 5			
Flos	1	3	6 3	3	3	6 3	3	1	3	6 3	3	
Fitzroy	4	14	0 0	12	19	5 0	18	5	14	10 0	15	
Fenelon and Bexley	2	5	5 0	6	8	0 0	9	2	6	0 0	6	
Flamborough East	8	108	0 0	36	11	96 4 8	44	14	116	0 0	56	
Gwillimbury West	19	122	12 6	18	136	2 6	22	22	141	0 0		
Gwillimbury North	2	9	0 0	14	5	0 0	14	2	8	0 0	16	
Gwillimbury East	8	68	0 0	24	48	0 0	18	11	69	0 0	33	
Glanford	6	32	0 0	20	42	0 0	24	6	37	0 0	22	
Georgina	6	23	10 0	18	23	10 0	18	6	26	10 0	18	
Glennelg	4	17	0 0	16	6	39 0 0	24	6	59	0 0	24	
Grantburn	8	73	0 0	32	10	89 0 0	40	12	106	10 0	48	
Garafaxa	6	18	0 0	24	35	0 0	28	11	55	0 0	44	
Guelph, Town	20	200	0 0	80	240	0 0	96	30	300	0 0	120	
Galt Town	9	67	10 0	11	110	0 0	11	110	0 0	183		
Gower No. th.	2	10	0 0	6	20	0 0	18	4	10	0 0	12	
Goderich	6	32	15 0	30	38	0 0	35	7	38	0 0	35	
Grey								2	6	5 0	5	
Garnborough	1	28	0 0	3	21	0 0	4	4	16	0 0		
Gloucester	8	21	15 0	6	18	0 0	4	4	12	0 0		
Goderich, Town	9	90	0 0	9	90	0 0	9	90	0 0			
Gosfield	2	17	10 0	4	27	10 0	3	18	15 0			
Gonibourn	6	23	5 0	18	17	8 9	15	7	24	4 1	21	
Gower South	1	2	10 0	1	2	10 0	2	2	5	0 6	12	
Grattan								5	16	12 0	20	
Greenock	1	2	3 9	4	11	10 0	16	5	14	5 0	18	
Grimsby	5	40	0 0	15	34	10 0	15	6	48	0 0		
Grimsthorpe								7	42	0 0	21	
Guelph	7	42	0 0	21	36	0 0	18	7	42	0 0	21	
Horton	14	83	16 8	70	60	14 1	60	11	55	0 0	55	
Hay				1	0	15 0		6	15	0 0	24	

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McGillivray	3	9	0	0	4	15	0	0	7	24	0	0	Required to have 4 beds in the Village of Ireland, each, and two in any other part.
Monaghan South	2	9	12	6	2	9	12	6	2	9	12	6	Stated to have sleeping accommodation for travellers. The number of beds in each Tavern vary from 4 to 11.
Malden	3	13	10	0	3	13	10	0	3	25	0	0	
Medonte	7	32	10	0	7	23	0	0	6	25	0	0	United with Elzedor and Tudor for Municipal purposes. Required by By-Law to have 2 beds for travellers.
Meresa	2	12	0	0	2	10	0	0	2	10	0	0	
Mulmer	9	71	7	6	2	6	7	0	1	3	13	5	No return of sleeping accommodation. One-half who obtained Licenses were obliged to have 6 beds, and the other half only 3 spare beds for travellers.
Malahide	7	35	0	0	9	87	15	0	9	89	0	0	
Mariposa	8	60	0	0	8	44	0	0	14	77	0	0	The average number of beds is about 7 to each Tavern. Sleeping accommodation in every instance ample. United with Orillia for Municipal purposes.
Mosa	10	48	0	0	11	55	10	0	10	48	0	0	
Middleton	2	8	0	0	3	12	0	0	6	45	0	0	Required by By-Law to have 3 spare beds each. United with Belmont for Municipal purposes. Do Arthur and Luther for do
Maryborough	3	13	10	0	3	13	10	0	3	42	0	0	
Madoc	5	15	10	0	5	45	0	0	5	42	0	0	No return of sleeping accommodation. One-half who obtained Licenses were obliged to have 6 beds, and the other half only 3 spare beds for travellers.
Maidstone	4	9	10	0	3	9	0	0	8	12	6	8	
Manvers	5	15	3	0	5	45	0	0	5	42	0	0	The average number of beds is about 7 to each Tavern. Sleeping accommodation in every instance ample. United with Orillia for Municipal purposes.
Mara and Rama	4	9	10	0	3	9	0	0	8	12	6	8	
Markham	18	153	5	0	23	196	10	0	25	204	0	0	Required by By-Law to have 3 spare beds each. United with Belmont for Municipal purposes. Do Arthur and Luther for do
Marlborough	5	29	3	4	4	24	10	0	4	18	0	0	
Marmora	4	14	10	0	5	23	0	0	6	30	0	0	No return of sleeping accommodation. One-half who obtained Licenses were obliged to have 6 beds, and the other half only 3 spare beds for travellers.
Marysburgh	5	25	10	0	6	28	0	0	6	28	0	0	
Matchedash	6	45	0	0	6	45	0	0	6	45	0	0	The average number of beds is about 7 to each Tavern. Sleeping accommodation in every instance ample. United with Orillia for Municipal purposes.
Matilda	6	12	0	0	6	12	0	0	6	12	0	0	
Melancthon	6	12	0	0	6	12	0	0	6	12	0	0	Required by By-Law to have 3 spare beds each. United with Belmont for Municipal purposes. Do Arthur and Luther for do
Methuen	6	12	0	0	6	12	0	0	6	12	0	0	
Minto	3	12	0	0	3	12	0	0	4	16	0	0	No return received. Each Tavern required to have 3 spare beds for travellers.
Monaghan North	3	12	0	0	3	12	0	0	4	16	0	0	

Mono	10	24	15	0	0	20	33	2	6	34	11	30	0	0	22	Sleeping accommodation for travellers.—Number of beds not given.
Montague	3	14	10	0	0	3	4	15	0	0	2	8	11	8	0	No return received.
Mornington																No return received.
Morris																Three beds each over the number required for the family
Mountain	10	42	1	8	14	48	9	6	6	6	9	36	2	6	0	Do do (some Taverns have excellent accommodation.)
Murray	4	10	0	0	9	27	0	0	1	0	8	21	10	0	0	Sleeping accommodation reasonable, only became a separate Township in January, 1856.
McKillop																Some few are but indifferently provided with sleeping accommodation.
Norwich North	11	85	15	0	44	10	83	10	0	40	6	49	10	0	24	Each Tavern keeper is obliged to have 4 extra beds at least.
Norwich South																With necessary accommodation for travellers.
Nepaan	18	61	10	0	15	52	0	0	90	16	55	15	0	96	0	Good accommodation, with the exception of a very few.
Nottasawaga	14	42	0	0	56	180	0	0	120	30	150	0	0	120	0	Sleeping accommodation in 1855 for 67 persons; in 1856, for 52 persons.
Nichol	11	57	0	0	11	64	10	0	0	14	72	5	0	0	0	Required by Law to have 4 extra beds each for travellers.
Niagara	7	45	0	0	61	58	0	0	59	11	90	0	0	87	0	By-Law requires each Tavern to have three beds.
Niagara, Town	20				19					18						30 Taverns in all required to have 4 beds each.
Nelson	19	142	10	0	17	127	10	0	0	15	112	10	0	0	0	Required to have 3 beds each.
Nissouri East	2	6	0	0	8	11	5	0	12	3	18	0	0	12	8	Some of the Taverns can make up 20 beds.
Nissouri West	2	5	10	0	4	9	5	0	8	4	9	10	0	0	0	Required to have 2 good bed-rooms each with beds.
Napanee Village																Some of the Taverns can make up 20 beds.
Normanby	6	25	2	6	24	31	1	9	32	11	42	10	0	44	0	Required to have 2 sleeping-rooms with good beds.
Oxford North	4	16	0	0	16	21	0	0	12	5	37	10	0	20	0	United with Bedford and Oso for Municipal purposes.
Nassagwiewya	5	30	0	0	20	36	0	0	24	6	36	0	0	24	0	No return received.
Oakland	4	22	0	0	4	22	0	0	0	4	22	0	0	0	0	Each Tavern required to have 3 spare beds for travellers.
Otonabee	2	11	0	0	4	97	10	0	46	18	99	10	0	42	0	By-Law requires each Tavern to have three beds.
Oxford	10	50	8	4	10	64	0	0	0	9	56	10	0	0	0	30 Taverns in all required to have 4 beds each.
Osnabrock	7	52	0	0	9	44	0	0	0	10	77	0	0	0	0	Required to have 2 good bed-rooms each with beds.
Orford	3	15	0	0	18	3	10	0	9	3	10	0	0	9	0	Some of the Taverns can make up 20 beds.
Oro	3	37	10	0	7	22	10	0	0	4	20	0	0	24	0	Required to have 2 sleeping-rooms with good beds.
Olden																United with Bedford and Oso for Municipal purposes.
Oneida	7	35	0	0	21	35	0	0	21	8	38	0	0	24	0	No return received.
Onondaga	13	130	0	0	52	90	0	0	48	14	70	0	0	56	0	Each Tavern required to have 3 spare beds for travellers.
Ops																
Osgoode	12	39	5	0	8	28	0	0	0	8	22	3	9	0	0	

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Oso	8	25	15	4	10	0	7	14	15	0	United with Bedford and Olden for Municipal purposes. Required by By-Law to have 3 spare beds each. Required to have 3 bed-rooms and beds each, &c., for travellers. Includes 6 Shop Licenses. Owen Sound formed a part of the Municipality of Sydenham in the years '54, '55 and '56. The average is about 6 beds each. No return received Amount received includes 20 Store Licenses. Includes 21 Shop Licenses.—Number of sleeping accommodation not returned. First class Taverns must have 6, and second class 4 beds each. By-Law requires each Tavern to have 4 beds each. No Licenses for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors were issued during the years 1854, 1855 or 1856.
Osprey	120	946	4	87	678	2	101	776	8	9	
Ottawa City	3	24	0	3	24	0	2	16	0	0	
Oxford East	3	34	0	3	34	0	3	34	0	0	
Oxford West	4	48	15	5	60	18	4	48	15	0	
Oshawa	6	18	0	6	18	0	6	18	0	0	
Owen Sound, Town.	3	14	0	3	11	0	3	8	10	0	
Plympton	14	132	10	11	110	0	13	123	0	0	
Portland	10	75	0	10	61	11	14	112	10	0	
Port Hope	3	30	0	5	25	6	3	22	10	0	
Preston	8	51	0	7	46	10	2	15	0	0	
Percy	8	68	0	9	86	0	11	106	0	0	
Pembroke	17	258	0	31	385	1	23	336	13	4	
Pelham	14	117	10	15	127	10	19	160	0	0	
Perth, Town	8	40	0	9	27	0	8	20	10	0	
Puslinch	6	32	5	6	32	5	6	32	5	0	
Paris	10	100	0	13	159	5	17	170	0	0	
Pickering	30	295	0	33	349	0	38	453	8	9	
Plantagenet North.	5	32	10	6	55	0	6	55	0	0	
Plantagenet South.	17	94	0	17	90	15	17	102	0	0	
Pakenham	4	40	15	4	40	15	5	50	15	0	
Peterborough	5	12	10	8	24	0	7	21	0	0	
Prescott	2	8	12	4	17	5	5	22	10	0	
Perth	2	5	5	2	7	0	3	9	5	0	
Perth	5	30	0	6	40	0	7	35	0	0	
Pictou Town	7	21	0	6	15	15	6	20	0	0	
Ross	4	16	0	6	30	0	7	35	0	0	
Rainham	3	15	0	3	15	0	5	25	0	0	
Roxborough	22	172	10	23	168	0	27	189	0	0	
Romney	16	114	19	6	23	10	12	48	15	0	
Raydon	4	40	15	4	40	15	5	50	15	0	
Rochester	5	12	10	8	24	0	7	21	0	0	
Raleigh	2	8	12	4	17	5	5	22	10	0	
Ramsay	2	5	5	2	7	0	3	9	5	0	
Reach	5	30	0	6	40	0	7	35	0	0	
Rama	7	21	0	6	15	15	6	20	0	0	
Richmond	3	15	0	3	15	0	5	25	0	0	
Richmond	22	172	10	23	168	0	27	189	0	0	
Russell	16	114	19	6	23	10	12	48	15	0	
Richmond Village	4	20	0	5	25	0	5	25	0	0	
Saltfleet	10	29	0	11	39	10	14	50	10	0	
Sandwich	12	110	0	14	100	0	14	105	10	0	
Sandwich, Town.	6	60	0	7	70	0	6	40	0	0	
Sarnia	5	50	0	5	50	0	5	50	0	0	
Sarnia, Port	3	30	0	3	30	0	4	40	0	0	
Saugeen	5	25	0	9	35	0	9	52	5	0	
Scarboro	14	114	0	14	114	0	15	123	0	0	
Scott	3	9	0	3	9	0	3	9	0	0	
Seoung	9	90	0	9	90	0	9	90	0	0	

Prescott	30	295	0	33	349	0	38	453	8	9	Several of said Taverns have all the sleeping accommodation necessary. No Municipal Organization. Cannot give the number for '54 or '55; required to have 4 extra beds. Required by By-law to have 4 spare beds each. But 4 Taverns can accommodate travellers comfortably, the rest but poorly. United with Melancthon for Municipal purposes. No return received. Required by By-law to have 2 beds for travellers. 3 bed-rooms and 4 beds as per By-Law. Each Tavern must have at least 3 rooms and 3 beds. First class must have 4 bed-rooms and 8 beds; Second do, and 6 do; Third, 2 do, and 4 do. United with Mara for Municipal purposes. By By-Law no Tavern to have less than 3 beds for travellers United with Cambridge for Municipal purposes. Required to have 1 sitting-room and 3 bed-rooms and beds for travellers. Required by By-Law to have 4 beds each; (2 Shop Licenses included in 1856.) In the Town of Sandwich 6 rooms and beds each, at least, and in the rural parts 2 do do each. Required by By-Law to have 6 bed-rooms and beds for travellers. No return for 1854. Required to have 12 spare beds each, but have accommodation for about 180 travellers in all. Includes 3 Shop Licenses. Each Tavern has at least 5 beds and 3 spare rooms for travellers. United with Reach for Municipal purposes.
Palmerston	5	32	10	6	55	0	6	55	0	0	
Peel	17	94	0	17	90	15	17	102	0	0	
Pikington	4	40	15	4	40	15	5	50	15	0	
Pittsburgh	5	12	10	8	24	0	7	21	0	0	
Proton	2	8	12	4	17	5	5	22	10	0	
Perth	2	5	5	2	7	0	3	9	5	0	
Perth	5	30	0	6	40	0	7	35	0	0	
Pictou Town	7	21	0	6	15	15	6	20	0	0	
Ross	4	16	0	6	30	0	7	35	0	0	
Rainham	3	15	0	3	15	0	5	25	0	0	
Roxborough	22	172	10	23	168	0	27	189	0	0	
Romney	16	114	19	6	23	10	12	48	15	0	
Raydon	4	40	15	4	40	15	5	50	15	0	
Rochester	5	12	10	8	24	0	7	21	0	0	
Raleigh	2	8	12	4	17	5	5	22	10	0	
Ramsay	2	5	5	2	7	0	3	9	5	0	
Reach	5	30	0	6	40	0	7	35	0	0	
Rama	7	21	0	6	15	15	6	20	0	0	
Richmond	3	15	0	3	15	0	5	25	0	0	
Richmond	22	172	10	23	168	0	27	189	0	0	
Russell	16	114	19	6	23	10	12	48	15	0	
Richmond Village	4	20	0	5	25	0	5	25	0	0	
Saltfleet	10	29	0	11	39	10	14	50	10	0	
Sandwich	12	110	0	14	100	0	14	105	10	0	
Sandwich, Town.	6	60	0	7	70	0	6	40	0	0	
Sarnia	5	50	0	5	50	0	5	50	0	0	
Sarnia, Port	3	30	0	3	30	0	4	40	0	0	
Saugeen	5	25	0	9	35	0	9	52	5	0	
Scarboro	14	114	0	14	114	0	15	123	0	0	
Scott	3	9	0	3	9	0	3	9	0	0	
Seoung	9	90	0	9	90	0	9	90	0	0	

NAME or MUNICIPALITY.	1854.			1855.			1856.			REMARKS		
	Licenses.	Amount Received.		No. of Licenses.	Amount Received.		No. of Licenses.	Amount Received.				
		£	s. d.		£	s. d.		£	s. d.			
Seneca.....	10	75	0	40	75	0	9	78	15	0	36	Eleven Shop Licenses included in amount received. United with Angleses and Caledon for Municipal purposes. Do Molton do do Do Bathurst do do United with Dalhousie and Lavant for Municipal purposes. They all have sleeping accommodation for travellers except 2. No return received. Including 4 Saloons with no sleeping accommodation. By-Law requires 4 beds in each Tavern, including 38 No Licensed Tavern. By-Law requires 4 beds in each Tavern, including 38 Recesses for the three years. Required to have 5 extra beds for travellers; number of Licenses issued in 1854, not given. Required to have 2 beds each for travellers. No return of amount received in '54 or '55. Required to have 4 bed-rooms and beds in each Tavern: 9 Saloons in '56 paid £90. Eleven sleeping rooms for travellers (in all.) Required by By-Law to have at least 3 spare beds each.
Seymour.....	14	114	0	36	72	0	13	85	15	0	52	
Sherbrooke.....	8	60	5	9	73	10	11	104	5	0	63	
Sherbrooke, South.....	8	53	10	9	64	10	9	64	10	0	63	
Sherbrooke, North.....	8	27	0	9	35	10	9	34	0	0	16	
Sydney.....	1	3	0	1	5	0	1	5	0	0	8	
Simcoe Town.....	3	21	10	3	21	10	4	24	2	6	11	
Smith.....	8	53	0	10	64	10	6	41	10	0	20	
Sombrs.....	27	132	10	33	247	10	43	322	10	0	20	
Somerville & Verulam.....	11	15	0	11	45	10	15	61	10	0	22	
Sophasburgh.....	3	18	0	1	5	0	2	14	0	0	10	
Southwold.....	4	18	0	6	9	0	7	52	10	0	22	
Stafford.....	2	6	0	2	12	0	4	19	0	0	36	
Stamford.....	2	6	0	2	10	0	2	8	0	0	20	
Stanley.....	3	18	0	1	5	0	3	15	0	0	10	
Stephen.....	4	18	0	6	9	0	7	52	10	0	22	
Storrington.....	2	6	0	2	12	0	4	19	0	0	36	
Stratford Village.....	2	6	0	2	10	0	2	8	0	0	20	
St. Vincent.....	2	6	0	2	10	0	2	8	0	0	20	
Sullivan.....	2	6	0	2	10	0	2	8	0	0	20	

Sunnidale.....	11	67	0	32	74	0	14	81	0	0	42	United with Vespra for Municipal purposes. All have the number of beds required by Law; amount received includes 144 Recesses licensed during the three years. Includes 11 Saloons with no sleeping accommodation. Required to have 3 beds each for travellers. Required to have 3 beds for travellers each, before License granted. Amount received includes 10 Shop Licenses. Includes 4 Recess Licenses (no sleeping accommodation.) No return received. Each Tavern had at least 2 spare beds for travellers. United with Tay for Municipal purposes. There have been no Licenses issued in this Municipality Have sleeping accommodation required by Law. By-Law requires each Tavern to have 3 bed-rooms and 4 beds for travellers; also one sitting-room, and which accommodation is greatly exceeded. No Licenses issued in 1854 or '55. Each Tavern is obliged to have 5 beds. United with Madoc and Elzavir for Municipal purposes. Indian Reserve—No Municipality. Includes 31 Shop Licenses; cannot say what sleeping accommodation is provided. In 1854, 7 had sleeping accommodation, and in 1855 and 1856, 6 had. Have the sleeping accommodation required by By-Law. Accommodation includes 42 sitting-rooms, 166 bed-rooms and 220 beds. United with Somerville for Municipal purposes.
Sydenham.....	3	22	10	4	22	10	4	30	0	0	48	
Smith's Falls Village.....	8	249	10	12	379	17	13	394	7	6	80	
St. Catharines Town.....	9	76	0	6	35	0	8	50	0	0	40	
St. Mary's Village.....	2	7	0	10	88	0	9	82	0	0	40	
St. Thomas, Town.....	2	7	0	4	14	0	4	30	0	0	40	
Tay and Tiny.....	9	29	10	12	45	0	9	43	10	0	16	
Tecumseth.....	5	37	10	5	26	0	6	30	0	0	16	
Thorah.....	7	33	0	9	42	0	11	45	0	0	66	
Thorold.....	2	9	0	3	9	0	2	6	10	0	16	
Tilbury, East.....	3	9	0	3	9	0	4	12	0	0	16	
Tilbury, West.....	3	9	0	3	9	0	4	12	0	0	16	
Tiny.....	33	255	10	33	276	10	33	255	10	0	16	
Torbolton.....	202	1956	17	207	2522	16	200	2449	3	9	66	
Toronto.....	9	58	10	9	58	10	11	71	10	0	33	
Toronto City.....	5	43	15	6	52	10	5	43	15	0	28	
Toronto Gore.....	17	187	0	17	183	0	3	232	0	0	28	
Tossonario.....	4	20	0	7	56	0	9	68	0	0	88	
Townsend.....	1	1	15	2	7	10	2	7	10	0	8	
Trafalgar.....	18	78	0	20	85	0	20	80	0	0	80	
Tuckersmith.....	8	138	10	7	117	10	8	184	0	0	80	
Tudor.....	13	110	0	14	118	5	16	123	8	0	28	
Turnberry.....	3	15	0	3	21	0	3	24	0	0	28	
Tuscarora.....	10	55	0	10	54	0	10	55	0	0	28	
Tyendinaga.....	23	200	0	22	188	10	22	194	0	0	28	
Thorold Village.....	13	110	0	14	118	5	16	123	8	0	28	
Trenton do.....	3	15	0	3	21	0	3	24	0	0	28	
Usborne.....	10	55	0	10	54	0	10	55	0	0	28	
Uxbridge.....	23	200	0	22	188	10	22	194	0	0	28	
Vaughan.....	23	200	0	22	188	10	22	194	0	0	28	
Verulam.....	23	200	0	22	188	10	22	194	0	0	28	

TAVERN LICENSES.—UPPER CANADA.—(Continued.)

