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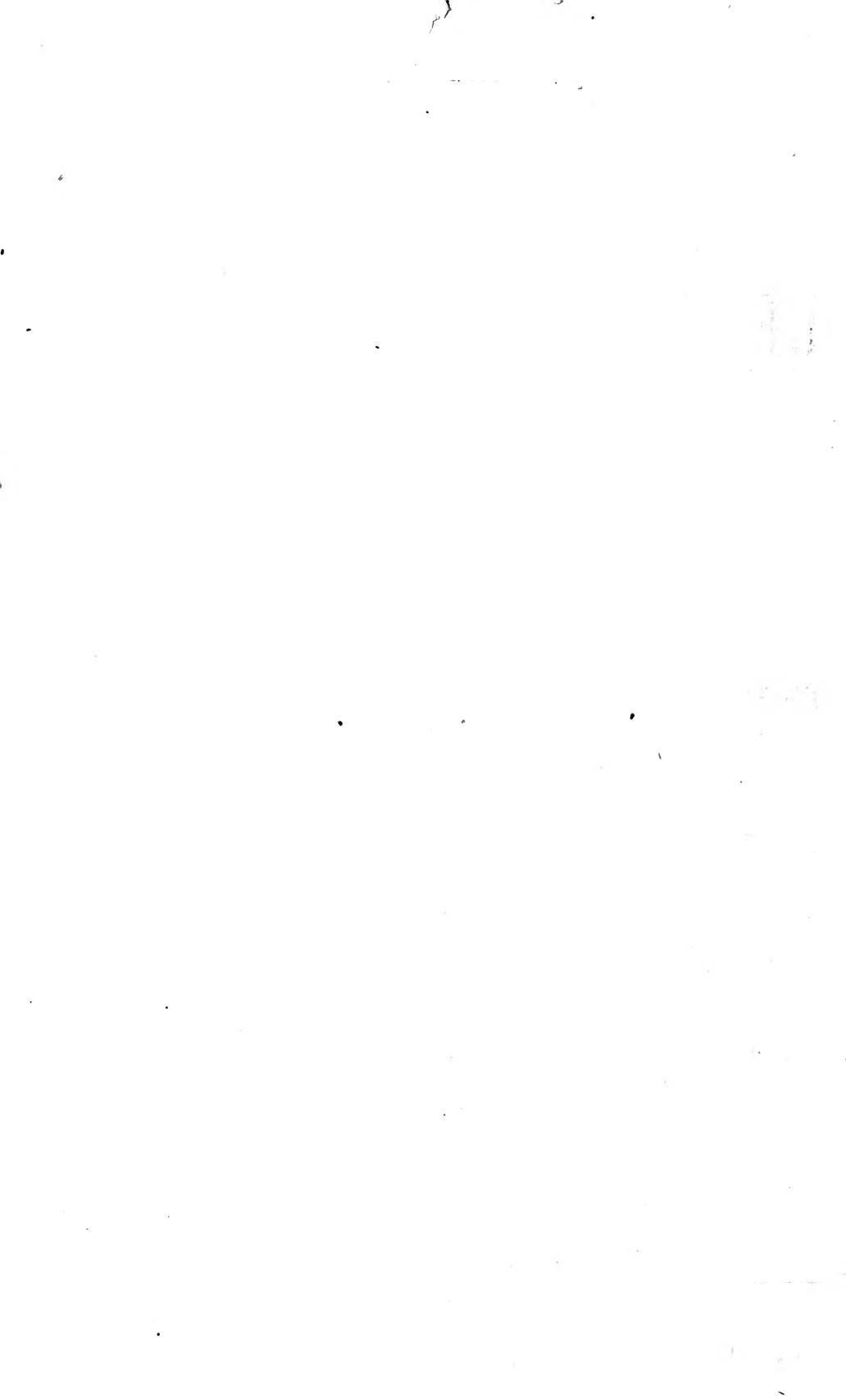
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IN THE THIRTY-SECOND YEAR OF THE REIGN OF OUR SOVEREIGN LADY  
QUEEN VICTORIA.

BEING THE SECOND SESSION OF THE FIRST PARLIAMENT OF ONTARIO.

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## PROCLAMATIONS.

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H. W. STISTED.

[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 Faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Ontario, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Toronto, on the THIRTEENTH day of the month of APRIL, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—GREETING :

### A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of Ontario, stands called for the THIRTEENTH day of the month of APRIL, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, 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 of the Province of Ontario, 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-THIRD day of the month of MAY next, you meet Us, in Our Legislature or Parliament of the said Province, at Our City of Toronto, 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 Ontario, to be hereunto affixed ; WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-beloved HENRY WILLIAM STISTED, a Companion of the Order of the Bath, a Major-General in our service, and Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Ontario, at Our Government House, in Our City of Toronto, in Our said Province, this ELEVENTH day of APRIL, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in the thirty-first year of our Reign.

By Command,  
S. J. VANKOUGHNET,  
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, Ontario.

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H. W. STISTED.

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To Our Faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of Ontario, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature or Parliament

of Our said Province, at Our City of *Toronto*, on the TWENTY-THIRD day of the month of MAY, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—GREETING :

## A PROCLAMATION.

*J. S. Macdonald*, }  
 Attorney-General. } **W**HEREAS the meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Ontario*, stands called for the TWENTY-THIRD day of the month of MAY, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, 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 of the Province of *Ontario*, 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 SECOND day of the month of JULY next, you meet Us, in Our Legislature or Parliament of the said Province, at Our City of *Toronto*, 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 *Ontario*, to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS Our Right Trusty and Well-beloved HENRY WILLIAM STISTED, a Companion of the Order of the Bath, a Major-General in our service, and Lieutenant Governor of the Province of *Ontario*, at Our Government House, in Our City of *Toronto*, in Our said Province, this SIXTEENTH day of MAY, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty eight, and in the thirty-first year of our Reign.

By Command,

S. J. VANKOUGHNET,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Ontario*.

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*Ontario*. }

H. W. STISTED.

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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 Faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of *Ontario*, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Toronto*, on the SECOND day of the month of JULY, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—GREETING :

## A PROCLAMATION.

*J. S. Macdonald*, }  
 Attorney-General. } **W**HEREAS the meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Ontario*, stands called for the SECOND day of the month of JULY, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, 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 of the Province of *Ontario*, 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 SIXTH day of the month of AUGUST next, you meet Us, in Our Legislature

or Parliament of the said Province, at Our City of *Toronto*, 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 *Ontario*, to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS Our Right Trusty and Well-beloved HENRY WILLIAM STISTED, a Companion of the Order of the Bath, a Major-General in our service, and Lieutenant Governor of the Province of *Ontario*, at Our Government House, in Our City of *Toronto*, in Our said Province, this TWENTY-SEVENTH day of JUNE, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in the thirty-first year of our Reign.

By Command,

S. J. VANKOUGHNET,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Ontario*.

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Province of }  
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W. P. HOWLAND.

[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 Faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of our Province of *Ontario*, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at the City of *Toronto*, on the SIXTH day of the month of AUGUST, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

*J. S. Macdonald,* }  
Attorney-General. } WHEREAS the meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Ontario*, stands called for the SIXTH day of the month of AUGUST, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, 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 of the Province of *Ontario*, 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 FIFTEENTH day of the month of SEPTEMBER next, you meet Us, in Our Legislature or Parliament of the said Province, at Our City of *Toronto*, 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 *Ontario* to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS the Honourable WILLIAM PEARCE HOWLAND, a Companion of the Order of the Bath, and Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Ontario*, at Our Government House, in Our City of *Toronto*, in Our said Province, this FIRST day of AUGUST, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in the thirty-second year of our Reign.

By Command.

S. J. VANKOUGHNET,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Ontario*.

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Province of }  
Ontario. }

W. P. HOWLAND.

[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 Faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of *Ontario*, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Toronto*, on the SIXTH day of the month of AUGUST, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

*J. S. Macdonald,* } **W**HEREAS the meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Attorney-General. } Province of *Ontario*, stands called for the FIFTEENTH day of the month of SEPTEMBER, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, 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 of the Province of *Ontario*, to relieve you, and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on MONDAY, the TWENTY-SIXTH day of the month of OCTOBER next, you meet Us, in Our Legislature or Parliament of the said Province, at Our City of *Toronto*, 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 *Ontario* to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS the Honourable WILLIAM PEARCE HOWLAND, a Companion of the Order of the Bath, and Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Ontario*, at Our Government House, in Our City of *Toronto*, in Our said Province, this TENTH day of SEPTEMBER, in the year of Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in the thirty-second year of our Reign.

By Command  
S. J. VANKOUGHNET,  
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Ontario*.

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Ontario. }

W. P. HOWLAND.

[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 Faithful the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of *Ontario*, and summoned and called to a meeting of the Legislature of Our said Province, at Our City of *Toronto*, on the TWENTY-SIXTH day of the month of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

*J. S. Macdonald,* } **W**HEREAS the meeting of the Legislature of the Province of Attorney-General. } *Ontario*, stands prorogued to the TWENTY-SIXTH day of the month of OCTOBER next, nevertheless, for certain causes and considerations, We have thought fit further to prorogue the same to TUESDAY, the THIRD day of the month of

NOVEMBER next, so that neither you, nor any of you, on the said TWENTY-SIXTH day of OCTOBER next, at Our City of *Toronto*, are to be held and constrained to appear, for We do will that you, and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, on TUESDAY, the THIRD day of the month of NOVEMBER next, at Our City of *Toronto* aforesaid, personally be and appear FOR THE DESPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature of the Province of *Ontario*, by the Common Council of Our said Province, may, by the favour of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Ontario*, to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS the Honourable WILLIAM PEARCE HOWLAND, a Companion of the Order of the Bath, Lieutenant-Governor of Our Province of *Ontario*, at Our Government House, in Our City of *Toronto*, in Our said Province, this NINETEENTH day of SEPTEMBER, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in the thirty-second year of our Reign.

S. J. VANKOUGHNET,  
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, *Ontario*.

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CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION OF MEMBER FOR FRONTENAC.

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PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

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This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the twenty-fourth day of September last past, issued by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to the High Sheriff of the County of *Frontenac*, (*William Ferguson*, Esquire,) Returning Officer, *ex officio*, for the County of *Frontenac*, for the Election of a Member to represent the said County of *Frontenac* in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of the Honourable Sir *Henry Smith*, deceased, *Delino Dexter Calvin*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the twenty-fourth day of October last past, which is now lodged in record in my office.

S. J. VANKOUGHNET,  
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
*Toronto*, November 2nd, 1868.

To CHARLES TODD GILLMOR, Esquire,  
Clerk, Legislative Assembly, *Toronto*,



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Tuesday, 3rd November, 1868.

This being the first day of the Second Session of the first Parliament of the Province of Ontario, His Excellency *William Pearce Howland*, C.B., Lieutenant-Governor, having taken his seat, was pleased to open the Session by the following gracious Speech:

*Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:*

It affords me sincere gratification to meet you for the first time, when you are about to enter on the consideration of numerous measures affecting the public interest, of which, as the representatives of the people, you are the guardians; and in thus assembling you, I trust I have selected that season of the year in which you can most conveniently be spared from your various avocations.

I have derived the liveliest satisfaction from my visit to the Provincial Exhibition, at *Hamilton*, where the display of the products of the soil gave token of its increased productiveness, and of the unwearied industry of the farming population, while the superior character of the live stock testified to the advanced state of our husbandry, and reflected the highest credit upon the enterprise of the people. I was gratified to observe the many proofs of the skill of our artisans and manufacturers, and the ingenuity applied to those improvements in machinery and implements by which manual labor is diminished and at the same time rendered more productive. And it was an additional pleasure to note, besides those fruits of mechanical skill, such a representation of the more cultivated arts as gave promise of the noblest achievements in time to come. The spectacle, altogether, clearly indicated a diffusion of individual wealth, and a general state of advancement and prosperity, in marked contrast with the condition of the country as I recollect it within the past quarter of a century.

I regret that circumstances, which could not well be controlled, have thus far prevented the arbitrators appointed to adjust the differences between this Province and that of *Quebec*, in respect to certain debts and assets to be apportioned between them, from entering on the task assigned to them. I have, however, good grounds for believing that

the examination of accounts relative to these matters will shortly engage their attention, and I trust to be able to announce, at an early day, the final result of their deliberations.

It gives me much pleasure to inform you that the policy adopted by you during the last Session with respect to "Free Grants," has been, in a great measure, a success, and it will now be for you to consider whether, with a view to the further encouragement of colonization, larger grants of land than are now authorized by law, may not wisely be made to settlers in townships, where a considerable portion of the surface is not well adapted for actual cultivation.

The powers of the General and Local Governments being concurrent, with respect to Immigration, it has been deemed advisable to hold a conference, at *Ottawa*, to devise the best means of increasing the flow of a portion of the redundant population of *Europe* to the Dominion. Representatives from three of the Local Governments met for that purpose, at *Ottawa*, last week. No positive decision has yet been arrived at. It would be premature to anticipate what plan of action will be finally adopted; but I entertain the hope of being able shortly to report to you that a well organized scheme has been agreed upon for the furtherance of this all important object, in which the people of *Ontario* feel so deep an interest.

A just cause of complaint, as set forth in the frequent presentments of Grand Juries, with respect to the detention of convict and other lunatics in the gaols of this Province, has, I am glad to say, been remedied by their removal to the *Rockwood* Asylum, at *Kingston*, under an arrangement with the Government of the Dominion, where they will no doubt receive that proper and judicious treatment best suited to their unfortunate condition.

Amendments in the law of election, as well as in that which relates to the independence of the members of your House, the dispensing with certain sittings and terms of the County Courts and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, and the abolition of Recorders' Courts in cities—changes which will greatly lessen the attendance of Jurors, and diminish very considerably the costs and outlay in the administration of justice, without impairing its efficiency—and a modification of the present law relating to mines and minerals, with a view further to encourage the development of this important source of our Provincial wealth, will be among the measures that will be submitted for your consideration.

I commend to you as objects imperatively calling for your sympathy, the deaf, dumb, and the blind. The necessity is felt for a public institution worthy of the Province, in which these classes of our fellow subjects may receive such a course of instruction as will tend to ameliorate their sad condition, and render them at the same time more useful members of society. It will be for you to decide what measure of relief should be extended to them.

I cannot avoid bringing under your special notice the state of our prisons, at once the receptacles of the hardened offender and the novice in crime, generally huddled together without regard to their classification. The latter surely ought not to be exposed to influences calculated to stifle the disposition to reform, when again at liberty. The objection to the present system is still more obvious in the case of untried prisoners, who may not be found guilty of the crime for which they are committed. Still more is it clear in the case of females of a like class. I recommend to you strongly the erection of institutions in central localities, to which those sentenced for periods less than two years, may be transferred from the surrounding gaols, to undergo their term of punishment under a system of rigid discipline analogous to that of penitentiaries, and where their labour can be utilised towards defraying the cost of their own maintenance.

I shall direct the Public Accounts, with the Estimates for the coming year, to be laid before you, and I have no doubt that the appropriations voted during the last Session, will be found to have been expended thus far with care and a due regard to economy.

I rely on your readiness to grant the supplies necessary for the public service.

In legislating on all these and other measures, which have for their object the promotion of the moral, intellectual and material well-being of the people of this prosperous Province, you will find me ever willing and anxious to co-operate with you. Enjoying a constitution framed, I may say, in accordance with our own expressed wishes, which secures to us the great boon of self-government, to which we are daily becoming more attached;

with no burdensome taxation to oppress us, and shielded by the powerful nation, whose history and traditions are justly cherished by us, and to which we can at all times appeal for protection in the hour of danger, *Ontario* may well exult in the enjoyment of great and singular advantages.

Let us trust, under God's providence, that our legislative labours may conduce to the realization of the peace, happiness and contentment of our people.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was then pleased to retire.

Mr. Speaker reported His Excellency's Speech, which he read.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald* introduced Bill (No. 1), intituled "An Act for the administration of oaths of office to persons appointed as Justices of the Peace."

*Ordered* for second reading this day fortnight.

On motion of Hon. Attorney General *Macdonald*, it was

*Ordered*, That the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that, during the recess, he had received a notification of the death of Hon. Sir *H. Smith*, Member for the County of *Frontenac*, and that he had issued his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, for a Writ of Election to fill up the vacancy: and further, that the Clerk of this House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery a certificate of the election of *Delino Dexter Calvin*, Esquire, for the County of *Frontenac*.

Mr. *Calvin*, having previously taken the oath, and signed the roll, took his seat.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, it was

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

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, it was

*Resolved*, That Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session, be appointed for the following purposes:—1. On Privileges and Elections. 2. On Railways. 3. On Miscellaneous Private Bills. 4. On Standing Orders. 5. On Public Accounts—which said Committee shall severally be empowered to examine and inquire into all such matters and things as shall be referred to them by the House, and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, it was

*Resolved*, 1st. That if anything shall come in question touching the return or election of any Member, he is to withdraw during the time the matter is in debate: and all Members returned upon double returns are to withdraw until their returns are determined.

2nd. That if it shall appear that any person has been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavored so to be, by bribery, or any other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wifully concerned in such bribery, or other corrupt practices.

3rd. That the offer of any money, or other advantage, to any Member of this House, for the promoting of any matter whatsoever depending, or to be transacted in Parliament, is a high crime and misdemeanor, and tends to the subversion of the Constitution.

The House then adjourned.

Wednesday, 4th November, 1868.

Fourteen Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, a Select Committee of ten Members was appointed to prepare, and report with all convenient speed, lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House, to be composed as follows:—Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Hon. Mr. *Carling*, Messrs. *Clarke*, *McKellar*, *Blake*, *Eyre*, *Williams (Hamilton)*, *Beatty*, *Cockburn* and *Boulter*.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the Speech of His Excellency at the opening of the Session.

Mr. *Lount* moved, seconded by Mr. *Calvin*, that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to thank His Excellency for his gracious Speech at the opening of this Session, and to assure His Excellency—

1. That we are pleased to learn that it has afforded His Excellency sincere gratification to meet this House for the first time, when about to enter on the consideration of numerous measures affecting the public interest, of which, as the representatives of the people, we are the guardians, and to assure His Excellency that in thus assembling us he has selected that season of the year in which we can be most spared from our various avocations

2. That we are gratified to notice that His Excellency experienced the liveliest satisfaction from his visit to the Provincial Exhibition at *Hamilton*, where the display of the products of the soil gave token of its increased productiveness, and of the unwearied industry of the farming population, while the superior character of the live stock testified to the advanced state of our husbandry, and reflected the highest credit upon the enterprise of the people. And that His Excellency was gratified to observe the many proofs of the skill of our artists and manufacturers, and the ingenuity applied to those improvements in machinery and implements by which manual labor is diminished and at the same time rendered more productive; as well as the additional pleasure with which His Excellency noted those fruits of mechanical skill, such a representation of the more cultivated arts as gives promise of the noblest achievements in time to come. The spectacle, altogether, clearly indicated a diffusion of individual wealth, and a general state of advancement and prosperity, in marked contrast with the condition of the country as recollected by His Excellency within the last quarter of a century.

3. That we unite with His Excellency in the regret that circumstances which could not well be controlled, have thus far prevented the arbitrators appointed to adjust the difference between this Province and that of *Quebec*, in respect of certain debts and assets to be apportioned between them, from entering on the task assigned to them. And we are pleased, however, to be informed that His Excellency has, however, good grounds for believing that the examination of accounts relative to these matters will shortly engage their attention, and that he trusts to be able to announce, at an early day, the final result of their deliberations.

4. That we learn with much satisfaction that the policy adopted by us during the last Session with respect to "Free Grants," has been, in a great measure, a success, and that we shall not fail to consider whether, with a view to the further encouragement of colonization, larger grants of lands than are now authorized by law may not wisely be made to settlers in townships where a considerable portion of the surface is not well adapted for actual cultivation.

5. That we thank His Excellency for informing us that the powers of the General and Local Governments being concurrent, with respect to Immigration, it was deemed advisable to hold a conference, at *Ottawa*, to devise the best means of increasing the flow of a portion of the redundant population of *Europe* to the Dominion, and that representatives from three of the Local Governments met for that purpose, at *Ottawa*, last week, that although no positive decision has yet been arrived at, and that although we concur with

His Excellency in the opinion that it would be premature to anticipate what plan of action will be finally adopted, yet we are pleased to learn that His Excellency entertains the hope of being able shortly to report to us that a well organized scheme has been agreed upon for the furtherance of this all important object, in which the people of *Ontario* feel so deep an interest.

6. That it is a matter of congratulation that the just cause of complaint, as set forth in the frequent presentments of Grand Juries, with respect to the detention of convict and other lunatics in the gaols of this Province, has been remedied by their removal to the *Rockwood Asylum*, at *Kingston*, under an arrangement with the Government of the Dominion, where they will no doubt receive that proper and judicious treatment best suited to their unfortunate condition.

7. That we will not fail to give due consideration to any amendments that may be proposed in the law of election, as well as in that which relates to the independence of the Members of this House, the dispensing with certain sittings and terms of the County Courts and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, and the abolition of Recorders' Courts in cities—changes which will greatly lessen the attendance of jurors, and diminish very considerably the costs and outlay in the administration of justice, without impairing its efficiency—and a modification of the present law relating to mines and minerals, with a view further to encourage the development of this important source of our Provincial wealth.

8. That we will not fail to consider what measure of relief can be extended to the deaf, dumb and the blind, who are recommended to us by His Excellency, as objects imperatively calling to us for our sympathy, and we recognize the necessity which is felt for a public institution worthy of the Province, in which these classes of our fellow-subjects may receive such a course of instruction as will tend to ameliorate their sad condition, and render them at the same time more useful members of society.

9. That we thank His Excellency for bringing under our special notice the state of our prisons, at once the receptacles of the hardened offender and the novice in crime, generally huddled together without regard to their classification, and that we agree with His Excellency that the latter ought not to be exposed to influences calculated to stifle the disposition to reform, when again at liberty; that the objection to the present system is still more obvious in the case of untried prisoners, who may not be found guilty of the crime for which they are committed, and that it is still more clear in the case of females of a like class; that we are deeply impressed with the conviction of the advantages that will result to the public from the erection of institutions in central localities, as strongly recommended to us by His Excellency, to which those sentenced for periods less than two years may be transferred from the surrounding gaols, to undergo their term of punishment under a system of rigid discipline analagous to that of penitentiaries, and where the labour can be utilised towards defraying the cost of their own maintenance.

10. That we will direct our careful attention to the examination of the Public Accounts, and to the estimates for the coming year, to be laid before us, and that we have no doubt, that the appropriations voted during the last Session, will be found to have been expended thus far with care, and a due regard to economy.

11. That His Excellency may rely on our readiness to grant the supplies necessary for the public service.

12. That we appreciate the assurance conveyed to us by His Excellency of his being ever willing and anxious to co-operate with us in legislating on all these and other measures, which have for their object the promotion of the moral, intellectual and material well-being of the people of this prosperous Province. And that, enjoying a constitution framed in accordance with our own expressed wishes, which secures to us the great boon of self-government, to which we are daily becoming more attached, with no burdensome taxation to oppress us, and shielded by the powerful nation, whose history and traditions are justly cherished by us, and to which we can at all times appeal for protection in the hour of danger, *Ontario* may well exult in the enjoyment of great and singular advantages.

13. That we unite with His Excellency in the expression of the trust, that under God's providence our legislative labours may conduce to the realization of the peace, happiness and contentment of the people.

The first paragraph of the proposed Address having been read,  
On motion of Mr *McKellar*, the consideration of the paragraph was adjourned till to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

### Thursday, 5th November, 1868.

Four Petitions were brought up and laid upon the Table.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented:—Report of the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Senate of the University of *Toronto*, for the year 1867, made under provision of the Consolidated Statutes, *U. C.*, Cap. 62.—(*Sessional Papers No. 4.*)

Also:—Municipal Returns of Assets, Liabilities, Revenue and Expenditure, made in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Act.—(*Sessional Papers No. 5.*)

The consideration of the first paragraph of the proposed Address to his Excellency, in answer to his Speech, was resumed, and the debate continuing,

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, the further consideration of the paragraph was adjourned till to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

### Friday, 6th November, 1868.

Fourteen Petitions were brought up and laid upon the Table.

Petitions received and read:—

Of the *Cobourg, Peterborough and Marmora* Railway and Mining Company, praying for the consolidation of Acts affecting said Company.

Of *R. Johnston* and others, of the Township of *Smith*, County of *Peterborough* praying for an Act to determine the proper mode of defining the lines of certain broken lots.

Of *Norman McLeod* and others, of the County of *Prescott*; also, of the County Council of *Wellington*; also, of the Trustees of the *Fergus* Grammar School; also, of the Trustees of the *Elora* Grammar School; also, of *Neil McDonald* and others, of the County of *York*; also, of *J. O'Donnell* and others, of the County of *Leeds*; also, of *Henry Irvin* and others, of the County of *York*; also, of *John D. Harris* and others, of the County of *Addington*; also, of *M. Stafford* and others, of the County of *Victoria*; also, of *Anthony Malone* and others, of the County of *Frontenac*, severally praying for changes in the law respecting education.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and ordered for the Second Reading on Tuesday:—

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Bill (No. 2), intituled “An Act to amend Chapter 119 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, so far as it relates to Fees to Sheriffs.”

Also, Bill (No. 3), intituled “An Act respecting securities to be given by officers of *Ontario*.”

Also, Bill (No. 4), intituled "An Act to define the privileges, immunities and powers of the Legislative Assembly, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of Sessional Papers."

Also, Bill (No. 5), intituled "An Act for continuing the Legislature, in case of the demise of the Crown."

Also, Bill (No. 6), intituled "An Act to provide for oaths to witnesses being administered in certain cases, for the purposes of the Legislative Assembly."

Also, Bill (No. 7), intituled "An Act to secure the Independence of the Legislative Assembly."

Mr. *Blake*, Bill (No. 8), intituled "An Act to render ineligible, as Members of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario Members of the Senate, and Members of the House of Commons of Canada."

Also, Bill (No. 9), intituled "An Act to make provision for the realization of the debts of deceased persons out of their lands."

Also, Bill (No. 10), intituled "An Act to make better provision for the dealing by Executors and Administrators with Mortgages."

Also, Bill (No. 11), intituled "An Act to amend the law as to Bills and Notes due or payable in the Province of Quebec."

Also, Bill (No. 12), intituled "An Act to further amend Chapter 35, Con. Stat. U. C., as to Attorneys-at-Law."

Also, Bill (No. 13), intituled "An Act to amend the law as to costs in Writs for Alimony, &c."

Mr. *Boyd*, Bill (No. 14), intituled "An Act for the Registration of Births and Deaths in the Province of Ontario."

Also, Bill (No. 15), intituled "An Act to amend Cap. 75, Con. Stat. U. C. (now Ontario), intituled '*An Act respecting Master and Servant.*'"

Also, Bill (No. 16) intituled "An Act to amend the Act imposing a tax on Dogs, and for the protection of Sheep."

Also, Bill (No. 17), intituled "An Act to amend the Act for the further improvement of Grammar Schools in *Upper Canada* (now Ontario)."

Also, Bill (No. 18), intituled "An Act respecting Advances to Lumbermen."

The consideration of the first paragraph of the proposed Address to His Excellency, in answer to his Speech was resumed,

And the House having continued to sit until twelve of the clock, midnight.

SATURDAY, 7th November, 1868.

The consideration of the paragraph was continued.

The several paragraphs having been again read, were agreed to.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, the Resolution for an Address was referred to a Select Committee composed as follows:—Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Hon. Mr. *Carling*, Messrs. *Calvin* and *Lount*.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald* reported the draft of an Address, which, having been read a second time, was agreed to, and is as follows:—

To His Excellency *William Pearce Howland*, C. B. Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario:

*May it please your Excellency:*

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, in Parliament assembled, humbly thank your Excellency for your gracious Speech at the opening of this Session.

We are pleased to learn that it has afforded your Excellency sincere gratification to meet this House for the first time when about to enter on the consideration of numerous measures affecting the public interest, of which, as the representatives of the people, we are the guardians, and to assure your Excellency that in thus assembling us you

have selected that season of the year in which we can most conveniently be spared from our various avocations.

We also learn with pleasure that your Excellency experienced the liveliest satisfaction from your visit to the Provincial Exhibition at *Hamilton*, where the display of the products of the soil gave token of its increased productiveness, and of the unwearied industry of the farming population, while the superior character of the live stock testified to the advanced state of our husbandry, and reflected the highest credit upon the enterprise of the people. And that your Excellency was gratified to observe the many proofs of the skill of our artisans and manufacturers, and the ingenuity applied to those improvements in machinery and implements by which manual labor is diminished, and at the same time rendered more productive; as well as the additional pleasure with which your Excellency noted those fruits of mechanical skill, with such a representation of the more cultivated arts as gives promise of the noblest achievements in time to come. The spectacle, altogether, clearly indicated a diffusion of individual wealth, and a general state of advancement and prosperity, in marked contrast with the condition of the country as recollected by your Excellency within the past quarter of a century.

We unite with your Excellency in the regret that circumstances which could not well be controlled, have thus far prevented the arbitrators appointed to adjust the differences between this Province and that of *Quebec*, in respect to certain debts and assets to be apportioned between them, from entering on the task assigned to them. And we are pleased, however, to be informed that your Excellency has, however, good grounds for believing that the examination of accounts relative to these matters will shortly engage their attention, and that you trust to be able to announce, at an early day, the final result of their deliberations.

It has afforded us much satisfaction to learn that the policy adopted by us during the last Session with respect to "Free Grants," has been, in a great measure, a success, and that we shall not fail to consider whether, with a view to the further encouragement of colonization, larger grants of land than are now authorized by law may not wisely be made to settlers in townships where a considerable portion of the surface is not well adapted for actual cultivation.

We thank your Excellency for informing us that the powers of the General and Local Governments being concurrent, with respect to Immigration, it was deemed advisable to hold a conference at *Ottawa*, to devise the best means of increasing the flow of a portion of the redundant population of *Europe* to the Dominion, and that representatives from three of the Local Governments met for that purpose, at *Ottawa*, last week, that although no positive decision has yet been arrived at, and that although we concur with your Excellency in the opinion that it would be premature to anticipate what plan of action will be finally adopted, yet we are pleased to learn that your Excellency entertains the hope of being able shortly to report to us that a well organized scheme has been agreed upon for the furtherance of this all important object, in which the people of *Ontario* feel so deep an interest.

It is a matter of congratulation that the just cause of complaint, as set forth in the frequent presentations of Grand Juries, with respect to the detention of convict and other lunatics in the gaols of this Province, has been remedied by their removal to the *Rockwood* Asylum, at *Kingston*, under an arrangement with the Government of the Dominion, where they will no doubt receive that proper and judicious treatment best suited to their unfortunate condition.

We will not fail to give due consideration to any amendments that may be proposed in the law of election, as well as those which relate to the independence of the Members of this House, the dispensing with certain sittings and terms of the County Courts and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, and the abolition of Recorders' Courts in cities—changes which will greatly lessen the attendance of jurors, and diminish very considerably the costs and outlay in the administration of justice, without impairing its efficiency—and a modification of the present law relating to mines and minerals, with a view further to encourage the development of this important source of our Provincial wealth.

We will give our best attention to any measure that may be submitted for the relief

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of the deaf, dumb and the blind, who are recommended to us by your Excellency, as objects imperatively calling for our sympathy, and that we recognize the necessity which is felt for a public institution worthy of the Province, in which these classes of our fellow subjects may receive such a course of instruction as will tend to ameliorate their sad condition, and render them at the same time more useful members of society.

We thank Your Excellency for bringing under our special notice the state of our prisons, at once the receptacles of the hardened offender and the novice in crime, generally huddled together without regard to their classification, and that we agree with your Excellency that the latter ought not to be exposed to influences calculated to stifle the disposition to reform, when again at liberty; that the objection to the present system is still more obvious in the case of untried prisoners, who may not be found guilty of the crime for which they are committed, and that it is still more clear in the case of females of a like class; that we are deeply impressed with the conviction of the advantages that will result to the public from the erection of institutions in central localities, as strongly recommended to us by your Excellency, to which those sentenced for periods less than two years, may be transferred from the surrounding gaols, to undergo their term of punishment under a system of rigid discipline analagous to that of penitentiaries, and where their labour can be utilised towards defraying the cost of their own maintenance.

The examination of the Public Accounts, and the Estimates for the coming year, to be laid before us, will engage our attention, and we have no doubt, that the appropriations voted during the last Session, will be found to have been expended thus far with care, and a due regard to economy.

Your Excellency may rely on our readiness to grant the supplies necessary for the public service.

That we appreciate the assurance conveyed to us by your Excellency of your being ever willing and anxious to co-operate with us in legislating on all these and other measures, which have for their object the promotion of the moral, intellectual and material well-being of the people of this prosperous Province. And that, enjoying a constitution framed in accordance with our own expressed wishes, which secures to us the great boon of self-government, to which we are daily becoming more attached, with no burdensome taxation to oppress us, and shielded by the powerful nation, whose history and traditions are justly cherished by us, and to which we can at all times appeal for protection in the hour of danger, *Ontario* may well exult in the enjoyment of great and singular advantages.

That we unite with your Excellency in the expression of the trust, that under God's providence our legislative labours may conduce to the realisation of the peace, happiness and contentment of our people.

The Address was then ordered to be engrossed, and to be presented to His Excellency by such Members of the House as are of the Executive Council.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented:—Return to an Address, shewing the number of Licenses granted since 1860, to cut timber on the wild lands of this Province, the persons to whom the same have been granted, the extent of territory embraced in each of the said licenses, the price agreed to be paid for the same, the amount at present due to the Government, the conditions of said licenses, and the names of all persons at present recognized by the Government as holding any timber licenses. Also, so far as practicable, what portions of said lands are fit for agricultural purposes.

The House then adjourned, at 1.45, A.M.

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Monday, 9th November, 1868.

Seventeen petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:

Of the Trustees of the *Stirling* Grammar School; also, of the Reverend *John O'Brien*, and others, of *Brockville*; also, of the Trustees of the *Vankleek Hill* Grammar School, severally praying for changes in the law respecting Education.

Of the Colonial Securities Company, praying for an Act to explain their Charter.

Hon. Attorney General *Macdonald*, from the Select Committee appointed to prepare and report lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees, reported as follows:

COMMITTEE ON STANDING ORDERS.—Hon. Mr. *Wood*, Messrs. *Barber, Beatty, Boulter, Carnegie, Clarke, Clemens, Cook, Corby, Coyne, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fraser, Gow, Greeley, Luton, Matchett, McGill, McKim, McLeod, Oliver, Paxton, Read, Rykert, Secord, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds), Strange, Springer, Swinarton, Wallis, Wigle, Wilson*.—34.

COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.—Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Hon. Messrs. *Cameron, Carling, Wood, Richards*, Messrs. *Beatty, Calvin, Christie, Cockburn, Coyne, Craig, Cumberland, Currie, Ferguson, Fraser, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Hays, Lyon, McCall (Norfolk), McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McLeod, McMurrich, Paxton, Perry, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Scott (Ottawa), Shaw, Sinclair, Swinarton, Trow, Williams (Hamilton), Williams (Durham)*.—36.

COMMITTEE ON PRIVATE BILLS.—Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Hon. Messrs. *Cameron, Carling*, Messrs. *Blake, Boyd, Clarke, Coyne, Craig (Russell), Cumberland, Evans, Eyre, Galbraith, Gibbons, Hooper, Lauder, Lount, Lyon, Monteith, McDougall, Oliver, Pardee, Rykert, Scott (Ottawa), Scott (Grey), Smith (Middlesex), Williams (Durham)*.—26.

COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.—Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Hon. Messrs. *Cameron, Richards*, Messrs. *Barter, Blake, Boyd, Calvin, Christie, Colquhoun, Crosby, Evans, Ferguson, Fitzsimmons, Gow, Graham (York), Hays, Hooper, Monteith, McColl (Elgin), McKellar, McMurrich, Pardee, Paxton, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Leeds), Springer, Supple, Tett*.—29.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.—Hon. Mr. *Wood*, Messrs. *Beatty, Blake, Carnegie, Cumberland, McDougall, McLeod, McMurrich, Smith (Leeds)*.—9.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and ordered for the second reading on Thursday:—

Mr. *Pardee*, Bill (No. 19), intituled “An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths.”

Mr. *Clarke*, Bill (No. 20), intituled “An Act to amend the law relating to Bills of Lading.”

Mr. *Blake*, Bill (No. 21), intituled “An Act to provide for the Trial of Issues and Assessment of Damages in certain cases without a Jury.”

Mr. *McLeod*, Bill (No. 22), intituled “An Act to amend chapter 85 Con. Stat., U. C., intituled “An Act respecting the Conveyance of Real Estate by Married Women.”

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, a Select Committee on Printing was appointed, composed as follows:—Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Messrs. *McKellar, Galbraith, Fraser, Beatty, Greeley, Scott (Ottawa), Tett* and *Trow*, with power to report from time to time, and to send for persons, papers and records.

On motion of Mr. *Barter*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for a return of all moneys collected from the several Counties of this Province by the sale of Statutes of *Ontario* to Magistrates.

On motion of Mr. *McLeod*, an Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for a return shewing the number of persons who have located in the respective Townships under the provisions of the free grant system, together with the additional number of acres, if any, purchased by such locatees.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Governor-General, on the occasion of his departure from *Canada*, the Address to be engrossed and presented to His Excellency by a deputation of Members of this House, composed of Hon. Mr. *Carling*, Messrs. *McKellar*, *Cumberland*, *Pardee* and *Beatty*, and the Address, as engrossed, is as follows:—

To His Excellency, the Right Honorable *Charles Stanley*, Viscount *Monck*, Baron *Monck*, of *Ballytrammon*, in the County of *Wexford*, in the Peerage of *Ireland*, and Baron *Monck*, of *Ballytrammon*, in the County of *Wexford*, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, Governor General of *Canada*, &c., &c., &c.:

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Ontario*, in the Dominion of *Canada*, in Session assembled, humbly beg leave to approach Your Excellency, to express, on the eve of your departure therefrom, the high appreciation we entertain of the eminent services rendered to *Canada* by Your Excellency; and to congratulate Your Excellency upon the peace and welfare of the country and the happiness of its inhabitants, which have been attained since Your Excellency's appointment as Governor General of *British North America*.

The term of Your Excellency's residence in *Canada* will ever be noted as a most important era in our national history. Our advance in wealth and prosperity has outgrown that of our population, and aspirations of future greatness, not inconsistent with an unfeeling attachment to the Throne and to the institutions of the Mother Country, have been engendered in the hearts of the people.

From a Province we have become a most important portion of a Dominion, in whose glorious future, under the ægis of the power which has hitherto extended to us its protection, we entertain an ardent hope and firm reliance.

During the Parliamentary strifes incidental to a political change of such magnitude as the formation of a Confederation, Your Excellency's wisdom and impartiality were alike conspicuous, and we gratefully bear testimony to your Excellency's strict adherence to those principles of Constitutional Government, on which must repose the freedom and contentment of the community, in the countenance and favor bestowed by Your Excellency on all proper occasions to the counsel proffered by the advisers of Your Excellency, who possessed the confidence of the representatives of the people.

The recent gracious recognition by Her Majesty the Queen, of Your Excellency's distinguished services, afforded unmingled satisfaction to her subjects in this Province.

It is, then, with sincere regret that we contemplate your Excellency's retirement, but this feeling is tempered by the conviction, that in the august Assembly to which your Excellency has been elevated, you will not fail to apply the intimate knowledge of our affairs and of the wants and wishes of our people, acquired during your long residence in *Canada*, to the promotion and advancement of the best interests of this growing colony.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* delivered a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, which was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

I thank you for your loyal and dutiful Address, and I rely on your wisdom and prudence to aid me in such measures as are necessary to promote the peace and prosperity of this Province.

W. P. HOWLAND.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* also delivered a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, which was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows: .

W. P. HOWLAND.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly, the Public Accounts, for nine months of the current year, ending on the 30th day of September.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, *Toronto*.

9th November, 1868.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, the Message of His Excellency was referred to the Committee on Public Accounts.—(*For Public Accounts, see Sessional Papers, No. 1.*)

The House then adjourned.

Tuesday, 10th November, 1868.

Seven Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:

Of the Hon. *L. Wallbridge* and others, of *George Neilson* and others, of *A. Campbell* and others, of *J. H. Williamson* and others, all of the County of *Hastings*; Also, of *Thomas Cosford* and others, of the County of *Durham*; Also, of *W. Claxton* and others, of the County of *Peterboro'*; Also, of *J. McCracken* and others, of the County of *Huron*, severally praying for changes in the law respecting Education.

Of *J. M. G. Chambers* and others, of the County of *Lanark*, respecting the Administration of Justice.

Of the Town Council of *Dundas*, praying that the *Upper Canada* College endowment may be withdrawn, and returned to the Grammar School Fund.

Of *Isaac E. Bowman* and others, of the County of *Waterloo*, praying for an Act of Incorporation for the *Ontario* Mutual Life Insurance Company.

Mr. *Clarke*, from the South Riding of *Huron* Election Committee, reported the absence of *William Craig*, Esquire, a member of the said Committee, from their meeting to-day, and the consequent adjournment of meeting till to-morrow, at eleven o'clock A.M.

On motion of Mr. *Clarke*:—*Ordered*, That *William Craig*, Esquire, do attend in his place in this House, at its next sitting.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and ordered for the second reading on Friday:

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Bill (No. 23), intituled, "An Act respecting Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly."

Also, Bill (No. 24), intituled, "An Act to alter the law of Dower, and to regulate proceedings in Actions for the recovery of Dower."

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to Committee of the Whole, to-morrow:

Bill (No. 3), Respecting securities to be given by officers of *Ontario*.

Bill (No. 5), For continuing the Legislature in case of the demise of the Crown.

The House then adjourned.

Wednesday, 11th November, 1868.

Nine Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:

Of *Donald McKay*, Esquire, and other Provisional Directors of the *Toronto House Building Association*, praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of the County Council of *Carleton*, praying for amendments to the Municipal Act.

Of the County Council of *Haldimand*, respecting the jurisdiction of Magistrates in criminal matters.

Of the same, respecting printing ordered by County officials.

Of *William Williams* and others, of the County of *Carleton*, praying that a charter be not granted to the Licensed Victuallers' Association.

Of *George McDougall* and others, of the County of *Lanark*, for an Act to repeal the Act imposing a tax on Dogs.

Of the Township Council of *Seymour*, and of *James McAlpine* and others, of the County of *Northumberland*, for an Act to legalize a certain survey made by one *Campbell*.

Of the City Council of *Kingston*, for power to sell certain lands.

Of the Trustees of the Union Grammar and Common School of the City of *Hamilton*; Also, of *James B. Grafton* and others, of the Town of *Dundas*, severally praying for the withdrawal of the *Upper Canada College* endowment.

Of *Dean Hellmuth* and others, of the City of *London*, for an Act to incorporate the "*Hellmuth Ladies' School*."

Of the Trustees of the *Mount Pleasant Grammar School*, County of *Brant*, respecting education.

Mr. *Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, recommended that the quorum of the Committee be reduced to nine :—Quorum reduced accordingly.

On motion of Hon. Attorney General *Macdonald*, a Select Committee was appointed, to consider the expediency of altering and amending the existing Municipal and Assessment Laws of *Ontario*, with power to send for persons and papers, and to report by Bill or otherwise, composed as follows :—Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, Messrs. *McKellar*, *Ferguson*, *Gow*, *Graham (Hastings)*, *McLeod*, *Rykert*, *Currie*, *Smith (Leeds)*, *Trow*, and *Lyon*.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and ordered for the second reading on Monday :

Mr. *McCall (Norfolk)*, Bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to disqualify certain persons from serving as members of the Legislative Assembly of *Ontario*."

Mr. *Eyre*, Bill (No. 26), intituled "An Act to amend the Act passed in the 27th and 28th Vic., Chap. 28, intituled 'An Act respecting the office of Sheriff,' and to make further provision respecting the office of Sheriff."

The Order of the Day for the attendance of Mr. *Craig (Russell)* in his place, to answer for his non-attendance on the sitting of the *South Huron* Committee having been read, Hon. Mr. *Cameron* read the statement of Mr. *Craig* to the effect, that he had not been able to be present at the meeting of the said Committee on the 10th instant, in consequence of the lateness of the trains; and Mr. *Craig*, having verified the same on oath, was excused by the House.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, report adopted, and ordered for the third reading to-morrow :

Bill (No. 3), Respecting securities to be given by Officers of *Ontario*, (with amendments.)

Bill (No. 5), For continuing the Legislature in case of the demise of the Crown, (without amendment.)

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow:

Bill (No. 4), To define the privileges, immunities and powers of the Legislative Assembly, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of Sessional Papers.

Bill (No. 6), To provide for oaths to witnesses being administered in certain cases, for the purpose of the Legislative Assembly.

Bill (No. 7), To secure the Independence of the Legislative Assembly.

Bill (No. 10), To make better provision for the dealing by Executors and Administrators with Mortgages.

Bill (No. 13), To amend the Law as to costs in Writs for Alimony.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, the Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 11), To amend the law as to bills or notes due or payable in the Province of *Quebec*, was discharged.

The House then adjourned.

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### Thursday, 12th November, 1868.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House:—Statement of the Affairs of the *Gore* District Mutual Fire Insurance Company, for year ended 31st May, 1868.

Thirteen Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:

Of the Trustees of the *Peterborough* Grammar School; also, of the Trustees of the *Clinton* Grammar School; also, of the Trustees of the *Manilla* Grammar School, severally praying for changes in the law respecting education.

Of *J. Holgate* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*, praying for the withdrawal of the *Upper Canada* College endowment.

Of the *Cobourg* Town Trust, praying for leave to issue \$30,000 worth of second class debentures.

Mr. *Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, reported favorably on the Petition of the Corporation of the City of *Kingston*, praying for an Act to enable them to sell certain lands; also, that the Petition of Dean *Hellmuth*, praying for an Act to incorporate “The *Hellmuth* Ladies’ College,” does not require notice.

On motion of Mr. *Clarke*, leave was granted to the *South Huron* Election Committee to adjourn till Monday, the 16th instant, at 1 o’clock P.M.

Mr. *Strange* introduced Bill (No. 27), intituled “An Act to authorize and empower the Corporation of the City of *Kingston* to sell and convey certain lands.” Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

The following Bills were severally introduced and ordered for the second reading on Monday:—

Mr. *Wigle*, Bill (No. 28), intituled “An Act with respect to abandoned Oil Wells in this Province.”

Mr. *Blake*, Bill (No. 29), intituled, “An Act to provide for the more satisfactory disposal of Chambers Applications in the Court of Chancery.”

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, a humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of all correspondence between the Government of *Ontario* and the Government of *Canada*, and between the Government of *Ontario* and the Government of *Quebec*, on the subjects of Immigration and the Public Debt.

Also, a humble Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of all correspondence between the Government of *Ontario* and individuals or companies interested, on the subject of the Mining Act, and of all Orders in Council or Departmental Orders under that Act.

Also, a humble Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of all correspondence between the Government and any of the Judges, on the subject of the tariff of Sheriffs' fees, and a copy of the said tariff.

Mr. *Blake* moved: That it be *Resolved*, that in the opinion of this House, no Minister of the Crown should act as Counsel against the Crown, on a Crown prosecution.

And debate arising,

The motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the whole, reported, report adopted, and ordered for the third reading on this day week.

Bill (No. 4), To define the privileges, immunities and powers of the Legislative Assembly, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of Sessional Papers, (with amendment).

Bill (No. 10), To make better provision for the dealing by Executors and Administrators with Mortgages, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 13), To amend the law as to costs in Writs for Alimony, (without amendments).

On motion of Mr. *Boyd*, the Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 15), To amend Cap. 75, Con. Stat. *U. C.* (now *Ontario*), intituled *An Act respecting Master and Servant*, was discharged.

Bill (No. 16), To amend the Act imposing a Tax on Dogs, and for the protection of Sheep, was read the second time, and, on motion, referred to the Select Committee on the Municipal and Assessment laws.

The House then adjourned.

Friday, 13th November, 1868.

Eleven Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:

Of *Charles Wilkins* and wife, of the Town of *Belleville*, praying for power to convey certain lands.

Of *C. J. Blomfield* and others, praying that a Charter may be granted to them for the construction of a wooden Railway from *Peterboro'* to *Haliburton*, in the County of *Peterboro'*.

Of the Town Council of *Peterboro'*, praying for an Act to empower a majority of the Town Trustees to act in certain matters.

Of *J. McNeeley* and others, of the County of *Victoria*, praying for the withdrawal of the *Upper Canada* College endowment.

Of the Trustees of the Grammar School of the County of *Carleton*, praying for changes in the law respecting education.

Mr. *Ryckert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, reported favorably of the following Petitions:—Of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of *Seymour*, praying for an Act to legalize a certain Survey; Of the *Ontario* Mutual Assurance Company, praying for an Act of Incorporation.

The following Bills were severally introduced and referred to the Committee on Private Bills:—

Mr. *Springer*, Bill (No. 32), intituled, “An Act for Incorporating the *Ontario* Mutual Life Assurance Company.”

Mr. *Eyre*, Bill (No. 34), intituled, “An Act to legalize and confirm the Survey made by *Alexander Campbell*, Provincial Land Surveyor, of that part of the Township of *Seymour*, lying north-east of the River *Trent*, and north-west of *Crow River*.”

The following Bills were severally introduced, and ordered for the second reading, as follows:—

Mr. *McGill*, Bill (No. 30), intituled, “An Act to amend and Consolidate the Acts relating to the profession of Medicine and Surgery;” second reading on Wednesday.

Mr. *Greeley*, Bill (No. 31), intituled, “An Act to provide for the more efficient Registration of Marriages in *Ontario*;” second reading on Tuesday.

Also, Bill (No. 33), intituled, “An Act respecting titles to Union Houses of Religious Worship;” second reading on Tuesday.

Mr. *Trow*, Bill (No. 35), intituled “An Act to secure to mechanics, journeymen, and labourers a lien for labour and materials within the Province of *Ontario*, from and after the 1st day of April, 1869;” second reading on Thursday.

Also, Bill (No. 36), intituled, “Homestead Exemption Law;” second reading on Thursday.

Mr. *Corby* moved:—That an humble Address be voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for a Return shewing the number of Timber Licenses granted in the County of *Hastings*, and rear thereof, with the names of persons and number of acres.

The motion was, by the leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Read*, a humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for a return of all dues received for timber or saw-logs cut in the Counties of *Peterboro'* and *Victoria*, on Crown and Clergy Lands, during the years 1865-6 and 7, respectively, specifying the limits on which the same were cut, the quantity on each lot, and the names of parties who paid said dues; also, Return of all timber or saw-logs cut on private lands in said Counties for the same years, specifying townships, concessions and lots, and names of parties cutting the same.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented:—Return, (in so far as relates to the Public Debt,) to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 12th November, 1868, praying that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor will cause to be laid before the House, copies of all correspondence between the Government of *Ontario* and the Government of *Canada*, and between the Government of *Ontario* and the Government of *Quebec*, on the subject of Immigration, and the Public Debt.

Bill (No. 7), To secure the independence of the Legislative Assembly, was considered in Committee of the Whole.

(In Committee.)

Mr. *Blake* moved, That all the words in the first sub-section of the first section, from “employment” to “attached,” be omitted, and the following substituted therefor:—“Permanent or temporary at the nomination of the Crown in *Canada*, or of the Crown “or of any of the Lieutenant-Governors in *Ontario*, *Quebec*, *Nova Scotia*, or *New Brunswick*, to which office, commission, or employment, an annual salary, or any fee, allow

“ance, emolument, or profit of any kind, or amount whatsoever is attached, or in respect of which any salary, fee, allowance, emolument, or profit is intended to be paid.”

And the amendment having been put, was lost on the following division: Yeas, 16; Nays, 43.

Bill reported (with amendments), report to be received on Tuesday.

The House then adjourned.

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### Monday, 16th November, 1868.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, that the Hon. Mr. *Carling*, one of the Deputation appointed to present the Address voted by this House to His Excellency Lord *Monck*, Governor-General of the Dominion, reports, that the Deputation waited on His Excellency on Thursday last, at the City of *Quebec*, with the Address, to which His Excellency was pleased to give the following answer:—

GENTLEMEN,—I have received, with feelings of the most lively satisfaction, the Address you have been deputed, by the Legislature of the Province of *Ontario*, to present to me, on the occasion of my retirement from the Government of the Dominion of *Canada*. I am painfully conscious that your kindness has led you to overrate my personal ability, and the services which I have been enabled to perform during my tenure of office amongst you. But it is not, on that account, the less a source of gratification to me to find that my motives of action have not been misconstrued, and that my efforts to do my duty have been appreciated by you. I am rejoiced to believe that the picture which you have drawn of the state of happiness and prosperity which exists in your Province is not overcharged, and I have the fullest confidence that, under the blessing of the Divine Providence, the future destiny, both of the Dominion and the Province, will be wrought out to a successful issue, because the policy of the former must be largely influenced, and the course of the latter will be exclusively controlled by the sound sense, the practical energy, and the loyal hearts of the men of *Ontario*. I wish you farewell and God Speed with all my heart, and it will give me sincere pleasure if at any time my influence or abilities can be made available to promote the true and permanent interests of your Province.

*Spencer-Wood, Quebec, 12th November, 1868.*

Thirty-two Petitions were brought up and laid upon the Table.

Petitions received and read:—

Of the Trustees of the Grammar and Common School at *Smith's Falls*, praying for a change in the Law respecting Education.

Of the Trustees of the *Newmarket* Grammar School; also, of the Trustees of the *Ottawa* Grammar School, severally praying for the withdrawal of the *Upper Canada* College endowment.

Of *Edward Pierson*, of the City of *New York*, praying for an Act to enable Mortgagees of the *London* and *Port Stanley* Railway Company's lands, to sell, and to become purchasers.

Of the *St. Andrew's* Society of *Ottawa*, praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of the Board of School Trustees of the City of *Toronto*, praying for certain amendments to the Common School Act, so far as regards the election of School Trustees in Cities.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented:—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly praying that the Lieutenant-Governor will cause to be laid before the House, copies of all

correspondence between the Government and any of the Judges on the subject of the tariff of Sheriffs' Fees, and a copy of the said tariff. (*Sessional Papers, No. 9.*)

Also:—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, praying that the Lieutenant-Governor will cause to be laid before the House, a Return prepared by the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery from the records of the Elections to the House, showing the aggregate number of votes polled for each candidate in each Electoral Division, in which there has been a contest, and the total number polled in each such division, and the number of votes on the Voters' List of the same respectively, and the population of each constituency as shown by last census. (*Sessional Papers, No. 10.*)

Also:—Annual Report of the Inspector of Asylums, Prisons, &c. (*Sessional Papers, No. 3.*)

The following Bills were severally introduced, and ordered for the second reading as follows:—

Mr. *Trow*, Bill (No. 37), intituled, "An Act to amend the Jury Law;" second reading this day week.

Also, Bill (No. 40), intituled, "An Act to amend the Assessment Law;" second reading this day week.

Also, Bill (No. 41), intituled, "An Act to amend the Municipal Institutions;" second reading this day week.

Mr. *Craig (Russell)*, Bill (No. 38), intituled, "An Act to exempt certain articles from toll;" second reading on Thursday.