NAME OF MUNICIPALITY.	1854.			1855.			1856.			REMARKS.	
	No. of Licenses.	Amount Received.		No. of Licenses.	Amount Received.		No. of Licenses.	Amount Received.			
		£	s. d.		£	s. d.		£	s. d.		
Vespra	5	12	0	4	10	0	6	15	0	12	Required by By-Law to have 6 beds each. United with Logan for Municipal purposes. Required to have 6 bed-rooms, 4 of which shall contain 1 bed only. United with Turnberry for Municipal purposes. Required by By-Law to have 3 beds each for travellers. Required by By-Law to have 1 sitting-room, 1 bar-room and 3 bed-rooms each for travellers. No return received. Required by By-Law to have 3 beds each for travellers. Containing 139 beds and 83 sleeping apartments for travellers. None have less than 3 beds each. Required by By-Law to have 4 beds each for travellers. Required by By-Law to have 2 extra beds each. About 50 spare beds in the Township.
Vienna Village	5	50	0	4	40	0	7	70	0	0	
Wainfleet	3	28	0	3	19	0	3	19	0	0	
Wallace	13	65	0	11	55	0	12	60	0	0	
Walpole	10	51	0	11	56	0	14	71	0	0	
Walsingham	3	15	0	4	17	0	4	19	0	0	
Warwick	26	142	0	8	80	0	9	85	0	0	
Whitby Town	9	27	0	27	150	0	31	166	0	0	
Waterloo	2	6	0	6	18	0	7	21	0	0	
Wawanosh	13	80	5	13	78	10	18	108	10	0	
Westmeath, South	6	57	0	12	107	6	15	113	3	4	
Westminster	1	3	1	1	3	10	2	4	7	6	
Whitby	3	9	0	5	30	0	5	40	0	0	
Whitechurch	14	69	15	14	69	15	14	69	15	0	
Wilberforce	6	22	2	5	18	8	5	18	8	9	
Williams	14	89	0	41	271	5	39	270	0	0	
Williamsburg	3	10	10	4	13	0	6	22	0	0	
Willoughby	8	24	0	8	24	0	8	24	0	0	
Wilmot	4	25	0	4	25	0	4	25	0	0	
Winchester	19	99	2	14	66	13	13	77	15	0	
Windham	10	50	0	10	50	0	10	50	0	0	
Wolfe Island	10	100	0	11	69	15	11	82	10	0	
Wolford	8	26	2	7	70	0	14	135	0	0	

Woodhouse	10	61	5	0	75	0	94	82	10	0	97	With accommodation for travellers; in '54, 5 Saloons paid £50; in '55 13 do paid £125; and in '56 11 do £220. From 4 to 15 beds in each Tavern for travellers. Also 11 Saloons and eating-houses License at £10 each. No Licenses granted in this Municipality. Required to have 6 good beds before License granted. United with Camden for Municipal purposes. Required to have 4 spare beds each. Do do do do
Woodstock Town	10	100	0	0	0	0	11	135	0	0	21	
Woolwich	8	26	2	0	0	0	15	70	0	0	68	
Windsor, Town	18	130	15	2	52	0	28	155	5	0	42	
Yarmouth	6	33	0	0	36	0	7	52	10	0	16	
Yonge, Rear of	36	310	0	0	0	0	33	283	10	0	0	
Yonge, front of	3	27	10	0	8	0	5	38	11	10	0	
York	3	11	5	0	0	0	4	15	0	0	0	
Yorkville, Village	6	47	10	0	0	0	7	36	0	0	0	
Zone	3	11	5	0	0	0	4	15	0	0	0	
Zorra, East	3	11	5	0	0	0	4	15	0	0	0	
Zorra, West	6	47	10	0	0	0	7	36	0	0	0	

WM. DICKINSON,
Actg. D. I. G.

INSPECTOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Toronto, 3rd September, 1857.

APPENDIX No. 5.

RETURN

To an Address from the Honorable the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 18th instant praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before their Honorable House "a Copy of any complaint which may have "been made to the Government against the Judge of the "County Court of the United Counties of Northumberland "and Durham, and of the answer of the said Judge thereto, "and also of any other correspondence on the subject."

By Command,

T. LEE TERRILL,
Secretary.

Secretary's Office,
Toronto, 26th May, 1857.

Copy of Complaint against Geo. M. Boswell, Esquire, Judge of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham, and of that Gentleman's reply thereto.

COBURG, February 18th, 1857.

SIR,—Having recently been informed of several matters, in which the integrity and uprightnes of the Judge of the County Court for the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham, are implicated ; and suspicions having been entertained that he is endeavouring to effect his resignation upon some terms which may be advantageous to himself, I beg respectfully to suggest that a Commission should be appointed to enquire into his conduct.

The matters to which I particularly refer, are :—First, That one of the Bailiffs appointed by him, Almond Buck, Father-in-law, to his own son, A. G. Boswell Esquire, a practising Attorney, in conjunction with his son-in-law, attempted to prevail upon a widow lady of straightened means to compound a claim she had

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sued before the said Judge, and the money for which claim, had actually been paid to the said Bailiff, of which she was kept in ignorance. The said Judge was made acquainted with this conduct of one of his Bailiff's, and continued him in office until a short time ago, when he is said to have resigned, although it is thought by many, he will yet resume his office.

Another matter referred to is, that it is asserted and believed, that the said Judge has bestowed offices in his gift upon members of his family, or upon others, who, with the supposed knowledge of the said Judge, have afterwards sold their offices.

A further matter is, that the said Judge, by himself, or through his son, is in the habit of loaning money to persons in embarrassed circumstances, at exorbitant and unlawful rates of interest ; a practise calculated to lessen the respect due to the office of a Judge, who should enforce the laws as far in his power, instead of wilfully violate them.

A fourth matter referred to is, that the said Judge, a few years ago, was a Director in the Cobourg and Peterboro' Railway Company, and was well aware that the said Company had made a road across a small piece of land belonging to a nephew of the said Judge's wife, a lad of about 19 years of age. The said land was of comparatively little value at the time, and the Company was assured by the Judge that the portion of it required by the Company should be conveyed by the Company upon moderate and reasonable terms, such as the Judge himself and others had accepted for lands similarly situated. The Judge was supposed then to be acting as the friend or guardian of the infant, and the price then spoken of for the quantity of land required for the use of the Company, belonging to the infant Bogert, was eighty pounds, or eighty pounds for each quarter acre which I considered was beyond its value ; and far beyond the price which others had accepted for land in the vicinity, equally well situated. The said Judge within a few weeks since the young Mr. Bogert has come of age, has purchased the piece of land alluded to from Mr. Bogert, although he was not fully aware of its being occupied by the Railway, which passes over it. The said Judge now claims £500 for it, from the Cobourg and Peterboro Railway.

He is said to have borrowed about £1000 from one of his Clerks at 6 per cent interest for a number of years, although he loans money himself at 18 and 20 per cent.

These transactions would generally be considered improper in any one, but especially so in a Judge. Should His Excellency in Council consider that such conduct should undergo investigation, I believe ample testimony can be produced to substantiate the statements herein made.

I am satisfied that the Hon. Geo. S. Boulton of this town, would, if applied to, afford his conviction of the correctness of the statements I have made.

I have, &c.,
(Signed)

THOS. F. NICHOLL.

The Honorable
The PROVINCIAL SECRETARY.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Toronto, 2nd March, 1857.

SIR,—I have the honor to receive and lay before His Excellency the Governor General, your letter of the 18th instant, suggesting that, for the reasons therein set forth, a Commission should be appointed to enquire into the conduct of the Judge of the County Court of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham.

I have &c.

(Signed,)

T. LEE TERRILL,

Secretary.

THOMAS F. NICHOLL, Esq.,
Cobourg.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

Toronto, 5th March, 1857.

SIR,—I am commanded by his Excellency, the Governor General, to transmit to you herewith a copy of a Memorial of Mr. T. F. Nicholl of Cobourg, preferring certain charges against you, as Judge of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham.

You will have the goodness to furnish me, for His Excellency's information, with any remarks you may desire to make in reference to the statements contained in the Memorial.

I have, &c.

(Signed,)

T. LEE TERRILL,

Secretary.

G. M. BOSWELL, Esq.,
Judge, County Court,
Cobourg.

4. Charges against Judge Boswell—Appendix No. 5. A. 1857.

COBOURG, 9th March, 1857.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, of the 5th instant, enclosing “a copy of a Memorial from Mr. T. F. Nichol, preferring certain charges against me, as Judge of the United Counties of Northumberland and Durham, and requesting me to furnish you, for His Excellency’s information, with any remarks I may desire to make with reference to the statements contained in the Memorial.”

The first charge made, is in relation to a former Bailiff, of the Court, and the substance of the complaint as respects my own conduct in the matter, is that, although I was made aware of the transaction alluded to, I permitted the Bailiff for a considerable period to continue in the Office. In reply to this I have to state that no complaint was ever made to me, by any person whatever on the subject: Mr. Nicholl, it is true, published in a Newspaper of this Town, a statement similar to that contained in his Memorial. As soon as I heard of it, I spoke to the Bailiff on the subject, and he denied to me in the most positive terms the truth of the statement. I think it is due to this party to state, that, I believed his denial of the matter at the time, and still believe it: He ceased to be a Bailiff of the Court last November.

The second charge, in general terms, is, that I bestowed Offices in my gift “upon Members of my family or upon others, who, with the supposed knowledge of myself, have afterwards sold their offices.” This charge, I assert to be untrue and unfounded in every particular, and I deny in terms as positive, as I can find language to make the denial in, that there is any ground whatever for this scandalous imputation. I have never been a party to, or had any knowledge of any Office in my gift, being transferred from one party to another for any consideration, pecuniary or otherwise. My practice has always been to promise no Office to an applicant until a vacancy occurred, for the express purpose of preventing any bargaining respecting it. I will further observe that no Member of my family has ever held any Office within my gift, except in one instance, that of my eldest son, who was Clerk of a Division Court, while under articles: In 1854, when he was admitted a Barrister and Attorney, he resigned this Office, and now to member of my family, or any person related to, or connected with me in any way, holds any Office of which I had the bestowal.

The two charges above referred to, are the only ones contained in Mr. Nicholl’s Memorial connected with the duties of my Office as Judge.

Respecting these matters His Excellency has a right to expect from me the fullest information, and I have desired to give it.

With reference to the other charges, three in number, they have relation only to personal matters, altogether unconnected with my official duties, and I have to remark with reference to all of them, that in every particular, in which they

convey, or are intended to convey any imputation against my character and conduct, as a gentleman, and man of honor, or of one holding the dignified and important office of a Judge, they are malicious, false, and unfounded.

I abstain purposely from making any statement in reference to the Author of this Memorial; but in self-defence I feel bound to observe, that I am prepared to shew, that he is influenced in his attack upon me, by motives of the worst description. This reference to the Honorable Geo. S. Boulton may, to some extent be adduced in proof of this, for it so happens that Mr. Boulton is the only gentleman in the community, so far as I know, who entertains any other than friendly feelings towards me, and this no doubt Mr. Nicholl is perfectly aware of,

In conclusion, I may be permitted, humbly to solicit the attention of His Excellency to the fact, that the complaint made against me, comes from no person professing to have received injury at my hands, and I am perfectly conscious, that throughout the country no one can be found, who will state that I have committed towards him wrong of any kind.

I have, &c.,
 (Signed,) GEO. M. BOSWELL,
 Judge,
 United Counties of Northumberland and Durham.

The Honorable T. LEE TERRILL,
 Secretary,
 &c., &c., &c.

Cobourg, 16th May, 1857.

SIR,—In reference to the charges brought against me by Mr. Nicholl, I beg leave respectfully to submit to His Excellency the following remarks, in addition to my former communication on the same subject.

Of these charges there is one, and one only, which from its nature admits, in some respects, if untrue, of direct refutation, I allude to that, respecting some Town Lots, through which the Cobourg and Peterboro' Railway runs, purchased by me of Mr. Bogert.

Although this charge relates altogether to a private transaction, it would, if true, as stated by Mr. Nicholl, be a deep stain on my conduct. I therefore deem it proper to give a short history of the matter, and to furnish proof of the falsehood of that portion of the charge, which more particularly affects my character.

Several years ago, when I was Director of the Railway, after the Survey of the line was principally made; but previous to Titles being acquired for any considerable portion of it, the general question as to the probable cost of the right of

way was a matter of frequent conversation at the Board. When the Lots in question were spoken of, I stated my connection with the owner of them, and the probability that I might be referred to as to their value. I never held out that I had any right to make any bargain respecting them; but on the contrary I expressly stated to Mr. Scott, who at the time was acting President, and the principal party to whom the settlement of these matters was entrusted; that I had no authority with reference to them, I did state what my opinion as to their value was at that time, and I have no doubt that I put it at the extreme amount. I wrote to the late Mr. Bogert's Executors on the subject, and informed them of the fact of the Railway passing through the Lots, and offered my services to get the matter settled. I received however no authority to act for them. I was asked for further information, which I gave. Thus the matter stood in the Spring of 1852, when I ceased to be a Director, and left this country on a visit to England for several months. I took it for granted that the Company having ascertained what they deemed to be a proper value of the land, would take the course pointed out by the Railway Clauses Act with reference to the land of Minors required for Railway purposes. No proceeding however of this kind was taken, and no communication was ever made to me by any person with reference to those Lots, in behalf of the Company, or to any one on Mr. Bogert's behalf. When Mr. Bogert therefore came of age, he had a just claim on the Company for the full and increased value of the land. I spoke to him soon afterwards on the subject and pointed out the Lots to him, and subsequently contracted with him for the purchase of them, together with other property owned by him in this Town. Some time after the purchase I wrote to the President of the Railway Company, offering to take five hundred pounds for the Lots, but in the same letter stated that I was quite willing to submit the price to arbitration.

I have now to refer to that portion of the same charge, and this is the main object of my present communication, which accuses me of a gross fraud on Mr. Bogert. I permitted the matter to rest, without any reference to that Gentleman, for a considerable period after a Copy of Mr. Nicholl's Memorial had been communicated to me: I did so in the belief that some busy maligner, in the hope of making a case against me, might refer to him, and I wished him to give his own account of the matter without any communication with me. I found out, that, through his friends, some enquiry had been made of him, on the subject, and I knew that his answer could not have been otherwise than favorable to me. On the 30th March last, I forwarded to him a verbatim copy of all Mr. Nicholl's charge respecting this subject, with the request that he would give me his own unbiassed account of the matter. The following is a copy of his reply.

TORONTO, 2nd April, 1857.

My dear Mr. Boswell,—I have to acknowledge the receipt of a letter from you, dated March 30th, containing a copy of some charges brought against you in

reference to your actions about those lots which I sold you, and through which the Cobourg and Peterboro' Railway passes: Thanks to you I was fully aware of the position of these Lots, having walked over them with you, and having a copy of a registered Map which you were kind enough to mark for me: Previous to your buying the Lots, you had volunteered to obtain from the Cobourg and Peterboro' Railway their full value for me. Before I sold to you, I had consulted my friends, and was in no way taken advantage of by you, in respect of our relative position. In fact I consider that your conduct throughout the whole transaction was kind, upright, honest and honorable, so much so, that I consider the charges brought against you, as nothing but an impertinent prying into your private transactions, and base and malicious slanders.

Allow me to remain,

Yours, affectionately,

J. J. BOGERT.

It will be perceived that this Letter refutes most directly and positively the most injurious of all the charges made by Mr. Nicholl, and I desire to draw attention to the fact that it convicts my accuser of direct falsehood, in a matter where his charge is not stated as made from rumour, but is direct and without any reserve whatever.

All the matters charged by him, where they impute to me any distinct wrong, I assert to be equally false.

As a key to Mr. Nicholl's motives I annex an anonymous communication sent to me through the Post Office some months ago. I am perfectly persuaded the letter was written by himself. The word "apparently" I have myself heard him speak as spelt in this letter.

The note he refers to, and which he gave me for a pair of horses I had sold, I did not of course send to him. I think it was only a few days after this letter was received that he attempted to attack me through the local press here, but the Editor expunged from his communication, as I afterwards learnt, the parts relating to myself. It was only a short period after I had obtained security for this debt, and which he was compelled to give, because a Chattel Mortgage he had given of his property was found to be defective, that the Memorial making his charges against me was sent to the Government.

I am well aware that the motives of a party who prefers a charge, are not generally a proper subject of enquiry, but when the accusation is positively denied, and no other proof given of it but the word of the accuser himself, his conduct, character and motives, become matters of deep importance.

I have not considered it my duty to suggest any course that the Government might take in this matter. I have every confidence that the protection to which my office entitles me will be afforded.

I entertain no fear whatever of the result as respects myself, and am quite prepared for any course that may be taken. My chief desire is, that no scandal shall befall the honorable office with which I have been entrusted. Should I be disappointed in this, the fault lies not with me, but with my malignant accuser, and any party who may abet or countenance his most disgraceful proceeding.

In conclusion, I have respectfully to request that in case the documents relative to the subject of this letter should be communicated to the Legislature, that the statement now submitted may accompany them.

I have, &c.,

GEO. M. BOSWELL,
Judge United Counties of
Northumberland and Durham.

The Honorable T. LEE TERRILL,
Provincial Secretary,
&c., &c., &c.

COPY.)—*Anonymous Letter.*

A friend of yours would *most sincerely* advise you to send Mr. Nicholl a receipt in full, and try to stop him carrying out his intention by making friends with him appearantly; he is poor, and no doubt it will weigh with him; take my advice, although anonymous; he is clever. I would have spoken to you in person, but know you would elicit from me, what I have promised him not to mention. My old friendship with you would have compelled me to tell you. Take my advice, I again say with sincerity—the sum is nothing, and I think at best, you will never get it.

Cobourg, July, 1856.

APPENDIX No. 6.

EXTRACTS

From the Reports on the Paris Industrial Exhibition of 1855, by the Mixed International Jury, being those portions relating to Canadian Products.

FIRST CLASS.

MINING AND METALLURGY.

1st SECTION.—*Statistics and Documents of a general nature.*

GRAND MEDALS OF HONOR.

Canada.