Mr. *Wood*, Bill (No. 39), intituled, "An Act to amend an Act of the late Province of *Canada*, intituled, 'An Act for the collection, by means of stamps, of fees of office, dues, and duties payable to the Crown, upon law proceedings and registrations';" second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, a Select Committee was appointed to examine into the working of the Common and Grammar School System of *Ontario*, together with the Department of Public Instruction; with power to send for persons and papers, and to report thereon, composed as follows:—Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, Messrs. *Craig (Russell)*, *Boyd*, *Blake*, *Crosby*, *Cumberland*, *Ferguson*, *Ferrier*, *Greeley*, *Lauder*, *Monteith*, *McDougall*, *McGill*, *McMurrich*, *Pardee*, *Beatty*, *Rykert*, *Scott (Ottawa)*, *Sinclair*, *Tett*, and *Williams (Durham)*.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, a Select Committee was appointed to consider how far it would be expedient to amend the Rules 85 and 102 of this House, in so far as the same relate to the reception of Petitions, praying for pecuniary relief or assistance, with power to report thereon, to be composed as follows:—Hon. Attorney General *Macdonald*, Messrs. *Blake*, *McKellar*, *Beatty*, *Lauder*, *Hays*, *Rykert*, *Pardee* and *Finlayson*.

Mr. *Christie* moved, that a Select Committee be appointed to consider the disendowment of *Upper Canada* College, and the several Petitions presented to this House, praying therefor; with power to send for persons and papers, and to report thereon,

And, a debate arising, the motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Hon. Attorney General *Macdonald*, all the Petitions presented to this House respecting *Upper Canada* College, were referred to the Select Committee appointed to examine into the working of the Common and Grammar School system of *Ontario*, and into the Department of Public Instruction, and Messrs. *Christie* and *Shaw* were added to the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Perry*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for a Return of the number of Magistrates in each County who have duly qualified.

On motion of Mr. *Fitzsimmons*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of all Tenders and Contracts relating to the erection of Government House.

The House then adjourned.

Tuesday, 17th November, 1868.

Thirty-two Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :—

Of the Trustees of *Metcalf* Grammar School, praying for changes in the law respecting Education.

Of the President and Directors of the *Ottawa and Gloucester* Macadamized Road Company, relative to a certain By-Law of the County Council of *Carleton*.

Of the Town Council of *Peterboro'* praying for the erection of a Lock at *Young's Point*.

Of the Board of Grammar School Trustees of the Village of *Cayuga*, respecting Grammar Schools.

Mr. *Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, reported favorably on the following Petitions :—Of the *Cobourg, Peterborough and Marmora* Railway and Mining Company, praying for an Act to consolidate and amend certain Acts ; of the Township of *Smith*, for an Act to enable them to define certain lines ; of *Charles Wilkins* and wife, for power to convey certain lands ; of certain inhabitants of the County of *Peterborough*, for an Act to enable them to build a Wooden Railway from *Peterborough* to *Haliburton* :—also, that the Committee recommend that, in the case of the Petition of certain inhabitants of the City of *Ottawa*, praying for an Act to incorporate the *St. Andrew's* Society of *Ottawa*, the notices required by the Rules of the House be dispensed with ; notices dispensed with accordingly.

The following Bills were severally introduced :—

Mr. *Grahame* (*York*), Bill (No. 40), intituled, “An Act to amend Chapter 12 of the Statutes of *Ontario*, intituled, ‘An Act for the better protection of Game in the Province of *Ontario* ;’” ordered for the second reading on Monday.

Mr. *Fraser*, Bill (No. 41), intituled, “An Act to consolidate and amend the various Acts of the Parliament of *Canada* relating to the *Cobourg, Peterborough and Marmora* Railway and Mining Company ;” referred to the Committee on Railways.

Mr. *Clarke*, Bill (No. 42), intituled, “An Act to repeal the Statutory Enactments respecting the Protection of Sheep and Dogs ;” ordered for the second reading on Thursday.

Mr. *Corby*, Bill (No. 43), intituled, “An Act to confirm the title of *Clarissa Wilkins* to certain lands therein mentioned, and for other purposes ;” referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. *Hays*, Bill (No. 44), intituled, “An Act to amend the Acts in relation to Grammar Schools ;” ordered for the second reading on Thursday.

Mr. *Oliver*, Bill (No. 45), intituled, “An Act respecting Gratuitous Loans ;” ordered for the second reading on Tuesday.

Mr. *Craig* (*Russell*), Bill (No. 46), intituled, “An Act to prevent the Setting Out of Fires at certain seasons of the year ;” ordered for the second reading on Monday.

Mr. *Coyne*, Bill (No. 47), intituled, “An Act respecting the partition of real estate in *Ontario* ;” ordered for the second reading on Wednesday week.

The Order of the Day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 7), To secure the Independence of the Legislative Assembly, having been read,

Mr. *McKellar* moved in amendment,—That the said Report be not now received, but that the same be referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the second section by adding after the words “a Senator,” the words, “or Member of the House of Commons.”

Hon. Attorney General *Macdonald* then moved in amendment to the said amendment,—That all the words after “that” in the said amendment be expunged, and the following substituted in lieu thereof:—“In the opinion of this House it is premature to deprive the Electors of *Ontario* of the right guaranteed to them under the Constitution of electing one and the same person to represent them in the House of Commons and in this House, in the absence of satisfactory proof that any injury or inconvenience has as yet resulted from the exercise of that right.”

Which having been put, was carried on the following division:—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Beatty, Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling, Carnegie, Clarke, Colquhoun, Corby, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Cumberland, Currie, Eyre, Ferrier, Fitzsimmons, Galbraith, Greeley, Hays, Hooper, Lount, Luton, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McColl (Elgin), McGill, Read, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Ottawa), Secord, Shaw, Strange, Supple, Tett, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Wilson, and Wood.—42.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Cook, Crosby, Evans, Finlayson, Fraser, Gibbons, Gow, Grahame (York), McCall (Norfolk), McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McLeod, McMurrich, Oliver, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Swinarton, Trow, and Williams (Hamilton).—31.

The amendment, as amended, having been then put, was carried.

Mr. *Blake* then moved in amendment,—That the said Report be not now received, but that the same be referred back to a Committee of the Whole with instructions to amend the said Bill, by striking out all the words in the first sub-section of the first section, from “employment” to “attached” and inserting in lieu thereof, the following:—“permanent or temporary at the nomination of the Crown in *Canada*, or of the Crown, or of any of the Lieutenant-Governors in *Ontario*, *Quebec*, *Nova Scotia*, or *New Brunswick*, to which office, commission, or employment, any salary, fee, allowance, emolument, or profit of any kind, or amount whatsoever is attached, or in respect of which any salary, fee, allowance, emolument, or profit is intended to be paid.”

Lost on a division.

Mr. *Blake* then moved in amendment,—That the said Report be not now received, but that the same be referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the said Bill, by striking out of the second sub-section of the first section the words “being a Member of the Executive Council or.”

Lost on a division.

Mr. *Blake* then moved in amendment,—That the said Report be not now received, but that the same be referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the third section, by adding, after the word “*Ontario*” wherever that occurs, the words “or *Canada*.”

Lost on a division.

The Report was then adopted, on a division, and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Friday.

Bill (No. 6), To provide for oaths to witnesses being administered in certain cases, for the purpose of the Legislative Assembly, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, (without amendment,) report adopted, and ordered for the third reading on Friday.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 12), To further amend Chapter 35 Con. Stat. *U. C.*, as to Attorneys-at-Law; referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

Bill (No. 14), for the registration of births, deaths and marriages; referred to a Select Committee composed as follows;—Hon. Mr. *Wood*, Messrs. *Boyd*, *Pardee*, *Blake*, *Rykert*, *Scott* (*Ottawa*), *Lauder*, *Greeley*, and *Galbraith*.

Bill (No. 19), To provide for the registration of births, marriages and deaths; referred to the Select Committee on Bill (No. 14).

Bill (No. 20) To amend the Law as to Bills of Lading; referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows:—Hon. Mr. *Richards*, Messrs. *Blake*, *McMurrich*, *Barber*, *Lyon*, *Lount*, *Craig* (*Russell*), and *Clarke*.

Bill (No. 26), To amend the Act passed in the 27th and 28th *Vic.*, Chap. 38, intituled “An Act respecting the Office of Sheriff,” and to make further provision respecting the office of Sheriff; referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows:—Hon. Mr. *Wood*, Messrs. *Pardee*, *Lyon*, *Shaw*, and *Eyre*.

Bill (No. 22), To amend Chapter 85 Con. Stat. *U. C.*, intituled, “An Act respecting the conveyance of Real Estate by Married Women;” referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows:—Hon. Mr. *Wood*, Messrs. *Blake*, *Shaw*, *Eyre*, *Hays*, *Pardee*, and *McLeod*.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, the Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 8), To render ineligible, as Members of the Legislative Assembly of *Ontario*, Members of the Senate and Members of the House of Commons of *Canada*, was discharged.

On motion of Mr. *McCall* (*Norfolk*), the Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 25), To disqualify certain persons from serving as Members of the Legislative Assembly of *Ontario* was discharged.

The House then adjourned.

Wednesday, 18th November, 1868.

Nineteen Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:—

Of the Trustees of the *Wardsville* Grammar School, praying for changes in the law respecting education.

Of the Trustees of the *Wardsville* Grammar School; also, of the Village Council of *Wardsville*; also, of the Trustees of the *Brantford* Grammar School; also, of the Board of the Union School Trustees of *Dundas*, severally praying for the disendowment of the *Upper Canada* College.

Of the *Caledonia Springs* Hotel Company, praying for an Act to enable them to deal in medicinal waters, dig for peat and salt, and for a change of name.

Of *Wm. Hall*, Chairman of the *Peterboro'* Town Trust, praying that a majority of said Trustees may be empowered to act.

Of the *Middlesex* and *Elgin* Association of Regular Baptists, praying against Collegiate Grants.

Of the Town Council of *Clifton*, praying for certain amendments in the Assessment Act.

Of *Moses Davis* and others, of the County of *Simcoe*, praying for the removal of obstructions in the *Severn* River.

Of the Township Council of *Loughboro'*; also, of the Township Council of *Bedford*, severally praying that a charter be granted for the construction of a railroad.

Of *R. J. Cartwright* and others, of the City of *Kingston*, praying that a charter be granted for the construction of a railroad between *Kingston* and the Counties of *Frontenac* and *Addington*.

The following Bills were severally introduced :—

Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, Bill (No. 50), intituled, “An Act to Incorporate the *Toronto* House Building Association;” referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Bill (No. 51), intituled, “An Act to diminish the sittings of County Courts and Quarter Sessions, to abolish Recorders’ Courts, and for other purposes;” ordered for the second reading on Friday.

Mr. *Blake*, Bill (No. 52), intituled, “An Act to provide for the institution of Suits against the Crown by Petition of Right;” ordered for the second reading on Tuesday.

Mr. *Scott* (*Ottawa*), Bill (No. 53), intituled, “An Act to Incorporate the *St. Andrew’s* Society of the City of *Ottawa* ;” referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, a Select Committee was appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library, composed as follows :—Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Messrs. *McKellar*, *Blake*, *Lauder*, *Ferrier*, *Cumberland*, *Scott* (*Ottawa*), and *Rykert*.

Bill (No. 12), To further amend Chapter 35, Con. Stat. *U. C.*, as to Attorneys-at-Law, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported (with amendments), report adopted, and ordered for the third reading on Monday.

The House then adjourned.

### Thursday, 19th November, 1868.

Thirty-seven Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :—

Of *James G. Hillary* and others, of the village of *Uxbridge*; also of the Trustees of the *Ingersoll* Grammar School, severally praying for the disendowment of the *Upper Canada* College.

Of the Trustees of the *Oakwood* Grammar School, praying for changes in the law respecting education.

Of *Matthew Anderson* and others, of the County of *Wellington*, praying for the division of the Township of *Garrafraxa*.

Of *Thomas W. Walsh* and others, of the County of *Simcoe*, praying for a charter for the construction of a Railway.

Of the Township Council of *Luther*, respecting back interest due on lands of actual settlers.

Of Sheriff *Hall* and others, of the Town and County of *Peterboro’*, praying for the erection of a lock at *Young’s Point*.

Mr. *Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, reported favorably on the following Petitions :—Of the *Toronto* House Building Association, praying for an Act of Incorporation, (omitted in report of yesterday;) of the *Caledonia Springs* Hotel Company, praying for additional powers; of the Colonial Securities Company, praying for additional powers.

The following Bills were severally introduced and ordered for the second reading on Tuesday :

Mr. *Oliver*, Bill (No. 54), intituled, "The Jurors and Witnesses Affirmation Act."

Mr. *Coyne*, Bill (No. 55), intituled, "An Act relating to the Execution of Discharges of Mortgages, and Deeds of Conveyance by married women."

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented:—Special Report of the Chief Superintendant of Education, on Institutions for the Deaf, Dumb, and Blind, in *Europe* and the *United States of America*, with appendices and suggestions for their establishment in this Province. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 11.)

Also:—Annual Report of the Chief Superintendant of Education, for the year 1867. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 2.)

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Richards*, the House resolved to form itself into a Committee of the Whole, on Monday, to consider the following Resolutions, viz:—

*Resolved*,—Firstly, That in the opinion of this House all Royalties, taxes, or duties, which by any patents heretofore issued are reserved, or made payable upon, or in respect of any ores or minerals extracted from the lands granted by such Patents, and situate within this Province, should be repealed and abandoned, and that such lands, ores, or minerals should be henceforth exempt from every such Royalty, tax or duty.

*Resolved*,—Secondly, That the proprietors of all private lands heretofore granted by the Crown, situate within this Province, and their assigns should, as against Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, have the right to mine for gold and silver upon such lands, for their own benefit and advantage.

*Resolved*,—Thirdly, That it is expedient that the unoccupied Crown Lands of this Province should be declared free and open to exploration for mines, or minerals, and that persons should, under proper regulations, be allowed to mine upon such lands, for their own benefit and advantage, free from any charge or Royalty.

Mr. *Ferrier* moved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying him to recommend an appropriation of five thousand dollars to aid the people of the *Red River* Settlement in their present distressed circumstances.

The motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. *Strange* moved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for a Return of the names of the various holders of Timber Licenses in the Counties of *Frontenac* and *Addington*, with a list of the lots in the several Townships held by them, and the amount of dues paid by each respectively, since the year 1864.

The motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Pardee*, Mr. *Coyne* was added to the Committee on Grammar Schools.

Mr. *Coyne* moved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of all Correspondence that may have taken place between the Government of *Ontario* or the late Government of *Canada*, and the Imperial Government, or any Officer thereof, on the subject of nomination to Cadetships in the Royal Navy.

The motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Cook*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for a copy of the Petition presented to the late Parliament of *Canada*, by *John S. Ross*, M.P., from numerous Agriculturists residing in the different Townships of the County of *Dundas*, praying for aid to deepen the *Nation* River; Also, Report of Committee upon said Petition, with all correspondence appertaining thereto.

Mr. *Lovnt* moved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieu-

tenant-Governor, for a Return of all the unpatented lands in the County of *Simcoe*, and all lands on which arrears are due to the Crown, prior to the 1st March, 1865, with a statement of the amount due against any such lands.

The motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

The following Bills were severally read the third time, and passed:—

Bill (No. 3), Respecting Securities to be given by officers of *Ontario*.

Bill (No. 5), For continuing the Legislature, in case of the demise of the Crown.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to the Committee on Common and Grammar Schools. :—

Bill (No. 17), To amend the Act for the further improvement of Grammar Schools in *Upper Canada* (now *Ontario*).

Bill (No. 44), To amend the Acts in relation to Grammar Schools.

The House then adjourned.

### Friday, 20th November, 1868.

Fifty-five petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:

Of the Trustees of the *Amprior* Grammar School, praying for the disendowment of the *Upper Canada* College.

Of the City Council of *Hamilton*, respecting the assessment rates of that city in 1862-3.

Mr. *Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, reported favorably on the following Petitions:—Of the Commissioners of the *Cobourg* Trust, praying for power to issue Debentures; of the *London* and *Port Stanley* Railway Company, praying for certain powers.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented:—Report of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works for *Ontario*, relating to Agriculture and Arts. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 12.)

Also:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House, a Statement showing in detail all the surveyed lands unsold and now owned by the Province of *Ontario*, giving the number of the lots and concessions, with the names of the Counties and Townships in which the said lands are situated. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 13.)

The following Bills were severally introduced:—

Mr. *Carnegie*, Bill (No. 56), intituled “An Act to incorporate the *Peterboro’* and *Haliburton* Railway Company;” referred to the Committee on Railways.

Mr. *Carnegie*, Bill (No. 57), intituled “An Act respecting the Colonial Securities Company, (limited);” referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. *Currie*, Bill (No. 58), intituled “An Act to amend Chapter 57, Con. Stat. *U. C.*, intituled, ‘An Act respecting Line-Fences and Watercourses;’” ordered for the second reading on this day week.

Mr. *Eyre*, Bill (No. 59), intituled “An Act to amend the Act intituled, ‘An Act respecting the Survey of Lands in *Upper Canada* (now the Province of *Ontario*;)” ordered for the second reading on this day week.

Mr. *Fraser*, Bill (No. 60), intituled “An Act for the further improvement of the *Cobourg* Harbour;” referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 6), To provide for oaths to witnesses being administered in certain cases, for the purpose of the Legislative Assembly (with amendments).

Bill (No. 10), To make better provision for the dealing by Executors and Administrators with Mortgages.

Bill (No. 13), To amend the law as to costs in Writs for Alimony.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 23), Respecting Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly ; referred to Committee of the Whole on Tuesday.

Bill (No. 31), To provide for the more efficient Registration of Marriages in *Ontario* ; referred to the Committee on Bill (No. 14).

Bill (No. 33), Respecting Titles to Union Houses of Religious Worship ; referred to a Select Committee composed as follows :—Messrs. *Lyon, Gow, Lauder, and Greeley.*

Bill (No. 38), To exempt certain articles from toll ; referred to Committee of the Whole on Tuesday.

On motion of Mr. *Lyon*, the Petition of *Mary Baldwin* and daughters, presented to this House, was referred to the Committee on Printing.

The House then adjourned.

## Monday, 23rd November, 1868.

Ninety petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :

Of the Township Council of *Easthope*, praying for amendments to the Assessment Law.

Also, of the same, praying for amendments to the Jury Law.

Of *G. T. Preston* and others, of the City of *Ottawa*, praying for an Act of Incorporation, under the title of the *Ottawa* Unity Protestant Benefit Society.

Of *John Bottomley* and others, of the County of *Norfolk*, praying for the repeal of the Act incorporating the *Long Point* Company.

Of *W. T. Blyth* and others, of the Township of *Garafraxa*, respecting the division of the Township.

Of *James H. Wilson* and others, of the County of *Norfolk*, praying for the revision of the administration of justice.

Of the Union School Board of *St. Thomas*, respecting Grammar Schools.

Of the Board of Grammar School Trustees of the Village of *Brighton* ; also, of the Village Council of *Kemptville*, severally praying for the disendowment of the *Upper Canada* College.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills was extended to Friday next, and the time for the introduction of Private Bills to Tuesday week.

Mr. *Boyd* introduced Bill (No. 61), intituled, "An Act to change the name of the *Caledonia Springs* Hotel Company, to authorize the said Company to borrow money, and for other purposes ;" referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

The following Bills were severally read the third time, and passed :—

Bill (No. 7), To secure the Independence of the Legislative Assembly.

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Bill (No. 12), To further amend Chapter 35, Con. Stat., *U. C.*, as to Attorneys-at-Law.

The House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, to consider certain Resolutions proposed by Hon. Mr. *Richards* on the 19th inst.

(*In Committee.*)

*Resolved*,—Firstly, That in the opinion of this House, all Royalties, Taxes, or Duties, which by any Patents heretofore issued are reserved, or made payable upon, or in respect of any ores or minerals extracted from the lands granted by such Patents, and situate within this Province, should be repealed and abandoned, and that such lands, ores or minerals should be henceforth exempt from every such Royalty, Tax or Duty.

*Resolved*,—Secondly, That the proprietors of all private lands heretofore granted by the Crown, situate within this Province, and their assigns should, as against Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, have the right to mine for gold and silver upon such lands, for their own benefit and advantage.

*Resolved*,—Thirdly, That it is expedient that the unoccupied Crown Lands of this Province should be declared free and open to exploration for mines, or minerals, and that persons should, under proper regulations, be allowed to mine upon such lands, for their own benefit and advantage, free from any Charge or Royalty.

Resolutions reported, and report adopted.

Hon. Mr. *Richards* introduced Bill (No. 62), intituled “An Act relative to Mining;” ordered for the second reading on Wednesday.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 48), To amend Chapter 12 of the Statutes of *Ontario*, intituled, “An Act for the better protection of Game in the Province of *Ontario*;” referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows :—Messrs. *Clarke, Baxter, Pardee, Boulter, Hays, Craig (Russell)*, and *Grahame (York)*.

Bill (No. 46), To prevent the Setting Out of Fires at certain seasons of the year ; referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows :—Messrs. *Currie, Christie, Craig (Russell)*, *Gabraith, McKim, McKellar, Supple, Ferguson* and *Scott (Grey)*.

Bill (No. 2), To amend Chapter 119 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, so far as it relates to Fees to Sheriffs; referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

Bill (No. 39), To amend an Act of the late Province of *Canada*, intituled, “An Act for the collection, by means of stamps, of fees of office, dues and duties payable to the Crown upon law proceedings and registrations;” referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

Bill (No. 51), To diminish the sittings of County Courts and Quarter Sessions, to abolish Recorders' Courts, and for other purposes; referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

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Tuesday, 24th November, 1868.

Fifty-six petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :

Of the Trustees of the *Oshawa* Grammar School ; also, of the Village Council of *Oshawa* ; also, of the County Council of *Stormont, Dundas, and Glengarry* ; also, of the *Farmersville* Grammar School, severally praying for changes in the law respecting Education.

Of the City Council of *Toronto*, praying that measures may be taken to advance the *Huron and Ontario* Ship Canal.

Of *George S. Boulton*, of the County of *Northumberland*, praying that the fees of Registry Offices may be funded and salaries granted to Registrars.

Of *Jesse T. Purdy*, of the Village of *Meaford*, praying that certain lands be not granted or sold for any other purpose than the construction of a Harbour at *Big Head* River.

*Mr. Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, reported favorably of the following Petitions:—Of *Matthew Anderson* and others, of the Township of *Garafraxa*, for an Act to divide the Township; of *R. J. Cartwright* and others, praying for an Act to incorporate a Company to build a railway from *Kingston* through *Frontenac* and *Addington*; also, that the Committee recommend that, in the case of the Petition of the City of *Hamilton*, praying for an Act to define their powers as to certain rates, the Rules of the House as to Notices be suspended; Rules suspended accordingly.

*Mr. Greeley*, from the Committee on Printing, recommended that the following Returns be printed:—The Petition of *Mary Baldwin* and daughters, praying for aid (*Sessional Papers No. 14*); also, the Report of the Commissioner of Agriculture (*Sessional Papers No. 12*); also, the Return of Sheriffs' Fees (*Sessional Papers No. 9*); ordered to be printed accordingly.

*Hon. Attorney-General Macdonald*, from the Select Committee appointed to consider how far it would be expedient to amend the Rules 85 and 102 of the House, in so far as the same relate to the reception of Petitions praying for pecuniary relief or assistance, reported against any amendment to the Rules. (*Appendix No. 1*)

The following Bills were severally introduced:—

*Mr. Ferrier*, Bill (No. 63), intituled "An Act to divide the Township of *Garafraxa* into two Municipalities;" referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

*Mr. Strange*, Bill (No. 64), intituled "An Act to Incorporate the *Kingston and Frontenac* Railway Company;" referred to the Committee on Railways.

*Mr. Williams (Hamilton)*, Bill (No. 65), intituled, "An Act to explain the 36th Section of the *Hamilton* Debentures Act of 1864; and to legalize, if necessary, the application of the rates levied by the City of *Hamilton*, under the By-Laws referred to in that Section;" referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

*Mr. Sexton*, Bill (No. 66), intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter 85, Con. Stat. *U. C.*, respecting the Conveyance of Real Estate by Married Women;" ordered for the second reading on this day week.

Bill (No. 4), To define the privileges, immunities and powers of the Legislative Assembly, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of Sessional Papers, was read the third time.

*Hon. Attorney-General Macdonald* moved, That the Bill do now pass, when

*Mr. Blake* moved in amendment—

That all the words after "that" be left out, and the following inserted, "it is questionable whether the Legislature of *Ontario* has power to invest this House, or its Members with such, or the like privileges, immunities, and powers, as appertain to the House of Commons of *Canada*, and its Members, and it is inexpedient to pass the said Bill; but that an humble Address be presented to Her Most Gracious Majesty, praying that she will be pleased to initiate the Legislation necessary, in order to invest this House, and its Members with such privileges, immunities, and powers as are requisite to the maintenance of its usefulness and dignity.

The amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division,

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Crosby, Fraser, Gow, McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McLeod, McMurrich, Oliver, Paxton, Smith (Middlesex), and Williams (Hamilton).—17.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Beatty, Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling, Carnegie, Clarke, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Cook, Corby, Coyne, Craig (Russell), Cumberland, Currie, Evans, Ferguson, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Galbraith, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greeley, Hays, Hooper, Lauder, Lount, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McGill, Perry, Read, Richards, Scott (Grey), Scott (Ottawa), Secord, Sexton, Shaw, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Springer, Supple, Tett, Trow, Wilson, and Wood.—52

The original motion was then put and carried, on division, and the Bill passed.

Bill (No. 23), Respecting Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, progress reported, and leave given to sit again on Thursday.

Bill (No. 38), To exempt certain articles from Toll, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported (with amendments), report adopted, and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Friday.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 24), To alter the law of Dower, and to regulate proceedings in Actions for the recovery of Dower; referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

Bill (No. 54), The Jurors and Witnesses Affirmation Act; referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows: Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, Messrs. *Boyd*, *Galbraith*, *Blake*, *Lount*, and *Oliver*.

Bill (No. 9), To make provision for the realization of the debts of deceased persons out of their lands; referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows: Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, Messrs. *Pardee*, *Lount*, *Eyre*, and *Blake*.

On motion of Mr. *Read*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of the agreements between the *Canada Land and Emigration Company* and the Government respecting the purchase of ten Townships of Crown Lands, and all Orders in Council and correspondence respecting said agreements.

The House then adjourned.

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Wednesday, 25th November, 1868.

Forty-six Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:

Of the Trustees of the *Osborne Grammar School*; also, of *James Henderson* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*; also, of the Trustees of the *Bath Grammar School*, respecting Education.

Of *William Clarke* and others, of the Town of *Guelph*; also, of *G. L. Beach* and others, of the Town of *Dundas*; also, of *Charles Coulter* and others, of the County of *Middlesex*, severally praying for changes in the law respecting Dentistry.

Of the Trustees of the *Metcalf Grammar School*; also, of the Trustees of the *Water-down Grammar School*; also, of the Trustees of the *Renfrew Grammar School*, severally praying for the disendowment of the *Upper Canada College*.

Of *W. D. Pollard* and *Charles Gamon*, praying to be admitted to practise as Barristers-at-Law.

Of the Township Council of *Romney*; also, of the Township Council of *Raleigh*, severally praying for a drain to be cut across the County of *Kent*.

Of *James Austin* and others, of the County of *Norfolk*, praying for a revision of the Administration of Justice.

Of *Alice Wright*, of the County of *Wellington*, praying for an Act to vest certain property in Trustees, with power to sell.

Of *Charlotte Elmsley* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, praying that the Trust on certain real estate may be amended.

Of *Wm. H. Bell* and others, praying that an Act may be passed for the management by a Trustee of the estate of the late *Thomas Bell*.

Of *Robert Roy* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*, praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of the *Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway Company*, praying for certain amendments to their Charter.

The following Bills were severally introduced:—

Mr. *Gow*, Bill (No. 67), intituled “An Act to amend the Act respecting Dentistry;” ordered for the second reading on this day week.

Mr. *McMurrich*, Bill (No. 68), intituled “An Act to amend the Act respecting Common Schools in *Upper Canada*,” ordered for the second reading on Friday.

Mr. *Blake*, Bill (No. 69), intituled “An Act for the relief of the *London and Port Stanley Railway Company*,” referred to the Committee on Railways.

Mr. *Read*, Bill (No. 70), intituled “An Act to enable Municipalities to grant aid by bonus, or otherwise, to Roads, Tramways and Railways;” ordered for the second reading on Friday.

Hon. Mr. *Carling*, Bill (No. 71), intituled “An Act respecting the Public Works of *Ontario*,” ordered for the second reading on Friday.

On the Order being called to consider the Notice of Motion of Mr. *Clarke*—That it be

*Resolved*,—1. That in the opinion of this House, it is expedient and necessary for the promotion of Science, Literature, and Art, that the Collegiate Institutions of *Ontario* should continue to receive substantial aid and support from the Treasury of the Province.

*Resolved*.—2. That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying that he may be graciously pleased to give effect to the foregoing resolution.

The Notice of Motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *McKellar*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying for copies of all correspondence that may have taken place between the Government of *Ontario* and the Government of the Dominion of *Canada*, respecting the order of official precedence.

On motion of Mr. *Read*:—*Ordered*, That the fees, less the actual expense for printing Private Bill (of last Session), No. (31), “To separate the Townships of *Harcourt* and *Bruton* from *Burleigh*, and unite them with *Dysart*,” be refunded to the promoters of the Bill.

Bill (No. 39), To amend an Act of the late Province of *Canada*, intituled, “An Act for the collection, by means of stamps, of fees of office, dues and duties payable to the Crown upon law proceedings and registrations,” was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported (without amendment); report to be received to-morrow.

Bill (No. 24), To alter the law of Dower and to regulate proceedings in Actions for the recovery of Dower, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and reported (with amendments), and Hon. Attorney General *Macdonald* moved, That the Report be adopted, when

Mr. *Blake* moved in amendment—

That the Report be not now received, but that it be referred back to a Committee of

the Whole, with instructions to amend the said Bill by expunging so much thereof as destroys the right of Dower in cases in which Dower is now by law recoverable.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Cockburn, Cook, Crosby, Finlayson, Galbraith, Gibbons, Gow, McCall (Norfolk), McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McLeod, McMurrich, Oliver, Paxton, Perry, Read, Sexton, Shaw, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Trow, and Williams (Hamilton).—30.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Barber, Boulter, Calvin, Carling, Carnegie, Colquhoun, Corby, Coyne, Craig (Russell), Cumberland, Currie, Evans, Ferguson, Ferrier, Fitzsimmons, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greeley, Hays, Hooper, Lount, Luton, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McCall (Elgin), Richards, Scott (Grey), Scott (Ottawa), Secord, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Supple, Tett, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Wilson, and Wood.—39.

Mr. *Blake* then moved in further amendment—

That the said Report be not now received, but that it be referred back to a Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the said Bill by providing that so much thereof as destroys the right to Dower, in cases in which Dower is now by law recoverable, shall not affect existing rights.

And, objection being taken by Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald* to the amendment, inasmuch as it is identical in purport with the previous amendment, already declared lost, and cannot therefore be properly received.

Mr. Speaker decided as follows :

The latter amendment, although differing in construction, is identical in matter with the former, and cannot, therefore, I think, be received.

The report was then adopted, on a division, and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Friday.

Hon. Mr. *Carling* presented:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the Legislative Assembly, copies of all tenders and contracts relating to erection of Government House. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 15).

The House then adjourned.

Thursday, 26th November, 1868.

Twenty-seven Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :

Of *Frederick G. Allenby*, of the City of *Toronto*, praying for an Act to enable the Law Society of *Upper Canada*, to admit him as a Barrister-at-Law.

Of the Trustees of the Grammar School of the village of *Smith's Falls*; also, of *James Nesbit* and others, of the village of *Brighton*, severally praying for the disendowment of the *Upper Canada* College.

Of *Henry Ruttan* and others, of the Town of *Cobourg*, praying for the improvement of their Harbour.

Of the Rev. *Wm. Stephenson* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, praying for an Act to enable them to sell the *Adelaide* Street Methodist Church property.

Of the *Ontario Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company*, of the County of *Ontario*, praying that extended powers may be conferred upon the Company.

Of *John Fiske* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, praying for an Act to be passed relative to the Bondholders of the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway.

Of *Lady Smith* and others, of the City of *Kingston*, praying to have the last Will and Testament of the late *Sir Henry Smith*, declared valid.

Of *R. A. Fyfe* and others, of the Town of *Woodstock*, praying that aid be not granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of the *Huron College*, praying for an Act to amend 26 *Vic.*, Cap. 31.

Of the Trust and Loan Company of *Upper Canada*, praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

*Mr. Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, reported favourably on the Petition of the *Gloucester Road Company*; also, that the Petition of the *Ottawa Unity Protestant Benefit Society* does not require notice.

*Hon. Attorney-General Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, recommended that Rule 78 be suspended, during the present Session, and the quorum of the Committee be reduced to nine; also, that Rule 59 be suspended and that "four clear days' notice" be substituted for "eight clear days' notice," in said Rule; Rules suspended accordingly.

The following Bills were severally introduced:—

*Mr. Lyon*, Bill (No. 72), intituled "An Act to amend and confirm the Charter of the *Ottawa and Gloucester Road Company*;" referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

*Hon. Attorney-General Macdonald*, Bill (No. 73), intituled "An Act to repeal certain Acts and Enactments therein mentioned, and to abolish the Court of Impeachment for the trial of County Judges;" ordered for the second reading to-morrow.

*Mr. Currie*, Bill (No. 74), intituled "An Act to separate the Township of *Delaware* from the West Riding of the County of *Middlesex*, and to annex the same to the East Riding of said County;" ordered for the second reading on Tuesday.

*Mr. Scott (Ottawa)*, Bill (No. 75), intituled "An Act to Incorporate the *Ottawa Unity Protestant Benefit Society*;" referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

On motion of *Mr. Coyme*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, for a Return of the number of Tavern Licenses issued to each County, City, Town, or Incorporated Village, in detail; also the names of the parties to whom issued, and the name of the issuer for each County, with the amounts received from such Licenses to date.

On motion of *Mr. Blake*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of all correspondence between the Governments of *Ontario* and *Canada*, touching the power of the Legislature of *Ontario* to enact laws punishing, by imprisonment, breaches of Provincial laws, and generally touching the powers of the Legislature of *Ontario*.

Bill (No. 38), To exempt certain articles from Toll, was read the third time, and passed.

Bill (No. 23), Respecting the Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly, was further considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, progress reported, and leave given to sit again to-morrow.

The Report of the Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 39), To amend an Act of the late Province of *Canada*, intituled "An Act for the collection, by means of stamps, of fees of office, dues and duties payable to the Crown upon law proceedings and registrations," was adopted, and Bill ordered for the third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 51), To diminish the sittings of County Courts and Quarter Sessions, to abolish Recorders' Courts, and for other purposes, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, progress reported, and leave given to sit again on Monday.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 47), Respecting the partition of Real Estate in *Ontario* ; referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows :—Hon. Mr. *Carling*, Messrs. *Scott (Ottawa)*, *Lount*, *Pardee*, *Ferguson* and *Coyne*.

Bill (No. 55), Relating to the Execution of Discharges of Mortgages and Deeds of Conveyance, by Married Women ; referred to Committee of the Whole on Tuesday.

Bill (No. 30), To amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the profession of Medicine and Surgery ; referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows :—Hon. Mr. *Wood*, Messrs. *Barter*, *Boulter*, *Gow*, *Lount*, *Rykert*, *Beatty* and *McGill*.

Bill (No. 37), To amend the Jury Law ; referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows :—Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, Messrs. *Blake*, *Currie*, *Finlayson*, *Craig (Glengarry)*, *Read* and *Trow*.

Bill No. 40), To amend the Assessment Laws ; referred to the Committee on the Municipal and Assessment Laws.

Hon. Mr. *Richards* presented :—Report of the Commissioner of Crown Lands for the year 1867. (*Sessional Papers No. 7.*)

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented :—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of all correspondence between the Government of *Ontario*, and individuals or Companies interested on the subject of the Mining Act, and of all Orders in Council, or Departmental Orders, under that Act. (*Sessional Papers No. 16.*)

The House then adjourned.

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## Friday, 27th November, 1868.

Forty-six Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :

Of *James Cumming* and others, of the Village of *Lynn*, praying that certain portions of the Township of *Elizabethtown* may be incorporated with the said Village.

Of *W. N. Hassie* and others, of the Town of *Brampton* ; also, of *Alex. McGregor* and others, of the Town of *Brockville* ; also, of *Samuel T. Gibbs* and others, of the Town of *Whitby*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of *Wm. Paxton, jr.*, and others, of the County of *Ontario* ; also, of the Directors of the *Port Whitby* and *Port Perry* Railway Company, severally praying for amendments to the Charter of the said Company.

Of *Joel Day* and others, of the County of *Victoria*, praying to have the Townships of *Carden* and *Dalton*, in said County, separated.

Of *Edward Barrett* and others, of the Town of *Windsor*, praying for amendments to the Act relating to Hotel and Saloon Keepers.

Of the Trustees of the Union School Board of the Town of *Paris*, praying for the disendowment of *Upper Canada* College.

Of the County Council of *Middlesex*, praying that the law relating to Coroners' Inquests may be amended.

Of *Robert Fitzsimmons* and others, of the Town of *Brockville*, praying to have the Municipal Act amended.

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Of the Trustees of the Grammar School of *Markham*, praying for changes in the law respecting Schools.

Of the Town Council of *Port Hope*, praying to legalize a certain agreement between the Town of *Port Hope*, and the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton* Railway Company.

Of the County Council of *Middlesex*, praying for amendments to the Municipal Act.

Of the Synod of the Diocese of *Toronto*, praying for an Act to incorporate the Synod, and to unite it to the Church Society of *Toronto*.

Of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto*, praying for an Act to incorporate the Synod of the Diocese, and to unite the Church Society therewith.

Mr. *McKellar* introduced Bill (No. 76), intituled "An Act to amend the Municipal Institutions Act of *Upper Canada*, with respect to Drainage;" ordered for the second reading on Monday.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Wood*, the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, at the opening of the present Session, was taken into consideration.

Hon. Mr. *Wood* moved, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty, and the motion was referred to Committee of the Whole on Thursday, and that part of His Excellency's Speech, which relates to Supply, was referred to the Committee.

Bill (No. 39), To amend an Act of the late Province of *Canada*, intituled "An Act for the collection, by means of Stamps, of fees of office, dues and duties payable to the Crown upon law proceedings and registrations," was read the third time and passed.

Bill (No. 24), To alter the law of Dower, and to regulate proceedings in Actions for the recovery of Dower, was amended, read the third time, on a division, and passed.

Bill (No. 23), Respecting Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly, was further considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, progress reported, and leave given to sit again on Monday.

Bill (No. 58), To amend Chapter 57, Con. Stat. *U. C.*, intituled "An Act respecting Line-Fences and Watercourses," was read the second time, and referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows:—Hon. Mr *Wood*, Messrs. *Monteith, Calvin, McColl (Elgin), Wigle, Smith (Leeds)*, and *Currie*.

On motion of Mr. *Boyd*, the Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 18), Respecting advances to Lumbermen, was discharged.

Mr. *Baxter* moved, That an humble Address be voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for a Return of the terms of sale of the *Hamilton* and *Port Dover* Plank and Stone Road, the names of the persons to whom sold, the amount received on account of such sale, and shewing whether the Government has sanctioned the transfer of said road, or any part thereof, from the original purchasers to any party or parties, and if so, to whom.

The motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House then adjourned.

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Monday, 30th November, 1868.

Twenty-eight Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :

Of *David Campbell* and others, of the Town of *Stratford* ; also, of *G. L. Beardmore* and others, of the City of *Toronto* ; also, of *Wm. F. Clarke* and others, of the Congregational Union of *Ontario* and *Quebec* ; also, of *Wm. Thomson* and others, of the City of *Toronto* ; also of the Committee of the Bible Christian Denomination in *Canada* ; also, of *James Sheard* and others, of the City of *Toronto* ; also, of *A. T. McCord* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of *Wm. Walker* and others, of the County of *Ontario*, praying to have the Charter of the *Port Whitby* and *Port Perry* Railway Company amended.

Of *John Cameron* and others, of the County of *Grey*, praying for a re-organization of the Crown Land system.

Of the *Toronto* and *Nipissing* Railway Company, praying for certain amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Trustees of the *Fergus* County Grammar School, praying for an investigation of the appropriation of Grammar School Funds by *Upper Canada* College.

Of *John Hamilton* and others, of the City of *Kingston*, praying for the disendowment of the *Upper Canada* College.

Of *Daniel Kerr* and others, of the County of *Kent*, praying for a drain across the said County.

Of *Alexander Prentice*, of the County of *Simcoe*, praying for an Act to enable him to build tramways, and for other purposes.

Of the Township Council of *Fenelon*, praying to have improvements made in the navigation of *Balsam* River.

Of the Congregation, and others, of *St. Andrews* Church, of the Town of *Peterborough*, praying for an Act to appoint Trustees, and to enable them to borrow money.

Of *J. Proctor* and others, of the County of *Northumberland*, praying for a charter to construct a Railway from *Presqu'Isle* Harbour to some point within the Township.

Of *Thomas C. Keefer* and others, praying for an Act to incorporate the *Caledonia* Peat Manufacturing and Smelting Company.

Of *Peter J. Pilkey* and others, of the County of *Brant*, praying for an Act respecting the division line of certain lots in the Township of *Burford*.

Of *H. E. Ketchum* and others, of the Village of *Brighton*, praying for amendments to the Municipal Act, relating to Hotel and Saloon Keepers.

Of *B. Charlton* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*, praying to incorporate the *Hamilton* Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

Of *William D. Pollard*, of the Village of *Meaford* ; also, of *Charles Gamon*, of the Town of *Collingwood*, severally praying for Acts to admit them to the degree of Barrister.

Of the County Council of *Middlesex*, praying that no Act may be passed to enable the preferential creditors of the *Port Stanley* Railway Company, or others, to sell said Railway.

Of the Hon. *John Ross* and others, praying for an Act to incorporate the *Ontario* Trust and Investment Company.

Of *Wm. Hill* and others, of the County of *Welland*, praying that an Act may be passed respecting water courses.

Mr. *Greeley*, from the Committee on Printing, presented a report; after debate, the report was referred back to the Committee for amendment.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, reported Bill (No. 27), to authorize and empower the Corporation of the City of *Kingston* to sell certain lands.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald* introduced Bill (No. 77), intituled, "An Act to amend chapter 15, Con. Stat. U. C., respecting County Courts; ordered for the second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*, an humble Address of congratulation was voted to His Excellency Sir *John Young*, on his arrival in, and on his appointment as Governor-General of the Dominion; the Address to be engrossed and presented to His Excellency by a Deputation of Members of this House, to be composed as follows:—Hon. Mr. *Wood*, Messrs. *Scott (Ottawa)*, *Lyon*, *Cumberland*, *Smith (Leeds)*, *Perry*, *Galbraith*, and *Evans*; and the Address, as engrossed, is as follows:—

To the Right Honourable Sir *John Young*, Baronet, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., Governor-General of the Dominion of *Canada*.

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Ontario*, in Session assembled, respectfully beg leave to approach Your Excellency to offer our hearty congratulations on your safe arrival and assumption of the Government of this country.

Your Excellency's eminent talents, displayed in the high positions in the public service you have filled at home and abroad, are not unknown to the people of *Canada*, who have not failed to note, with approbation, the sagacity and true statesmanship exhibited by Your Excellency in governing the several dependencies of the Empire committed to your charge, in strict conformity with those liberal and constitutional principles which form the strongest bulwarks of British supremacy.

Our Most Gracious Sovereign's favorable recognition of the wisdom of this policy, evinced in the appointment of Your Excellency to the Governor-Generalship of this Dominion, is viewed by Her loyal subjects here with the highest satisfaction, as affording fresh testimony of the solicitude Her Majesty has, on all occasions manifested to promote the welfare and contentment of Her people, and as an additional guarantee (were that needed) for the preservation of that constitutional liberty we have the privilege to enjoy under Her benignant sway.

Under auspices thus propitious, Your Excellency enters on the Government of this Dominion. May the results justify the sanguine hopes we venture to indulge of its success.

This Assembly is now engaged in earnest deliberations how best to accomplish in this Province the objects for which the recent important changes in our constitution were effected, to unite and consolidate the interests and feelings of all Her Majesty's subjects of every race, inhabiting this vast territory; to induce the industrious settlers of every nation to make this Province their home, by opening up its fertile and productive lands, and to insure to all an equitable and economical system of government, with equal rights and freedom of religious opinions. These are our views, and to them we devote our strenuous endeavours; we bespeak for them Your Excellency's approval; on our part, we venture the assurance that Your Excellency may, at all times, rely on our most energetic efforts, and on the good will of the people of *Ontario* in furtherance of any desire and act of Your Excellency to promote the peace, order and good government of the Dominion.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Judges, on the subject of the Law of Evidence.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, a Select Committee was appointed to consider and report as to the expediency of amending the Rules of this House, by providing for a larger interval of time between the stages of Public Bills, to be composed as follows:—Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Messrs. *Scott (Ottawa)*, *McKellar*, *Rykert*, and *Blake*.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 36), Homestead Exemption Law, having been called, and a debate arising, was, with the leave of the House, allowed to stand.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 41), To amend the Municipal Institutions Act; referred to the Select Committee on the Municipal Laws.

Bill (No. 42), To repeal the Statutory enactments respecting the protection of Sheep from Dogs; referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows:—Hon. Mr. *Carling*, Messrs. *Lount*, *Paxton*, *Grahame* (*York*), *McLeod*, *Shaw*, *Rykert*, *Trow*, and *Clarke*.

Bill (No. 59), To amend the Act intituled "An Act respecting the Survey of Lands in *Upper Canada* (now the Province of *Ontario*), referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows:—Hon. Mr. *Richards*, Messrs. *Lount*, *Pardee*, *Coyne*, *Hays*, and *Eyre*.

Bill (No. 68), To amend the Act respecting Common Schools in *Upper Canada*; referred to the Select Committee on Grammar Schools.

Mr. *Oliver* moved that Bill (No. 45), Respecting Gratuitous Loans, be read the second time, when

Mr. *Lount* moved in amendment, That the Bill be read the second time this day six months, and the amendment, having been put, was carried, on a division.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented:—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, praying that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor will cause to be laid before the House, copies of all correspondence that may have taken place between the Government of *Ontario*, and the Government of the Dominion of *Canada*, respecting the order of Official Precedence: (to which is appended correspondence with respect to the saluting of Lieutenant-Governors.) (*Sessional Papers*, No. 17.)

Also:—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, praying that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor will cause to be laid before the House, a copy of the Petition presented to the late Parliament of *Canada*, by *John T. Ross*, M.P., from numerous Agriculturists residing in the different Townships of the County of *Dundas*, praying for aid to deepen the *Nation* River; Also, Report of the Committee upon said Petition, with all correspondence appertaining thereto. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 18.)

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Wood*, the Public Accounts for the year 1867 were referred to the Committee on Public Accounts.

The House then adjourned.

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Tuesday, 1st December, 1868.

Forty-six Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:

Of *Thomas Sinclair* and others, of the County of *Huron*; also, of *John Beckett* and others, of the Village of *Thamesville*; also, of the Town Council of *Ingersoll*; also, of the Trustees of the *Ingersoll* Grammar School; also, of *John Straith* and others, of the Town of *Ingersoll*; also, of *Wm. Clarke* and others, of the County of *York*; also, of the Rev. *A. F. Kemp* and others, of the Town of *Windsor*; also, of *Wm. Lang* and others, of the County of *Peterboro'*; also, of *James Hastie* and others, of the County of *Huron*; also, of *J. H. Burns* and others, of the County of *Grey*; also, of *Wm. Holmes* and others, of the County of *Oxford*; also, of *Henry J. Throp* and others, of the Town of *Picton*; also, of *John Cameron* and others, of the County of *Grey*; also, of *Charles Whitlaw* and others, of the Town of *Paris*; also, of *James Miller* and others, of the County of *Brant*; also, of *D. McPherson* and others, of the County of *Brant*; also, of the *Grand River* Association of Baptist Churches, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of *A. Ross* and others, of the County of *Victoria*, praying for an Act to separate certain lots in the Township of *Mariposa*, and unite the same to the Township of *Reach*.

Of *J. T. Kirkpatrick* and others, of the District of *Muskoka*, praying that an Act of Incorporation be granted to the *Simcoe* and *Muskoka* Railway Company.

Of the Counties Council of *Leeds* and *Grenville*, praying for amendments to the Act respecting the investment of Clergy Reserve money by Municipalities.

Of the *Port Hope*, *Lindsay* and *Beaverton* Railway Company, praying for amendments to their charter.

Of the County Council of *Leeds* and *Grenville*; also, of the County Council of *Frontenac*, severally praying that the Act to impose a tax on dogs, and for the protection of sheep, may be repealed.

Of *Wm. Tanner* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, praying for amendments to the Act respecting Dentistry.

Of the Township Council of *Mariposa*, praying that certain lots in the said Township be not separated.

*Mr. Greeley*, from the Committee on Printing, reported, that the Committee had amended their report of yesterday, and recommend that the following Returns be printed:—Return to Address relative to Lists of Voters, (*Sessional Papers*, No. 10); also, Return to Address relative to the Public Debt, (*Sessional Papers*, No. 8); also, Return to Address relative to Surveyed Lands unsold, (*Sessional Papers*, No. 13); also, Return to Address relative to *Nation River*, (*Sessional Papers*, No. 18); also, Return to Address relative to Official Precedence, (*Sessional Papers*, No. 17).

The Committee also recommend that the number of Public Bills to be printed be 1,400, of Private Bills, 900, and of the Daily Votes, 800. Ordered accordingly.

*Hon. Attorney-General Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, reported the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 57), Respecting the Colonial Securities Company, (limited), (with amendments).

Bill (No. 65), Respecting the *Hamilton* Debentures Act of 1864, and application of rates levied under by-laws, (with amendments).

*Mr. Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, reported favorably on the following Petitions:—Of *Frederick G. Allenby*, of *W. D. Pollard*, and of *Charles Gamon*, severally praying for Acts to enable them to be admitted as Barristers-at-Law; of the Reverend *W. Stephenson* and others, for an Act relative to the *Adelaide* Street Wesleyan Methodist Church; of *John Fiske*, and others, relative to the *Cobourg* and *Peterboro'* Railway Company; of *John Ross* and others, for an Act to incorporate the *Ontario* Trust and Investment Company; of *St. Andrew's Church, Peterboro'*, for an Act to appoint Trustees; of the *Huron* College, for amendments to the Act 26 *Vic.*, Cap. 31.

The Committee recommend that the notices required by the Rules of the House be dispensed with in the cases of the following Petitions:—Of the *Lake Erie* and *Port Dover* Railway Company, praying for an Act; of *P. Pearce* and others, praying for an Act to incorporate the *PresquiIsle* and *Belmont* Railway Company; of the *Toronto, Grey* and *Bruce* Railway Company, for amendments to their charter; Rules dispensed with accordingly.

On motion of *Mr. Rykert*, the time for introducing Private Bills was extended until Thursday.

The following Bills were severally introduced:—

*Hon. Mr. Cameron*, Bill (No. 78), intituled "An Act to amend the Act 31 *Vic.*, Cap. 40, to Incorporate the *Toronto, Grey* and *Bruce* Railway Company;" referred to the Committee on Railways.

*Mr. Tett* (for *Mr. Lyon*), Bill (No. 79), intituled "An Act to amend 27 *Vic.*, Cap. 17, intituled 'An Act to enable Municipal Corporations in *Upper Canada* to invest their surplus

Clergy Reserve Money for Educational purposes in certain securities, and to legalize such investments already made, and for other purposes ;" ordered for the second reading on Thursday.

Mr. *Lount*, Bill (No. 80), intituled " An Act to admit *William Darley Pollard* to the Degree of Barrister-at-Law ;" referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. *Blake*, Bill (No. 81), intituled " An Act to amend the Law as to Wills ;" ordered for the second reading on Friday.

Mr. *Lount*, Bill (No. 82), intituled " An Act to admit *Charles Gamon* to the Degree of Barrister-at-Law ;" referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. *Eyre*, Bill (No. 83), intituled " An Act to incorporate the *Presqu'Isle and Bel-mont* Railway Company ;" referred to the Committee on Railways.

Mr. *Lount*, Bill (No. 84), intituled " An Act to Incorporate the *Ontario* Trust and Investment Company ;" referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. *Lauder*, Bill (No. 85), intituled " An Act to invest certain real estate in the Trustees of the *Adelaide* Street Wesleyan Methodist Church, *Toronto*, and to enable them to sell the same ;" referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. *Carnegie*, Bill No. 86), intituled " An Act to amend Sec. 2, Cap. 121, Con. Stat. *U. C.* (now *Ontario*), respecting the auditing of accounts at the Quarter Sessions ;" ordered for the second reading on Thursday.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Bill (No. 87), intituled " An Act respecting Division Courts ;" ordered for the second reading on Thursday.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Bill (No. 88), intituled " An Act to provide for the Establishment and Government of Central District Prisons within and for the Province of *Ontario* ;" ordered for the second reading on Friday.

Bill (No. 23), Respecting Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, progress reported, and leave given to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 2), Relating to Fees to Sheriffs, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, report adopted, and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Friday.

Bill (No. 51), To diminish the sittings of the County Courts and Quarter Sessions, to abolish Recorders' Courts, and for other purposes, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, report to be received to-morrow.

Bill (No. 55), Relating to the Execution of Discharges of Mortgages and Deeds of Conveyance by Married Women, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, report adopted, and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Friday.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the following Bills were severally discharged :—

Bill (No. 66), To amend Chapter 85, Con. Stat. *U. C.*, respecting the Conveyance of Real Estate by Married Women.

Bill (No. 74), To separate the Township of *Delaware* from the West Riding of the County of *Middlesex*, and to annex the same to the East Riding of said County.

Bill (No. 21), To provide for the Trial of Issues and Assessment of Damages in certain cases without a Jury.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 29), To provide for the more satisfactory disposal of Chambers applications in the Court of Chancery ; referred to a Select Committee composed as follows :—Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Messrs. *Lauder*, *Pardee*, *Rykert*, and *Blake*.

Bill (No. 70), To enable Municipalities to grant aid by bonus or otherwise, to Roads, Tramways and Railways ; referred to the Committee on Railways.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented :—Return to an Address, praying that His Excellency

the Lieutenant-Governor would cause to be laid before the House, copies of all correspondence between the Governments of *Ontario* and *Canada*, touching the power of the Legislature of *Ontario* to enact laws punishing, by imprisonment, breaches of Provincial Laws, and generally touching the powers of the Legislature of *Ontario*. (*Sessional Papers No. 19.*)

The House then adjourned.

Wednesday, 2nd December, 1868.

Forty-five Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:

Of the Rev. *Thomas Scott* and others, of the County of *Prescott*; also, of *A. McLean* and others, of the County of *Prescott*; also, of *C. Johnston* and others, of the Town of *L'Orignal*; also, of the *L'Orignal* Grammar School Trustees, severally praying for the dis-endowment of the *Upper Canada* College.