At the suggestion of the Governor of Canada, the Legislature of that Province in 1841, for the first time, voted funds for a Geological Survey, which was commenced the following year by Mr. W. E. Logan, assisted by Mr. A. Murray and with the cooperation, for the chemistry and mineralogy, of one of our colleagues. Since that period, with the aid of fresh grants from the Colonial Government and by means of personal sacrifices, Mr. Logan has prosecuted his difficult task with perseverance and energy deserving of the highest praise. He contributes to the Exhibition, as the result of fifteen years' study, a Geological Map of the Colony, comprising both banks of the St. Lawrence and the borders of the Great Lakes, and also a collection remarkable for the great size of some of its specimens and exhibiting a complete series, classified and ticketed with the greatest care, of the economic minerals and building materials contained in the soil of Canada.

Among these specimens are some magnetic and hematitic iron ores taken from several localities and from beds of remarkable thickness and extent, masses of chromic iron and of titaniferous iron associated with rutile, together with various ores of silver, cobalt, copper, nickel and zinc, amongst which are some from the Bruce Copper Mines, which are now worked on a large scale; gold obtained from the sands of *Nouvelle Beauce*, where it is combined with platinum and with alloys of osmium and iridium; a collection of copper and gold ores presented by Mr. Sleeper, of Que-

bec; a fine collection of minerals, containing in particular some remarkable crystals of phosphate of lime, presented by Doctor Wilson; lastly, some specimens of gypsum, bitumen and carbonate of magnesia, which occur in masses sufficiently considerable to admit of their being worked on a large scale.

The Jury of the First Class consider that independently of the intrinsic merit of Mr. Logan's work, the peculiar difficulties which present themselves to the explorer of a new country like Canada should be taken into account. They have no hesitation in awarding the Grand Medal of Honor to Mr. Logan, Director of the Geological Commission of Canada (No. 8 of the Special Catalogue of that Colony.)—CALLON, *Reporter*.

SECOND CLASS.

WOODS AND FORESTS, HUNTING, FISHING, AND THE GATHERING OF PRODUCE OBTAINED WITHOUT CULTIVATION.

1st SECTION.—*Statistics and Documents of a general nature.*

§ 2.—*Collections of Products, shewing the resources of particular localities.*

MEDALS OF HONOR.

The Colony of Canada took steps for the exhibition of its products in a masterly manner. At the same time that the Executive Committee for the Paris Exhibition was making a magnificent collection of natural, industrial and commercial products, determined to make known to Europe the vast country made fertile by the hands of its English and French population, they promoted the composition of interesting essays on the actual state of Canada, its commerce, its resources and its future prospects; and lastly, the Commissioners on behalf of the Executive Committee at the Industrial Palace completed its zealous labours by the successive publication of a valuable series of documents on political, commercial and maritime subjects connected with Canada, in 1854, and of a catalogue of the Canadian collection classified in accordance with the system adopted by the Imperial Commission. All these very valuable documents, translated into French when necessary, were freely given to all who applied at the Office of the Commissioners for information on the subject of their country.

Thus prepared and explained the Canadian Exhibition presented itself, moreover, in most excellent and intelligible order. No one can have passed through the gallery on the river-side called the *Anneux* without remarking near the entrance at the North East end a rectangular compartment, the centre of which was occupied by a pyramid of the most beautiful specimens of woods, and in which was brought together a vast and beautiful collection of animal and vegetable products, furniture, vehicles, metals, instruments of labour, articles of luxury, in a word, all the signs of an industrious and a productive community.

Among these interesting objects the Jury of the 2nd class had to examine the productions of twenty-seven exhibitors, The Jury noticed in particular the rich collection of Canadian woods and some magnificent specimens of those beautiful furs which the Hudson's Bay Company annually contributes to the commerce of the world.

The collection of woods made by several exhibitors at the instigation of the Executive Committee, and at the expense of the Colonial Government, is composed of about 120 specimens, the greater number of which are of undeniable beauty. This collection represents important commercial interests in a magnificent manner. The exports from Canada of the products of the forest amounted in value in 1853, to £2,355,255 Sterling, (58,881,375 francs) besides timber used in the building of vessels at Quebec, amounting in value to £620,187 Sterling (15,504,675 francs.)

The most valuable of the woods so exported are, white pine (*Pinus strobus*); red pine (*Pinus resinosa*); several kinds of oak: white oak, (*Quercus alba et Quercus bicolor*), red oak (*Quercus rubra*) and black oak (*Quercus nigra*); white Elm (*Ulmus Americana*), and red Elm (*Ulmus fulva*.) Besides this important foreign commerce, the domestic consumption of woods of all kinds is estimated at more than £2,000,000 Sterling, (50,000,000 francs,) so that the forests of Canada yielded in 1853, products to the value of about £4,552,000 Sterling, (113,800,000 francs.)

The partial collections intended to make known the different species of woods which form the staples of Canadian commerce are four in number, to which must be added some solitary or less numerous specimens, furnished by several other exhibitors.

Mr. Andrew Dickson, of Kingston (Upper Canada) has carefully collected named and made a catalogue of 64 specimens of different woods, one half of which were taken from a superficies of 100 acres. These specimens belong to 16 families and are set forth in the following catalogue, which gives successively the botanical name and the Canadian, English, and French names.

CANADIAN WOODS.

Liriodendron tulipifera L., tulip tree or white wood, *bois blanc*;

Tilia Americana L., lime or linden or bass wood, *tilleul* or *bois blanc*;

Rhus typhina L., sumach, *sumac*.

Acer saccharinum L., sugar maple, *érable*;

A. *Idem*, a variety, rock maple, *érable rouge*;

A. *Idem*, a variety, curled maple, *érable ondé*;

A. *Idem*, a variety, bird's eye maple, *érable piqué*;

- A. dasycarpum* Ehrh, soft maple, *pleine* ;
Prunus Americana Marsh, wild yellow plum, *prunier sauvage* ;
Cerasus Pennsylvanica Lois., red cherry, *cerisier rouge* ;
C. serotina D. C., black cherry, *cerisier d'automne* ;
C. Virginiana D. C., choke cherry, *cerisier à grappes* ;
Crataegus punctata Jacq., dotted or apple thorn, *pommettier jaune* ;
C. coccinea L., red thorn, *néflier* or *senellier* ;
C. crugalli L., white thorn, *pommettier blanc* ;
C. cordata L., Washington thorn (this is an exotic tree in *Canada*) ;
Pyrus Americana D. C., Mountain Ash, *cormier* ;
Amelanchier Canadensis Gray, June or service berry, *petite poire* ;
Cornus Florida L., Cornel or flowering dogwood, *cornouiller* ;
Fraxinus Americana L., white ash, *frêne blanc* ;
F. sambucifolia Lamb., black ash, *frêne noir* ;
F. pubescens Walt., rock ash, *frêne* ;
F. judlandifolia Lamb., rim ash, *frêne* ;
Sassafras officinalis Essenb., sassafras, *sassafras* ;
Ulmus Americana L., white elm, *orme blanc* ;
U. fulva Mich., red or slippery elm, *orme rouge* ;
U. racemosa Thom., rock elm, *orme blanc* ;
U. idem, grey elm, *orme gris* ;
Juglans cinerea L., butternut, *noyer tendre* ;
J. nigra L., black walnut, *noyer noir* ;
J. idem, a variety, soft walnut, *noyer brun* ;
Carya alba Nutt., shell-bark hickory, *noyer blanc* ;
C. tomentosa Nutt., smooth-bark hickory, *noyer blanc* ;
C. glabra Torr., pignut, *noyer gras* ;
C. amara Nutt., bitternut, *noyer dur* ;
Quercus alba L., white oak, *chêne blanc* ;
Q. bicolor Wild, swamp white oak, *chêne blanc* ;
Q. rubra L., red oak, *chêne rouge* ;
Q. nigra L., black oak, *chêne noir* ;
Castanea vesca L., chesnut, *châtaignier* ;
Fagus ferruginea Ait., white beech, *hêtre* ;
Carpinus Americana Mich., blue beech, or horn beam, *charme* ;
Ostrya Virginica Wild, iron wood, *bois de fer* ;
Betula papyracea Ait., paper or canoe birch, *bouleau blanc* ;
B. excelsa Ait., yellow birch, *merisier jaune* ;
B. lenta L., cherry birch, *merisier rouge* ;
B. nigra L., black birch, *bouleau rouge* ;
Alnus incana Wild, alder, *arune* ;
Salix nigra Marshal, black willow, *saule noir* ;
Populus tremuloides Mich., aspen poplar, *tremble* ;

- P. grandidentata* Mich., large toothed aspen, *tremble* ;
P. balsamifera L., balm of gilead, *liard* ;
P. monilifera Ait., cotton wood or necklace poplar, *peuplier* ;
Platanus occidentalis L., button wood or American sycamore, *platane du nord* ;
Pinus rigida Miller, pitch pine, *pin résineux* ;
P. resinosa Ait., red pine, *pin rouge* ;
P. mitis Mich., yellow pine, *pin jaune* ;
P. strobus L., white or Weymouth pine, *pin blanc* ;
Abies balsamea Marsh., balsam fir, *sapin* or *balsamier* ;
A. Canadensis Mich., hemlock spruce, *pruche* ;
A. alba Mich., white spruce, *épinette blanche* ;
A. nigra Poir., black spruce, *épinette noire* ;
Larix Americana Mich., American larch or tamarac, *épinette rouge* ;
Thuja occidentalis L., arbor vitæ or white cedar, *cèdre blanc* ;
Juniperus Virginiana L., red cedar or sain, *cèdre rouge* ;

Mr. John Sharples, of Quebec (Lower Canada) furnished the Executive Committee with 36 magnificent specimens of the woods of the country, collected by him, and carefully enumerated in a catalogue, with an indication of their uses.

The dimensions of these specimens of woods are really grand ; there may have been seen rising up there, in the elegant central pyramid, boards of three and four *mètres* long by 50, 60 and 70 *centimètres* wide. Some of these pieces were really of remarkable dimensions, considering the substance of which they were composed.

It appears from the remarks annexed to the Catalogue, that in Canada the *Larix Americana*, the *Quercus alba*, the *Ulmus Americana*, and the *Betula lenta* are very generally used in ship-building ; and the *Juglans cinerea*, the *Betula lenta* and the *Acer saccharinum* in cabinet-work ; the *Betula alba* is used in the construction of canoes and in the making of coverings for houses ; the *Tilia Americana* is considered a good material for panels of carriages, because it neither warps nor splits, and takes a beautiful polish.

Besides these, Mr. Sharples' catalogue does not contain any species which does not appear in the foregoing.

A collection of the same kinds, to the number of 17, was furnished by Messrs. Farmer and de Blaquièrre, of Woodstock (Upper Canada.) Mr. Gamble has sent specimens of six of these kinds ; and several other Canadians have added single pieces to them.

In another section I will speak of the specimens of furs exhibited by the Hudson's Bay Company ; these are in truth articles of commerce, the produce of the chase, and not objects intended merely to make known the products of the country.

To sum up, the Colony of Canada has sent to our Exhibition some splendid pieces of indigenous woods, in large boards and in round blocks. Although all these kinds of wood were already known, the care with which the specimens have been selected, their beauty, their richness, could not fail to arrest the attention of the Jury.—The Jury have had occasion to notice also a good number of natural products, such as fine samples of potash, maple sugar, &c., which taken together give a correct idea of the commerce of those vast regions. And lastly, the beautiful specimens of skins and furs which accompany these vegetable products complete this rich and instructive collection. The Jury have therefore awarded a medal of honor to the Colony of Canada; and in order to reward those who have seconded the efforts of the Executive Committee, they have also granted a first class medal to Mr. Andrew Dickson, of Kingston, and two second class medals, one to Mr John Sharples, of Quebec, and the other to Messrs. Farmer and de Blaquière of Woodstock.

4th SECTION.—*Hunting of Land and Amphibious Animals.*

The most important article in this section is evidently that of furs. Although, in consequence no doubt of present circumstances, there has been a lamentable deficiency under this head of animal product, we have seen some beautiful things, and it has been our duty to award prizes that have been fairly earned.

I have already, in speaking of the Canadian exhibition, noticed the rich specimens of furs sent, although in small numbers, by the Hudson's Bay Company (No. 55.) of Canada, under the name of Sir George Simpson, their Governor. Among the furs so sent, the following, of which I give the value as stated to us, exclusive of import duties, were particularly worthy of notice.

HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY'S FURS.

Black Bear— <i>Ours noir—Ursus Americanus</i>	180f.00c.
Wolverine— <i>Glouton—Gulo luscus</i>	13 00
Raccoon— <i>Raton—Procyon lotor</i>	13 00
Otter— <i>Loutre du Canada—Lutra Canadensis</i>	22 00
Black Fox or Silver Fox— <i>Renard argenté—Vulpis argentatus</i> ...	400 00
Red Fox— <i>Renard roux—Vulpis fulvus</i>	15 00
Cross Fox— <i>Renard—Vulpis Canadensis</i>	80 00
Wolf— <i>Loup blanc—Canis occidentalis</i>	15 00
Fisher— <i>Martre du Canada—Mustela Canadensis</i>	30 00
Martin or Sable— <i>Martre commune—Mustela martes</i>	60 00
Mink— <i>Vison—Mustela vison</i>	12 00
Canada Lynx— <i>Chat cervier—Felis Canadensis</i>	15 00
Beaver— <i>Castor—Castor Americanus</i>	15 00
Young Beaver— <i>Jeune castor</i>	2 50

In fact the mere name of the Hudson's Bay Company suggests the idea of a

trade in furs so extensive that Europe is indebted to it for about half of what it annually consumes in this line. The Jury have awarded a first Class Medal to the Hudson's Bay Company.

5th SECTION.—FISHING.

§ I.—*Fishing for Cetaceous Animals.*

This portion of the subjects of the art of fishing was represented chiefly by products, consisting principally of the oils of various cetaceous animals, which have been submitted to examination in the sixteenth class rather than in this class. I will specify, however, some products of this kind contained in those large collections, which I have already described.

The valuable qualities of the porpoise oil which was seen in the Canadian collection, under the names of two exhibitors, Mr. Keefer, (No. 176,) of Montreal, and Messrs. Lepage and Lévêque, (No. 178,) of Rimouski, could no doubt be advantageously turned to account in the industrial arts. This oil has the property of congealing only at a very low temperature, and it is the only one which can withstand the intense cold of the winter season in that country; accordingly it is much used in the light-houses on the rivers there. From what we have heard it is perhaps employed also in the preparation of certain kinds of varnish. It is obtained from a species of dolphin, the name of which I cannot exactly specify.

In the same Canadian collection Mr. Têtu (No. 82.) of Rivière Onelle, exhibited whale oil and porpoise oil, and even some leather made of the skin of the last named cetaceous animal.

6th SECTION.—COLLECTIONS OF PRODUCE OBTAINED WITHOUT CULTIVATION

§ I.—*Alimentary Substances.*

We viewed with interest in the Canadian Exhibition the maple sugar of Messrs. Gasse, (No. 191,) Rimouski; Redpath, (No. 202,) Montreal; Taylor, (No. 207,) of Hatley, and Valois (No. 184,) of Montreal.—Although now very well known, the maple sugar (*Acer saccharinum* and *Acer platanoides*) is nevertheless one of the most curious products of the vegetable kingdom. This sugar is peculiarly valuable to persons living in isolated places, who are forced to depend almost entirely upon nature for the supply of their primary wants.—Each family has its tree or trees, and gathers its crop in a very simple manner. About the month of March a hole is made in the trunk of the tree, into which a small wooden conduit is introduced, and the sap runs out rapidly. The hole is made obliquely upwards, and penetrates about two *centimètres* into the soft wood beneath the bark; two are usually made, about sixty *centimètres* from the ground and on the south side of the tree, because the contrast between the heat of the day and the coolness of the night is indispensably required for causing the juice of the tree to run. The liquid is caught in vessels and immediately boiled in kettles,

to prevent its fermenting ; after having been concentrated by evaporation, it is passed through a blanket, then it is boiled to the consistency of syrup and cast in a mould ; a single tree will furnish every spring for thirty years from two to three *kilogrammes* of very white and well tasted sugar. In consequence of the ease with which this manufacture is accomplished, three women can look after and work a plantation capable of furnishing 500 *kilogrammes* of sugar.

This branch of industry, however, can only be practised in the country itself, and out of the reach of competition with other sugars, for its products are not very economical. Maple sugar costs about one *franc* and forty *centimes* the *kilogramme*, and maple syrup seventy *centimes*.—FOCILLON, *Reporter*.

THIRD CLASS.

AGRICULTURE.

1st SECTION.—*Statistics and Documents of a general nature.*

The exhibition has not produced any statistical documents concerning non-European Countries, with the exception of Algeria and Canada.—But these documents exhibit such characteristics of exactness and interest, that it is impossible to abstain from mentioning them here in some detail.

All those who visited the Industrial Palace must surely have remarked the magnificent Algerian and Canadian collections ; these collections, being composed almost entirely of agricultural products would not have had their full significancy if it had not been possible to obtain circumstantial information as to the articles they contained.

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Canada, a country almost as new as Algeria as far as modern agricultural civilization is concerned, presents a striking contrast to the African Colony of France. The progress of agriculture there is almost as rapid as it is in England ; there is not an improved instrument invented in Europe which is not immediately used there ; the most perfect breeds of animals, Durham cattle, Berkshire pigs and Scotch horses are there in all their beauty. The most improved modes of culture have met with no opposition, but have been introduced there at once. It will be one of the most striking results of the Universal Exhibition of 1855, that it will have made known to Europe the prodigious growth of a Colony which by means of agricultural labour alone has raised itself to a high degree of prosperity.

The Government of Canada has made great exertions to attract attention to this prosperity. Not only was its exhibition highly remarkable, but it had also offered three prizes, for the best essays on Canada and its resources.

The competition on this occasion produced nineteen essays, from which the Jury appointed to examine them selected six, for which prizes were awarded.

The essay which obtained the first prize, written in English, has been translated into French and printed at the expense of the Canadian Government; another, written originally in French, which reminds us that a great part of Canada is in some sort a French country, from the origin and language of its inhabitants, has also been printed.

The two books of Messrs Hogan and Taché have been distributed with great liberality. We shall borrow from them some figures which will speak well for the progress of the agriculture of that vast region of America which was formerly *la Nouvelle France*, and which has preserved the traditions of the mother country.

The entire area of Canada contains 96,000,000 *hectares* lying along both banks of the magnificent River St. Lawrence; this is almost twice the extent of France and three times that of Great Britain; the population is now 2,000,000; it was not 700,000 in 1827. It is chiefly in Upper Canada, or Canada West, that is to say in the region which appertains to English civilization, that this enormous increase has taken place. Lower Canada, which appertains to French civilization, has advanced less rapidly of late years; it does not seem to be animated to the same extent by the spirit of enterprise; the population there is of longer standing, and it does not attract in so great a degree the shoals of emigrants whom Europe is constantly sending to that land which offers a country, property, and a happy though laborious life to those who experienced only suffering and wretchedness on their native soil.

Canada is far from being yet cleared of its forests; the lands hitherto granted, it is an interesting fact to mention, form a small portion of the extent of this colony; they amount to only 7,196,000 *hectares*, which are divided as follows:—

	Upper Canada.	Lower Canada.	Total.
	<i>Hectares.</i>	<i>Hectares.</i>	<i>Hectares.</i>
Ploughed Land.....	920,000	840,000	1,760,000
Gardens.....	24,000	12,000	36,000
Pastures.....	560,000	600,000	1,160,000
Woods.....	2,440,000	1,800,000	4,240,000
Totals.....	3,944,000	3,252,000	7,196,000

It will be readily understood, on comparing these comparatively low figures with those which represent the whole extent of the country, that the British Government warmly encourages emigration to Canada, which it looks upon as a granary for the mother country. Accordingly the Crown Lands are sold to the Emigrants at from 3 to 12 *francs* the *hectare** in Lower Canada, and at from

*The *hectare* is equal to 2.47 English acres; the *hectolitre*, to 22 imperial gallons; and the *kilogramme* to 2.2 pounds avoirdupois.

12 to 40 *francs* the *hectare* in Upper Canada. In the former Province the purchase money is payable in five years, and in the latter in ten years. It is seldom that less than from 40 to 80 *hectares* are sold at a time, and the purchaser must settle upon his new property.