Of *W. A. Stephens* and others, of the Town of *Owen Sound*; also, of *Alex. Moffatt* and others, of the Town of *Pembroke*; also, of *R. B. Smith* and others, of the Township of *Bayham*; also, of *Wm. Craig* and others, of the Town of *Port Hope*; also, of *Adam Cleg-horn* and others, of the Village of *Windham*; also, of *James Griffith* and others, of the Village of *Welland*; also, of the Rev. *Joseph Wheeler* and others, of the Township of *Albion*; also, of *Dr. J. J. Hoyt* and others, of the Town of *Ingersoll*; also, of *John Arnold* and others, of the Village of *Mount Brydges*; also, of the Rev. *J. S. Lauder* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of *John Shannessy* and other Innkeepers, in *St. George's* Ward, *Toronto*; also, of *Wm. Cox* and other Innkeepers, in *St. Lawrence* Ward, *Toronto*; also, of *T. R. Williams* and other Innkeepers, in *St. Patrick's* Ward, *Toronto*; also, of *Thomas Brown* and other Innkeepers, in *St. Andrew's* Ward, *Toronto*; also of *Eli Hussey* and other Innkeepers, in *St. John's* Ward, *Toronto*, severally praying for amendments to the Municipal Act, so far as relates to Innkeepers.

Of the Township Council of *Greenock*, praying for amendments to the Municipal Act in regard to levying the County Rate.

*Mr. Grahame (York)*, from the Committee on Bill (No. 48), To amend Chapter 12 of the Statutes of *Ontario*, intituled "An Act for the better protection of Game in the Province of *Ontario*," reported the Bill (with amendments).

*Mr. Lount*, from the Committee on Bill (No. 54), The Jurors and Witnesses Affirmation Act, reported the Bill (without amendments).

*Hon. Attorney-General Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, reported Bill (No. 34), To legalize and confirm the Survey made by *Alexander Campbell*, Provincial Land Surveyor, of that part of the Township of *Seymour* lying north-east of the River *Trent*, and north-west of *Crow River* (with amendments).

*Hon. Mr. Wood*, from the Deputation appointed to present the Address of the House to His Excellency the Governor General, reported, that the Deputation waited upon His Excellency, at the City of *Ottawa*, on Tuesday last, and that His Excellency was pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following answer:—

GENTLEMEN,—

I thank you for your loyal and dutiful address.

I entirely concur in the constitutional sentiments to which you give expression, and shall at all times be ready to second your efforts, to promote the peace, order and good government of the Dominion.

The following Bills were severally introduced:—

Mr. *Carnegie*, Bill (No. 89), intituled “An Act to make provision for the Registration of Marks or Brands used in Marking Timber;” ordered for the second reading on Monday.

Hon. Mr. *Wood*, Bill (No. 90), intituled “An Act respecting Tavern and Shop Licenses;” ordered for the second reading on Friday.

Mr. *Matchett*, Bill (No. 91), intituled “An Act to amend Chap. 40, 29 *Vic.*, intituled ‘An Act to prevent the spreading of *Canada Thistles* in *Upper Canada* ;’ ordered for the second reading on Monday.

Mr. *Blake*, Bill (No. 92), intituled “An Act to remove doubts as to the rights of the Bondholders of the *Cobourg* and *Peterboro’* Railway Company to the surplus funds paid, or to be paid, into the Court of Chancery, under the Act 29 *Vic.*, Cap. 79, after providing for payment of Rights of Way, Station and Depot Grounds, and to provide for the distribution thereof among such Bondholders;” referred to the Committee on Railways.

Mr. *Clarke* moved, that it be *Resolved*,—That in the opinion of this House, it is necessary and expedient in the interests of Collegiate Education, that some comprehensive scheme be devised and adopted for giving effect to the objects, and for extending the operation of the Act 16 *Vic.*, cap 89, in the establishment of a Provincial University, and the affiliation of Colleges to be supported in connection therewith.

And debate arising, Mr. *Rykert* moved in amendment,

That all the words after “That,” in the original resolution, be struck out, and the following be inserted in lieu thereof:—“While the House recognises the importance of Educational Interests, it is still of the opinion (as expressed by the Act of last Session), that no College or Educational Institution, under the control of any Religious Denomination, should receive aid from the Public Treasury.”

And objection being taken by Mr. *Clarke*, that the amendment contained matter irrelevant to the original motion, and could not therefore be properly received.

Mr. Speaker decided as follows:

The amendment is, I think, in order, and ought to be received.

The debate continuing,

And the House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight.

THURSDAY, 3rd December, 1868.

Mr. *Blake* moved in amendment to the proposed amendment,

That all the words in the amendment after “Thereof” be left out, and the following words added,—“This House, while firmly adhering to the view that Denominational Colleges should not be supported by State aid, is prepared to give its best consideration to any scheme which may be laid before it, for the improvement of superior education, and for the establishment and maintenance, through the Provincial University, of a uniform and elevated standard of graduation.”

And the amendment to the proposed amendment having been put, was carried on the following division:

*Yeas* :

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Beatty, Blake, Boulter, Boyd, Cameron, Carling, Carnegie, Clarke, Clemens, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Cook, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Crosby, Cumberland, Currie, Evans, Eyre, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Gibbons, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greely, Hays, Hooper, Lauder, Lount, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, McDougall, McGill, McKellar, McLeod, McMurrich, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Read, Richards, Sexton, Shaw, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Supple, Swinarton, Trow, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Williams (Hamilton), Wilson, and Wood.—58.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Calvin, Craig (Russell), Ferguson, Luton, Monteith, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), Rykert, Scott (Grey), Secord, Springer, and Tett.—12.

The amendment, as amended, having been put, was carried on the following division:—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Beatty, Blake, Boulter, Boyd, Cameron, Carling, Carnegie, Clarke, Clemens, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Cook, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Crosby, Cumberland, Currie, Evans, Eyre, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Gibbons, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greeley, Hays, Hooper, Lauder, Lount, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, McDougall, McGill, McKellar, McLeod, McMurrich, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Read, Richards, Sexton, Shaw, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Supple, Swinarton, Trow, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Williams (Hamilton), Wilson, and Wood.—59.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Calvin, Craig (Russell), Ferguson, Fraser, Luton, Monteith, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), Rykert, Scott (Grey), Secord, and Tett.—12.

The original motion, as amended, having been then put, was carried on the following division:—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Beatty, Blake, Boulter, Boyd, Calvin, Cameron, Carling, Carnegie, Clarke, Clemens, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Cook, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Crosby, Cumberland, Currie, Evans, Eyre, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Gibbons, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greeley, Hays, Hooper, Lauder, Lount, Luton, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McDougall, McGill, McKellar, McLeod, McMurrich, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Read, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Sexton, Shaw, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Supple, Swinarton, Trow, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Williams (Hamilton), Wilson, and Wood—66.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Ferguson, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), and Secord—4.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented:—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for a Return shewing the number of persons who have located in the respective Townships, under the provisions of the Free Grant system, together with the additional number of acres, if any, purchased by such locatees. (*Sessional Papers No. 20.*)

The House then adjourned at 1.20 A.M.

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Thursday, 3rd December, 1868.

Fifty Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :

Of Rev. *J. M. Bates* and others, of the Township of *Erin* ; also, of Rev. *William Stewart* and others, of the Town of *Brantford* ; also, of *Adam Simpson* and others, of the Village of *Streetsville* ; also, of the Rev. *M. Fraser* and others, of the Town of *Barrie* ; also, of *A. A. Drummond* and others, of the Village of *Shakespeare* ; also, of *J. S. Smith* and others, of *Port Rowan* ; also, of *John Robbins* and others, of the Village of *New Durham* ; also, of Rev. *C. Cameron* and others, of *East Bentinck* ; also, of *M. Boyd* and others,

of the Village of *Bobcaygeon*; also, of *Hugh Campbell* and others, of the Village of *Manilla*; also, of *Charles D. Orde* and others, of the County of *Ontario*; also, of *James Lindsay* and others, of the Township of *Esquesing*; also, of *John Cameron* and others, of the Township of *Pickering*; also, of *G. Haines* and others, of the Town of *Bowmanville*; also, of *Neal Eastman* and others, of the Township of *Bosanquet*; also, of *P. McDermott* and others, of the Township of *Moore*; also, of *John Blackwell* and others, of the Village of *Mount Brydges*; also, of *Thomas Henry* and others, of the County of *Peel*; also of *John McBean* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; also, of *S. Cunningham* and others, of the Township of *Monck*; also, of *John Parker* and others, of the County of *South Ontario*; also, of *C. Page* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; also, of *C. Paxton* and others, of *Port Perry*; also, of *Wm. Fotheringham* and others, of the County of *Perth*; also, of *Rev. George Ewing* and others, of the Village of *Georgetown*; also, of *Wm. Lowell* and others, of the County of *Welland*; also, of the *Rev. J. Brown* and others, of the Village of *Burford*; also, of *T. Edwards* and others, of the Town of *Peterboro'*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of *D. Haig* and others, of the County of *Leeds*; also, of *M. McFarlane* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; also, of *R. W. Nurx* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; also, of *J. C. Langstaff* and others, of the County of *Middlesex*; severally praying for amendments to the Municipal Act, so far as relates to Inn-keepers.

Of the Directors of the *London and Port Stanley Railway Company*; also, of the Town Council of *London*, severally praying that the Petition of *Edward Pearson* respecting said Railway be not granted.

Of *J. Lugsden* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; of *J. B. Whittemore* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, respecting the Elective Franchise.

Of *G. F. Brusey* and others, of the County of *Ontario*, praying for amendments to the Charter of the *Port Whitby and Port Perry Railway Company*.

Of the County Council of *Middlesex*, praying that an Act may be passed to pay Registrars by Salary instead of Fees.

Of the County Council of *Middlesex*, praying that sub-section 7, Sec. 70, of Cap. 20, 31st *Vic.*, may be amended.

Of the *Toronto Street Railway Company*, praying for an Act to enable said Railway to be sold.

*Mr. Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, reported favourably on the following petitions:—

Of *W. H. Bell* and others, praying for an Act to confer certain powers; of *Alice Wright*, praying for an Act to vest property in Trustees; of *Charlotte Elmsley* and others, asking for the relief of Trustees; of the Trust and Loan Company of *Canada*, praying for certain powers; of the *Port Perry Railway Company*, for an Act to amend their Charter; of the *Port Hope, Lindsay, and Beaverton Railway Company*, asking for certain powers; of the *Toronto and Nipissing Railway Company*, for certain amendments to their Charter; of the *Caledonia Peat Company*, for an Act of incorporation; of *A. Ross* and others, to separate certain lots in the Township of *Mariposa*.

Also, that the Committee recommend the Notices required by the Rules of the House to be dispensed with in the cases of the following Petitions:—

Of the Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company of *Ontario*, for an Act to extend their power; of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of *Hamilton*, for an Act of incorporation; of *Lady Smith*, asking for power to deal with the Real Estate of her late Husband; of the Synod of the Diocese of *Toronto*, for an Act of incorporation; of certain inhabitants of *Orillia, Muskoka, &c.*, praying for an Act to incorporate a Company to build a Wooden Railway; Rules dispensed with accordingly.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and referred to the Committee on Private Bills:—

Hon. *Mr. Cameron*, Bill (No. 94), intituled "An Act for the relief of *William H. Bell* and others interested in the Estate of the late *Thomas Bell*."

Mr. *Clarke*, Bill (No. 95), intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of *Hamilton*."

Mr. *Blake*, Bill (No. 96), intituled "An Act to amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, 25 Vic., Cap. 72, by declaring the Intentions of the same, and confirming Conveyances made by the Trust and Loan Company thereunder."

Hon. Mr. *Carling*, Bill (No. 97), intituled "An Act to amend the Act intituled 'An Act to Incorporate *Huron College* (26 Vic., Cap. 31).'"

Hon. Mr. *Carling*, Bill (No. 98), intituled "An Act to Incorporate the *Hellmuth Ladies' College*."

Mr. *Cumberland*, Bill (No. 99), intituled "An Act to Incorporate the Synod of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and to unite the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto* therewith."

Mr. *Lauder*, Bill (No. 101), intituled "An Act to relieve the Trustees of the Estate of the Honorable *John Elmsley*, late of *Toronto*, and to vest said Estate in *Charlotte Elmsley*."

Mr. *Gow*, Bill (No. 102), intituled "An Act to vest the Estate of the late *Alexander Wright* in Trustees, with certain powers."

Mr. *Williams (Durham)*, Bill (No. 103), intituled "An Act to enable the Council of the Corporation of *Port Hope* to aid, by way of Bonus, the extension and completion of the *Port Hope, Lindsay, and Beaverton Railway to Beaverton*."

Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*, Bill (No. 104), intituled "An Act to grant relief to *Lady Smith*, and to enable her to manage the Estate of her late Husband, *Sir Henry Smith*."

Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*, Bill (No. 105), intituled "An Act to authorize the Law Society of *Ontario* to admit *Frederick George Allenby* as a Barrister-at-Law."

Mr. *Paxton*, Bill (No. 107), intituled "An Act to annex parts of *Mariposa* to the Township of *Reach*."

Mr. *Scott (Grey)*, Bill (No. 110), intituled "An Act to Legalize the Granting to, and holding by the Municipal Corporation of the Township of *St. Vincent*, in the County of *Grey*, of certain Lands."

Mr. *Carnegie*, Bill (No. 111), intituled "An Act to provide for the Succession of Trustees of the Church and Glebe Property belonging to *St. Andrew's Church, Peterboro'*, and to authorize the Trustees of said Property to mortgage the said Property or part thereof."

The following Bills were severally introduced, and referred to the Committee on Railways:—

Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, Bill (No. 93), intituled "An Act to amend the Act 31 Vic., Chap. 41, intituled 'An Act to Incorporate the *Toronto and Nipissing Railway Company*.'"

Mr. *Paxton*, Bill (No. 106), intituled "An Act to Amend the Act to Incorporate the *Port Whitby and Port Perry Railway Company*."

Mr. *Cockburn*, Bill (No. 108), intituled "An Act to Incorporate the *Simcoe and Muskoka Railway Company*."

Mr. *Wilson*, Bill (No. 109), intituled "An Act to construct a Wooden or Iron Railway from *Port Dover*, through the Town of *Simcoe*, either to the Town of *Brantford* or to the Village of *Caledonia*."

Mr. *Cumberland* introduced Bill (No. 100), intituled "An Act to establish Municipal Institutions in the District of *Algoma*;" ordered for the second reading on Monday.

On motion of Mr. *Rykert*, the time for receiving Private Bills was extended until tomorrow.

On motion of Mr. *Carnegie*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of all correspondence between the Government and Mr. *John Carrol*, late Crown Land Agent of the *Burleigh Road*, since the first of January, 1867, and also copies of all accounts, or memorandum of accounts received from the said *John Carrol* during the same time.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieu-

tenant-Governor, for copies of all applications made to the Crown Lands Department for the purchase of Mining Lands, in *Lake Superior District*, under the Order in Council of 13th July, 1866, in respect of which patents have not issued, together with the dates of such applications, the amounts paid to the Department in respect thereof, the dates of such payments, and all correspondence in connexion therewith.

Also :—an humble Address for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Judges touching the Division Courts.

Also :—an humble Address for copies of any communications from any of the Judges to any members of the Government on the subject of the Bill (No. 51), To diminish the Sittings of the County Courts, &c.

On motion of Mr. *Lauder*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor for a copy of any Petition or Report made to the Government by the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital, touching the affairs of the said Institution.

On motion of Mr. *Fitzsimmons*, Messrs. *McKellar* and *Colquhoun* were added to the Select Committee on Bill (No. 58), Respecting Line-Fences and Watercourses.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented :—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for a Return of the Principal and Interest due on Crown, Clergy, Grammar, and Common School Lands respectively ; the principal and interest to be given in separate columns. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 21.)

The House went into Committee of the Whole, to consider the motion proposed on the 27th November, “That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.”

(*In Committee.*)

*Resolved*, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

Resolution reported ; report to be received to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the House going into Committee of the Whole, on Bill (No. 54), “The Jurors and Witnesses Affirmation Act,” was discharged.

Bill (No. 48), To amend chapter 12 of the Statutes of *Ontario*, intituled “An Act for the better Protection of Game in *Ontario*,” was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, and reported ; report to be received to-morrow.

Bill (No. 23), Respecting Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, and reported.

On motion,—That the report be now received,

Mr *Currie* moved in amendment, That the report be not now received, but that it be referred back to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same by expunging the word “two” in sub-section one of section five, after the words “Villages of” and “Townships of,” and inserting the word “one” instead thereof.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

*Yeas* :

Messrs. Calvin, Cockburn, Coyne, Crosby, Currie, Ferguson, Lauder, Lyon, Monteith, McColl (Elgin), McKim, Paxton, and Smith (Kent).—13.

*Nays* :

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Blake, Boulter, Boyd, Cameron, Carling, Carnegie, Clarke, Clemens, Colquhoun, Cook, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Cumberland, Evans, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Galbraith, Gibbons, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greeley, Hays, Hooper, Lount, Macdonald, Matchett, McCall (Norfolk), McDou-

gall, McGill, McKellar, McLeod, Pardee, Perry, Read, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Scott (Ottawa), Secord, Sexton, Shaw, Sinclair, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Supple, Tett, Trow, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Williams (Hamilton), Wilson, and Wood.—57.

Mr. *McCall* (*Norfolk*), then moved in amendment, That the said report be not now received, but referred back to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to insert a clause, requiring that no person be qualified to be elected a Member of the Legislative Assembly of *Ontario*, unless he shall be then and for six months previous to such election, seized at law or in equity of a freehold estate, possessed in his own right and for his own use and benefit, of lands and tenements of the actual value of two thousand dollars over and above all incumbrances.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Boulter, Colquhoun, Cook, Craig (Russell), Crosby, Currie, Ferguson, Graham (Hastings), Greeley, Lauder, Luton, McCall (*Norfolk*), McColl (*Elgin*), McKim, McMurrich, Paxton, Read, Smith (*Kent*), Supple, and Wilson.—22.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Blake, Boyd, Calvin, Cameron, Carling, Carnegie, Clarke, Clemens, Cockburn, Coyne, Cumberland, Evans, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Galbraith, Gibbons, Gow, Grahame (*York*), Hays, Hooper, Lount, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McDougall, McGill, McKellar, McLeod, Pardee, Perry, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Scott (Ottawa), Secord, Sexton, Shaw, Sinclair, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Tett, Trow, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Williams (Hamilton), and Wood.—49.

The original motion having then been put, was carried, report adopted, and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Tuesday.

On motion,—That the report of the Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 51), To diminish the sittings of County Courts and Quarter Sessions, to abolish Recorders' Courts, and for other purposes, be adopted,

Mr. *Grahame* (*York*), moved in amendment,

That the report be not now received, but that it be referred back to a Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of expunging from the tenth and twenty-second sections of the Act, so much as provides for the re-uniting of the City of *Toronto* and the County of *York* for Judicial purposes; lost on a division.

Mr. Speaker called upon Mr. *Rykert* to take the Chair during his absence.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald* the Bill was again referred to Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, report adopted and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Tuesday.

On motion of Mr. *Trow*, the Orders of the Day for the second reading of the following Bills were severally discharged :—

Bill (No. 35), Mechanics' Lien.

Bill (No. 36), Homestead Exemption Law.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow :—

Bill (No. 71), Respecting the Public Works of *Ontario*.

Bill (No. 57), Respecting the Colonial Securities Company, (Limited).

Bill (No. 65), To explain the 36th Section of the *Hamilton* Debentures Act of 1864; and to legalize, if necessary, the application of the rates levied by the City of *Hamilton*, under the By-laws referred to in that Section.

Bill (No. 34), To legalize and confirm the Survey made by *Alexander Campbell*, Provincial Land Surveyor, of that part of the Township of *Seymour*, lying north-east of the River *Trent*, and north-west of *Crow River*.

Bill (No. 76), To amend the Municipal Institutions Act of *Upper Canada* with respect to Drainage, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Committee on the Municipal and Assessment Laws.

The House then adjourned.

### Friday, 4th December, 1868.

Twenty Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :

Of *Thomas Davidson* and others, of the Township of *Otonabee* ; also, of *F. Rowland* and others, of the City of *London* ; also, of Rev. *D. Cauthon* and others, of the Township of *Reach* ; also, of Rev. *G. Murray* and others, of the Township of *Blenheim* ; also, of *Lawrence Gibson* and others, of the Town of *Prescott* ; also, of Rev. *G. Cheyne* and others, of the Village of *Saltfleet* ; also, of *Henry Liesmere* and others, of the Township of *Easthope* ; also, of *A. S. Stevens* and others, of the Village of *Cape Rich* ; also, of *Z. Wilson* and others, of the City of *Ottawa* ; also, of *Johnston Rutherford* and others, of the Township of *Easthope* ; also, of *James McLean* and others, of the Township of *Cavan* ; also, of Rev. *Alexander McDonald* and others, of the Townships of *Seaford* and *Stanley* ; also, of *Thomas Russell* and others, of the County of *Peel* ; also, of *T. F. Connor* and others, of the Town of *Oshawa* ; also, of *Reuben Scott* and others, of the Village of *Colborne* ; also, of the Rev. *W. Mickle* and others, of the Village of *Oakville* ; also, of Rev. *Allan Findlay* and others, of the Village of *Granton* ; also, of *Warren Kimball* and others, of the Township of *Mersea* ; also, of *J. W. Mather* and others, of the Village of *Angus* ; also, of *James Mills* and others of the Town of *St. Catharines* ; also, of *Dennis W. Kearns* and others, of the Township of *West Zorra* ; also, of *Peter Forsyth* and others, of the Township of *West Nissouri* ; also, of *James Brown* and others, of the County of *Ontario* ; also, of *Reuben Scott* and others, of the Village of *Colborne* ; also, of *John McLaughlin* and others, of the Township of *Darlington* ; also, of *Duncan McIntyre* and others, of the Township of *Otonabee* ; also, of *B. Farr* and others, of the Township of *Canboro* ; also, of *J. R. Brown* and others, of the Village of *Dunnville* ; also of Dr. *Wolverton* and others, of the Town of *Grimsby* ; also, of Rev. *John Scott* and others, of the Village of *Napanee* ; also, of *John Ross* and others of the Village of *Allandale* ; also, of *G. E. Henderson* and others, of the Town of *Belleville* ; also, of *J. R. Hislop* and others, of the County of *Simcoe* ; also, of *L. G. Carter* and others, of *Port Colborne* ; also, of *J. C. Hood* and others, of the Township of *Essex* ; severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of the Hon. *James Cockburn* and others, of the Town of *Cobourg* ; also, of *G. M. Goodvee* and others, of the County of *Northumberland*, severally praying for certain amendments to the Game Law.

Of the Town Council of *St. Thomas* ; also, of the County Council of *Elgin*, severally praying against the sale of the *London* and *Port Stanley* Railroad.

Of Dr. *Fuller* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, praying for amendments in the School Law.

Of *Thomas Brodie* and others, of the County of *Durham*, praying for amendments in the Municipal Law, so far as relates to Innkeepers.

Of the Township Council of *Smith*, respecting the survey of lands in *Ontario*.

Of *C. A. Martin* and others, of the City of *Ottawa*, praying for amendments in the Dentistry Law.

Mr. *Grahame (York)*, from the Committee on Bill (No. 42), Respecting the protection of Sheep from Dogs, reported the Bill, (with amendments).

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, reported Bill (No. 32), For incorporating the *Ontario* Mutual Life Assurance Company, (with amendments).

Hon. Mr. *Wood*, from the Committee on Bill (No. 58), Respecting Line-Fences and Water-courses, reported the Bill, (with amendments).

Mr. *Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, reported favorably on the Petition of the *Toronto* Street Railway Company.

The Report of the Committee of the Whole (of yesterday) on Supply, was adopted; and on motion of Hon. Mr. *Wood*, it was,

*Resolved*,—That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole on Tuesday, to consider of the Supply to be granted to Her Majesty.

The following Bills were severally introduced:—

Mr. *Grahame (York)*, Bill (No. 112), intituled, “An Act to amend the Act passed in the 28th *Vic.*, respecting the granting of Charters of Incorporation to Manufacturing, Mining and other Companies;” ordered for the second reading on Tuesday.

Mr. *McGill*, Bill (No. 113), intituled, “An Act to amend the *Ontario* Farmers’ Mutual Insurance Company;” referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Mr. *Calvin*, Bill (No. 114), intituled, “An Act to amend the Act intituled, ‘An Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada* (now *Ontario*), 29 and 30 *Vic.*, Chap. 51;” ordered for the second reading on Monday.

Hon. Mr. *Carling* (for Hon. Mr. *Cameron*), Bill (No. 115), intituled, “An Act for the relief of the *Toronto* Street Railway Company, and to provide for the sale of the Railway;” referred to the Committee on Railways.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Bill (No. 116), intituled, “An Act to confer certain powers on Trustees and Executors;” ordered for the second reading on Tuesday.

The following Bills were severally read the third time, and passed:—

Bill (No. 2), To amend Chapter 119 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, so far as it relates to Fees to Sheriffs.

Bill (No. 55), Relating to the Execution of Discharges of Mortgages and Deeds of Conveyance by Married Women.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to Committee of the Whole on Tuesday:—

Bill (No. 62), Relative to Mining.

Bill (No. 73), To repeal certain Acts and Enactments therein mentioned, and to abolish the Court of Impeachment for the trial of County Judges.

Bill (No. 77), To amend Chapter 15, Con. Stat., *U.C.*, respecting County Courts.

Bill (No. 88), To provide for the Establishment and Government of Central District Prisons within and for the Province of *Ontario*.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented:—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for a copy of any petition or report made to the Government by the Trustees of the *Toronto* General Hospital, touching the affairs of the said Institution. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 22).

The House then adjourned.

Monday, 7th December, 1868.

Forty-two Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:—

Of *John Scott* and others, of *Almonte*; also, of *Andrew Smith* and others, of the Town of *Woodstock*; also, of *Peter Werry* and others, of the Township of *Darlington*; also, of *John Stewart* and others, of the Township of *Lochiel*; also, of *D. Philips* and others, of the County of *Leeds*; also, of *Alexander McFaul* and others, of the Township of *Caledon*; also, of *William Hewitt* and others, of the Township of *Charlotteville*; also, of *Henry Stockland* and others, of the County of *Peterboro'*; also, of *John Radcliff* and others, of the Township of *Whitby*; also, of *Robert McLellan* and others, of the Town of *Markham*; also, of *Adam Spears* and others, of the Township of *Pickering*; also, of *Peter Campbell* and others, of the Township of *Russell*; also, of *Robert Reid* and others, of the Township of *Markham*; also, of *Donald Campbell* and others, of the County of *Wellington*; also, of *John Williams* and others, of the Township of *Pickering*; also, of *Francis Durant* and others, of the Township of *Carradoc*; also, of *Rowley Kilborn* and others, of the Township of *Clinton*; also, of *Hugh Campbell* and others, of the Township of *Manilla*; also, of *John Riddle* and others, of the County of *Perth*; also, of *Alexander Gillespie* and others, of the Township of *Otonabee*; also, of *Leander Harvey* and others, of the County of *Lambton*; also, of *John McDonald* and others, of the Township of *Eldon*; also, of *F. Beyer* and others, of *Smith's Falls*; also, of the Rev. *D. McMillan* and others, of the Township of *Lobo*; also, of *W. Marsh* and others, of the County of *Middlesex*; also, of *James Dryden* and others, of the Town of *Whitby*; also, of *Robert Hall* and others, of the Town of *St. Mary's*; also, of *Andrew Wyatt* and others, of the Township of *Hallowell*; also, of *Walter Pound* and others, of the County of *Ontario*; also, of *H. McClelan* and others, of the Town of *Collingwood*; also, of *Ivan O'Beirne* and others, of the Town of *Peterborough*; also, of *C. H. King* and others, of the Township of *Cheltenham*; also, of *Robert Davis* and others, of the County of *Haldimand*; also, of *Henry Elliott* and others, of the Township of *Darlington*; also, of *James Stark* and others, of the Township of *East Whitby*; also, of *W. S. Pascoe* and others, of the Village of *Oshawa*; also, of *E. F. Loucks* and others, of the Township of *Russell*; also, of *Hugh Reid* and others, of the Township of *Sydenham*; also, of *William Sutton* and others, of *Walkerton*; also, of *John Ashton* and others, of the Township of *Whitby*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of the Students of *McGill College*, praying against the Medical Bill.

Of *J. M. Wells* and others, of the Village of *Aurora*, praying for amendments in the Dentistry Act.

Of *Alexander McDonnell* and others, of the County of *Wentworth*, praying for an Act to revise and continue for limited purposes the charter of the *Hamilton and Port Dover Railway Company*.

Of *James Smith* and others, of the City of *London*, praying that the Municipal Act be amended.

The following Bills were severally introduced:—

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Bill (No. 117), intituled "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Court of Error and Appeal;" ordered for the second reading to-morrow.

Mr. *Coyne*, Bill (No. 118), intituled "An Act to amend the Act as to the Qualifications of Justices of the Peace;" ordered for the second reading on Wednesday.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, Bill (No. 119), intituled, "An Act to amend the Common Schools Acts of *Upper Canada*;" ordered for the second reading on Wednesday.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Richards*, the House resolved to form itself into a Committee of the Whole to-morrow, to consider the following Resolution:—

*Resolved*,—That it is expedient to amend the seventh section of The Free Grants and Homestead Act of 1868, by striking out the words "one hundred acres" at the end of said section, and substituting in place thereof, the words "two hundred acres."

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 27), To authorize and empower the City of *Kingston* to sell certain lands ; referred to Committee of the Whole on Wednesday.

Bill (No. 32), For incorporating the *Ontario* Mutual Life Assurance Company ; referred to Committee of the Whole on Thursday.

Bill (No. 67), To amend the Act respecting Dentistry ; referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows :—Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, and Messrs *McKellar*, *Boulter*, *McKim*, *Ferrier*, and *Gow*.

Bill (No. 79), To amend 27 *Vic.*, Cap. 17, intituled “An Act to enable Municipal Corporations in *Upper Canada* to invest their surplus Clergy Reserve Money for Educational purposes in certain securities, and to legalize such investments already made, and for other purposes ; referred to the Select Committee on the Municipal Laws.

Bill (No. 81), To amend the law as to Wills ; referred to Committee of the Whole on Thursday.

Bill (No. 91), To amend Chap. 40, 29 *Vic.*, intituled “An Act to prevent the spreading of *Canada* Thistles in *Upper Canada* ; referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows :—Messrs. *McKellar*, *Currie*, *Read*, *Galbraith*, and *Matchett*.

Bill (No. 114), To amend the Act intituled “An Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada* (now *Ontario*), 29 and 30 *Vic.*, Chap. 51 ; referred to the Select Committee on the Municipal Laws.

Bill (No. 87), Respecting Division Courts ; referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

Bill (No. 65), To explain the 36th Section of the *Hamilton* Debentures Act of 1864, and to legalize, if necessary, the application of the rates levied by the City of *Hamilton*, under the By-Laws referred to in that Section, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, report adopted, and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Wednesday.

Bill (No. 34), To legalize and confirm the Survey made by *Alexander Campbell*, Provincial Land Surveyor, of that part of the Township of *Seymour* lying north-east of the River *Trent*, and north-west of *Crow* River, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, report adopted, and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Friday.

The report of Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 48), To amend Chapter 12 of the Statutes of *Ontario*, intituled, “An Act for the better protection of Game in the Province of *Ontario*,” was adopted, and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Wednesday.

Bill (No. 71), Respecting the Public Works of *Ontario*, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, reported, report to be received to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

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Tuesday, 8th December, 1868.

Twenty-two petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :—

Of *F. Booker* and others, of the Township of *Onondago* ; also, of *Stewart Scott*, of the Township of *London* ; also, of Rev. *R. B. Cook* and others, of the County of *Halton* ; also, of Rev. *James Little* and others, of the Township of *Nassagaweya* ; also, of *N. Sprague* and others, of the County of *Prince Edward* ; also, of Rev. *L. Cameron* and others, of the Village of *Acton* ; also, of *James Collins* and others, of the Township of *Exeter* ; also, of *Henry Harper* and others, of the Village of *Cookstown* ; also, of *D. Sloan* and others, of the County of *Huron* ; also, of *Charles King* and others, of the Township of *Yarmouth* ; also, of *Martin Watson* and

others, of the Village of *Widder Station*; also, of *John Brown* and others, of the Township of *Binbrook*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of the Township Council of *Logan*, praying for amendments in the Assessment Law.

Of *Marcus Gunn*, of the City of *London*, praying for amendments to the Law of Bail.

Of *F. G. Callender* and others, of the Town of *Cobourg*, praying that the Dentistry Act may not be amended.

Of the Trustees of the *Peterboro'* Grammar School, praying for the disendowment of the *Upper Canada* College.

Mr. *Cumberland*, from the Committee on Public Accounts, presented their first report, recommending, That as the Legislature may generally open in November or December of each year, the Fiscal year should terminate on the 30th September, so that all accounts may be balanced before submission to the Legislature; and that a vote of credit be obtained for the first quarter for current services; report to lie on the table until Thursday.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, from the Committee on the Municipal and Assessment Laws, to whom was referred Bill (No. 76), An Act to amend the Municipal Institutions Act of *Upper Canada*, reported the Bill, (with amendments).

Mr. *McLeod*, from the Committee on Bill (No. 22), Respecting the Conveyance of Real Estate by Married Women, reported the Bill, (with amendments).

Mr. *Matchett*, from the Committee on Bill (No. 91), To prevent the spreading of *Canada* Thistles, reported the Bill, (without amendments).

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, reported Bill (No. 53), To incorporate the *St. Andrew's* Society of the City of *Ottawa*, (with amendments); also, that the Preamble of Bill (No. 61), To change the name of the *Caledonia Springs* Hotel Company, has not been proved.

Mr. *Eyre*, from the Committee on Bill (No. 26), Respecting the Office of Sheriff, reported the Bill, (with amendments).

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented:—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Judges, on the subject of the Law of Evidence. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 23).

Also:—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, praying for copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Judges touching the Division Courts. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 24.)

The following Bills were severally introduced:—

Mr. *Scott* (*Ottawa*), Bill (No. 120), intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Caledonia* Peat Manufacturing and Smelting Company;" referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Hon. Mr. *Wood*, Bill (No. 121), intituled "An Act for providing for Industrial Schools;" ordered for the second reading on Thursday.

On motion,—That Bill (No. 23), Respecting Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly, be now read the third time,

Mr. *Perry* moved in amendment—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be referred back to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same by inserting the following as a second sub-section of section five:—"Every male person rated on the then last revised Assessment Roll, for an income or salary, derived from any profession or calling, to the amount of six hundred dollars and upwards in Cities, five hundred dollars and upwards in Towns, and four hundred dollars and upwards in Townships and Incorporated Villages, who has resided during the six months previous to the election, and is residing at the time of the election in the Municipality in which he is about to vote, provided he shall have

paid all taxes due by him, and shall not have claimed or claim any exemption from payment of taxes on such income or salary."

And the amendment having been put, was lost on the following division:—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Clemens, Coyne, Crosby, Ferrier, Finlayson, Gow, McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McLeod, McMurrich, Paxton, Perry, Sexton, Springer, and Williams (Hamilton).—19.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling, Clarke, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Cumberland, Currie, Eyre, Ferguson, Fitzsimmons, Galbraith, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greeley, Lauder, Luton, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McGill, Read, Richards, Scott (Grey), Scott (Ottawa), Secord, Shaw, Sinclair, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Supple, Swinarton, Tett, Trow, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Wilson, and Wood.—44.

Mr. *Coyne* then moved in amendment—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be referred back to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same by striking out "Section four," and the word "male," from the first line of Sub-Section one of Section five.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

Mr. *Coyne* then again moved in amendment—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be referred back to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same, by adding the following after, and as part of Sub-Section two of Section five: "And furthermore, in case a farmer, with one or more sons of the full age of twenty-one years, is in actual use and occupation of land as a farm, rateable at an amount sufficient, if equally divided between them to give a qualification to each, then each shall be deemed rated, within this Act."

And the amendment, having been put, was lost, on a division.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed, on a division.

On motion that Bill (No. 51), To diminish the sittings of County Courts and Quarter Sessions, to abolish Recorders' Courts and for other purposes, be read the third time,

Mr. *Ferguson* moved in amendment—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but be referred back to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same by expunging so much thereof as destroys or takes away the equity jurisdiction of County Courts, as set forth in sections 33, 34 and 35, Chapter 15, *Vic.* 22.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

Mr. *Ferguson* then again moved, in amendment—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but be referred back to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same by adding after the words "Police Magistrate" in section eleven, the following: "Provided always that before any Police Magistrate shall act in the capacity of a Justice of the Peace, for any County or Union of Counties, he shall take the same oath of qualification, and in the same manner as is by law required for Justices of the Peace."

And the amendment, having been put, was lost, on the following division:

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Clemens, Coyne, Crosby, Evans, Ferguson, Fitzsimmons, Galbraith, Gow, Lauder, McKellar, McKim, McLeod, McMurrich, Perry, Scott (Grey), Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, and Williams (Hamilton).—24.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Calvin, Carling, Carnegie, Clarke, Cockburn, Colquhoun,

Cook, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Currie, Eyre, Ferrier, Finlayson, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greeley, Luton, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McColl (Elgin), McGill, Read, Richards, Secord, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Supple, Swinarton, Tett, Williams (Durham), Wilson, and Wood.—34.

Mr. *McMurrich* then moved in amendment—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but be referred back to Committee of the Whole with instructions to amend the same by expunging so much of sections ten and twenty-two as provides for the re-union of the City of *Toronto* with the County of *York*, for judicial purposes.

And objection having been taken by Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald* to the amendment, inasmuch as it is identical in purport with an amendment on which the House had already pronounced an opinion, and cannot, therefore, be properly received.

Mr. Speaker decided—

The amendment is not in order, and cannot be received.

Mr. *McMurrich* then again moved in amendment—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be read this day six months ; lost on a division.

Then, on motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, the following amendments were made to the Bill :—

New Section.—26. “This Act shall take effect from and after the first day of February next.”

The Title to be—“The Law Reform Act of 1868.”

The amendments were read the second time, and the Bill was read the third time and passed.

The Bill (No. 77), To amend Chapter 15, Con. Stat. *U.C.*, respecting County Courts, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and debate arising,

And the House having continued to sit until 12 of the clock, midnight.

WEDNESDAY, 9th December, 1868.

The Bill was reported (with amendments), report adopted, and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Friday.

Bill (No. 73), To repeal certain Acts and Enactments therein mentioned, and to abolish the Court of Impeachment for the trial of County Judges, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, report adopted, and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Friday.

The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to consider a Resolution proposed by Hon. Mr. *Richards* on the 7th instant.

(*In Committee*).

*Resolved*,—That it is expedient to amend the seventh section of The Free Grants and Homestead Act of 1858, by striking out the words “one hundred acres” at the end of said section, and substituting in place thereof, the words “two hundred acres.”

Resolution reported, and report adopted.

Hon. Mr. *Richards* introduced Bill (No. 122), intituled, “An Act to amend The Free Grants and Homestead Act ;” ordered for the second reading on Friday.

The House then adjourned at 12.30 A.M.

Wednesday, 9th December, 1868.

Seventeen Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :

Of *John Roger* and others, of the County of *Perth* ; also, of *J. B. Browning* and others, of the Township of *Muskoka* ; also, of *C. H. Hawkinson* and others, of *Port Burwell* ; also, of *Rev. M. Gold* and others, of the Town of *Lindsay* ; also, of *Robert Binnie* and others, of the Town of *Lindsay* ; also of *Alexander McCorquodale* and others, of the Township of *West Zorra* ; also, of *Gordon Baker* and others, of the Township of *Winchester* ; also, of *T. D. Laflamme* and others, of the Township of *Winchester* ; also, of the *Rev. J. M. Smith* and others, of the Village of *Grafton* ; also, of *Donald McNeil* and others, of the County of *Bruce* ; also, of *Jacob Upper* and others, of the County of *Monck* ; also, of the *Rev. Walker Wright* and others, of the Township of *Muskoka* ; also, of *Archibald Jarvis* and others, of the Township of *Binbrook* ; also, of *J. B. Crozier* and others, of the Township of *Caradoc* ; also, of *James Sharpe* and others, of the Township of *Gravenhurst* ; also, of *Elijah Chesney* and others, of the Township of *Binbrooke* ; also, of *Thomas Fairburn* and others, of *Culross* ; also, of *P. McInnes* and others, of the Township of *Kincardine* ; also, of *John Taylor* and others, of the Town of *Bothwell* ; also, of *Gibson Gray* and others, of the County of *Monck* ; also, of *E. W. Oille* and others, of *Yarmouth* ; also, of *Charles Northrup* and others, of the Township of *Wellesley* ; also, of *Thomas G. Choate* and others, of the Township of *Dummer* ; also, of *Robert Ringan* and others, of the Town of *Peterboro'* ; also, of *John Campbell* and others, of the Township of *Huron* ; also, of *Andrew McCauslan* and others, of the Township of *Euphemia* ; also, of *J. C. Black* and others, of the Township of *Smith* ; also, of *Robert Jack* and others, of the County of *Orford* ; also, of *H. P. O'Connor* and others, of the Township of *Walkerton*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of *D. Perim* and others, of the City of *London* ; also, of *C. S. Chittenden* and others, of the City of *Hamilton* ; also, of *J. B. Mecham* and others, of the Town of *Brantford*, severally praying against amendments to the Dentistry Act.

Of *Henry Weller* and others, of the County of *Northumberland*, praying for amendments in the Game Act.

Of *James Stratton* and others, of the Town of *Peterboro'* ; also, of the Trustees of the *Cornwall Grammar School*, severally praying for the disendowment of the *Upper Canada College*.

Of *John Moodie* and others, of the County of *Grey* ; also, of *John Paul* and others, of the Village of *Meaford* ; also, of *John P. Coulson* and others, of the Town of *Owen Sound*, severally praying for amendments in the Municipal Law.

Of *Andrew Thompson* and others, of the Township of *Seymour*, praying that the Act to confirm the survey made by one *Campbell* be not passed.

*Mr. Greeley*, from the Committee on Printing, recommended that the following Papers be printed :—Return to an Address for copies of correspondence touching the powers of the Legislature of *Ontario* (*Sessional Papers, No. 19*) ; also :—Return to Address for copies of correspondence on the subject of the Law of Evidence (*Sessional Papers, No. 23*).

The Committee further recommend, that the number of Private Bills to be printed be not increased as previously ordered ; also, that 3,000 copies of Bill (No. 36), Home-stead Exemption Law, and 2,000 copies of Bill (No. 35), Mechanics' Lien, be printed for distribution ; Ordered to be printed accordingly.

*Hon. Attorney-General Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, reported the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 63), To divide the Township of *Garafraux* into two Municipalities, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 75), To incorporate the *Ottawa* Unity Protestant Benefit Society, (with amendments).

Mr. *Gow*, from the Committee on Bill (No. 67), To amend the Act on Dentistry, reported the Bill, (without amendment).

Mr. *Clarke*, from the *South Huron* Contested Election Committee, reported the following as their final determination :—

*Resolved*,—That *Isaac Carling*, Esquire, has a majority of legal votes, and ought to have been returned at the last Election as Member for the South Riding of the County of *Huron*.

*Resolved*,—That neither the Petition, nor the Defence is frivolous or vexatious.

Your Committee further report all the questions on which they were not unanimous, with the names of the Members voting in the affirmative and negative, which are hereto appended.

The following are the questions on which the Committee were not unanimous, with the names of the Members voting in the affirmative and negative. Prepared according to the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, Section 90.

Friday, 21st February, 1868.

Mr. *Gow* moved, seconded by Mr. *McDougall* :—That the following Preliminary Objections be received, viz:—

1. That the said *Isaac Carling* was, by himself and Agents, guilty of bribery and other corrupt practices within the meaning of the Statutes in that behalf, and of the Common Law affecting the same, at the said Election of a Member to represent the said South Riding of *Huron* in the present Provincial Parliament.

*Yeas* :—Messrs. *Gow*, and *McDougall*.

*Nays* :—Messrs. *Grahame*, *Craig*, and *Clarke*.

So it passed in the negative.

2. That the said *Isaac Carling* did, at the said Election, directly and indirectly, by himself and by other persons on his behalf, give, lend and agree to give or lend, and did offer and promise to procure money or valuable consideration to and for certain voters, or to and for persons on behalf of such voters, or to and for other persons, in order to induce voters to vote, or refrain from voting ; and did corruptly do other acts on account of such voters having voted or refrained from voting at such election.

Lost, on same division.

3. That the said *Isaac Carling* did, directly and indirectly, by himself and by other persons on his behalf, give and procure, or agreed to give or procure, or offer, promise, or promise to procure, or endeavour to procure office, place or employment to or for a voter or voters, or to or for a person or persons on behalf of such voter or voters, in order to induce such voter or voters to vote or to refrain from voting at such election.

Lost, on same division.

4. That the said *Isaac Carling* did, directly and indirectly, by himself and by other persons on his behalf, make certain gifts, loans, offers, procurements or agreements to various persons, in order to induce such persons to procure, or endeavour to procure the return of the said *Isaac Carling* to serve in the present Provincial Parliament, or to procure the vote or votes of electors at such Election.

Lost, on same division.

5. That the said *Isaac Carling* did advance and pay, or cause to be paid, certain moneys to and to the use of certain persons, with the intent that such moneys or certain portions thereof should be expended in bribery at said Election ; and the said *Isaac Carling* did pay or cause to be paid, moneys to certain other persons, in discharge or repayment of certain moneys wholly or in part expended in bribery at said Election.

Lost, on same division.

6. That the said *Isaac Carling* did, with intent to promote his Election, provide and furnish entertainment at his expense, to meetings of electors assembled, for the purpose of promoting such Election, previous to and during said Election, and did procure or engage to pay for such entertainment.

Lost, on same division.

7. That the said *Isaac Carling* was also guilty of the offence of undue influence at said Election.

Lost, on same division.

8. That the said *Isaac Carling* was, at, prior, and subsequent to the said Election, disqualified by law and incapable of being elected a Member of the said Legislative Assembly, in this, that the said *Isaac Carling* was at the said periods, a person holding or enjoying, undertaking or executing, directly or indirectly, alone or with other persons, by himself, or by the interposition of any trustee or third party, certain contracts or agreements with Her Majesty, or with certain public officers or departments, with respect to the public service, or under which public money is to be paid, or was paid, for any service, matter or thing.

Lost, on same division.

*Friday, 28th February, 1868.*

Moved by Mr. *Craig*, seconded by Mr. *Grahame*:—That as the list of objected voters filed by the Counsel for the Sitting Member is not such as is required by law, and is without precedent, it cannot be received by this Committee.

In amendment, Mr. *Gow* moved, seconded by Mr. *McDougall*:—That the Statute relating to Controverted Elections requires the parties complaining of or defending the election, to deliver to the Select Committee, lists of the voters intended to be objected to, giving in such lists the several heads of objection, and distinguishing the same against the names of the voters excepted to.

That by the 80th and 83rd Sections of the Statute, several heads of objections may be specified in any one list of voters delivered by either party to the Select Committee.

That the Statute does not limit either party in regard to the number of voters to be excepted to, nor the heads of objection to be specified, in any such list delivered as aforesaid.

That the English precedents in such matters show, that Select Committees of the House of Commons have received and adjudicated upon a list of voters in which the several heads of objection were set together, and under them, in one general list, the names of the voters objected to, and have for convenience and the more speedy trial of the case, allowed or directed such list to be re-arranged into classes or subdivisions.

That the list of voters filed on behalf of the Sitting Member, setting forth the following objections, and under such objections the names of the voters objected to being sustained by English precedent, and no English or Canadian precedent having been brought forward against it, and having been filed within the time limited for that purpose, should be received by this Committee. And in order to facilitate the trial of this Election Petition, and to enable this Select Committee the more readily to dispose of the substantial questions raised by both parties upon the true merits of the case, the Sitting Member be at liberty to subdivide the list of objected voters filed by him into classes or subdivisions, without in any manner altering the form of the heads of objection, or the names of the voters as already set out in such list.

And the amendment having been put, was lost on the following division:—

*Yeas*:—McDougall, and Gow.

*Nays*:—Craig, Grahame, and Clarke.

The motion was then carried, on the following division:—

*Yeas*:—Craig, Grahame, and Clarke.

*Nays*:—McDougall, and Gow.

Thursday, 12th November, 1868.

Mr. *Gow* moved, seconded by Mr. *McDougall*:—That Counsel be heard on behalf of Petitioner and Sitting Member, before proceeding to the consideration of the Report of Commissioner.

Mr. *Grahame* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Craig*:—That the room be kept cleared, in order that the Committee may deliberate upon the Commission returned in due order to this Committee, through the Speaker.

And the amendment having been put, was lost on the following division:—

*Yeas*:—Grahame, and Craig.

*Nays*:—Clarke, Gow, and McDougall.

The motion was then put and carried, on the following division:—

*Yeas*:—Clarke, Gow, and McDougall.

*Nays*:—Grahame, and Craig.

Saturday, 21st November, 1868.

Mr. *Grahame* moved, seconded by Mr. *Craig*:—That this Committee having, during the last Session of Parliament, after hearing Counsel and upon due deliberation, decided that there had not been filed by the Sitting Member within the time required by law, valid lists of the votes objected to by him, and that no such lists could be received after such time, this Committee therefore cannot entertain any application to amend the lists of the parties in this case.

And the motion having been put, was carried on the following division:—

*Yeas*:—Grahame, Craig, and Clarke.

*Nays*:—Gow, and McDougall.

Friday, 27th November, 1868.

Mr. *Gow* moved, seconded by Mr. *McDougall*:—That it appears from the documents laid before this Committee by the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, that the Writ of Election for the South Riding of *Huron* is dated the seventh day of August, A. D. 1867, and that the Voters' List for the Township of *Stanley*, used at said Election, and transmitted to said Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, was not sworn to until the twelfth day of August, A. D. 1867, and the Statute in that behalf, 29 and 30 *Vic.*, 1866, requiring the Lists of Voters to be used at any Election to be such as have been filed by the Clerk of the Municipality in the office of the Clerk of the Peace, at least one month before the date of the Writ of Election, be it therefore *Resolved*,—That the last Election of a member to represent the said South Riding of *Huron*, be declared void.

Mr. *Grahame* then moved in amendment:—That it appearing that there were proper lists of voters for the Township of *Stanley*, and that the only question was, whether the Returning Officer had copies of such lists before him, this Committee is of opinion that every voter whose name was on the proper list was entitled to vote, whether the Returning Officer had proper evidence before him or not, and, therefore, there could be only a scrutiny of votes, and the want of such evidence before the Returning Officer would not render the election void.

Mr. *Craig* then moved in amendment to the amendment:—That the Committee having, at the request of the Sitting Member, at their first sitting, *Resolved*,—That no ground of objection should be entertained, except those set out in the first instance in the Petition and answer thereto, and the Sitting Member having, until recently, contended that the Election was valid, and that he was entitled to sit, he should not now be admitted to contest that the Election was void on account of any defect in the Voters' List for the Township of *Stanley*. And the amendment to the amendment having been put was carried on the following division:—

*Yeas*:—Craig, Grahame, and Clarke.

*Nays*:—Gow, and McDougall.

Then the amendment was put and lost on the following division :—

*Yeas* :—Grahame.

*Nays* :—Gow, Craig, McDougall, and Clarke.

Then the motion was put and lost on the following division :—

*Yeas* :—Gow, and McDougall.

*Nays* :—Craig, Grahame, and Clarke.

*Saturday, 28th November, 1868.*

*Mr. Grahame* moved :—That the Petitioner's suretyship in the Bonds of a Division Court Clerk and a Postmaster, being a contract and agreement, which could only make him accountable to the Government of the Dominion of *Canada*, and could not subject him to the influence of the Government of *Ontario*, nor even remotely affect his independence as a Member of the Legislature of *Ontario*, is not a disqualification which would deny him the right of being elected to be a Member of that Legislature.

*Mr. McDougall* moved in amendment,—That under the provisions of Cap. 3, Sec. 5 of the Con. Stat. of *Canada*, which says, "No person whosoever holding or enjoying, undertaking or executing, directly or indirectly, alone or with any other, by himself, or by the interposition of any Trustee or third party, any contract or agreement with Her Majesty, or with any public officer or Department, with respect to the public service of the Province, or under which any public money of the Province is to be paid for any service, work, matter or thing, shall be eligible as a Member of the Legislative Assembly," the Petitioner is disqualified from sitting in the House, he being a party with the Division Court Clerk of *Exeter*, and with the Postmaster of the same place, in contracts for the proper performance of their duties as such officers.

And the amendment having been put, was lost on the following division :—

*Yeas* :—McDougall, and Gow.

*Nays* :—Grahame, Craig, and Clarke.

And the motion having been put, was carried on the following division :—

*Yeas* :—Grahame, Craig, and Clarke.

*Nays* :—Gow, and McDougall.

*Mr. Grahame* then moved—That in the opinion of this Committee, although the Statutory provisions as to bribery are repealed, the direct bribery, by the Candidate, of any Elector to give his vote, which at Common Law was a disqualification to the Candidate taking his seat, is now a disqualification to a Candidate being seated.

Carried unanimously.

*Mr. Grahame* then moved—That there is not before the Committee any evidence that the Petitioner was guilty of bribery, and if the Sitting Member desires now to give such evidence, he shall at least before nine o'clock on this evening, deliver to the Chairman a particular statement of the person or persons bribed, and shall give evidence of such act or acts of bribery, at the meeting of this Committee on Tuesday next.

*Mr. McDougall* moved in amendment—That the Sitting Member be allowed until Tuesday next, at six o'clock, to file with the Chairman the list of the persons bribed, and until Thursday next, at six o'clock, p.m., to have his witnesses before the Committee.

And the amendment having been put, was lost on the following division :

*Yeas* :—McDougall, and Gow.

*Nays* :—Grahame, Craig, and Clarke.

And the motion being then put, was carried on the following division :—

*Yeas* :—Grahame, Craig, and Clarke.

*Nays* :—McDougall, and Gow.

Tuesday, 8th December, 1868.

Mr. *Craig* moved—That there has not been adduced to the Committee any evidence of bribery having been committed, either by the Petitioner himself, or by any person by his authority.

Mr. *McDougall* moved in amendment—That the Petitioner through his Agents, according to evidence given before the Committee, grossly bribed and corrupted certain electors at the late Election in *South Huron*, and is thereby disqualified to sit as a Member of the Legislature.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

*Yeas*:—Gow, and McDougall.

*Nays*:—Craig, Grahame, and Clarke.

And the motion, having been put, was carried on the following division :—

*Yeas*:—Craig, Grahame, and Clarke.

*Nays*:—McDougall, and Gow.

Mr. *Gow* moved—That the names of all the voters who have been proved before this Committee to have received money for their votes, under the pretence of hire for teams and other services, be struck off the list of voters, as being thereby disqualified to vote.

And the motion, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

*Yeas*:—Gow, and McDougall.

*Nays*:—Craig, Clarke, and Grahame.

Mr. *Craig* moved—That at the last Election of a Member to represent the South Riding of the County of *Huron*, in the Legislative Assembly of *Ontario*, *Isaac Carling*, Esq., had a majority of the legally qualified votes, and was entitled to be declared duly elected, and to be returned as such Member for the South Riding of the County of *Huron*.

And the motion, having been put, was carried on the following division :—

*Yeas*:—Craig, Grahame, and Clarke.

*Nays*:—Gow, and McDougall.

Mr. *Craig* moved—That the opposition of *Robert Gibbons*, Esq., the Sitting Member, to the Petition of the said *Isaac Carling*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the South Riding of the County of *Huron*, was neither frivolous nor vexatious.

And the motion, having been put, was carried unanimously.