The following are the vegetable products of Canada :—

	hectolitres.
Wheat	6,840,000
Barley	600,000
Oats	9,080,000
Rye	360,000
Indian Corn	800,000
Buckwheat	440,000
Peas	1,760,000
Potatoes	3,880,000

The Census of 1851, gives the following numbers under the head of Stock :—

	Upper Canada.	Lower Canada.
Horses	203,000	182,000
Sheep	968,000	630,000
Working Oxen.....	194,000	112,000
Young Stock.....	255,000	180,000
Cows	297,000	285,000
Pigs	569,000	256,000

According to Mr. Taché, the gross value of the agricultural produce per *hectare* of occupied land is 60 *francs* in Canada and 55 *francs* in the United States.—BARRAL Reporter.

AGRICULTURAL APPARATUS.

§ III.—Ploughs.

1st.—PLOUGHS TRIED BY THE DYNAMOMETER,

j. A plough by Mr. Morse, of Milton, (Canada) having the beam and the handles of wood. The beam bound with iron on its four sides, and having at its extremity the muzzles and in its centre the coulter; a division of iron between the two stays; the right handle attached to the mould-board. Draught, 272.

h. An iron plough by Mr. Bingham, of Norwich, (Canada).—A plough on the Scotch plan, with a division between the stays; coulter in the middle of the beam; screw muzzle on Rose's plan.—Draught, 298.

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In the third rank will be placed the ploughs of * * * Morse and Bingham (Draught 250 to 300.)

Second Class Medals.

Mr. L. Morse (No. 105), of Milton, (Canada).—A plough well and substantially made.

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIONS.

Canada presents also one of the most remarkable collections, both for the beauty of the products (it includes the heaviest wheat at the Exhibition) and for the care with which they have been cleaned, put up and arranged in such a way as to be seen to advantage.

I.—COLLECTIONS.

First Class Medals.

The Provincial Government of Canada.—What I have already said of the merit of this perfectly exceptional collection completely justifies this medal.

Second Class Medals.

Mr. Shepherd, (Canada).—A numerous and interesting collection of garden and field seeds.

Honorable Mentions.

The Abbé Villeneuve, (Canada).

I.—WHEAT.

First Class Medals.

The Canada Company, (Canada).—White spring wheat; grain small, very soft, perhaps even too much so; weighs only 77,330 *kilogrammes*, the *hectolitre*.

Mr. Shaw, (Canada).—The heaviest wheat in the whole Exhibition; it reached 83 k., 920.

Second Class Medals.

Mr. Ralph Wade, (Canada).—Very fine spring wheat, weighing 81 k., 980.

Honorable Mentions.

The Abbé Villeneuve, (Canada).—This exhibitor has already been rewarded for other products in the same class.

Mr. Coffin, (Canada).—Spring wheat.

IV.—BARLEY.

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. Fisher, (Canada).

V.—OATS.

Second Class Medals.

Mr. Laurent, (Canada).—This exhibitor has already been rewarded for other products in the same class.

VIII.—INDIAN CORN.

Second Class Medals.

Mr. Alexander Shaw, (Canada).—This exhibitor has already been rewarded for other products in the same class.

X.—DRIED VEGETABLES.

Honorable Mentions.

The Abbé Villeneuve, (Canada).—This exhibitor has already been rewarded for other products in the same class.

XII.—HOPS,

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. Jarvis, (Canada).

XIII.—FODDER AND SEEDS OF PLANTS FIT FOR FODDER.

First Class Medals.

Mr. Lyman, (Canada).—Clover seed, of perfectly exceptional quality.

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. Evans, (Canada).—Timothy seed, of perfectly exceptional quality.

XIV.—CHEESE.

First Class Medals.

G. Cross, of Montreal, (Canada).—A very good imitation of English cheese.

CO-OPERATORS.

First Class Medals.

Mr. Perry, (Canada).—He prepared and organized the whole of the Canadian Exhibition, which obtained a medal of honor, and he is the inventor of several of the improvements, in various agricultural implements, for which medals have been given.—COUNT DE KERGOLAY *Reporter.*

FOURTH CLASS.

INDUSTRIAL MACHINERY IN GENERAL.

8th SECTION.—*Hydraulic Elevating Machines, and other Machines.**First Class Medals.*

Mr. Perry, (No. 130,) of Montreal, (Canada).—Exhibited a very well arranged fire engine, the cylinders of which are inclined in order more completely

to ensure the movement of the piston-rods in a strait line. This arrangement facilitates also the examination of the valves.—The different parts of this engine are well proportioned, and in addition to the usual reservoir for water it is furnished with an air-box for regulating the process of suction, when it becomes necessary to resort to it. At the trial made at the *Conservatoire des arts et métiers* this engine worked at the rate of twenty revolutions in a minute, with a jet of fifteen millimètres. The stroke of the piston is perhaps a little too long to admit of attaining the greatest ease in working.

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. Lemoine, (No. 128,) of Quebec, (Canada).—For the very highly finished workmanship of his fire-engine with a single chamber, mounted on wheels.—
GENERAL MORIN, *Reporter.*

FIFTH CLASS.

SPECIAL MACHINERY AND APPARATUS USED IN CONNECTION WITH
RAILWAYS AND OTHER MODES OF TRANSPORT.

LAND TRANSPORT.

II.—*Saddlery and Miscellaneous Articles.*

CANADA.

Honorable Mention.

Messrs. Barrington, Morris and Magloire, of Montreal.—

This State, which is just beginning to be civilized, makes unheard of efforts to create manufacturing establishments; but every thing is excessively dear there, and allowances must be made in its favor on account of the difficulties it has to surmount.

Messrs. Barrington, Morris and Magloire have succeeded in making some very well finished harnesses, displaying a great profusion of ornamental stitching, which seems to be much admired in Canada.—ARNOUX, *Reporter.*

SIXTH CLASS.

SPECIAL MACHINERY AND APPARATUS OF WORKSHOPS

1st SECTION.—*Machines and Tools for working in wood, stone and metal.*

MACHINES FOR WORKING IN WOOD.

First Class Medals.

Mr. W. Rodden, (No. 156,) of Montreal, (Canada).—

1st. Trenail Machine. This little machine is intended for making trenails for Ships.

Two arbours placed one over the other are furnished with blades in the form of an S; the edges of these blades form segments of a circle. It is between these two smoothing planes that the article is shaped. The guides are four triangles, armed with a circular line of teeth. This machine appears to be one of ordinary merit.

2nd. Cabinet-maker's lathe—price 600 *francs*. This machine is intended for making round sticks. A hollow arbour carries in front a conical ring of cast iron, which carries within an oblique blade forming a cutter; the wood is rounded in passing through this ring. This machine is of no great importance and seems likely to present some inconveniences.

3rd. A machine for planing deals—price, 800 *francs*.—The piece of wood to be planed is placed upon a wooden table moving by means of a rack upon wooden sleepers fitted with a track of cast iron. The frame of the machine is of cast iron and similar in form to that of an ordinary planing machine. The cutters are two small steel hooks attached to the two extremities of a horizontal bar turning at one end of a vertical arbour. This machine has the advantage of requiring but little force, compared to the cylindrical planing machines. It works well when properly managed, and can take off a considerable thickness at once. It is an excellent machine for use, but one that requires an able workman to manage it.

4th. A Carpenter's Bench—price 2,000 *francs*. This is, properly speaking, only a bench furnished with a very complete collection of tools for working in wood—It is at least as much a specimen as a very practical article.

It has an auger, a circular saw, a whip saw, moulding planes and a tenor-cutter.

The table and many other pieces are of wood; power is applied by means of a belt; the machinery works easily and the tools are well adapted for the work they have to do. Some of the details are ingenious and well carried out. This machine fulfils, in a very satisfactory manner, and at a very cheap rate, all the needful conditions.

Machines for working wood in Canada are constructed on an entirely different principle from those which we have already examined. In their construction, attention has been paid principally to economy and to that facility in repairing and keeping in order which is so desirable in localities at a distance from great machine-shops.

In consequence of the necessity which is sometimes felt for fulfilling both of these conditions, and because machines which can be easily transported are often required, machines in the American style are destined to be of very great service; we will even say that if working in wood is to become general beyond the limits of great workshops, as there is reason to think it will, it is rather, one might even say it is only, with machines constructed like those of Canada, that it will

be accomplished; they are suited to all the minor departments of joinery and to those workmen who desire to be able to do every thing themselves.

Mr. Rodden is not the original inventor of these machines, but merely the manufacturer of them.

Second Class Medal.

Mr. Munro, of Montreal, (Canada.)—A machine for making flooring—price, 2,800 *francs*. The machine does its work by means of three cylindrical planes, two vertical and one horizontal. The table is of wood, as well as many parts of the machine. The planes are set in motion by belts, and the machine requires very little power, and works with great ease. It is governed by hand, and without the least effort when it is working empty. This machine is well made with reference to the conditions of economy and facility of repair which we have already mentioned.

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. Lellan, (Canada). Before concluding our remarks on the subject of machines for working in wood we must say a few words of one for making mortises founded on a new principle which deserves to be cited.

The chisel is in the shape of a hollow quadrangular prism, the four faces of which terminate in sharp edges placed so as to form four holes towards the angles. Inside the prism a spiral borer works with a circular motion; the whole of this apparatus moves on together and produces a square hole in the wood. By repeating the operation, the requisite length is given to the mortise.

This implement, which we were told worked with great regularity and rapidity, did not at the Exhibition produce satisfactory results as to neatness, and its system of motion involved great loss of time.

Nevertheless the implement invented by Mr. Lellan seems ingenious, and deserves to attract attention.—POLONCEAU, *Reporter*.

3rd SECTION.—*Apparatus and Machines used in Agricultural operations.*

THRESHING MACHINES.

Second Class Medals.

Mr. Page, of Montreal, (Canada). Mr. Page's machine is intended to be set in motion by horses, by means of a circular-mill or an inclined plane. It has been tried with a steam engine, with very good results. The straw is well shaken and the grain well separated. This machine is very conveniently arranged, and presents several remarkable peculiarities. Makers will find in it the principles of several

arrangements which may be imitated with advantage when by certain improvements the arrangements shall be made more practically available.

Honorable Mentions.

Messrs. Dion and Lepage, (No. 94,) of Rimouski, (Canada).—The model exhibited by these gentlemen is of half size. It gives a very clear idea of the apparatus, and may itself be worked by hand. This threshing machine is remarkable for its extreme cheapness; it is sold in the country for 200 *francs*; its construction is simple and well contrived

CLEANERS.

Mr. W. H. Rice, (No. 155,) of Montreal, (Canada).—Exhibited a farmer's smut machine, and some hand-sieves. Neither the former nor the latter present any positively novel features; but the smut machine is a good one of its kind and would not disgrace the stock of implements on a farm in our most advanced districts.—Sliding shutters admit of the size of the air-hole in the ventilator being varied at pleasure. This is a very good arrangement, which seems to have originated either in Canada or in the United States, and which, since the London Exhibition all our good makers have been forward to adopt.

5th SECTION.—*Machines peculiar to certain trades.*

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. G. Dunn, (No. 148,) of Montreal (Canada).—A nail-cutting machine. Mr. Dunn, a machine maker, exhibits the only large machine for cutting nails out of iron-plate that figures in the *Annexe*. This machine, solidly constructed in all its part, presented to us nothing novel in its arrangement; we were assured that it could cut eighty nails in a minute, but the Jury have not had it in their power to verify the exactness of this assertion, the motive power at their disposal not being sufficient to produce the necessary velocity.

NINTH CLASS.

INVENTIONS RELATING TO THE ECONOMICAL EMPLOYMENT OF HEAT, LIGHT AND ELECTRICITY.

WARMING APPARATUS.

Second Class Medals.

Messrs. Chinic, Simard, Methot & Co., (No. 162,) of Quebec, (English Colonies, Canada).—A kitchen stove made entirely of cast iron, very conveniently arranged and at a very moderate price.

ELEVENTH CLASS.

PREPARATION AND PRESERVATION OF ALIMENTARY SUBSTANCES.

FLOUR.

Second Class Medals.

Mr. Samuel Platt, (No. 200,) Canada.

Honorable Mentions.

G. Gamble, (No. 190), Canada.

Mr. MacDougall, of Montreal, (No. 196,) Canada.

Mention by way of note.

Mr. Lawson, (No 194), Canada.

BISCUITS.

The Jury tasted all these products with the greatest care and find that the dessert biscuits and other delicacies of the house of Gaillout, of Paris, are delicious, that the Canadian biscuits, and among others those of Mr. Fitts, are light and perfectly dry, so that they will keep a very long time, while they are of a dazzling whiteness, and of such tempting delicacy that one discovers, on examining them thoroughly, something which denotes a French origin.

Second Class Medals.

Mr. Fitts, (No. 189), Canada.—The whiteness, the delicacy, the beauty of all the biscuits from Canada were much admired. The Jury were in doubt for some time to which of the biscuit bakers of that country they should give the second class medal; for the biscuits they exhibited were all remarkably good. Nevertheless Mr. Fitts appeared to us to be entitled to a preference over his competitors, for the variety and perfection of his productions.

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. Nasmith, (No. 199), Canada.

Mr. Robb, (No. 863), Canada.

Messrs. Lawson, Nasmith and Robb exhibited articles almost equal to those of Mr. Fitts.

Mention by way of note.

Mr. Lawson, (No. 194), Canada.—(See above.)

PEARL BARLEY, RICE, GROATS AND INDIAN CORN MEAL.

Honorable Mentions.

For Indian Corn Meal, the Jury have granted two honorable mentions to Mr. Gamble, (No. 190), Canada.—For his Indian Corn Meal.

Mr. Proctor (No. 201) Canada. For his Indian Corn Meal.

 MANUFACTURE OF SUGAR.

MAPLE SUGAR.

Mention by way of note.

The manufacture of maple sugar is of no great importance, and does not seem likely to increase;—no notable improvement in this branch of industry has been made known to the Jury; they have not thought they would be justified in awarding to the exhibitors of this article either first or second class medals.

The Jury confine themselves to mentioning by way of note the Government of Canada, which has exhibited maple sugar of good quality. This Colony has obtained in the second class a medal of honor for the whole of its collections.

PRESERVED FOOD.

FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

Second Class Medals.

Mr. Idler, (No. 192), of Montreal, Canada, English Colonies.—Hams, of very good quality, cured after the English fashion.

 TWELFTH CLASS.

 HYGIENE, PHARMACY, MEDICINE AND SURGERY.

Second Class Medals.

Mrs. Widow McCulloch, (No. 214), Canada.—A very fine methodically arranged Collection of specimens of Canadian ornithology.

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. Lyman, (Canada).—A Collection of pharmaceutical products, and particularly of essential oils well prepared.

Mr. Croft, (No. 210), Canada. An interesting collection of *materia medica*.

 THIRTEENTH CLASS.

 MARINE AND MILITARY ART.

I.—Ship-building and equipment of Ships.

We have expressed our regret that the Ship-builders of the United States have not caused their workmanship to be represented at the Universal Exhibition. Their Canadian neighbours have made amends for this omission by sending very

remarkable models; and the interesting mission recently performed by Captain Belvêze of the Navy in that country has made known to us its rich resources, as well as the adventurous spirit of enterprize of its inhabitants.

Mr. Lee, a French Canadian, of Quebec, is one of the principal and of the most successful Ship-builders in Canada,—we might almost say in the world. The clipper *Marco Polo* came out of his ship-yard. This vessel, which plies between England and Australia, has made on an average the shortest voyages between those countries, and this result has produced a considerable sensation among maritime nations. Mr. Lee built also the *Shooting Star*, of 1,500 tons, chartered at present by the War Department in England, for transport service to the Crimea. This vessel has made the shortest sailing voyage on record from Plymouth to Malta.

The Quebec ship-yards have, indeed, as it were, a monopoly in the building of large merchant vessels, clippers or others. Forty-eight vessels, measuring together 49,000 tons, were built there in 1853, and among them the *Arthur the Great*, which has also made the shortest known voyage to Australia.

Mr. Lee justly enjoys the reputation of being the principal builder of the finest ships; they are all classed A. 1 at Lloyds; he employs as many as 700 workmen.

Mr. Cantin sent to the Exhibition only some ash oars, but he is also one of the principal ship-builders in Canada.

This manufacturer, who is also of the old French race still so numerous and so vigorous in that country, has extensive ship-yards at Montreal. He is chiefly engaged in building steamers for the Lakes, makes his own steam-engines and employs not less than 400 workmen.

LIFE-BOATS.—LIFE BUOYS.—LIFE PRESERVERS.

For the purpose of saving lives in cases of shipwreck, Mr. Thomas, a ship captain of Toronto, in Canada, has invented a plan, as simple as it is practical, for improvising a life-raft on board of paddle-wheel steamers. This raft is formed simply of the outer vertical surface of either paddle box, merely made a little more solid than usual; this surface is in that case fastened only by a few hooks. If the vessel goes down, these hooks are easily withdrawn, and that part of the paddle-box falling into the water floats and serves for a life-raft; it is furnished beforehand for that purpose with short pieces of rope which the shipwrecked persons lay hold of. In case that part of the paddle-box should not detach itself at once, the air rushing up under the paddle-box as the vessel sinks would force it to detach itself.

The idea of this invention was suggested to Mr. Thomas by the following circumstance, which occurred on the occasion of the unfortunate collision which caused the magnificent steamer *Arctic* to go down in so short a time; at the last moment, when the steamer was going down, the Captain was standing on one of

the paddle-boxes ; the air rushing up under that paddle-box blew off the upper part of it and caused some of the boards to be detached from it, and it was upon those boards that the Captain of the *Arctic* saved himself.

CANADA.

First Class Medals.

Mr. T. C. Lee, (No. 220), ship-builder at Quebec. Mr. Lee is the most eminent ship-builder at Quebec ; he builds immense clippers renowned for their superior speed ; he built amongst others the *Marco Polo* and the *Shooting Star*.

Second Class Medals.

Mr. A. Cantin, (No. 217), ship-builder at Montreal. Mr. Cantin exhibits only some ash oars, but he has a considerable ship-yard at Montreal, where he is ranked by common consent among the number of distinguished ship-builders. He builds steam engines as well as ships.

Honorable Mention.

Mr. Thomas, (No. 221), Ship Captain at Toronto. Captain Thomas makes a raft of the outer side of the paddle-boxes of the gigantic paddle-wheel steamers of North America.

FOURTEENTH CLASS.

BUILDING FOR CIVIL PURPOSES—BUILDING MATERIALS.

I.—NATURAL MATERIALS.

b.—SLATES.

ENGLISH COLONIES.

Honorable Mention.

The quarries of the Shipton Slate Company, of Canada, are in the Lower Silurian system.

REMARKS.

Other specimens of slates coming from the quarries of Oxford, Westbury and Tring, were also exhibited.

The beds of slate in Canada have been discovered within five years only, and large quarries are already opened there. The slates of Canada are of good quality, they belong to the Silurian system ; those of Melbourne, Richmond and Kingsley are to be referred to the Hudson River group ; those of Westbury and *Rivière du Loup* are found at the base of the Upper Silurian system.

Several slate works in Canada, which have sent slates, are not in operation, or continue to be inoperative.

Shipton Slate Company, (No. 227).—The Shipton Slate Company, of Canada, quarries its slate in the Lower Silurian system.

Specimens of slate have been shewn by three other exhibitors: Mr. John Gray (No. 232), of Melbourne, slate from the Oxford quarry; Mr. James Leslie, (No. 239), of Sherbrooke, slate from Westbury; Mr. Joseph Tardif, (No. 247), slate from Tring.

C.—SERPENTINES AND CHLORITIC AND TALCOSE ROCKS.

ENGLISH COLONIES.

CANADA.

First Class Medals.

GEOLOGICAL COMMISSION OF CANADA.—(No. 8).—Serpentines occupy an important place in the Geology of Canada; they occur at Grenville, and they cover an area of fifty leagues in the Eastern Townships. They are enclosed in the metamorphic rocks, and belong to the Hudson River group, which forms part of the Lower Silurian system; others of them belong to the Laurentian system.

The Geological Commission exhibited two polished slabs of serpentine, one from Oxford, the other from Brompton Lake. They are of the variety of opicalce, somewhat resembling that of St. Verran, *Hautes Alpes*; the carbonate of lime which runs through them in small veins shews a green color lighter than that of the rock. In the serpentine rock of Brompton Lake, the fragments of serpentine are of a blackish-green; they are sometimes surrounded by sinuous veins of a bluish-green color; this last variety especially is very remarkable, and might be employed to advantage as a marble.

REMARKS.

The Colony of Canada exhibited a chlorite schist from Potton, in Lower Canada.