On motion of Hon. Attorney General *Macdonald*, it was *Ordered*:—That the Report of the Select Committee appointed to try the merits of the Election and Return for the South Riding of the County of *Huron*, be entered on the Journals of this House; and that the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery be directed to attend and alter the Return to the Writ of Election for the said Riding, according to such Report.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and ordered for the second reading on Friday :—

Mr. *Paxton*, Bill (No. 123), intituled “An Act to quiet the Titles of persons holding Lands previously sold for Taxes.”

Mr. *Coyne*, Bill (No. 124), intituled “An Act to provide for the Administration of Oaths in certain cases.”

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, it was, *Resolved*,—That on Wednesday of each week, for the remainder of the Session, Government notices and measures shall have precedence on the Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. *Grahame* (*York*), it was, *Ordered*,—That the Clerk of this House be

directed to lay on the Table a List of the Petitions presented to this House in favor of a grant of land in aid of the construction of the *Huron* and *Ontario* Ship Canal, together with the aggregate number of names to each of such petitions.

Bill (No. 65), To explain the 36th Section of the *Hamilton* Debentures Act of 1864, and to legalize, if necessary, the application of the rates levied by the City of *Hamilton*, under the By-Laws referred to in that Section, was read the third time and passed.

Bill (No. 53), To incorporate the *St. Andrew's* Society of the City of *Ottawa*, was read the second time, and referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

Bill (No. 57), Respecting the Colonial Securities Company (Limited), was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, report adopted, and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Friday.

The House went into Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 88), To provide for the Establishment and Government of Central District Prisons, within and for the Province of *Ontario*.

(*In Committee.*)

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald* moved the consideration of the second Section of the Bill.

And objection having been taken by Mr. *Blake* to the consideration of the second Section before the first Section had been considered, contending that the Bill must be considered Section by Section, as numbered,

The Chairman, Mr. *Clarke*, ruled, That the first Section should be first considered.

And appeal having been made to Mr. Speaker, he resumed the chair and decided :

That the second Section may be considered first.

When appeal having been made against the decision of Mr. Speaker,

The said decision was reversed by the following division :—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Cameron, Carling, Carnegie, Colquhoun, Corby, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Currie, Ferguson, Ferrier, Graham (Hastings), Greely, Hays, Luton, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McColl (Elgin), Read, Scott (Grey), Scott (Ottawa), Shaw, Smith (Kent), Williams (Durham), Wilson, and Wood.—29.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boulter, Boyd, Calvin, Clarke, Clemens, Cook, Crosby, Cumberland, Evans, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Galbraith, Gow, Grahame (York), Lauder, McCall (Norfolk), McDougall, McGill, McKellar, McKim, McLeod, McMurrich, Paxton, Perry, Secord, Sexton, Sinclair, Springer, Trow, Wigle, and Williams (Hamilton).—33.

The House went again into Committee.

(*In Committee.*)

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald* moved the consideration of the first Section of the Bill.

And objection having been taken to the consideration of the Section, as it involves an expenditure of money, without the recommendation of the Crown, and consideration in Committee of the Whole, prior to the introduction of the Bill.

The Chairman, Mr. *Clarke*, decided,

That the consideration of the Section is in order, as applying to charges, to be hereafter provided for by vote in Committee of Supply.

Mr. *Blake* then moved in amendment,—That the Committee do now rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again.

And the amendment having been put, was lost on the following division :—*Yeas* :—  
23. *Nays* :—40.

And the House having continued to sit until twelve of the clock, midnight.

THURSDAY, December 10th, 1868.

The Bill was amended, progress reported, and leave given to sit again on Friday.

The House then adjourned at 12.30 A.M.

### Thursday, 10th December, 1868.

The Clerk laid before the House, in obedience to the Order of the House of Wednesday, the 9th instant :—List of the Petitions presented to this House in favour of a grant of land in aid of the construction of the *Huron* and *Ontario* Ship Canal, together with the aggregate number of names to each of such petitions.

Twenty-three petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :

Of *Charles McCaffray* and others, of the City of *Toronto* ; also, of Rev. *Jessie Whitlock* and others, of the Township of *Mariposa* ; also, of *A. McArthur* and others, of *Carleton Place* ; also, of *A. S. McDonald* and others, of *Port Rowan* ; also, of *James Middlemiss* and others, of the Township of *Elora* ; also, of the Rev. *J. J. Gurdy* and others, of the Town of *St. Thomas* ; also, of *John Beardsale* and others, of the Township of *West Zorra* ; also, of *Solomon Her* and others, of the Township of *Colchester* ; also, of *Adam Innes* and others, of the Township of *West Nissouri* ; also, of the Rev. *Thomas Owens* and others, of the Township of *East Williams* ; also, of *David Ferguson* and others, of the Township of *Blandford*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of *W. King Graham* and others, of the Village of *Brampton*, praying against amendments to the Dentistry Act.

Of the Trustees of the *Lindsay* Grammar School, praying for the disendowment of the *Upper Canada* College.

Of the same, praying for changes in the law respecting Schools.

Of *John Nasmith* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, praying for an Act to prohibit the manufacture of intoxicating liquors.

Of *N. Nasmith* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, praying against the Tavern and Shop License Bill.

Of *J. D. Bruce* and others, of the Township of *Elora*, praying for amendments in the Municipal Act.

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery attended, according to order of the 9th inst., and amended the Return for the South Riding of *Huron*, by erasing therefrom the name of "*Robert Gibbons*," and inserting the name of "*Isaac Carling*" instead thereof.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Railways, reported Bill (No. 64), To Incorporate the *Kingston* and *Frontenac* Railway Company, (with amendments).

Mr. *Scott* (*Ottawa*), introduced Bill (No. 125), intituled "An Act to amend an Act respecting the Surrogate Courts ; ordered for the second reading on Monday.

On motion of Mr. *McKellar*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he may cause to be laid on the table of this House, a statement showing the number of Grand and Petit Jurors selected and subpoenaed during the year eighteen hundred and sixty-eight in the Province of *Ontario*; also, the expense of selecting, subpoenaing and paying such Jurors.

Mr. *McDougall* moved,—That it be *Resolved*, That in the opinion of this House, steps should at once be taken by the Government to encourage settlement within the free grant territory, on such lots as are suitable for agricultural purposes,

And after some debate, the motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

Bill (No. 48), For the Protection of Game, was read the third time and passed.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole :—

Bill (No. 27), To authorize and empower the City of *Kingston* to sell certain lands ; amended, reported, report adopted, and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Monday.

Bill (No. 32), To Incorporate the *Ontario* Mutual Insurance Company ; progress reported, and the Bill referred back to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 53), To incorporate the *St. Andrew's* Society of the City of *Ottawa*; reported, report adopted, and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Monday.

Bill (No. 81), To amend the Law as to Wills ; reported, report adopted, and the Bill ordered for the third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 58), Respecting Line-Fences and Watercourses ; progress reported, and leave given to sit again on Monday.

Bill (No. 91), To prevent the spreading of *Canada* Thistles ; reported, report adopted, and the Bill ordered for the third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 26), To amend the Office of Sheriff ; reported, report adopted, and the Bill ordered for the third reading on Tuesday.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 63), To divide the Township of *Garafraxa* into two Municipalities ; referred to Committee of the Whole on Monday.

Bill (No. 75), To incorporate the *Ottawa* Protestant Benefit Society ; referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

Bill (No. 89), To make provision for the Registration of Marks or Brands used in Marking Timber ; referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows :—Messrs. *Cockburn*, *Scott* (*Ottawa*), *Paxton*, *Corby*, *McKellar*, *McCall* (*Norfolk*), and *Carnegie*.

Bill (No. 100), To incorporate Municipal Institutions in the District of *Algoma* ; referred to the Municipal Committee.

Bill (No. 112), To amend the Act passed in the 28th *Vic.*, respecting the granting of Charters of Incorporation to Manufacturing, Mining and other Companies ; referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 52), To provide for the institution of Suits against the Crown by Petition of Right, was discharged.

The House then adjourned.

Friday, 11th December, 1868.

Seven Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :

Of *Thomas Douglas* and others, of the Village of *Cambray* ; also, of the Rev. *G. M. Miligan* and others, of the Township of *Lobo* ; also, of Rev. *T. L. Davidson* and others, of the Township of *Malahide* ; also, of *William Edwards* and others, of the Township of *Clarence* ; also, of the Baptist Association of the County of *Haldimand* ; also, of *Charles Langdale* and others, of the Township of *Arthur* ; also, of *S. T. Ferguson* and others, of the Township of *Cartwright*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of *J. C. Huffman* and others, of the Town of *Napanee*, praying for an Act to prevent the obstruction of streams.

Of the members of the *Yorkville Star Temple of Good Templars*, praying for amendments in the Municipal Act.

Of *Michael Stanley* and others, of the County of *Lanark* ; also, of *Daniel McMartin* and others, of the County of *Lanark*, severally praying for amendments in the County and Division Court Acts.

Of *H. J. Wood* and others, of the Town of *Picton* ; also, of the Faculty and Students of the *Canada College of Dentistry*, praying that no amendments be made in the Dentistry Act.

Of the Trustees of the *Owen Sound Grammar School*, praying for the disendowment of *Upper Canada College*.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Railways, reported the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 56), To incorporate the *Peterborough and Haliburton Railway Company*, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 78), To amend the Act, 31 *Vic.*, Chap. 40, intituled “An Act to incorporate the *Toronto, Grey, and Bruce Railway Company*,” (with amendments).

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, reported the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 32), To incorporate the *Ontario Mutual Insurance Company*, (re-considered by Committee, and the ninth clause amended).

Bill (No. 103), To enable the Council of the Corporation of *Port Hope* to aid, by way of Bonus, the extension and completion of the *Port Hope, Lindsay, and Beaverton Railway to Beaverton*, (with amendments).

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, it was—

*Resolved*—That when this House adjourns on Fridays, it do stand adjourned till eleven o'clock on Saturdays, and that the sitting of this House on Saturdays shall continue not later than four o'clock, P.M.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald* introduced Bill (No. 126), intituled “An Act to Repeal certain Acts and Enactments of the Legislature of *Ontario* ;” ordered for the second reading on Tuesday.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 34), To legalize and confirm the Survey made by *Alexander Campbell*, Provincial Land Surveyor, of that part of the Township of *Seymour*, lying north-east of the River *Trent* and north-west of *Crow River*.

Bill (No. 57), Respecting the Colonial Securities Company (Limited).

Bill (No. 91), To amend Chap. 40, 29 Vic., intituled "An Act to prevent the spreading of *Canada Thistles* in *Upper Canada*."

Bill (No. 81), To amend the Law as to Wills.

Bill (No. 122), To amend the Free Grants and Homestead Act, was read the second time, and referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

Bill (No. 62), Relative to Mining, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, progress reported, and leave given to sit again on Monday.

Hon. Mr. Wood delivered a Message from His Excellency, the Lieutenant-Governor, which was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows:—

W. P. HOWLAND.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits Estimates of certain sums required for the service of the Province, for the year ending 31st December, 1869, and recommends these Estimates to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, December 11th, 1868.

(*Sessional Papers No. 24.*)

On motion of Hon. Mr. Wood, the said Message and the Estimates were referred to the Committee of Supply.

The House then adjourned.

Saturday, 12th December, 1868.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Eight Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:

Of *Henry Watson* and others, of the Township of *Cartwright*; also, of the Rev. *W. C. Wendel* and others, of the Township of *Manvers*; also, of Rev. *A. Fraser* and others, of *Port Elgin*; also, of *A. G. Northrup* and others, of the Town of *Belleville*; also, of *Isaac Read* and others, of the Township of *North Crosby*; also, of the Rev. *James Cameron*, and others, of the Township of *Chatsworth*; also, of *John McKenzie* and others, of the Township of *Puslinch*; also, of *John Cameron* and others, of the Township of *Holland*; also, of *John McIntyre* and others, of the Township of *Mountain*; also, of *Andrew D. Hunter* and others, of the Township of *Winchester*; also, of *Samuel Bagster* and others, of the Township of *Winchester*; also, of *Donald Reid* and others, of the Township of *Harrington*; also, of *William Meldrum* and others, of the Township of *West Zorra*; also, of *Knox's Church*, of the Village of *Aultsville*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of the Township Council of *Puslinch*, praying for amendments to the Assessment Law.

Of *John O'Donnell* and others, of the Town of *Peterboro'*; also, of *W. C. Adams* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; also, of *John Dewar* and others, of the City of *Kingston*, severally praying against amendments to the Dentistry Act.

Of *William Daniels* and others, of the Township of *Brock*, praying that the *Toronto and Nipissing Railway* may be permitted to build a branch to the Town of *Lindsay*.

Of the *Ontario* Division, No. 26, of the Sons of Temperance, praying that no change be made in the law relating to the closing of Taverns.

Of the Township Council of *Saugeen*; also, of the Township Council of *Bastard*, severally praying for amendments to the Dog and Sheep Act.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, reported Bill (No. 85), To vest certain real estate in the Trustees of the *Adelaide* Street Wesleyan Methodist Church, *Toronto*, and to enable them to sell the same, (without amendments).

Hon. Mr. *Richards*, for Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, introduced Bill (No. 127), intituled "An Act to authorize the transfer of Prisoners from the Jail of the City of *Toronto* to the old County Jail, for Reformatory purposes; ordered for the second reading on Monday.

On motion of Mr. *Boyd*:—*Ordered*,—That the fee paid on Private Bill (No. 61), *Caledonia Springs* Hotel Company, be refunded, less the actual expense for printing.

Mr. *Evans* moved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon, by Bill or otherwise, the propriety of having the fees of Registrars funded, when said fees exceed a fixed sum.

And, after debate, the motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

On the Order having been called to consider the Notice of Motion of Mr. *McCall* (*Norfolk*):—That when this House adjourns on Thursday, the 17th inst., it stand adjourned till Tuesday, the 12th of January, 1869.

After debate, the Notice of Motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, report adopted, and the Bills ordered for the third reading on Monday:—

Bill (No. 32), For incorporating the *Ontario* Mutual Life Assurance Company, (without amendments).

Bill (No. 75), To incorporate the *Ottawa* Protestant Benefit Society, (without amendments).

Bill (No. 76), To amend the Municipal Institutions Act of *Upper Canada*, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 22), An Act to amend Chapter 85, Con. Stat. *U. C.*, intituled "An Act respecting the Conveyance of Real Estate by Married Women," was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, progress reported, and the Bill again referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows:—Hon. Mr. *Wood*, Messrs. *Blake*, *Shaw*, *Eyre*, *Hays*, *Pardee*, and *McLeod*.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to Committee of the Whole on Monday:—

Bill (No. 64), To incorporate the *Kingston* and *Frontenac* Railway Company.

Bill (No. 56), To incorporate the *Peterboro'* and *Haliburton* Railway Company.

Bill (No. 103), To enable the Corporation of *Port Hope* to aid by way of bonus the extension and completion of the *Port Hope*, *Lindsay* and *Beaverton* Railway Company to *Beaverton*.

On motion of Mr. *Carnegie*, the Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 86), To amend Sec. 2, Cap. 121, Con. Stat. *U. C.* (now *Ontario*), respecting the auditing of accounts at the Quarter Sessions, was discharged.

The House then adjourned.

Monday, 14th December, 1868.

Twenty-seven petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:

Of *Hector McCummon*, and others, of the Township of *Mariposa*; also, of the Rev. *M. Croll*, and others, of the Township of *Chinguacousy*; also, of *Jacob Smith*, and others, of the Township of *Howard*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of the Township Council of *York*, praying that the City of *Toronto* and the County of *York* be not re-united.

Of the same, praying for amendments to the Assessment Law.

Of the City Council of *Toronto*; also, of certain ratepayers of the City of *Toronto*, severally praying for amendments to the Municipal Act, as affecting local improvements in Cities.

Mr. *Pardee*, from the Committee on Bill (No. 19), For the Registration of Births, Marriages, and Deaths, reported the Bill, (with amendments).

Mr. *Rykert*, from the Committee on Bill (No. 30), To amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the Profession of Medicine and Surgery, reported the Bill, (with amendments).

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, reported the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 72), To amend and confirm the charter of the *Ottawa and Gloucester Road Company*, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 94), For the relief of *William H. Bell* and others, interested in the estate of the late *Thomas Bell*, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 98), To incorporate the *Hellmuth Ladies' College*, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 99), To incorporate the Synod of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and to unite the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto* therewith, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 101) To relieve the Trustees of the Estate of the Honourable *John Elmsley*, late of *Toronto*, and to vest said Estate in *Charlotte Elmsley*, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 110) To legalize the granting to and holding by the Municipal Corporation of the Township of *St. Vincent*, in the County of *Grey*, of certain lands, (with amendments).

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Railways, reported the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 92), To remove doubts as to the rights of the Bondholders of the *Cobourg and Peterboro' Railway Company* to the surplus funds paid or to be paid, into the Court of Chancery, under the Act 29 Vic., Cap. 79, after providing for payment of Rights of Way, Station and Depot Grounds, and to provide for the distribution thereof among such Bondholders, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 93), To amend the Act 31 Vic., Chap. 41, intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto and Nipissing Railway Company*," (with amendments).

Bill (No. 115), For the Relief of the *Toronto Street Railway Company*, and to provide for the sale of the Railway, (with amendments).

The following Bills were severally read the third time, and passed:—

Bill (No. 27), To authorize and empower the City of *Kingston* to sell certain lands.

Bill (No. 53), To incorporate the *St. Andrews' Society* of the City of *Ottawa*.

Bill (No. 75), To incorporate the *Ottawa Protestant Benefit Society*.

Bill (No. 32), To incorporate the *Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company*.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, report adopted, and the Bills severally ordered for the third reading to-morrow :—

Bill (No. 64), To incorporate the *Kingston and Frontenac* Railway Company, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 56), To incorporate the *Peterboro' and Haliburton* Railway Company, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 63), To divide the Township of *Garafraxa* into two Municipalities, (with an amendment).

Bill (No. 103), To enable the Corporation of *Port Hope* to aid by way of bonus the extension and completion of the *Port Hope, Lindsay, and Beaverton* Railway to *Beaverton*, was considered in Committee of the Whole, progress reported, and leave given to sit again to-morrow.

Mr. *Carling* (*South Huron*), having previously taken the oath and signed the roll, took his seat.

The Order of the Day having been called, That Bill (No. 78), To amend the Act 31 *Vic.*, Cap. 40, "To incorporate the *Toronto, Grey and Bruce* Railway Company," be read the second time,

And debate having arisen, the Bill was read the second time, on the following division :—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Beatty, Blake, Boyd, Calvin, Cameron, Carling, Carling (*Huron*), Clemens, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Cook, Corby, Crosby, Evans, Ferguson, Ferrier, Finlayson, Galbraith, Grahame (*York*), Lauder, Lount, Macdonald, Monteith, McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Oliver, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Richards, Scott (*Grey*), Scott (*Ottawa*), Sinclair, Smith (*Kent*), Smith (*Leeds and Grenville*), Smith (*Middlesex*), Strange, Springer, Supple, Tett, Trow, Wallis, Wigle, Wilson, and Wood.—49.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Boulter, Carnegie, Christie, Clarke, Craig (*Glengarry*), Currie, Eyre, Fitzsimmons, Gow, Graham (*Hastings*), Greely, Hays, Matchett, McCall (*Norfolk*), McColl (*Elgin*), McGill, McLeod, Read, Rykert, Secord, Shaw, Williams (*Durham*), and Williams (*Hamilton*).—23.

Bill referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

Bill (No. 85), To vest certain real estate in the Trustees of the *Adelaide Street Wesleyan Methodist Church, Toronto*, and to enable them to sell the same, was read the second time, and referred to Committee of the Whole on Wednesday.

Mr. *McDougall* moved,—

1. That with a view to attract immigration into this Province, it is expedient to provide, that on and after the first day of April, immediately subsequent to settlement on any lot, the regulations of the Government having been complied with, the locatee of such lot should have the right to cut and dispose of the timber on it, free from any Governmental charges.

2. That the right to cut pine on timber berths during at least ten years, should, subject to the foregoing resolution, be given to the license holders, under such charges for ground rent, duty, &c., and such other provisions as may be made by the Government of this Province.

And objection having been taken by Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, That the motion could not be entertained without the recommendation of the Lieutenant-Governor having been previously obtained,

Mr. Speaker decided,

That, as timber affords Revenue, no question as to the disposal of the same can be entertained without the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor having been previously obtained.

And appeal having been made against the decision of Mr. Speaker,  
The said decision was sustained on the following division :—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling, Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Clarke, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Cook, Corby, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Currie, Ferrier, Galbraith, Graham (Hastings), Greely, Lauder, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McColl (Elgin), McGill, Read, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Scott (Ottawa), Secord, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Supple, Tett, Trow, Wigle, Williams (Durham), and Wilson.—40.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Crosby, Evans, Ferguson, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Gow, Grahame (York), Hays, Lount, McCall (Norfolk), McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McLeod, McMurrich, Oliver, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Sinclair, Smith (Middlesex), Springer, and Williams (Hamilton).—28.

Mr. *Perry* moved,—That in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the Statutes enacted by this House be furnished, free of charge, to all Magistrates who have duly qualified.

And objection having been taken by Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, That the motion could not be entertained, as it affects the Revenue,

The Speaker decided,

That the motion could not be entertained.

Hon. Mr. *Wood* delivered a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, which was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

W. P. HOWLAND.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits an additional Estimate of the Expenditure of the Province for the year ending 31st December, 1869, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, December 14th, 1868.

(*Sessional Papers, No. 25.*)

On motion of Mr. *Wood*, the said Message and the Estimates were referred to the Committee of Supply.

The House then adjourned.

Tuesday, 15th December, 1868.

Ten Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :

Of *Timothy Abbott* and others, of the County of *Norfolk*, praying for the repeal of the Act incorporating the *Long Point* Company.

Of *Charles Bingham* and others, of the County of *Norfolk*, praying for a revision of the law relating to the Administration of Justice.

Of *James E. Smith* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, praying for the transfer of certain prisoners from the City Jail.

Of *George Ernest* and others, of the Township of *West Zorra*; also, of the Rev. *A. McLennan* and others, of the County of *Bruce*; also, of *Joseph Gould* and others, of the Village of *Uxbridge*; also, of *Joseph E. Gould* and others, of the same; also, of *James S. Waddell* and others, of the Township of *East Tilbury*, praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Railways, reported the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 83), To incorporate the *Presqu'Isle* and *Belmont* Railway Company, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 108), To incorporate the *Simcoe* and *Muskoka* Railway Company, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 109), To incorporate the *Norfolk* Railway Company, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 106), To amend the Act to incorporate the *Port Whitby* and *Port Perry* Railway Company, (with amendments).

Hon. Attorney General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, reported the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 80), To admit *William Darley Pollard* to the Degree of Barrister-at-Law, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 82), To admit *Charles Gamon* to the Degree of Barrister-at-Law, (with amendments).

Bill No. 102), To vest the Estate of the late *Alexander Wright* in Trustees, with certain powers, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 104), To grant relief to *Lady Smith*, and to enable her to manage the Estate of her late husband, *Sir Henry Smith*, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 105), To authorize the Law Society of *Ontario* to admit *Frederick George Allenby* as a Barrister-at-Law, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 97), To amend the Act, intitled "An Act to incorporate *Huron* College, 26th *Victoria*, chapter 31," (without amendment).

Bill (No. 112), To amend the Act passed in the 28th *Vic.*, respecting the granting of Charters of Incorporation to Manufacturing, Mining and other Companies, (without amendment).

Mr. *Carnegie*, from the Committee on Bill (No. 89), To make provision for the Registration of Marks or Brands used in Marking Timber, reported the Bill, (with amendments).

The House resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(In Committee).

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the several services named, the following amounts:—

|                                                       |              |
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| 1. Lieutenant-Governor's Office.....                  | \$1,200 00   |
| 2. Executive Council Office.....                      | 1,015 00     |
| 3. Attorney-General's Office.....                     | 6,150 00     |
| 4. Treasury Department.....                           | 7,165 00     |
| 5. Secretary and Registrar's Office.....              | 8,155 00     |
| 6. Department of Agriculture and Public Works.....    | 8,165 00     |
| 7. Crown Lands Department.....                        | 38,070 00    |
| 8. Contingencies of the Departments.....              | 21,371 00    |
| 9. Crown Lands Expenditure.....                       | \$100,400 00 |
| LESS—Commission on Clergy and School<br>Services..... | 50,170 00    |
|                                                       | 50,230 00    |

The consideration of Resolution No. 10 was postponed.

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| 11. Legislation.....            | \$57,825 00 |
| 12. Court of Chancery.....      | 15,937 00   |
| 13. Court of Queen's Bench..... | 7,410 00    |
| 14. Court of Common Pleas.....  | 4,600 00    |

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Resolutions reported.

Report to be received to-morrow, and leave given to sit again to-morrow.

Bill (No. 62), Relative to Mining, was considered in Committee of the Whole, amended, progress reported, and leave given to sit again on Friday.

The House then adjourned.

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Wednesday, 16th December, 1868.

Nine Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :—

Of the Rev. *G. A. Dougharty* and others, of the Village of *St. George*; also, of the Rev. *James Duncan* and others, of the Village of *Stanley*; also, of *John Leckie* and others, of the Village of *Ainsleyville*; also, of *James McQueen* and others, of the Township of *Beverley*; also, of *William Heron* and others, of the Village of *Ashburn*; also, of *Charles Durrant* and others, of the Township of *West Flamboro'*; also, of *William Henderson* and others, of the Township of *Beverley*; also, of the Rev. *Alexander McLean* and others, of the Township of *West Flamboro*; also, of *Allan Duncan* and others, of the Village of *Wyoming*; also, of *John Green* and others, of the Township of *Sarnia*; also, of *Peter Graham* and others, of the Township of *Warwick*; also, of *Robert Scott* and others, of the Township of *Plympton*; also, of *John Crawford* and others, of the Township of *Scarboro'*; also, of *John Pentland* and others, of the Township of *Beverley*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of the Trustees of the *Owen Sound Grammar School*; also, of the Trustees of the *Kincardine Grammar School*, severally praying for changes in the law respecting Schools.

Of *Stephen White* and others, of the County of *Kent*, praying for drainage in that County.

Of *Humphrey Hughes* and others, of the Township of *Alfred*; also, of the Trustees of the *Perth Grammar School*, severally praying for the disendowment of the *Upper Canada College*.

Of *William Patterson* and others, of the Town of *Paris*, praying for amendments to the Dentistry Act.

Of *James McElhinny* and others, of the County of *Lanark*, praying for amendments to the Division Court Act.

Of the Township Council of *Drummond*; also of the members of the *Chester Lodge* of the Independent Order of Good Templars; also, of *Thomas Foster* and others, of the Township of *Seaforth*, severally praying for amendments to the Municipal Act.

Of the Students of *McGill College*, praying against the passing of the Medical Bill.

Mr. *McLeod*, from the Select Committee on Bill (No. 22), To amend Chapter 85, Con. Stat. U. C., intituled "An Act respecting the Conveyance of Real Estate by Married Women," reported the Bill, (with amendments).

Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, from the Committee on the Municipal and Assessment Laws, reported Bill (No. 16), To amend the Act imposing a Tax on Dogs, and for the protection of Sheep, (with amendments).

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, reported the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 95), To incorporate the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of *Hamilton*, (with amendments.)

Bill (No. 120), To incorporate the *Caledonia* Peat Manufacturing and Smelting Company, (with amendments.)

Mr. *McCall* (*Norfolk*), introduced Bill (No. 128), intituled An Act to facilitate the recovery of debts acknowledged in writing, and to lessen the costs of collection of the same in the Province of *Ontario*; ordered for the second reading on Monday.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented:—Return to an address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 16th November, 1868, for the names of those Magistrates in each County who have duly qualified.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 26*).

Also:—Report of the Commissioner of Public Works of the Province of *Ontario* for 1868.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 27*).

Also:—Return to an address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 9th November, for a return of all moneys collected (to date) from the several Counties of this Province by the sale of the Statutes of *Ontario* to Magistrates; (with which is embodied a statement of the distribution of Statutes generally) (*Sessional Papers, No. 28*).