This rock is of a very light greyish-green color. It is soft to the touch. The magnifying glass shews it to be composed of small thin scales of chlorite, all lying in the same direction, which gives it a schistoid structure. It has been found on analysis to be composed of: silica, 29.88; alumina, magnesia and oxyd of iron, 57.85; lime, 0.77; water, 11.50; it is not blended with carbonates, like most of the preceding rocks; it is therefore a schist which appears to be formed entirely of chlorite.

The chlorite-schist of Potton may be cut and dressed with great ease. It may be cut into slabs or flags with a common wood-saw. It is employed in various ways in building. As it stands fire well, it is used particularly for making furnaces. Coffins are also made of it.

It occurs in large beds in the Lower Silurian system, which lies immediately over the Laurentian system. It is sometimes associated with dolomite or with

serpentine, and like this latter rock it contains chromic iron. In Vermont, and at Boston, in the United States, the same chlorite-schist is quarried on a large scale, and forms the subject of an important trade.

It is associated particularly with compact talc or steatite, which is found at a great many places in Canada, particularly at Sutton, at Bolton, at Melbourne, at Potton, at *Vaudrevil (Beauce)*, at Broughton, at *Elzivir*.

The steatite of Canada is used as a fire stone. That of Stanstead and Leeds is ground and used as a paint.*

MARBLES.

CANADA.

Mention by way of Note.

GEOLOGICAL COMMISSION OF CANADA.—The learned Director of the Geological Commission of Canada, Mr. Logan, exhibited a very fine collection of the marbles of Canada.

The most curious is a serpentine marble from Grenville. It is formed of white crystalline carbonate of lime, associated with serpentine of different shades of green. This serpentine was at first considered as a new mineral species, to which Thompson gave the name of retinalite; but Mr. Hunt has ascertained that the retinalite is but an ordinary serpentine. The serpentine-marble of Grenville can be quarried in large blocks. It is more or less serpentinous in proportion to its proximity to a trap dyke.

The Dudswell marble is of a yellowish white, intersected by ochre-yellow veins. It is also yellow and grey. Its age is that of the Niagara limestone, and it contains polypi and fossils of the Upper Silurian system.

The marble of Missisquoi Bay is black with white spots and grey veins. It corresponds with the Trenton group. The quarrying of it has lately been given up, owing to the competition of the quarry of Glenn's Falls, in the United States.

The St. Lin marble has a rather dull chesnut-brown color. It contains polypi and atrypæ. Its age is that of the Chazy limestone.

Although Canada is a new country, the mineral riches of its soil are much better known than those of many portions of Europe. These happy results are due to the persevering efforts of Mr. Logan, and of the Geological Commission of Canada.

Mr. Logan has in fact described most of these beds of marble in Canada; and the Jury have not hesitated in concurring in the decision of that of the 1st class, who awarded a medal of honor to Mr. Logan, as Director of the Geological Commission of Canada.

*W. E. Logan and T. Sterry Hunt: *Geological Sketch of Canada*, page 89.

Second Class Medal.

Mr. Brown, of Rice Lake, exhibited a very crystalline white marble, which might be used in the decoration of apartments, but the grain of which is too coarse to admit of its being made use of in statuary. This marble belongs to the Laurentian system.

REMARKS.

Mr. Cheesman exhibited a yellowish-white marble, belonging to the Trenton limestone, and found at St. Armand, in Missisquoi Bay. It passes into a black limestone, like that of the Trenton formation generally.

Mr. Thomas C. Keefer, of Montreal, sent a blackish-grey marble, with red spots. It is of the Chazy limestone, found at Caughnawaga. It is frequently used in building.

Messrs. Hutchinson and Morrison, of Montreal, exhibit a common laminated black marble, resembling carboniferous limestone. A great part of Montreal is built of this limestone, which belongs to the Trenton formation.

Mr. McDonald, of *Les Chats*, exhibits a white marble, with grey veins of graphite. It contains also some quartz, which would make it hard to saw. This limestone has been employed hitherto only in the making of lime, and as building stone. It has been used chiefly in the construction of docks.

Mr. D. MacLachlan, of Bytown, sent a laminated greyish-white marble, intersected by very undulating veins of graphite, and containing black crystals. This marble has a very good appearance. It is found in considerable quantities at Arnprior, and belongs to the Laurentian system of Mr. Logan.

Mr. Dickson, of Kingston, exhibits a brown marble from Pakenham. The quarrying of this marble has been abandoned on account of its being rather brittle and containing veins of chert.

LIMESTONES.

CANADA.

Remarks.

The Grand Trunk Railway Company have sent a limestone quarried at *Poi Claire*, near Montreal, in Canada. This limestone is black, very compact and very durable. It takes a slight polish, and furnishes a marble of inferior quality. It is found over-lying the Chazy limestone. It is being used at present in the construction of the Victoria Tubular Bridge, which will be no less than 2,700 *mètres* long; this bridge is being built by the Grand Trunk Railway Company, under the direction of Stevenson the Engineer, and is intended to cross the St. Lawrence, near Montreal.

II. ARTIFICIAL MATERIALS.

Lime, Cements and Mortar.

CANADA.

Second Class Medals.

Mr. John Brown, (No. 258), of St. Catherines. The Thorold Cement, manufactured at St. Catherines, in Upper Canada, is obtained by burning an argillaceous limestone of the Upper Silurian system. This limestone is of a blackish grey colour and gives when breathed upon an odour of clay. It belongs to the Niagara limestone formation.

On being burnt it yields a cement of a yellow colour. The sample which was placed at our disposal by Mr. Logan did not effervesce when exposed to the action of acids. It contained only 3.37 of water. The setting takes place in fifteen minutes and is attended with heat. A mould immersed ten minutes after it was mixed became set under water, and was as hard as one that was immersed at the end of two hours. Only a small quantity of lime was dissolved from the mould. The power of resistance of this cement to traction is equal to 85 *kilogrammes*.

COMPOSITION.

Lime	55.55.
Magnesia	2.29.
Silica	} 72.58 { 29.88.
Alumina and peroxyd of iron.....	
Sulphate of lime.....	1.58.

This cement belongs to ordinary cements in M. Vicat's classification.

The Thorold cement is sold at 5 *francs 37 centimes* for a barrel weighing 300 pounds, English measure, or 136 *kilogrammes*. Nearly 4000 barrels were used last summer in the Victoria Tubular Bridge; it cost 7 *francs, 50 centimes* laid down at Montreal. It is much used in Canada, and is even exported to the United States.

Honorable Mention.

Mr. P. Gauvreau, (No. 231)—Quebec cement. At Quebec, in Lower Canada, a limestone, belonging to the Lower Silurian system, is quarried for the purpose of making cement.

The stone which furnishes it was discovered by Captain Baddeley, of the Royal Engineers. It is a compact argillaceous limestone, without fossils, deeply stained of a black colour by a carbonaceous matter. The cement itself is yellow, and effervesces slightly when exposed to the action of acids; its loss in the fire is 11.6; consisting of water and carbonic acid. Its setting takes place in twenty-five minutes; the mould obtained is not so hard as that of the Thorold cement. Its resistance to traction is equal to 49 *kilogrammes*, and it remains very moist.

COMPOSITION.

Lime	52.49.
Magnesia	traces.
Silica	} 39.56 { 72.40.
Alumina and oxyd of iron.....	
Sulphate of lime.....	7.95.

It contains a remarkable proportion of sulphate of lime, owing, no doubt, to the pyrites which generally abound in limestones containing carbonaceous matters.

The composition of the Quebec cement nearly resembles that of the Thorold cement; but it is inferior to it in quality. It has begun to be manufactured within the last year only, and it is probable that it will come into use in Lower Canada.

Mention by way of note.

GEOLOGICAL COMMISSION.—(No. 261). The Geological Commission exhibited a magnesian limestone belonging to the Chazy limestone formation, which might serve to make cement. This limestone, which extends over more than fifty miles, is argillaceous, compact, homogeneous; it effervesces briskly when exposed to the action of acids.

COMPOSITION.

Chazy Limestone.

Carbonate of lime	45.30.
“ “ magnesia	12.77.
Argillaceous residue.....	} 32.29 { 19.77.
Alumina and oxyd of iron.....	
Water and loss.....	9.67.

LIME FROM THE ABOVE.

Lime	39.70.
Magnesia.....	9.58.
Argillaceous residue.....	} 50.72 { 30.98.
Alumina and oxyd of iron.....	

On being burnt the Chazy limestone would yield a cement, which would rank as an ordinary one, according to M. Vicat's classification.

Magnesian mortar. The Geological Commission of Canada exhibited a very remarkable stone, composed of carbonate of magnesia. It will be well to give a description of this stone here, on account of the use that may be made of it in the composition of mortar.

The carbonate of magnesia of Canada is so like saccharoidal limestone that it may easily be mistaken for it, and yet it does not contain a trace of carbonate of lime. It is moreover ferriferous. Part of it is tinged with a green colour by

chromic oxyd, and some quartz, in white transparent grains, is scattered through it; when the stone has been treated with acid this quartz remains, forming a skeleton.

An analysis of the specimen exhibited, which came from Bolton, gave us the following result, which agrees with that of Mr. Hunt's analysis:—

Carbonate of magnesia.....	58.29.
“ “ iron.....	9.06.
Carbonate of lime.....	traces.
Quartz.....	30.12.
Oxyd of chromium.....	traces.
Water and loss.....	2.53.

This carbonate of magnesia contains, therefore, about one-third of quartz. There is only eight per cent of it in that from Sutton. When calcined the carbonate of magnesia from Bolton would contain 47.28 of quartz; but it would contain also 43.72 of caustic magnesia.

The carbonate of magnesia of Canada might be turned to good account in the composition of the magnesian mortar, unalterable by sea water, which has been suggested by Mr. J. B. Vicat; perhaps even it might be worth sending, as ballast to some of the European ports.

BITUMENS.

CANADA.

Mention by way of Note.

GEOLOGICAL COMMISSION.—There are in Canada several springs of petroleum and beds of bitumen. The petroleum, as well as the bitumen, proceeds from Utica schists, which contain graphtolites and belong to the Silurian system; the schists are sometimes strongly impregnated with it. Petroleum is found at Mosa and on the River Trent, on the River St. John and at *Ruisseau Argente*.*

At Enniskillen there are also springs of petroleum, and by the spontaneous evaporation of the naphtha they seem to have given rise to bitumen.

This bitumen was shown at the exhibition, we shall therefore speak of it somewhat in detail.

It has been found spread over a surface of several acres and forms three beds, which are 0.65 of a *mètre* thick in certain places. Like most of the bitumens of northern countries, it is very rich in naphtha, in which it was dissolved and which has not entirely evaporated. The consequence is that it is quite soft and glutinous at an ordinary temperature, staining the hands, and that it has a low density.

We found that it was as 1,006, so that it is nearly equal to that of water.

Its melting point is 83° c. Below that temperature it no longer gives out vapour, and becomes pasty.

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When heated it soon begins to boil ; it gives out naphtha and various oils as well as water. It diffuses also a disagreeable odour, resembling that of caproic acid. When the temperature is raised still higher concrete bituminous matters and paraffine are obtained ; when raised to a red heat in a crucible it yields a light and inflated coke, which is very impure ; its weight is at least 11 per cent.

Alcohol dissolves certain portions of the bitumen from Enniskillen, acquiring a light-brown colour. Benzine dissolves it easily and leaves a brownish residue, resembling vegetable mould, and containing organic matters and vegetable remains. When this mould is heated to a low red heat it burns with a flame and diffuses a pungent odour like that of peat. When the combustion has ceased, there remains an argillaceous substance which does not effervesce when exposed to the action of acids, and which proceeds no doubt from the schists which contain the bitumen. If the solution of bitumen in benzine be evaporated, a thick bitumen is obtained, having little ductility and resembling those produced from animal matter.

An attempt was made to purify the bitumen from Enniskillen by warming it in boiling water, as is done with certain bitumens, in order to separate the earthy particles from them ; but it spreads itself in liquid layers on the surface of the water, and the earthy powder with which it is mixed is but very imperfectly deposited. In order to purify it, the country people in Canada squeeze it in a cloth, through which it passes, while the earthy particles remain inside.

The Enniskillen bitumen is not yet regularly made an article of traffic.

It will be seen from what we have just said that it contains a great quantity of oil of petroleum, which is now applied to various uses in the industrial arts ; and it seems that it would be more profitable to extract this oil than the bitumen itself.

WOOD-WORKS.

First Class Medals.

Messrs. Ostell & Co., (No. 224), Canada, for their joiner's work in pine, exceedingly well made by machinery, and at very moderate prices.

HOUSE-PAINTING WORK.

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. Murphy, (No. 243), Canada. Painting in imitation of wood and marble.

PUBLIC WORKS.

CO-OPERATORS.

Mentions by way of note.

The Board of Works of Canada, (No. 224), exhibited—1st, a map of its canals ; 2nd, a plan in relief, showing the old and the new locks at Montreal, at the end of the Lachine Canal ; 3rd, models of the sluices of the lock-gates of that canal ; 4th, a model of a wooden bridge.

In 1833 Canada commenced works for the opening of a passage for large vessels between the Lakes and the Sea.*

The St. Lawrence Canals comprise nine distinct works, constructed at places where the navigation of the river was obstructed. Their entire length is 42 miles, (67,591 *mètres*); they have 27 locks, with an aggregate of 205 feet (62 *mètres* 48). The locks are 200 feet long, 45 feet wide, and nine feet deep (60m. 96, 13m. 72, and 2m. 74).

The Lachine Canal is one of the links of which we have just spoken; that which is furthest from the Lakes. It passes by the *Saut Saint Louis*; it was built as far back as 1825, but its locks were of small dimensions. In 1846, new ones were built, similar to those of the other portions of the Saint Lawrence Canals.

The Welland Canal unites Lakes Erie and Ontario. Its length is 28 miles (45 *kil.*); it has 27 locks, with an aggregate fall of 346 feet (105m. 47). The locks are a little smaller than those on the St. Lawrence Canals.

Most of the locks of these Canals have wooden aprons, with a depression of two feet six inches (0m 76) in the centre. The side-walls are of stone. The sluices of the lock-gates turn round a horizontal axis; they have the advantage of giving a large opening in a very short time and with little effort.

The Canals have been finished since 1853; they were built by Mr. Killaly, C. E., A. M. T. C. D., under the authority of Mr. Lemieux, M. P., Chief Commissioner of Public Works.

Trade has already resumed in part its natural direction, by the valley of the Saint Lawrence, which it had abandoned for the Erie Canal. But the traffic seems sufficient to ensure the success of both these channels of navigation.

A Company owning a large tract of land on Lake Superior have built a Canal round the Falls of the River *Sainte Marie*. This Canal has been cut on the United States' bank. The fall is overcome by two locks joined to each other. The works were completed in the season of 1855, and Lake Superior is now connected with the vast chain of navigation of the Saint Lawrence and the Hudson.†

The bridge exhibited belongs to the category of American bridges. The mode of uniting the stretching piece to the compressing one is nearly the same as Mr. Howe's. The supports are strengthened by arches as in Burr's system. The bridge of which this is a model has not been built; but a bridge of the same kind, and of 150 feet) 45m. 73) has been built at Rock Island.

*In the Fifth Volume of the *Professional Papers* there is a very interesting paper by Lieutenant-Colonel Phillpotts, R. E., on the Canals in Canada.

†We derive the information which we give on the subject of the *Saut Sainte Marie* Canal from M. Rivot, who has recently returned from Canada. In the *Annales des Mines* (1855) is to be found a memoir of a former voyage which this engineer made to Lake Superior; but that memoir being devoted chiefly to geological studies, the works of the Canals are very briefly noticed in it.

The Canadian Exhibition is worthy of notice. The canals are works of very great importance. The Jury award a first class medal to the Board of Works of Canada.

FIFTEENTH CLASS.

STEEL, WROUGHT AND UNWROUGHT.

III.—*Files and Tools.*

CANADA.

North America distinguishes itself greatly in the manufacture of tools. The people of the United States have a genius for machinery and implements. They distinguish themselves particularly in the manufacture of tools adapted for the clearing and cultivation of land. The American axe is proverbial for its perfection. Unfortunately the American Union is unrepresented at the Exhibition, as far as tools are concerned; but Canada, which borders on it, and in which the same genius is seen, has exhibited some remarkably good tools. They are chiefly those which are absolutely necessary for the pioneer.

Second Class Medals.

The Jury award the second class medal to three Canadian exhibitors:—

Mr. Higgins, of Montreal, who exhibited several edged tools, and especially axes.

Mr. Wm. Parkin, of Montreal.—Same kind of tools.

Mr. R. Scott, of Montreal.—Same kind of tools.

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. J. Dawson, of Montreal.—Planes.

Messrs. H. & H. Date, of Galt.—Edged Tools.

Mr. D. F. Jones, of Gananoque.—Planes.*

Mr. Alex. Wallace, of Montreal.—Planes.

SIXTEENTH CLASS.

ORDINARY METAL WORK.

4TH SECTION.—VARIOUS WORKS IN METALLIC WIRES AND ALLOYS.

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. Rice, of Montreal, (Canada). Iron-wire-cloth; manufactured on a large scale.

5TH SECTION.—COARSE LOCKSMITH'S WORK, IRONMONGERY, AND NAIL MAKING.

Messrs. T. Peck & Co., of Montreal, (Canada).

Mr. M. F. Dunn, of Montreal, (Canada). Nails made by machinery, and well finished.

TWENTY-THIRD CLASS.

MANUFACTURE OF HOSIERY AND CARPETS, LACE-MAKING AND EMBROIDERY.

CARPETS AND TAPESTRY-WORK.

Honorable Mentions.

Miss Parthenais, (No. 276), of Montreal, (Canada).

Mrs. Jones, (No. 236), of Montreal, (Canada).

HOSIERY AND LACES,

Second Class Medals.

To the City of Kingston, Canada, (English possessions). This city sent a large collection of articles of hosiery, manufactured in the country. We remarked among them some netting done by hand and some done on a frame, both very successful; the Jury had not supposed this branch of industry so far advanced in that country.

TWENTY-FOURTH CLASS.

FURNITURE AND DECORATION.

I.—*Cabinet-work, Veneering, Sculpture, Tapestry, &c.*

CANADA.

Second Class Medals.

Messrs. J. & H. Hilton, of Montreal, sent a set of black walnut furniture covered with silk, which gives us a good idea of their excellent workmanship.

Mr. W. Dunn, of Quebec,—Chairs of carved wood, covered with moose skin and embroidered with porcupine's quills, original in appearance, of a pleasing design and highly finished.

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. Bevis, of Hamilton.—A round table of inlaid woods.

Mr. Owen McGarvey, of Montreal.—Rocking-chairs of turned wood.

Miss Widder, of Toronto.—A drawing-room chair of turned and carved wood ornamented with tapestry-work embroidered in small stitch.

TWENTY-FIFTH CLASS.

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MEN'S CLOTHING.

Second Class Medals.

Messrs. Henderson & Co., (No. 300), of Quebec and Montreal, (Canada).—Make up furs on a very large scale; their work is good, their prices are moderate, and they have a great export trade.

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. Ed. Gauthier, (No. 299), of Montreal, (Canada).—Clothing of very substantial country cloth.

ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS AND FEATHERS.

Honorable Mentions.

The Sisters of Providence, (No. 315), of Montreal, (Canada).—Fruits in wax-work.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

Second Class Medals.

Messrs. Smith & Co., (No. 314), of Montreal, (Canada).—An important house, established on a good footing. They manufacture both for the home and for the foreign trade, and have exhibited elegant boots and shoes.

Mr. J. Barbeau, (No. 291), of Quebec, (Canada).—Exhibits boots and shoes of good and substantial workmanship.

India Rubber Company, of Montreal, (Canada).—Manufacture of India Rubber goods on a large scale; agency for sale of goods at Quebec; large domestic and foreign trade; exhibit a variety of articles, of very good workmanship.

Honorable Mentions.

Messrs. Scandritt & Robinson, (No. 311), of Toronto, (Canada).—Exhibit boots and shoes of good workmanship.

Messrs. Merryfield & Sheridan, (No. 307), of Toronto, (Canada).—Exhibit well made boots and shoes.

SUNDRY COLLECTIONS.

Second Class Medals.

COLLECTION OF WORK DONE BY THE INDIANS OF CANADA. (No. 306.)

This interesting collection is composed of clothing, moccasins, various and other things, covered with embroidery having a pleasing effect. These productions are the work of a race that is becoming extinct, not having been able to ac-

commodate itself to modern civilization. A peculiar taste and a happy combination of colours are apparent in the embroidery-work of these Indians.

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. Mercier, of Quebec, (Canada).—For the pains he took to form the above mentioned collection of work done by the Indians of Canada.

TWENTY-SIXTH CLASS.

Drawing and Modelling applied to Manufactures, Printing with Types and Copper-plate Printing, Photography, Engraving, &c.

INDUSTRIAL DRAWINGS.

Second Class Medals.

Miss Sheppard, (No. 360).—Her drawings of Canadian fruits and vegetables are very faithful; the coloring is remarkably true to nature.

Photography.

II.—LANDSCAPES.

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. Doane, (No. 320), of Montreal, (Canada).—Views of Canada, well taken, and very good portraits.

V.—DAGUERREOTYPES.

Honorable Mentions.

Mr. Palmer, (No. 324), of Toronto, (Canada).—Exhibits some very successful portraits.

MOULDINGS AND MATERIALS FOR MOULDING.

The Sisters of Providence, (Canada).—Fruits and vegetables in wax, moulded, of unimpeachable fidelity as to form and colour. The produce of the sale of this excellent work is devoted by these good souls to the support of a hospital, and to the relief of the poor.

Miss Cochrane, of Quebec, (Canada).—Moulded fruits. True to nature both in form and colour.

BOOK-BINDING.

Honorable Mentions.

The British Colonies have obtained three honorable mentions, which were gained by Mr. Miller, of Montreal, (Canada), Mr. Young, of the same city, and Messrs. Waugh & Cox, of Sydney.

THIRTY-FIRST CLASS.**PRODUCTS IN THEIR RELATION TO DOMESTIC ECONOMY.***Alimentary Substances.***IV.—MILK, CHEESE.***Mention by way of Note.*

Mr. George Cross, of Lower Canada, exhibited cheeses of good quality, at a low price.—(See *Third Class*.)

IX.—MEATS.*Mention by way of Note.*

Hams, by Mr. Idler, of Canada.—(See *Seventh Class*.)

READY-MADE CLOTHING AND BOOTS AND SHOES.*Mention by way of Note.*

Mr. Smith, (No. 314), of Montreal.—Exhibits boots of a remarkably substantial make, at very moderate prices. It is impossible to find any thing of better quality than Mr. Smith's boots at 12 francs 50 centimes.—(See *Twenty-Fifth Class*.)

APPENDIX No 7.

RETURN

To an Address from the Honorable the Legislative Council to His Excellency the Governor General, dated the 26th instant, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before their Honorable House "a List of Addresses, &c., presented to " His Excellency for a dissolution of the House of Assembly, " and in relation thereto, since last Session, with copies of " His Excellency's answers thereto, and the names of any " parties to whom communication was made, acknowledging " receipt of such Addresses."

By Command,

T. LEE TERRILL,
Secretary.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Toronto, 29th May, 1857.

LIST OF ADDRESSES
 OF THE
CALLER FOR BY ADDRESS OF THE HONORABLE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
25th MAY, 1857.

FROM WHOM RECEIVED.	Date of Receipt	Date of Answer.	Party to whom Answer was Addressed,	REMARKS.
Inhabitants City of Toronto.....	25th July, 1856	25th July, 1856	J. B. Robinson, Mayor of Toronto..	For Answer, see Letter next page, marked A
Inhabitants Town of Peterboro'.....	13th Aug.	19th Aug.	Geo. Hazelhurst, Peterboro.....	For Answer, see Letter next page marked B.
Inhabitants Town of Goderich.....	19th Aug.	19th "	John Longworth, Goderich.....	Do.
Inhabitants Township of Otonabee.....	20th Aug.	25th "	William Lang, Reeve, Otonabee....	Answered in terms similar to Letter A.
Inhabitants Town of Port Hope.....	20th "	27th "	James Scott, Mayor, Fort Hope....	Do.
Inhabitants City of Hamilton.....	28th "	29th "	J. Cummings, Mayor, Hamilton...	Do.
Inhabitants Village of Bowmanville.....	4th Sept.	5th Sept.	J. McFeeters, Reeve, Bowmanville.	Do.
Inhabitants Township of King.....	5th "	5th "	G. Hughes, Reeve, King.....	Do.
Inhabitants Township of Darlington.....	6th "	6th "	M. Jones, Reeve, Darlington.....	Do.
Inhabitants Township of South Wellington..	9th "	10th "	Charles Allan, Guelph.....	Do.
Inhabitants County of Norfolk.....	11th "	11th "	W. Powell, Port Dover.....	Do.
Inhabitants Township of Smith.....	17th "	17th "	Christopher Barton, Smith.....	Do.
Inhabitants Township of Pickering.....	18th "	18 h "	William Dunbar, Dunbaron.....	Do.
Inhabitants Township of Whitchurch.....	20th "	23rd "	J. Hartman, Esq., M. P. P.....	Do.
Inhabitants Township of Minto.....	10th Oct.	10th Oct.	William Keith, Minto.....	Do.
Inhabitants Township of Downie.....	21st "	23rd "	P. Ballantyne, Downie.....	Do.
Inhabitants Township of Beverley.....	23rd "	24th "	William Henderson, Beverley.....	Do.

A.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Toronto, 25th July, 1856.

SIR,—I have had the honor to receive, and lay before his Excellency the Governor General, your letter of the 24th inst., transmitting a Memorial from the citizens of Toronto, in Public Meeting assembled, signed by you as Mayor of the City, praying His Excellency to dissolve the present Parliament, and to cause writs to issue for a general election.

I have, &c.

[Signed]

E. A. MEREDITH,
Assistant Secretary.

J. B. ROBINSON, Esq.,
Mayor, Toronto.

B.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
Toronto, 19th August, 1856.

SIR,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th inst., enclosing a Memorial to His Excellency the Governor General, from certain of the inhabitants of the Town of Peterboro, in public meeting assembled, praying His Excellency to dissolve the present House of Assembly.

The letter and memorial will be laid before His Excellency on his return to the Seat of Government.

I have, &c.,

[Signed].

E. A. MEREDITH,
Asst. Secy.

GEORGE HAZLEHURST, Esq.,
Peterboro

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APPENDIX No. 8.

DIGEST OF RETURNS

From A. C. BUCHANAN, A. B. HAWKE, and T. C. DIXON, Esquires, Emigration Agents, of the number of Emigrants arrived in Canada this Season, up to the 8th June, 1857.

AT THE PORT OF QUEBEC.

	CABIN.	STEERAGE.
From England.....	421	5686
“ Ireland.....	0	871
“ Scotland.....	79	1301
“ Germany.....	8	1380
“ Norway.....	0	1518
	<u>508</u>	<u>10756</u>
Grand Total.....		11264.

Of these were

4879	Males.
2859	Females.
1354	Boys.
1216	Girls.
537	Infants.
320	particulars not received.

AND

757	Mechanics.
1581	Farmers.
1978	Laborers.
719	not stated.
164	Cabin Passengers.

AS COMPARED WITH 1856 THE RETURNS ARE

	CABIN.		STEERAGE.	
	1856.	1857.	1856.	1857.
From England.....	198	421	2413	5686
“ Ireland.....	6	0	428	871
“ Scotland.....	15	79	982	1301
“ Germany.....	0	8	765	1380
“ Norway.....	0	0	0	1518
	<u>219</u>	<u>508</u>	<u>4588</u>	<u>10756</u>
	1856	1857		
Grand Total.....	4807		11264	
Increase in 1857, to 8th June.....			6457	

The following Emigrants had arrived at the *Toronto* and *Hamilton* Agencies up to the 31st May, 1857.

	TORONTO.	HAMILTON.
English.....	1782	1530
Irish.....	213	1073
Scotch.....	842	1133
Germans.....	881	4487

The Total number of emigrants arrived in Canada up to 8th June, 1857, including those who landed at Quebec, those who entered Upper Canada by the Suspension Bridge, and those who came by steamers from American ports on Lake Ontario, estimated by Mr. Hawke at 750, appears to be

Via Quebec.....	10,436
Suspension Bridge.....	11,262
Ports on Lake Ontario.....	750
Total.....	22,448
Left for the States.....	11,371
Actual Settlers in Canada.....	11,087

So far the emigration exceeds that of any year since 1847, and the emigrants in general character and means, are superior to those of any preceding year. Very little assistance has been asked for or granted during this season. Of the English and Scotch a large proportion were respectable farmers apparently in comfortable circumstances, and their destination was Upper Canada, where many has friends. Fully five-sixths of the English and Scotch remain in Canada; two-thirds of the Irish have gone to the United States. Of Germans about 460 remain in Canada, some with good means; the rest have gone to the States.

Since the completion of the above, Mr. Buchanan telegraphs the arrival of two foreign ships at Grosse Isle with 160 German and 500 Norwegian emigrants.

WILLIAM HUTTON,
Secretary.

BUREAU OF AGRICULTURE AND STATISTICS,
June 9th, 1857.

APPENDIX No. 9.

The Clerk in Account with the Honorable the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, for various sums received and disbursed by him from the 13th of June, 1856, to the 1st of June, 1857.

Dr.

Cr.

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
June 12th, 1856 ..	To Balance at the Credit of the Legislative Council this day ..	100	8	10	4094	18	1
July 2nd, " ..	To Warrant of His Excellency ..	10000	0	0	3876	7	4
" 14th " ..	Do. do. do.	135	0	0	1352	16	10
April 6th, 1857 ..	Do. do. do.	5000	0	0	77	7	9
August 28th, " ..	To Cash received from Charles deLery ..				2655	9	6
					684	0	0
					172	12	0
					200	8	1
					960	8	9
					533	0	7
					440	10	0
					287	18	0
					68	2	6
June 1st, 1857 ..	To Balance at the Credit of the Legislative Council at this date ..	15815	8	10	411	9	5
		411	9	5	15815	8	10

A. By Members Indemnity.
 B. By Officers' Salaries.
 C. By Messengers' and Labourers' Wages.
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12.—*St. Hyacinthe Incorporation No. 1 Bill:*

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14.—*Cruelty to Animals Prevention Bill:*

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15.—*Accidents on Railways Prevention Bill:*

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18.—*Law for Admission of Attorney's Amendment Bill :*

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19.—*Sandwich Incorporation Bill :*

Brought in by Honorable Mr. Prince and read first time, 134. Order for second reading postponed, 151. Read second time, 175. Ordered to be committed, 175. Committed and reported without amendment, 183. Third reading postponed, 188. Again postponed, 197. Read third time, 208. Then some amendments were made, and said Bill passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 208. Amended by that House, 448. The amendment read, agreed to, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 448. Royal Assent, 594.

20.—*Speaker of Legislative Council Election Bill :*

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- 21.—*Port Dalhousie and Thorold Railway Bill*:
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- 22.—*Weekly Postal Communication by Steamers Bill*:
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- 23.—*Independence of Parliament Bill*:
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- 24.—*Statute Labour Laws amendment Bill*:
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- 25.—*Ontario Lake Shore Lands Protection Bill*:
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- 26.—*Verdicts in Civil Causes Bill*:
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28.—*Crown Suits Procedure Bill:*

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29.—*Building Societies Lower Canada Bill:*

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30.—*Court of Error and Appeals Bill:*

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31.—*McGill College Amendment Bill:*

Brought in by Honorable Mr. Ferrier and read first time, 201. Read second time and referred, 211. Reported without amendment, 214. Read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 223. Agreed to by that House. Royal Assent, 398.

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32.—*Quebec and Montreal Police Bill:*

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33.—*Bessemer's Patent Bill:*

Brought in by Honorable Mr. Vankoughnet and read a first time, 201. Read second time and referred, 215. An amendment reported, which was read and agreed to, 238. Motion for third reading, debated, 242. Motion in amendment to read same this day six months, 242. Objected to, and debated, 242. House divides thereon, 242. *Contents*, 3. *Non-Contents*, 25. Resolved in the negative, 243. Question put on main motion, and resolved in the affirmative, 243. Bill read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly for concurrence, 243. Amended by that House, 561. The amendments read, agreed to and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 566. Royal Assent, 594.

34.—*Chateauguay Registry Office Transfer of Books Bill:*

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35.—*Land Surveyor's Practice Facility Bill:*

Brought in by Honorable Mr. de Blaquièrre and read first time, 207. Second reading moved and objected to, 215, 216. Debated, question put and carried, and Bill read second time and referred, 215. Petition of F. T. Passmore and others, Provincial Land Surveyors of Toronto, and all other Petitions on same subject referred to Select Committee on this Bill, 219. Reported with several amendments, 267. Read, and ordered for consideration, 267. Order of the day for consideration of same, discharged, 287. Motion to refer said Bill and Report back to same Select Committee, 287. Question put thereon, resolved in the affirmative, and ordered accordingly, 287. Reported with several further amendments, 297. Reports on said Bill ordered to be committed, 297. Order for committing same postponed, 309. Again postponed till following day, to be then the first item upon the Orders of that day, 320. Committed, 327. Reported without amendment, 327. Amendments reported by Select Committee, again read and agreed to, 327. Bill read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 338.

36.—*Mortgagors interest in Real Estate Bill:*

Brought in by Honorable Mr. Boulton and read first time, 214. Read second time and referred, 247.

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37.—*License Law Amendment Bill, U. C.*

Brought in by Honorable Mr. Boulton and read first time, 214. Second reading postponed, 247. Read second time and referred, 286.

38.—*Village of Waterloo Incorporation Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 216. Read second time and referred, 224. Reported without amendment, read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 228. Royal Assent, 398.

39.—*Goderich Market Square Conveyance Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 216. Read second time and referred, 230. Reported without amendment, 355. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 368. Royal Assent, 398.

40.—*Cobb's Attorney Admission Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 216. Second reading postponed, 224. Again postponed, 231. Read second time and referred, 224. Order for second reading discharged, 262.

41.—*Gaspé Agricultural Societies Formation Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 216. Second reading postponed, 239. Read second time and referred, 286. Reported without amendment, 307. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 319. Royal Assent, 398.

42.—*Newmarket Incorporation Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 217. Read second time and referred, 224. Reported with several amendments, which were read and ordered for consideration, 277. Considered, and agreed to, 287. Read third time as amended, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 297. Agreed to by that House, 309. Royal Assent, 398.

43.—*Squatters' Bill, L. C. :*

Brought up and read first time, 217. Order for second reading postponed, 230. Again postponed, 253. Order of the day read for second reading, 270. Question whether 49th Rule applies to said Bill, 270. Debated, 270. Speaker decides that this Bill does not come under the said 49th Rule, but that it is a Public Bill and can be proceeded with as such, 270. Motion for second reading debated, 270. Motion that the House do now adjourn, 270. Question put and lost—motion in amendment that said Bill be read this day three months, 271. Objected to, and debated, 271. Question put thereon, 271. House divides, 271, *Contents*, 14; *Ncn-Contents*, 11. Resolved in the affirmative, 271. Question put on main motion as amended, resolved in the affirmative, and ordered accordingly, 271.

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Brought up and read first time, 217. Read second time and referred, 224. Reported without amendment, read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 229. Royal Assent, 398.

45.—*Sherbrooke Literary Institute Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 217. Read a second time, 231. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 238. Royal Assent, 398.

46.—*Kemptville Village Councillors Return Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 218. Read second time and referred, 224. Reported without amendment, read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 228. Royal Assent, 398.

47.—*Countess of Huntingdon's Connexion Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 218. Read second time and referred, 224. Reported without amendment, read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 229. Royal Assent, 398.

48.—*Muskrat Hunting Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 218. Read second time and referred, 225. Amendments reported which were read and agreed to, 230. Bill as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 238. Agreed to by that House, 290. Royal Assent, 398.

49.—*Ferries Encouragement U. C. Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 218. Read second time and referred, 231. Reported without amendment, 238. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 247. Royal Assent, 398.

50.—*Quebec Male Orphan Asylum Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 218. Read second time and referred, 231. Reported without amendment, 242. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 253. Royal Assent, 398.

51.—*Brantford Municipal Council Proceedings Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 225. Read second time, 231. Motion for third reading to-morrow, 231. Debated, and said motion withdrawn by leave of the House, 231. Referred to Select Committee, 231. Reported without amendment, 260. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 269. Royal Assent, 398.

52.—*Belleville Seminary Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 225. Motion to dispense with 49th Rule on second reading, debated, question put thereon, and resolved in the affirmative, 70. Bill read second time and referred, 270. Reported with several amendments, which were read and ordered for con-

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- sideration, 277. Order of the day read for consideration thereof, 307. Moved that the same be discharged, and Bill referred back to same Select Committee for further consideration, 307. Question put thereon, resolved in the affirmative, and ordered accordingly, 307. Several further amendments reported and agreed to, 317. Read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 327. Agreed to by that House, 334. Royal Assent, 398.
- 53.——— *Western Assurance Bill* :
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- 54.——— *Ollard's Attorney Bill* :
Brought up and read first time, 225. Second reading postponed, 239. Again postponed, 328. Order of the day for second reading discharged, 370.
- 55.——— *Mingaye's Attorney Bill* :
Brought up and read first time, 226. Second reading postponed, 239. Again postponed, 328. Order for second reading discharged, 370.
- 56.——— *Montreal St. Patrick's Asylum* :
Brought up and read first time, 226. Read second time 231. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 239. Royal Assent, 398.
- 57.——— *Land Surveyor's further Amendment Bill* :
Brought in by Honorable Mr. Ferrier, and read first time, 230. Order of the day read for second reading, 248. Debated, question put thereon, and resolved in the affirmative, 248. Bill read second time and referred, 248. Reported with an amendment, 252. Same agreed to, 252. Third reading postponed, 261. Read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 269. Amended by that House, 567. The amendment read, agreed to, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 567. Royal Assent, 594.
- 58.——— *Bowmanville Incorporation Bill* :
Brought up and read first time, 232. Read second time, and referred, 248. Reported without amendment, 253. Read third time, passed, and Assembly acquainted thereof, 260. Royal Assent, 398.
- 59.——— *Ontario Bank Bill* :
Brought up and read first time, 232. Read second time and referred, 248. Reported with several amendments, 260. Read and agreed to, 260. Bill as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 269. Agreed to by that House, 281. Royal Assent, 398.

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Brought up and read first time, 232. Read second time and referred, 248. Reported with an amendment, 268. Same read and agreed to, 268, 269. Read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 281. Agreed to by that House, 300. Royal Assent, 398.

61.—*Tram Roads for Mining Companies Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 232. Read second time and referred, 248, 249. Reported with several amendments, which were read twice, 253. The question of concurrence put on each, and severally agreed to, 253. Read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly for concurrence, 261. Agreed to by that House, 310. Royal Assent, 396.

62.—*Gammon's Attorney Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 232, 233. Second reading postponed, 239. Again postponed, 328. Order for second reading discharged, 370.

63.—*Pollard's Attorney Bill :*

Brought up and read second time, 233. Second reading postponed, 239. Again postponed, 328. Order for second reading discharged, 370.

64.—*Bayfield Harbour Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 233. Read second time and referred, 249. Reported without amendment, 261. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 269. Royal Assent, 398.

65.—*Toronto Pressed Brick Company Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 233. Read second time and referred, 262. Reported without amendment, 268. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 281. Royal Assent, 398.

66.—*Bowman's Estate Trustees Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 249. Second reading moved, 253. Debated, question put thereon, and resolved in the affirmative, 253. Bill read second time and referred, 254. Reported without amendment, 267. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 280. Royal Assent, 398.

67.—*Richelieu Company Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 249. Read second time and referred, 256. Reported without amendment, 267. Order for third reading debated, question put and carried, and ordered accordingly, 267. Third reading postponed, 326. Again postponed, 348. Read third time, 357. Question put whether said Bill shall pass, 357. Motion in amendment, that said Bill do not now pass, 357. Objected to, and debated, 357. Question put thereon, and House divides, 357. *Contents*, 6; *Non-Contents*, 20. Resolved in the negative, 357. Motion-

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to amend said Bill by adding certain words thereto, 357. Objected to and debated, 358. Question put thereon, and resolved in the negative, 358. Original question put and resolved in the affirmative, 358. Assembly acquainted thereof, 358. Royal Assent, 398.

68.—*Champlain and St. Lawrence and Montreal and New York Railroad Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 249. Second reading postponed, 256. Read second time and referred, 261. Petition of W. F. Coffin, of Montreal, against this Bill, also referred thereto, 261, 262. Reported with several amendments, 280. Ordered for consideration, 280. Considered, 288. Amendments read and severally agreed to, 288. Read third time as amended, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 297. Agreed to by that House, 310. Royal Assent, 398.

69.—*Wilke's Road Allowance Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 256. Second reading postponed, 271. Again postponed, 285. Read second time and referred, 703. Reported without amendment, 325. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 337. Royal Assent, 398.

70.—*Montreal Harbour Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 256. Order for second reading read, 262. Motion to dispense with all the Rules on Private Bills in so far as they relate to this Bill, 262. Debated and question put and carried, 262. Bill read second time and referred, 263. Petition of Montreal Board of Trade also referred thereto, 263. Reported without amendment, 280. Read a third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 285. Royal Assent, 594.

71.—*Pym's Road Allowance Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 257. Read second time and referred, 263. Reported without amendment, 277. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 285. Royal Assent, 398.

72.—*Quebec Caisse d'Economie Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 257. Read second time and referred, 263. Reported without amendment, 269. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 281. Royal Assent, 398.

73.—*Agricultural Societies, L. C. Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 257. Read second time and referred, 263. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 527. Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 536. Agreed to by that House, 553. Royal Assent, 594.

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74.—*Mutrie's Road Allowance Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 257. Second reading postponed, 271. Read second time and referred, 285. Reported without amendment, 326. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 338. Royal Assent, 398.

75.—*Milton Incorporation Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 257. Read second time and referred, 263. Reported without amendment, 268. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 280. Royal Assent, 398.

76.—*Oakville Incorporation Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 258. Read second time and referred, 263. Reported without amendment, 268. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 280. Royal Assent, 398.

77.—*Bennett's Attorney Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 263, 264. Order of the day for second reading discharged, 287.

78.—*Canadian Inland Steam Navigation Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 271. Order of the day read for second reading, 286. Debated, 286. Question put and carried, 286. Bill read second time, and ordered to be committed, 286. Committed, progress reported, and leave given to sit again, 308. Reported with several amendments, which were read, and ordered for consideration, 357. Amendments considered, 371. First and second amendments again read and agreed to, 371. Third amendment again read, 371. Motion that the said amendment be not adopted, 371. Question put, and resolved in the affirmative, 371. First and second amendments to be engrossed, and Bill as amended to be read third time to-morrow, 371. Bill as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 377. Agreed to by that House, 391. Royal Assent, 594.

79.—*St. Catharines' Loan Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 272. Read second time and referred, 286. Reported without amendment, 306. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 318. Royal Assent, 398.

80.—*Lincoln Agricultural Societies' Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 272. Motion to postpone second reading, 297. Debated, 297. Question put thereon and resolved in the affirmative, 297. Read second time and referred, 369.

81.—*St. Catharines' Water Works Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 273. Second reading postponed, 287. 49th

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Rule dispensed with, 297. Bill read second time and referred, 298. Reported without amendment, 306. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 318. Royal Assent, 398.

82.—*Lindsay Incorporation Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 273. Second reading postponed, 286. Motion to dispense with 49th Rule, and said Bill to be read a second time, 298. Debated, 298. Question put and resolved in the affirmative, 298. Bill read second time and referred, 298. Reported with several amendments, 411; which were read and agreed to, 411. Bill as amended read third time passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 424. Agreed to by that House, 539. Royal Assent, 594.

83.—*Montreal Telegraph Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 273. Read second time and referred, 286. Reported without amendment, 305. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 318. Royal Assent, 398.

84.—*Barnhum's Road Allowance Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 282. Second reading postponed, 288. Read second time and referred, 308. Reported without amendment, 316. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 326. Royal Assent, 398.

85.—*Bearharnois and Godmanchester Boundary Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 282. Read second time and referred, 288. Reported without amendment, 296. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 296. Royal Assent, 396.

86.—*Russelltown and Jamestown Erection Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 282. 49th Rule dispensed with, 289. Bill read second time and referred, 289. Reported with several amendments which were read and agreed to, 296. Bill as amended read a third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 307. Agreed to by that House, 321. Royal Assent, 398.

87.—*Symon's Attorney Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 282. Second reading postponed, 298. Again postponed, 349. Order for second reading discharged, 370.

88.—*Montreal Steam Elevating Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 283. Second reading postponed, 289. Motion to dispense with 49th Rule, 298. Objected to and debated, 298, 299. Question put thereon and negatived, 299. Motion to re-consider same with a view of suspending the 49th Rule, 346. Question put thereon and resolved in the affirmative, 346. 49th Rule dispensed with, 346. Motion for second reading debated, 346. Question put thereon and carried, 346. Bill read second time and referred, 346. Reported

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- without amendment, 357. Read third time, 368. Motion to add the word "limited" to the Title, 368. Question put and negatived, 368. Bill passed and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 368. Royal Assent, 398.
- 89.—*Sheriff's Deeds Validity Bill:*
Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Patton and read first time, 284. Read a second time and referred, 320. Reported without amendment, 326. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 338. Agreed to by that House, 533. Royal Assent, 594.
- 90.—*Galway, Cavendish and Anstruther Townships Bill:*
Brought up and read first time, 289. Motion to dispense with 49th and 57th Rules debated, 309. Question put and resolved in the affirmative, 309. Bill read second time and referred, 309. Reported without amendment, 317. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 327. Royal Assent, 398.
- 91.—*York Congregation Burying Ground Bill:*
Brought up and read first time, 289. Motion to dispense with 49th Rule, 299. Objected to and debated, 299. Question put and negatived, 299. Motion to restore said Bill to the Orders of the day, and to read same a second time to-morrow, 315. Question put thereon, resolved in the affirmative and Ordered accordingly, 315. Read second time and referred, 328. Reported without amendment, 398. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 411. Royal Assent, 594.
- 92.—*Bank of Toronto Bill:*
Brought up and read first time, 289. Read second time and referred, 299. Reported without amendment, 306. Motion for third reading to-morrow, 306. Motion in amendment to commit said Bill to a Committee of the whole House, 306. Question put and resolved in the affirmative, 306. Question put on main motion, as amended, resolved in the affirmative and ordered accordingly, 306. Committed, 320. Reported with several amendments which were read and agreed to, 320. Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 327. Agreed to by that House, 334. Royal Assent, 398.
- 93.—*Macaulay's Will Confirmation Bill:*
Brought up and read first time, 290. Read second time and referred, 299. Reported without amendment, 306. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 318. Royal Assent, 398.
- 94.—*Quebec Trinity House Bill:*
Brought up and read first time, 290. Read second time, 299. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 307. Royal Assent, 398.

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95.—*Small causes Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 290. Read second time and referred, 299. Reported with several amendments, 316. Same read and agreed to, 316. Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 326. Agreed to by that House, 334. Royal Assent, 398.

96.—*McIntosh Real Property Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 290. Read second time and referred, 300. Reported without amendment, 306. Order of the day, read for third reading, 318. Motion to refer said Bill back to same Select Committee for further consideration, 318. Question put thereon, resolved in the affirmative and ordered accordingly, 318. Reported, with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 399. Bill as amended, read third time, passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 411. Agreed to by that House, 433. Royal Assent, 594.

97.—*Beef and Pork Inspection Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 300. Read second time, 309. Read third time, passed and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 320. Royal Assent, 398.

98.—*Stennett's Divorce Bill* :

Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Patton, and read first time, 305. Second reading ordered for to-morrow fortnight, and their honors to be summoned, 305. Order of the day for second reading discharged, 417. Amount deposited by Miles B. Stennett, ordered to be refunded him, 417.

99.—*Bruce and Huron Separation Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 310. Read second time, 339. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 348. Royal Assent, 398.

100.—*Foot and Thorne's Road Allowance Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 310. Read second time and referred, 321. Reported without amendment, 326. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 338. Royal Assent, 398.

101.—*Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 310. Read second time, and ordered to be committed, 328. Committed, 340. Progress reported and leave given to sit again, 340. Again committed, 361. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 362. Bill as amended, read third time, passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 369. Agreed to by that House, 389. Royal Assent, 594.

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- 102.—*Light-Houses in the Gulf of St. Lawrence Bill:*
Brought up and read first time, 310. Read second time and ordered to be committed, 228. Committed and reported without amendment, 340. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof. 348. Royal Assent, 398.
- 103.—*Mortgages and Sales of Personal Property Bill:*
Brought up and read first time, 311. Read second time and referred, 329. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 355. Bill as amended, read third time, passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 367. Agreed to by that House, 380. Royal Assent, 398.
- 104.—*Probate and Surrogate Courts Bill:*
Brought up and read first time, 311. Read second time and ordered to be committed, 329. Order of the day read for committing same, 340. Motion that the said Order be discharged, and that the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, 340. Question put thereon, resolved in the affirmative, and ordered accordingly, 340.
- 105.—*Sherbrooke Manufacturing Company Bill:*
Brought up and read first time, 311. Order of the day read for second reading, 329. Debated, 329. Question put and carried, and Bill read second time and referred, 329. Reported with several amendments, which were read and ordered for consideration, 347. Considered, 360. Amendments again read and agreed to, 360. Bill as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 369. Agreed to by that House, 380. Royal Assent, 398.
- 106.—*Misdemeanor Upper Canada Bill:*
Brought up and read first time, 311. Read second time and ordered to be committed, 329. Committed and reported without amendment, 340, 341. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 349. Royal Assent, 594.
- 107.—*Clinton Incorporation Bill:*
Brought up and read first time, 311. Read second time and referred, 321. Reported without amendment, 326. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 336. Royal Assent, 398.
- 108.—*Goderich Unexpended Balance Bill:*
Brought up and read first time, 312. Read second time, and ordered to be committed, 339. Committed and reported without amendment, 358. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 368. Royal Assent, 398.

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- 109.—*Lunatic Asylum Tax Bill* :
 Brought up and read first time, 312. Read second time, and ordered to be committed, 329. Committed and reported without amendment, 341. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 349. Royal Assent, 398.
- 110.—*Thorold Road Allowance Bill* :
 Brought up and read first time, 312. 49th Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 330. Reported without amendment, 348. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 356. Royal Assent, 398.
- 111.—*Iroquois Village Incorporation Bill* :
 Brought up and read first time, 312. 49th Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 330. Reported without amendment, 334. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof 339. Royal Assent, 398.
- 112.—*Conveyancers' Liability Bill* :
 Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Patton, and read first time, 317. Order of the day read for second reading, 339. Debated, question put thereon, and resolved in the affirmative, 339. Bill read second time and referred, 339. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 347. Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to Assembly for concurrence, 355.
- 113.—*Steamboat Passengers' Security Bill* :
 Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Vankoughnet, and read first time, 317. Read second time, and ordered to be committed, 358. Committed, 386. Progress reported, and leave given to sit again, 386. Again committed, 404. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 404. Bill read third time, 414. Moved and ordered, That the eleventh, twelfth and thirteenth clauses of said Bill be left out, 414. Passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 414. Amended by that House, 502. The amendments, 502. Read, agreed to, and Assembly acquainted thereof, 504. Royal Assent, 594.
- 114.—*Hamilton Presbyterian Church Bill* :
 Brought up and read first time, 321. Read second time and referred, 330. Reported without amendment, 348. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 355, 356. Royal Assent, 398.
- 115.—*Grand Trunk Railway Company Bill* :
 Brought up and read first time, 321. Motion for second reading debated, 321. Question put and resolved in the affirmative, 321. Ordered accordingly, 321. Order of the day read for second reading, 349.

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- Motion for second reading, 349. Objected to and debated, 349. Question put thereon, and the House divides, 349—*Contents* 24; *Non-Contents*, 10—resolved in the affirmative, and Bill read second time, 350. Motion to commit same presently and objected to, 350. Question put, and resolved in the affirmative, 350. Committed and reported without amendment, 350. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 356. Royal Assent, 398.
- 116.—*Macāra's Road Allowance Bill* :
Brought up and read first time, 321. Read second time, 330. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 339. Royal Assent, 398.
- 117.—*Georgina Church Loan Bill* :
Brought in by the Honorable Mr. de Blaquièrè, and read first time, 325. Second reading postponed, 340. Again postponed, 358. 49th Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time, and referred, 369, 370. Reported with an amendment, which was read and agreed to, 380. Third reading postponed, 385. Order of the day read for third reading, 401. Motion to discharge said order, and commit said Bill to a Committee of the whole presently, 401. Question put and carried, 401. Bill committed and reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 401. Bill read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 413. Agreed to by that House, 582. Royal Assent, 594.
- 118.—*Auction Duties Act Explanation Bill* :
Brought up and read first time, 330. Read second time, 341. Third reading postponed, 349. Again postponed, 356. Read third time, 368. Motion to add a certain Proviso to the Bill, 368. Question put and carried, 368. Bill passed as amended, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 368. Agreed to by that House, 380. Royal Assent 398.
- 119.—*Crysler's Road Allowance Bill* :
Brought up and read first time, 330, 331. 49th Rule dispensed with, 341. Bill read second time and referred, 341. Reported without amendment 384. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 401. Royal Assent, 594.
- 120.—*Colonial Bank of Canada Bill* :
Brought up and read first time, 331. Read second time and referred, 341. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 354. Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 367. Agreed to by that House, 91 Royal Assent, 594.

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121.—*Sisters of Loretto Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 331. Read a second time and referred, 361. Reported without amendment, 367. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 376. Royal Assent, 398.

122.—*Dumoine and Des Barques Common No. 1 Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 331. Order of the day, read for second reading, 342. Motion to dispense with, 49th Rule, 342. Motion in amendment, That said Bill be discharged from the Orders of the day, 342. Question put thereon, and resolved in the affirmative, 342. Question put on main motion as amended, 342. Resolved in the affirmative, and ordered accordingly, 342. Re-consideration of the question on the suspension of the 49th Rule postponed, 384. Motion to re-consider same, 393. Objected to, 393. Petition of P. O. Trigaine of Plessisville, read 393. After debate, the question was put thereon, and the House divided, 393. *Contents*, 12; *Non-Contents*, 13. Passed in the negative, 394.

123.—*Chaffies Naturalization Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 331. Read second time and referred, 342. Reported without amendment, 354. Read third, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 367. Royal Assent, 398.

124.—*St. Andrew's Church Montreal Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 331. Read second time and referred, 342. Reported without amendment, 348. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 355. Royal Assent, 394.

125.—*Common of Maskinongé Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 332. Second reading postponed, 342. 49th Rule dispensed with, 359. Bill read second time and referred, 359. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 376. Bill as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 385. Agreed to by that House, 406. Royal Assent, 594.

126.—*Patents of Inventions Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 342. Read second time, 359. Motion to commit said Bill, debated, 359. Question put thereon and carried, 359. Committed and reported without amendment, 359. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 369. Royal Assent, 594.

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127.———*Elora Village Incorporation Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 343. Second reading postponed, 362. 49th Rule dispensed with, 386. Bill read second time, and referred, 386. Reported without amendment, 410. Read third time, passed and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 413. Royal Assent, 594.

128.———*Marriage Laws Amendment Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 343. Read second time and referred, 359. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 459, 460. Bill as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 471. Agreed to by that House, 502. Royal Assent, 594.

129.———“*The Fishery Act*” *Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 343. Read second time, 360. Motion to commit same, debated, 360. Question put thereon, resolved in the affirmative, and ordered accordingly, 360. Committed, and reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 372. Read third time as amended, passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 379. Agreed to by that House, 391. Royal Assent, 594.

130.———*Ontario, Simcoe and Huron Railroad Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 344. Read second time and referred, 360. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 400. Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 412. Agreed to by that House, 432. Royal Assent, 594.

131.———*Home District Council By-Laws Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 350. Second reading postponed, 370. Read second time and referred, 404. Reported without amendment, 411. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 423. Royal Assent, 594.

132.———*George S. Wilkes' Road Allowance Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 351. Second reading postponed, 370. Again postponed, 387. 49th Rule dispensed with, 404. Bill read second time and referred, 404. Reported without amendment, 411. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 423. Royal Assent, 594.

133.———*Joint Stock Road Companies' Bill, L. C.:*

Brought up and read first time, 351. Second reading postponed, 385. Read second time and referred, 403. Reported without amendment, 421. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 443. Royal Assent, 594.

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134.—*Somerset Separation Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 351. 49th Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 371. Reported without amendment, 525. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 535. Royal Assent, 594.

135.—*Clarke Concession Line Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 351. Second reading postponed, 371. Order of the day read for second reading, 402. Motion to dispense with 49th Rule, 402. Objected to, and debated, 402. Question put and carried, 402. Bill read second time accordingly, and referred, 402. Reported without amendment, 412. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 424. Royal Assent, 594.

136.—*Clerks of the Peace Fees Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 351. Read second time and referred, 370.

137.—*Frelighsburg Grammar School Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 352. 49th Rule dispensed with, 362. Bill read second time and referred, 362. Reported without amendment, 367. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 376. Royal Assent, 398.

138.—*Windsor Incorporation Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 352. Second reading postponed, 371. Order of the day read for second reading, 387. Motion to dispense with 49th Rule, 387. Debated, question put and carried, and Bill read second time and referred, 387, 388. Reported without amendment, 399. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 412. Royal Assent, 594.

139.—*St. Lawrence Warehouse Dock and Wharfage Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 352. Read second time, 362. And referred, 363. Reported without amendment, 375. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 385. Royal Assent, 594.

140.—*Cities and Counties Judicial Separation Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 363. Motion for second reading, 386. Motion in amendment to read same a second time in three months, 386. Objected to and debated, 386. Question put thereon and House divides, 386. *Contents*, 19; *Non-Contents*, 9. Resolved in the affirmative, 387. Question put on main motion as amended, and resolved in the affirmative, 387. Ordered accordingly, 387.

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141.—*Methodist Episcopal Church Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 363. 49th Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 377. Reported without amendment, 400. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 413. Royal Assent, 594.

142.—*Juvenile Offenders' Punishment Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 363. Read second time and ordered to be committed, 379. Committed and reported without amendment, 388. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 402. Royal Assent, 594.

143.—*Road Allowances Disposal Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 363. Read second time and referred, 377. Honorable Mr. Seymour added to Select Committee in lieu of the Honorable Mr. Crooks, relieved therefrom, 441. Reported with several amendments, which were read and ordered for consideration, 508. Same considered and agreed to 528. Bill as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 536. Agreed to by that House, 561. Royal Assent, 594.

144.—*Criminal Justice Expense Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 364. Read second time and ordered to be committed, 380. Committed and reported without amendment, 388. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 402. Royal Assent, 594.

145.—*Marmora Iron Works Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 364. 49th Rule dispensed with, Bill read second time and referred, 377, 378. Reported without amendment, 448. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 452. Royal Assent., 594.

146.—*Fort Erie Incorporation Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 364. Read second time and referred, 378. Reported without amendment, 384. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 401. Royal Assent, 594.

147.—*Toronto Esplanade Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 364. Read second time and referred, 378. Petition of William Rees also referred, 378. Reported without amendment, 423. Read third time, 444. Motion to add a certain proviso thereto, 444. Question put and carried, 444. Bill, as amended, read third time, passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 451. Agreed to by that House, 465. Royal Assent, 594.

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148.—*Agricultural and Mechanical Science Bill:*

Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Vankoughnet and read first time, 372. Read second time and committed 402, 403. Progress reported and leave given to sit again, 403. Again committed, 415. Reported with several amendments which were read a second time and agreed to, 416. Read third time, 427. Question put whether this Bill shall pass, 427. Motion that it do not now pass, but that it be committed presently, 427. Question put and carried, 427. Committed and reported with several amendments which were read and agreed to, 427. Passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 428. Amended by that House, 532 same read, agreed to and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 532. Royal Assent, 594.

149.—*Agricultural Societies Organization Lower Canada Bill:*

Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Vankoughnet and read first time, 372. Second reading postponed, 403. Read second time and ordered to be committed, 416. Committal postponed, 431. Committed, 445. Progress reported and leave given to sit again, 445. Again Committed, 448. Reported with several amendments which were read and agreed to, 448. Read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 452. Amended by that House,—the amendments read and committed, 502. Reported with several amendments which were read and agreed to, 502, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 502. Agreed to by that House, 532. Royal Assent, 594.

150.—*Iberville, Brome, Shefford and Missisquoi Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 373. Read second time and referred, 378. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 459. Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 491. Agreed to by that House, 519. Royal Assent, 594.

151.—*Prisons for Young Offenders Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 373. Read second time and ordered to be committed, 388. Committed and reported without amendment, 405. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 414. Royal Assent, 594.

152.—*Canadian Loan and Investment Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 373. 49th Rule dispensed with, 378. Bill read second time and referred, 379. Certain members added to Select Committee, 418. An amendment reported which was read and agreed to, 455. Read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 462. Agreed to by that House 480. Royal Assent, 594.

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153.—*New Hamburg Incorporation Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 379. Read second time and referred, 388
Reported without amendment, 400. Read third time, passed,
and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 413. Royal Assent, 594.

154.—*Abuses to Agriculture Remedy Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 379. Read second time and referred, 388.
Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed
to, 436. Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to the
Assembly for concurrence, 450. Agreed to by that House, 466
Royal Assent, 594.

155.—*Villages Incorporation Amendment Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 380. Read second time and referred, 403.
Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed
to, 461. Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to
the Assembly for concurrence, 471. Agreed to by that House,
502. Royal Assent, 549.

156.—*Mutual Insurance Companies' Extension Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 381. Second reading postponed, 405.
Read second time, 416. Read third time, passed, and the
Assembly acquainted thereof, 425. Royal Assent, 594.

157.—*Inspector of Houses of Entertainment Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 381. Second reading postponed, 405.
Read second time and referred, 416. Reported without amend-
ment, 422. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly ac-
quainted thereof, 444. Royal Assent, 594.

158.—*Grain's Surveyors' Admission Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 381. Order of the day read for second
reading, 425. Motion to discharge same, 425. Debated, 425.
Question put, carried and ordered accordingly, 425.

159.—*Collingwood Incorporation Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 381. Order of the day read for second
reading, 403. Motion to dispense with 49th Rule, 403. Objected
to and debated, 403. Question put and carried, 103. Bill read
second time and referred, 403. Reported with an amendment,
which was read and agreed to, 411. Bill as amended read third
time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 424.
Agreed to by that House, 553. Royal Assent, 594.

160.—*Superior Courts Accommodation Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 389. Read a second time and ordered to

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be committed, 414. Committed, 414. Reported without amendment. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 424. Royal Assent, 594.

161.—*Court of Chancery Proceedings Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 390. Read second time and ordered to be committed, 415. Committed and an amendment reported, which was agreed to, 430. Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 445. Agreed to by that House, 453. Royal Assent, 594.

162.—*Spurious Foreign Coin Bill :*

Brought up and read first time 390. Read a second time and committed 415. Reported without amendment, 415. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 424. Royal Assent, 594.

163.—*Tolls on Public Works Bill.*

Brought up and read first time, 390. Read second time, 415. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 425. Royal Assent, 594.

164.—*Indian Tribes Civilization Bill :*

Brought and read first time, 390. Read second time and ordered to be committed presently, 428. Committed and reported without amendment, 428. Read a third time, 445. Motion that the said Bill do now pass, 445. Objected to, 445. Question put and carried, 445. Said Bill passed and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 445. Royal Assent, 594.

165.—*Lumber Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 390. Read second time and referred, 405,

166.—*North Western Steam Navigation Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 391. Read second time and referred, 415. An amendment reported, which was read and agreed to, 542. Bill as amended read third time, passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 451. Agreed to by that House, 465. Royal Assent, 594.

167.—*British American Friendly Society Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 391. 49th rule dispensed with, 405. Bill read second time and referred, 405.

168.—*St. Hyacinthe Incorporation No. 2 Bill :*

Brought and read first time, 406. Read second time and referred, 416. Petitions of P. E. Leclerc and others—of John Nelson and others, also the Petition of the Mayor; and Town Council, of St.

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- Hyacinthe—and of G. F. Barnes and others also referred, 423. Honorable Mr. de Beaujeu added to Select Committee, and Honorable Mr. Hollis Smith relieved from further attendance thereon, 468. Bill reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 509, 510. Bill as amended read third time, 526. Motion that the Bill be further amended, 526. Objected to and debated, 526. Question put and carried and a further amendment ordered to be engrossed, 526, 527. Bill as further amended passed, and sent to Assembly for concurrence, 527. Agreed to by that House, 539. Royal Assent, 594.
- 169.———*St. François du Lac Common Bill* :
Brought up and read first time, 406. Read second time and referred, 416. Reported without amendment, 421. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 443. Royal Assent, 594.
- 170.———*Woodstock Literary Institute Bill* :
Brought and read first time, 406. Second reading postponed, 417. Read second time and referred, 431. Reported without amendment, 440. Read third time, passed, and Assembly acquainted thereof, 441. Royal Assent, 594.
- 171.———*Hatley Free Will Baptist Church Bill* :
Brought up and read first time, 406. Read second time and referred, 417. Reported without amendment, 422. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 444. Royal Assent, 594.
- 172.———*Terrebonne Water Works Bill* :
Brought up and read first time, 406. Second reading postponed, 425. Order of the day for second reading read, 462. On motion, ordered to be discharged, 462.
- 173.———*Fergus Incorporation Bill* :
Brought up and read first time, 407. Order of the day read for second reading, 417. Motion to dispense with 49th and 57th Rules, 417. Objected to, and debated, 417. Question put, and carried, 417. Bill read second time and referred, 417. Reported without amendment, 421. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 443. Royal Assent, 594.
- 174.———*Halifax Township Division Bill* :
Brought up and read first time, 407. Second reading postponed, 425. Read second time, 446. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 452. Royal Assent, 594.
175. *St. Aubert Separate Municipality Bill* :
Brought up and read first time, 407. 49th Rule dispensed with, 426.

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Bill read second time and referred, 226. Reported without amendment, 443. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 443. Royal Assent, 594.

176.—*Toronto General Hospital Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 407. Read a second time and referred, 428. Reported without amendment, 505. Read third time passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 517. Royal Assent, 594.

177.—*Wellington's Road Allowance Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 407. Read second time and referred, 429. Reported without amendment, 441. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 450, 451. Royal Assent, 594.

178.—*Toronto Water Works Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 408. Read second time and referred, 429. Reported without amendment, 459. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted, thereof, 491. Royal Assent, 594.

179.—*Gamble's Road Allowance Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 408. 49th Rule dispensed with, 429. Read second time and referred, 429. Reported without amendment, 440. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 440. Royal Assent, 594.

180.—*McGillivray Road Allowances Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 408. 49th Rule dispensed with, read second time and referred, 429, 430. Reported without amendment, 442. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 451. Royal Assent, 594.

181.—*Married Women's Rights Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 408. After short debate, read second time and referred, 430. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 522, 523. Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 547.

182.—*Toronto Horticultural Society Bill:*

Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Patton, and read first time, 408. Read second time and referred, 430. Reported without amendment, 442. Read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 451. Agreed to by that House, 539. Royal Assent, 594.

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183.—*Dundee Indian Lands Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 418. Second reading postponed, 431. Order of the day read for second reading, 446. Debated, 446. Question put and carried, 446. Bill read second time and referred, 446.

184.—*Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Railroad Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 418. Read second time and referred, 431. Reported without amendment, 441. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 441. Royal Assent, 594.

185.—*Primogeniture Abolition Amendment Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 418. Read second time and referred, 431. Reported without amendment, 470. Read third time, passed and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 492. Royal Assent, 594.

186.—*St. Lambert Municipality Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 418. Second reading postponed, 431. Read second time and referred, 446. Reported without amendment, 450. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 461. Royal Assent, 594.

187.—*Owen Sound Central Railway Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 419. 49th Rule dispensed with and Bill read second time and referred, 432. Reported without amendment, 441. Read third time, passed and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 450. Royal Assent, 594.

188.—*Benson's Estate Trustees Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 418. 49th Rule dispensed with and Bill read second time and referred, 432. Reported without amendment, 440. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 440. Royal Assent, 594.

187.—*Brantford and South Western Railway Bill:*

Brought up and read first time, 419. Read second time and referred, 431. 49th Rule dispensed with, 445. Bill read second time and referred, 445, 446. Reported without amendment, 450. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 461. Royal Assent, 594.

190.—*York and Peel Separation Bill:*

Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Prince and read first time, 421. Order of the Day read for second reading, 452. Motion that the said Bill be now read a second time, 452. Motion withdrawn by leave of the House, 452. Second reading postponed, 452. Order

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of the Day read for second reading, 462. Motion to dispense with 49th Rule, 462. Objected to and debated, 462. Question put thereon and negatived, 462.

191.—*Vaccination Bill* :

Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Prince and read first time, 422. Petition of William Rees referred to a Select Committee, 296. Reported favorably upon, 422. Second reading postponed, 453. Read second time, 471. Read third time, 492. An amendment made thereto, 492. Bill, as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 493.

192.—*Montreal Harbour Error Correction Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 433. Read second time, 446. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 452. Royal Assent, 594.

193.—*Brantford Bank Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 433. 49th and 57th Rules dispensed with, 446. Bill read second time and referred, 447. Reported without amendment, 450. Read third time, passed and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 461. Royal Assent, 594.

194.—*Hamilton Water Works Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 433. 49th and 57th Rules dispensed with, 447. Bill read second time and referred, 447. An amendment reported which was read and agreed to, 457. Bill, as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 471. Agreed to by that House, 502. Royal Assent, 594.

195.—*De Salaberry Navigation Company's Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 433. Read second time and referred, 447. Honorable Mr. Renaud added to Select Committee in lieu of Honorable Mr. Masson, 470. Reported without amendment, 496. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 517. Royal Assent, 594.

196.—*Galt, Guelph, Preston and Berlin Railway Company Bill* .:

Brought up and read first time, 433. Read second time and referred, 453. Reported without amendment, 458. Read third time, passed and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 471. Royal Assent, 594.

197.—*Three Rivers' Incorporation Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 434. Read second time and referred, 447. Reported with several amendments, which were read and ordered for consideration, 488. Considered and agreed to, 496.

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Bill as amended read third time, passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 516. Agreed to by that House, 533. Royal Assent, 594.

198.—*Post Office Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 434. Second reading postponed, 453. Read second time and committed, 472. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 472. Bill as amended read third time, passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 492. Agreed to by that House, 519. Royal Assent, 594.

199.—*Toronto Island Bridge.*

Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Patton and read first time, 443. Second reading postponed, 453. Order of the day read for second reading, 472. Motion to dispense with 49th rule, 472. Debated, 472. Question put and carried, 472. Bill read second time and referred, 473. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 499. Read third time, passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 517. Agreed to by that House, 542. Royal Assent, 594.

200.—*St. Norbert & Arthabaska Municipality Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 453. Read second time and referred, 463. Reported without amendment, 491. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 514. Royal Assent 594.

201.—*St. Clair, Chatham and Rondeau Ship Canal Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 453. Read second time and referred, 463. Reported without amendment, 491. Read third time, passed and Assembly acquainted thereof, 514, Royal Assent, 594.

202.—*Municipal Loan Fund Acts Amendment Bill.*

Brought up and read first time, 454. Read second time and committed, 473. Reported without amendment, 473. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 492. Royal Assent, 594 :

203.—*Eastwood and Berlin Railway Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 454. 49th Rule dispensed with, 463. Bill read second time and referred, 463. Reported without amendment, 491. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 514. Royal Assent, 594.

204.—*Codification of the Laws Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 454. Read second time and committed, 473. Reported without amendment, 473. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 492. Royal Assent, 594.

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205.——*Hamilton and Toronto Railway Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 454. 57th Rule dispensed with, 474. Bill read second time and referred, 474. Reported with several amendments, which were read and ordered for consideration, 512. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 528. Royal Assent, 594.

206.——*Wilke's Mill Dam Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 454. 49th and 57th Rules dispensed with, 464. Bill read second time and referred, 464. Reported without amendment, 507. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 526. Royal Assent, 594.

207.——*Sleigh Ordinances Amendment Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 455. Second reading postponed, 464. Read second time and referred, 474. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 524, 525. Bill as amended, read third time, passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 535. Agreed to by that House, 553. Royal Assent, 594.

208.——*Finlay Asylum at Quebec Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 455. 49th Rule dispensed with, 464. Bill read second time and referred, 464. Reported without amendment, 470. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 492. Royal Assent, 594.

209.——*Brockville and Ottawa Railway Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 465. Read second time and referred, 474. Reported without amendment, 490. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 513. Royal Assent, 594.

210.——*Lake Wawanosh Draining Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 465. Read second time and referred, 493. Reported with an amendment, which was read and agreed to, 507, 508. Bill as amended, read third time, passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 526. Agreed to by that House, 539. Royal Assent, 594.

211.——*Bruce Municipal Council Railway Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 465. 49th Rule dispensed with, 474. Bill read second time and referred, 474. Reported without amendment, 490. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 513. Royal Assent, 594.

212.——*International Bridge Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 465. Read second time and referred, 475.

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Reported without amendment, 512. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 527. Reserved for the signification of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, 594.

213.—*Judicature Bill, L. C. :*

Brought up and read first time, 465. Second reading moved and debated, 493. Question put thereon, and carried, 493. Bill read second time, committed and reported without amendment, 494. Motion for third reading, 514. Motion in amendment, 514. Question put thereon, 515. House divides, and it passed in the negative, 515. *Contents*, 3; *Non-Contents*, 24. Motion in amendment, 515. Question put thereon, 515. House divides, and it passed it the negative, 515. *Contents*, 4; *Non-Contents*, 25. Further motion in amendment, 516. Question put, 516. House divides, and it passed in the negative, 516. *Contents*, 3; *Non-Contents*, 26. Question put on main motion, and resolved in the affirmative, 516. Bill passed, and Assembly acquainted thereof, 516. Royal Assent, 594.

214.—*Joliette Mining Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 466. 49th and 57th Rules dispensed with, 475. Bill read second time and referred, 475. Reported without amendment, 490. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 513. Royal Assent, 514.

215.—*United Counties Independent Improvements Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 466. Read second time and referred, 475. Reported without amendment, 490. Third reading postponed, 513. Again postponed, 535. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 575. Royal Assent, 594.

216.—*Halifax and Arthabaska Limits Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 466. Second reading postponed, 475. Second reading postponed, 495. 49th Rule dispensed with, 517. Bill read second time and referred, 518. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 524. Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 535. Agreed to by that House, 553. Royal Assent, 594.

217.—*Whithby Township Separation Bill :*

Brought up read first time. 466. Read second time and referred, 475. Reported without amendment, 512. Third reading postponed, 528. Read third time, passed and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 538. Royal Assent, 594.

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218.—*London and Lake Huron Railway Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 467. Petition of George Brown and others of Toronto against this Bill, 476. Order of the Day read for second reading, 476. Motion to dispense with 49th Rule, 476. Debated, 476. Question put and carried, 476. Bill read second time and referred, 476. Reported without amendment, 508. Read third time, passed and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 526. Royal Assent, 594.

219.—*London Potter's Field Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 467. 49th rule dispensed with, 479. Bill read second time and referred, 479. Reported without amendment, 490. Read third time, passed, and Assembly acquainted thereof, 513. Royal Assent, 594.

220.—*Bar Incorporation Amendment Bill L. C.* :

Brought up and read first time, 467. Read second time and referred, 479. Reported without amendment, 490. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 514. Royal Assent, 594.

221.—*Gibb's Road Allowance Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 467. 49th rule dispensed with, 479. Bill read second time and referred, 479. Reported without amendment, 496. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 517. Royal Assent, 594.

222.—*Hamilton City Loan Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 467. 49th and 57th rules dispensed with, 480. Bill read second time and referred, 480. Reported with several amendments, which were read and ordered for consideration, 512. Same considered and agreed to, 530. Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 537. Agreed to by that House, 553. Royal Assent, 594.

223.—*Strathroy and Port Frank Railway Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 468. Order of the Day read for second reading, 494. The Petition of the London and Port Stanley Railway Company, against the passing of this Bill, read, 494. Motion to dispense with 49th Rule debated, 494. Question put and carried, 494. Motion for second reading debated, 494. Question put, carried, and Bill read second time and referred, 494. Reported without amendment, 507. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 526. Royal Assent, 594.

224.—*Fort Erie Railway Bill* :

Brought up and read first time, 468. Read second time and referred, 480.

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Reported without amendment, 527. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted, thereof, 536. Royal Assent, 594.

225.—*Du Moine and des Barques Common No. 2 Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 480. Motion for second reading debated, 480. Question put thereon, carried, and ordered accordingly, 480. Motion to dispense with 49th Rule, 495. Objected to and debated, 495. Question put thereon and House divides, 495. *Contents*, 19; *Non-Contents*, 6. Resolved in the affirmative, and Bill read second time and referred, 495.

226.—*Port Whitby and Lake Huron Railway Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 480. Read second time and referred, 496. Reported without amendment, 509. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 538. Royal Assent, 594.

227.—*Consolidated Municipal Loan Fund Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 504. Read second time and committed, 528. Reported without amendment, 528. Read third time, passed and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 536. Royal Assent, 594.

228.—*Clergy Reserves Law Amendment Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 505. Read second time, 529. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 536. Royal Assent, 594.

229.—*County Courts Bill, U. C.*

Brought up and read first time, 505. Read second time and committed, 529. Reported with several amendments which were read and agreed to, 529. Bill, as amended, read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 537. Agreed to by that House, 553. Royal Assent, 594.

230.—*Ottawa Board of Trade Bill :*

Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Vankoughnet, and read first time, 507. 49th Rule dispensed with, and Bill read second time and referred, 530. Reported with several amendments which were read and agreed to, 552. Read third time, passed and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 560. Agreed to by that House, 582. Royal Assent, 594.

231.—*Free and Common Soccage Law Settlement Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 519. Read second time and committed, 530. Reported without amendment, 530. Read third time, passed and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 537. Royal Assent, 594.

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232.—*Quebec River Police Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 520. Read second time, 530. Read third time, passed and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 537. Royal Assent, 594.

233.—*Tavern License Bill, L. C. :*

Brought up and read first time, 520. Read second time and committed, 531. Reported without amendment, 531. Read third time. On motion, Bill amended by adding a clause thereto, 537, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 538. Agreed to by that House, 553. Royal Assent, 594.

234.—*Boundary Commissioners' Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 520. Second reading postponed, 531. Read second time and committed, 538. Progress reported and leave given to sit again at next sitting of the House, 538, 539. Again committed 543. Progress reported and leave given to sit again, 543. Order of the Day read for re-committing said Bill, 561. On motion the same ordered to be discharged, 561,

235.—*Municipal and Road Amendment Bill, L. C. :*

Brought up and read first time, 520. Second reading postponed, 531. Read second time and committed, 544. Reported with several amendments, which were read and agreed to, 544, 545. Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 558. Agreed to by that House, except the fifth amendment, 578. Reasons given for disagreeing to the same, 578. Motion that this House does not insist upon their fifth amendment, 579. Question put and carried, and Assembly acquainted thereof, 579. Royal Assent, 594.

236.—*Municipal Institutions Bill U. C. :*

Brought in by the Honorable Mr. Vankoughnet, 522. Ordered to lie on the Table, 522.

237.—*Fredericksburgh Division Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 531. Motion to dispense with 49th Rule debated, 545. Question put and carried, 545. Bill read second time and referred, 545. Reported without amendment, 556. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 573. Royal Assent, 594.

238.—*Millers' Association Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 532. 49th and 57th Rules dispensed with, 546. Bill read second time and referred, 546. Reported with several amendments, 575. Motion to adopt same, 576. Motion

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in amendment, to refer Bill and Report back for further consideration, 576. Objected to and debated, 576. Question put, carried and ordered accordingly, 576.

239.—*International Bank Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 532. Read second time and referred, 546. Reported without amendment, 556. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 573. Royal Assent, 594.

240.—*Civil Service Efficiency Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 533. Read second time, committed and reported without amendment, 546. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 559. Royal Assent, 594.

241.—*Bolton and Magog Partition Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 533. 49th and 57th Rules dispensed with, 547. Bill read second time and committed, 547. Reported without amendment, 547. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 559. Royal Assent, 594.

242.—*Hunting Wild Animals Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 439. Read second time and referred, 547. An amendment reported, which was read and agreed to, 558. Bill as amended read third time, passed, and sent to the Assembly for concurrence, 575. Agreed to by that House, 579. Royal Assent, 594.

243.—*Notarial Students' Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 539. Read second time, 547. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 559. Royal Assent, 594.

244.—*St. Clair and Rond Eau Road Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 539. Read second time and referred, 548. Reported without amendment, 556. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 574. Royal Assent, 594.

245.—*Mitchell Village Incorporation Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 540. Read second time and referred, 548. Reported without amendment, 556. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 573. Royal Assent, 594.

246.—*Niagara District Bank Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 540. Read second time and referred, 548. Reported without amendment, 556. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 573. Royal Assent, 594.

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247.—*Controverted Elections Bill :*

Brought up and read first time, 540. Read second time, and referred, 549. Reported without amendment, 557. Read third time, passed, and the Assembly acquainted thereof, 582. Royal Assent, 594.

248.—*Napanee Incorporation Bill :*

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249.—*Water Courses Improvement No. 2 Bill :*

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