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Richards*, The House resolved to form itself into Committee of the Whole on Friday, to consider the following Resolution:—

*Resolved*, That it is expedient that certain payments, salaries and expenses, consequent upon the carrying out of the Bill, intituled “An Act relative to Mining,” shall be paid and defrayed out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and that provision should be made in the said Bill therefor.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Wood*, it was

*Resolved*, That the House, on Friday, resolve itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 63), To divide the Township of *Garafraxa* into two Municipalities.

Bill (No. 64), To incorporate the *Kingston* and *Frontenac* Railway Company.

Bill (No. 56), To incorporate the *Peterboro'* and *Haliburton* Railway Company.

The House again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

*Resolved*,—That there be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the several services named, the following amounts:—

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| 15. Criminal Justice.....      | \$129,000 00 |
| 16. Miscellaneous Justice..... | 31,437 87    |

PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

|                                                                                                                                         |           |
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| 17. Government Buildings—For repairs, insurance, furniture and other expenses.....                                                      | 25,000 00 |
| 18. Fuel, gas, water, &c., for House of Assembly and Departments.....                                                                   | 5,000 00  |
| 19. Government House—Completing Lieutenant-Governor's residence, including outbuildings, furniture, fencing and laying out grounds..... | 60,000 00 |
| Adopted on a division.                                                                                                                  |           |
| 20. Lieutenant-Governor's Residence—Rent, fuel, &c., &c., for Lieutenant-Governor's present residence.....                              | 2,500 00  |

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| 21. Provincial Lunatic Asylum, <i>Toronto</i> , completing new wings.                                   | \$75,000 00 |
| 22. Additional Asylum accommodation for Lunatics.....                                                   | 100,000 00  |
| Adopted on a division.                                                                                  |             |
| 23. Deaf and Dumb Institution.....                                                                      | 75,000 00   |
| 24. Reformatory, <i>Penetanguishene</i> , workshops and water supply                                    | 5,000 00    |
| 25. Improving navigation of Inland waters, and surveys and drainage of lands.....                       | 100,000 00  |
| 26. Government Buildings, <i>Toronto</i> —Salary of Housekeeper, east wing, Departmental Buildings..... | 400 00      |
| 27. Salary of Fireman for do .....                                                                      | 365 00      |
| 28. House cleaning.....                                                                                 | 200 00      |

## AGRICULTURE.

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| 29. Electoral Division Societies—73 at \$700 each..... | 51,100 00 |
| Do do 1 at \$550.....                                  | 550 00    |
| Do do 7 at \$350 each.....                             | 2,450 00  |
| 30. Fruit Growers' Association.....                    | 350 00    |
| 31. Agricultural Association.....                      | 10,000 00 |
| 32. Mechanics' Institutes.....                         | 4,000 00  |

## IMMIGRATION.

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| 33. Grant in aid of Immigration..... | 10,000 00 |
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## MISCELLANEOUS.

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| 34. Salary of Inspector of Prisons.....                                                                                        | 2,000 00  |
| 35. Expenses of do .....                                                                                                       | 500 00    |
| 36. Cost of <i>Official Gazette</i> .....                                                                                      | 3,000 00  |
| 37. Expenses of Arbitration.....                                                                                               | 1,000 00  |
| 38. Salary of Inspector of Registry Offices.....                                                                               | 2,000 00  |
| 39. To cover gratuities to public officers whose services may be dispensed with.....                                           | 20,000 00 |
| 40. To aid the destitute Colonists of the <i>Red River Settlement</i> , in the discretion of the Government, not to exceed.... | 5,000 00  |

Resolutions reported.

Report to be received to-morrow, and leave given to sit again to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

Thursday, 17th December, 1868.

Ten Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :

Of *J. S. Scott* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; also, of *A. Sutherland* and others, of the Village of *Yorkville*, severally praying for amendments to the Municipal Law.

Of *William Walker* and others, of the Township of *Uxbridge*, praying that the *Uxbridge* by-law granting a bonus to the *Toronto* and *Nipissing* Railway, be not legalized.

Of the County Council of *Northumberland* and *Durham*, praying for amendments to the law respecting Education.

Of *J. T. Dowling* and others, of the Township of *Haldimand*; also, of *James Ferguson* and others, of the Township of *Oro*; also, of *J. G. Sanderson* and others, of the Township of *Oro*; also, of *Alexander Campbell* and others, of the Township of *Oro*; also, of the Rev.

*William Lacey* and others, of the Township of *Cramahe*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Mr. *Greeley*, from the Committee on Printing, recommended, that 4,000 copies of the Common School Bill, also, 2,000 copies of the Grammar School Bill, be printed for distribution; also, that the Report of the Commissioner of Public Works of the Province of *Ontario* (*Sessional Papers, No. 27*), be printed.

Ordered to be printed accordingly.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, reported the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 96), To amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, 25 *Vic.*, Cap. 72, by declaring the intentions of the same, and confirming Conveyances made by the Trust and Loan Company thereunder, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 111), To provide for the Succession of the Trustees of the Church and Glebe Property belonging to *St. Andrew's Church, Peterboro'*, and to authorize the Trustees of said property to mortgage the said property or part thereof, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 113), To grant certain powers to the *Ontario Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company*, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 84), To incorporate the *Ontario Trust and Investment Company*, (with amendments).

Mr. *McCall* moved,—That when this House adjourns on the seventeenth instant, it shall stand adjourned till Thursday, the sixth day of January next.

Dropped, for want of a seconder.

Mr. *Grahame (York)*, moved,—That the Petitioners in favour of the *Huron and Ontario Ship Canal* obtain leave to be heard by Counsel at the Bar of this House, relative to the objects of said Canal, which must tend to the development of the agricultural and mineral wealth of *Ontario*.

Lost, on the following division:—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Barber, Boulter, Coyne, Ferguson, Grahame (York), Hays, Lauder, McCall (Norfolk), McMurrich, Scott (Grey), and Swinarton.—11.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Baxter, Beatty, Boyd, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Christie, Clemens, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Cook, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Crosby, Currie, Eyre, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Galbraith, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Greeley, Hooper, Luton, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, McColl (Elgin), McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McLeod, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Read, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Ottawa), Second, Sexton, Shaw, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Springer, Supple, Tett, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Williams (Hamilton), Wilson, and Wood.—55.

Mr. *Lauder* moved,—That whereas there are conflicting claims to many of the lands upon which part of the purchase money due to the Crown is overdue and unpaid; and whereas there are parties who have entered into occupation of unoccupied lands as squatters and have made improvements, under the impression that said lands were abandoned by the original occupants, and that their claims would be recognized by the Government; and whereas the existence of such rival claims and the uncertainty of Squatters' rights are detrimental to the progress and improvement of the country; It is the opinion of this House, that steps should be taken by the Government without delay, to settle such conflicting claims, and to define by public proclamation the rights or claims (if any), which persons known as squatters have by virtue of occupation of abandoned lots, and how far such claims will be recognized by the Crown. And also, That it is deemed expedient that those settlers, who may have purchased lands at too

high a price, or whose lands, whether from original inferiority in quality, from the effects of climate or other causes, have proved unproductive, should have such lands re-valued under the direction of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, and that in the present unsettled state of some of the new Counties of this Province, it is not expedient to issue any general order directing payment of arrears, or threatening to resume possession of any of our public lands in the occupation of settlers;

And objection having been taken by Hon. Mr. *Richards*, that the motion affected the Revenue, and ought not to be entertained,

Mr. Speaker reserved his decision.

Bill (No. 26), To amend the Act passed in the 27th and 28th *Victoria*, Chapter 28, intituled "An Act respecting the office of Sheriff, and to make further provision respecting the said office," was read the third time.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Wood*, the following amendments were made to the Bill:—

Section 6, line 2—In lieu of "a process book," insert "process books."

Section 6, line 9—In lieu of "an execution book," insert "execution books for goods and lands respectively."

Section 6, line 10—After the word "entered," insert "respectively."

The Bill was then passed.

The Order of the Day having been called,—

That Bill (No. 76), To amend the Municipal Institutions Act of *Upper Canada* be read the third time—

On motion of Mr. *McKellar*, the Order was discharged, and the Bill referred back to Committee of the Whole with instructions to amend the same by erasing the word "Surveyor" in Section one, and substituting therefor the words "other competent person."

The Bill was then re-considered, amended, reported and report adopted.

*Ordered* for the third reading on Monday.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 42), To repeal the Statutory Enactments respecting the Protection of Sheep from Dogs, having been called, and—

On motion that Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair—

Mr. *McKellar* moved in amendment—

That Mr. Speaker do not now leave the chair, but that the Order stand for this day week, and—

The amendment having been put, was carried on the following division:—

#### *Yeas:*

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Beatty, Blake, Cameron, Christie, Clemens, Cockburn, Crosby, Currie, Eyre, Ferguson, Ferrier, Finlayson, Galbraith, Gow, Lauder, Luton, McColl (Elgin), McDougall, McGill, McKellar, McKim, McLeod, McMurrich, Pardee, Perry, Richards, Rykert, Secord, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Wigle, Williams (Hamilton), and Wilson.—39.

#### *Nays:*

Messrs. Boulter, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Clarke, Colquhoun, Cook, Corby, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Fitzsimmons, Grahame (York), Hays, Hooper, Lount, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, McCall (Norfolk), Read, Scott (Ottawa), Shaw, Strange, Supple, Swinarton, Tett, Williams (Durham), and Wood.—29.

*Ordered*, That the Order stand for this day week.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole:—

Bill (No. 103), To enable the Corporation of *Port Hope* to aid by way of bonus the extension and completion of the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton* Railway Company to *Beaverton*; reported, (without amendment) and report adopted.

*Ordered* for the third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 58), To amend Chapter 57, Con. Stat. *U.C.*, intituled "An Act respecting Line Fences and Watercourses;" progress reported.

*Ordered*, That leave be given to sit again on Monday.

Bill (No. 89), To make provision for the Registration of Marks or Brands used in marking Timber; progress reported.

*Ordered*, That leave be given to sit again on Monday.

Bill (No. 112), To amend the Act passed in the 28th *Vic.*, respecting the granting of Charters of Incorporation to Manufacturing, Mining and other Companies; reported (without amendment) and report adopted.

*Ordered*, For the third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 19), An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths; amended; progress reported.

*Ordered*, That leave be given to sit again on Monday.

The House then adjourned.

### Friday, 18th December, 1868.

Seven petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:—

Of *M. Campbell* and others, of the Township of *Lucknow*; also, of *William A. Wallis* and others, of the Village of *Clairville*; also, of *Jacob Schwoob* and others, of *Monck*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of the Trustees of the *Napanee* Grammar School, praying for changes in the law respecting Grammar Schools.

Of *Elias D. Garms* and others, of the County of *Halton*, praying for amendments to the Municipal Act.

Of the City Council of *London*, praying that no Act may be passed which will take away the power of the Council to fill up a vacancy in the Board of the Commissioners of Police.

Of *Robert Jaffray* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, praying against the Act for the relief of the *Toronto* Street Railway Company.

Bill (No. 73), To repeal certain Acts and Enactments therein mentioned, and to abolish the Court of Impeachment for the trial of County Judges, was read the third time and passed.

On motion, That Bill (No. 77), To amend Chapter 15, Con. Stat. *U. C.*, respecting County Courts, be read the third time,

*Mr. Cumberland* moved in amendment, That the said Bill be not now read the third time, but be referred back to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same by striking out, in the second clause, the word "pleasure," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "ability, capacity and good behaviour."

The amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

#### *Yeas:*

Messrs. Baxter, Beatty, Blake, Boulter, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Cumberland, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Gow, McDougall, McKellar, McLeod, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Sexton, Smith (Middlesex), Springer, and Williams (Hamilton).—21.

#### *Nays:*

Messrs. Barber, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Cook, Corby, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Crosby, Currie, Eyre, Ferrier, Finlayson, Galbraith, Graham (Hastings), Greeley, Hooper, Lauder,

Lount, Luton, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McGill, McMurrich, Read, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Scott (Ottawa), Secord, Shaw, Smith (Kent), Strange, Supple, Tett, Wigle, Wilson, and Wood.—45.

The Bill was then read the third time.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, the following amendment was made to the Bill :—

New Section 6. “ At any sittings of said Courts, and of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, either the senior or junior Judge, or both of them may, if the senior Judge shall think fit, preside in either of said Courts, or one of them in each of said Courts at the same time ; so that both of said Courts may sit, and the business therein be proceeded with simultaneously.”

The Bill was then passed.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, from the Committee on the Grammar School System, together with the Department of Public Instruction of *Ontario*, reported Bill (No. 68), To amend the Act respecting Common Schools, (with amendments).

Also—That the Committee have obtained Returns from the Principal, the Registrar, and the Boarding House Superintendent, respectively, of *Upper Canada* College and recommend that the same be printed.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 29*).

*Ordered* to be printed accordingly.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* introduced Bill (No. 129), intituled “ An Act to amend the Law respecting Grammar Schools.”

*Ordered* for the second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Currie*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of all correspondence between the Commissioner of Agriculture of this Province and the Board of Agriculture and the Agricultural Associations, or with any other person, in relation to the accounts of the said Board of Agriculture and Agricultural Associations, together with the receipts and expenditure for the years 1866 to 1868, inclusive.

The House again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

*Resolved*,—That there be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the several services named, the following amounts :—

HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES.

|     |                                                                          |            |
|-----|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| 41. | Aid to <i>Toronto</i> Hospital, <i>Toronto</i> .....                     | \$6,400 00 |
| 42. | do do for County Patients, <i>Toronto</i> .....                          | 4,800 00   |
| 43. | do House of Industry, do .....                                           | 2,400 00   |
| 44. | do Protestant Orphans' Home and Female Aid Society, <i>Toronto</i> ..... | 640 00     |
| 45. | do Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, <i>Toronto</i> .....                    | 640 00     |
| 46. | do Lying-in Hospital, <i>Toronto</i> .....                               | 480 00     |
| 47. | do <i>Magdalen</i> Asylum, do .....                                      | 480 00     |
| 48. | do House of Providence, do .....                                         | 320 00     |
| 49. | do Girls' Home and Public Nursery, <i>Toronto</i> .....                  | 320 00     |
| 50. | do General Hospital, <i>Kingston</i> .....                               | 4,800 00   |
| 51. | do House of Industry and Refuge for Indigent Sick, <i>Kingston</i> ..... | 2,400 00   |
| 52. | do Orphans' Home, <i>Kingston</i> .....                                  | 640 00     |
| 53. | do Hotel Dieu Hospital, do .....                                         | 800 00     |
| 54. | do General Hospital, <i>London</i> .....                                 | 2,400 00   |
| 55. | do City Hospital, <i>Hamilton</i> .....                                  | 4,800 00   |
| 56. | do Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, <i>Hamilton</i> .....                   | 640 00     |
| 57. | do Orphan Asylum and Ladies' Benevolent Society, <i>Hamilton</i> .....   | 640 00     |

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| 58. Aid to Protestant Hospital, <i>Ottawa</i> .....                 | \$1,200 00 |
| 59. do Roman Catholic Hospital, <i>Ottawa</i> .....                 | 1,200 00   |
| 60. In aid of the Deaf and Dumb .....                               | 3,000 00   |
| 61. Aid to General and Marine Hospital, <i>St. Catharines</i> ..... | 1,000 00   |

## LUNATIC ASYLUMS.

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| 62. Provincial Lunatic Asylum and Branch, <i>Toronto</i> ..... | 76,300 00 |
| 63. Lunatic Asylum, <i>Malden</i> .....                        | 32,676 00 |
| 64. do <i>Orillia</i> .....                                    | 17,954 00 |
| 65. do <i>Rockwood</i> .....                                   | 14,300 00 |

## REFORMATORY, PENETANGUISHENE.

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| 66. For Salaries and Maintenance..... | 23,627 00 |
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## LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS.

|                                                                    |        |
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| 67. Aid to Medical Faculty, <i>Victoria College, Cobourg</i> ..... | 750 00 |
| 68. do School of Medicine, <i>Kingston</i> .....                   | 750 00 |
| 69. do School of Medicine, <i>Toronto</i> .....                    | 750 00 |
| 70. do Canadian Institute, do .....                                | 750 00 |
| 71. do Canadian Institute, <i>Ottawa</i> .....                     | 300 00 |
| 72. do Athenæum, do .....                                          | 300 00 |

## EDUCATION.

|                                             |            |
|---------------------------------------------|------------|
| 73. For Common and Separate Schools.....    | 170,000 00 |
| 74. do Poor Schools.....                    | 4,000 00   |
| 75. do Normal and Model Schools.....        | 18,000 00  |
| 76. do Grammar Schools.....                 | 57,500 00  |
| 77. do Libraries, Apparatus and Prizes..... | 36,000 00  |
| 78. do Superannuated Teachers.....          | 6,500 00   |
| 79. do Museum and Library.....              | 3,500 00   |
| 80. do Journal of Education.....            | 1,800 00   |

Adopted on a division.

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| 81. For Grammar School Inspection .....                      | 2,000 00   |
| 82. County Common School Superintendents, part salaries..... | 13,500 00  |
| 83 { Salary of the Superintendent of Education.....          | \$4,000 00 |
| do Deputy do do .....                                        | 2,200 00   |
| do Senior Clerk and Accountant.....                          | 1,200 00   |
| do Corresponding Clerk.....                                  | 900 00     |
| do Statistical Clerk.....                                    | 1,000 00   |
| do Assistant do .....                                        | 500 00     |
| do do do .....                                               | 500 00     |
| do Messenger.....                                            | 365 00     |
|                                                              | 10,665 00  |
| 84. Contingencies.....                                       | 4,035 00   |

Adopted, on a division.

## UNFORESEEN AND UNPROVIDED EXPENSES.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |           |
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| 85. To meet unforeseen and unprovided Expenses.....                                                                                                                                                                     | 20,000 00 |
| 86. To make good the amount paid to Mrs. <i>Isabella McKenzie</i> ,<br>widow of the late <i>William Lyon McKenzie</i> , in accordance<br>with an Address passed by the Legislative Assembly,<br>on 3rd March, 1868..... | 4,000 00  |

Adopted on a division.

## ADDITIONAL ESTIMATE.

87. To correct the amount estimated for the completion of the Government House, being the amount of the unexpended appropriation for the year 1868, which elapses on the 31st December, 1868.....\$22,322 26

Adopted on a division.

88. To meet the amount expended by the Dominion Government, on account of the Province of *Ontario*, as per Statement No. 6 of the Public Accounts, for the nine months ending 30th September, 1868..... 13,264 72
89. Loan to *Toronto* General Hospital, to prevent the same being closed up, to form a charge on the *Toronto* General Hospital hereditaments and property..... 4,000 00

## COLONIZATION ROADS.

10. For construction and repairs..... 50,000 00

Resolutions reported.

Report to be received on Tuesday.

The House then adjourned.

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Saturday, 19th December, 1868.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Three petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :—

Of the Rev. *S. Rose* and others, of the City of *Toronto*, praying against the proposed License Law.

Of the Township Council of *Emily*; also, of *D. M. Clarke* and others, praying against certain amendments to the Municipal Law.

Of the Township Council of *Whitby*, praying against the repeal of the Dog and Sheep Act.

Of *George White* and others, of the Township of *Uxbridge*, praying that the *Toronto* and *Nipissing* Railway Bill do pass.

Of the *Canadian Land and Emigration Company*, praying for the imposition of statute labour upon their lands.

Of *C. W. Lount* and others, of the Township of *Muskoka*, praying that the works between Lakes *Muskoka* and *Rosseau* may be proceeded with.

Of the City Council of *Kingston*, praying that certain clauses in the Municipal Institutions Act of this Session may pass.

Of *J. W. Branan* and others, of the Township of *Brooke*, praying for the drainage of certain lands.

Bill (No. 112), To amend the Act passed in the 28th Vic., respecting the granting of Charters of Incorporation to Manufacturing, Mining and other Companies, was read the third time and passed.

Bill (No. 85), To vest certain real estate in the Trustees of the *Adelaide Street Wesleyan Methodist Church, Toronto*, and to enable them to sell the same, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported (without amendment) and report adopted.

Ordered for the third reading on Monday.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 72), To amend and confirm the Charter of the *Ottawa and Gloucester Road Company*.

Bill (No. 99), To incorporate the Synod of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and to unite the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto* therewith.

Bill (No. 101), To relieve the Trustees of the estate of the Honourable *John Elmsley*, late of *Toronto*, and to vest said estate in *Charlotte Elmsley*.

Bill (110), To legalize the granting to, and holding by the Municipal Corporation of the Township of *St. Vincent*, in the County of *Grey*, of certain Lands.

Bill (No. 83), To incorporate the *Presqu'Isle and Belmont Railway Company*.

Bill (No. 108), To incorporate the *Simcoe and Muskoka Railway Company*.

Bill (No. 109), to incorporate the *Norfolk Railway Company*.

Bill (No. 106), to amend the Act to incorporate the *Port Whitby and Port Perry Railway Company*.

Bill (No. 102) To vest the estate of the late *Alexander Wright* in Trustees, with certain powers.

Bill (No. 95), To incorporate the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of *Hamilton*.

Bill (No. 120) To incorporate the *Caledonia Peat Manufacturing and Smelting Company*.

Bill (No. 96), To amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, 25 Vic., Cap. 72, by declaring the intentions of the same, and confirming Conveyances made by the Trust and Loan Company thereunder.

Bill (No. 111), To provide for the Succession of Trustees of the Church and Glebe Property belonging to *St. Andrew's Church, Peterboro'*, and to authorize the Trustees of said Property to mortgage the said Property, or part thereof.

Bill (No. 113), To grant certain powers to the *Ontario Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company*.

Bill (No. 84), To incorporate the *Ontario Trust and Investment Company*.

Bill (No. 97), To amend the Act intituled "An Act to incorporate *Huron College*, (27th *Victoria*, Chapter 31.")

Bill (No. 94), For the relief of *William H. Bell* and others, interested in the Estate of the late *Thomas Bell*.

Bill (No. 98), to incorporate the *Hellmuth Ladies' College*.

The said Bills were severally referred to Committee of the Whole on Monday.

His Excellency *William Pearce Howland*, C.B., entered the House at 2 o'clock P.M. and, having taken his seat on the Throne, was pleased, in Her Majesty's name, to assent to the following Bills :—

An Act for continuing the Legislature in case of the Demise of the Crown.

An Act to provide for Oaths to Witnesses being administered in certain cases, for the purposes of the Legislative Assembly.

An Act to alter the Law of Dower, and to regulate the proceedings in actions for the recovery of Dower.

The Law Reform Act of 1868.

An Act to explain the thirty-sixth section of the *Hamilton Debentures Act* of 1864, and to legalize (if necessary) the application of the rates levied by the City of *Hamilton*, under the by-law referred to in that section.

An Act to divide the Township of *Garafraxa* into two Municipalities.

An Act to amend the Law as to Wills.

An Act to authorize and empower the Corporation of the City of *Kingston* to sell and convey certain lands.

An Act to define the privileges, immunities and powers of the Legislative Assembly, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of Sessional Papers.

An Act to secure the Independence of the Legislative Assembly.

An Act to make better provision for the dealing by Executors and Administrators with Mortgages.

An Act for the better protection of Game in the Province of *Ontario*.

An Act to legalize and confirm the survey made by *Alexander Campbell*, Provincial Land Surveyor, of that part of the Township of *Seymour* lying north-east of the River *Trent*, and north-west of *Crow River*.

An Act to amend the Registry Act, and to further provide as to the certificates of Married Women, touching their consent as to the Execution of Deeds of Conveyances.

An Act for the incorporating the *Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company*.

An Act to amend Chapter one hundred and nineteen of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, so far as relates to Fees to Sheriffs.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald* it was

*Resolved*,—That when this House adjourns it do stand adjourned till Wednesday, the sixth day of January next, at 3 o'clock P. M.

The House then adjourned.

### Wednesday, 6th January, 1869.

Five Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :—

Of the Board of Public Instruction of the County of *Wellington*, respecting education.

Of *Neil McDougall* and others, of the Township of *Eldon* ; also, of *A. Ray* and others, of the same, severally praying that the By-Law of that Township granting a bonus to the *Toronto and Nipissing* Railway, be not legalized.

Of *Thomas Brady* and others, of the County of *Prescott*, praying for an Act to quiet titles to lands sold for taxes.

Of the County Council of *Kent*, praying that the Bill relating to the lighting of Fires at certain seasons of the year, do not pass.

Of the County Council of *Bruce*, praying for the repeal of the dog and sheep Act, so far as it provides for an indemnity for the sheep destroyed.

Of the County Council of *Elgin* ; also, of *James Dunlop*, and others, of the Township of *Plympton*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of the County Council of *Waterloo*, praying for the erection of Houses of Refuge.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented :—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 18th December, 1868, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for copies of all correspondence between the Commissioner of Agriculture of this Province and the Board of Agriculture and the Agricultural Associations, or with any other person, in relation to the Accounts of the said Board of Agriculture and Agricultural Associations, together with the receipts and expenditure for the years 1866 to 1868 inclusive.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 30.)

Also :—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 26th November, 1868, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for a Return of the number of Tavern Licenses issued in each County, City, Town, or Incorporated Village in detail : also, the name of the party to whom issued, and the name of the issuer for each County, with the amount received from such Licenses to date.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 31.)

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*,—

*Resolved*,—That out of respect for the memory of the late *W. M. Shaw*, Esquire, Member for the South Riding of the County of *Lanark*, this House do now adjourn.

The House adjourned accordingly.

Thursday, 7th January, 1869.

Thirty-three Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :—

Of *N. J. Trenham* and others, of the Township of *Arnprior*; also, of *Daniel Colquet* and others, of the Township of *Osprey*, severally praying against the proposed Tavern License Law.

Of *Samuel G. Severalt* and others, of the Township of *Humphrey*, praying for the removal of certain obstructions from the river at *Boising Rapids*.

Of *Isaac Austin* and others, of the Township of *Woodhouse*, praying for certain alterations in the *Norfolk* Railway Bill.

Of *David Fieckie* and others, of the Township of *Georgina*, praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

The Order having been called to consider the Notice of Motion of Mr. *Greeley*,

That an humble Address be voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of all correspondence relative to County Court Judges and Clerks, and Bailiffs of Division Courts.

The Notice of Motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Pardee*,—

*Resolved*, That this House do resolve itself into Committee of the Whole to-morrow, in order to provide for the expenses attendant upon providing for a correct registration of births, marriages, and deaths, and ensuring a legal record of the same.

Also, To authorize the exaction of a fee, not exceeding \_\_\_\_\_ cents, for every birth, marriage, and death so registered.

Mr. *Blake* introduced Bill (No. 130), intituled, “An Act to amend the Dower Act of *Ontario*.”

*Ordered* for the second reading to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*,—

*Ordered*, That Mr. *McLeod* have leave of absence until the end of the Session, in consequence of ill-health.

Bill (No. 16), To amend the Act imposing a tax on dogs, and for the protection of sheep, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and progress reported.

*Ordered*, That leave be given to sit again to-morrow.

The Order of the Day having been called for the House to go into Committee on Bill (No. 42), To repeal the Statutory Enactments respecting the protection of sheep from dogs.

Mr. *Clarke* moved,—That Mr. Speaker do now leave the chair, when

Mr. *McKellar* moved in amendment,—That the Bill be not now committed, but that it be committed on this day six months.

And the amendment, having been put, was carried on the following division :—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Beatty, Blake, Cameron, Carling (Huron), Christie, Clemens, Cockburn, Crosby, Currie, Evans, Eyre, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fraser, Galbraith, Gow, McColl (Elgin), McDougall, McGill, McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Richards, Rykert, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Wallis, Wigle, Williams (Hamilton), and Wilson.—38.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Boulter, Boyd, Calvin, Carling (London), Carnegie, Clarke, Colquhoun, Corby, Craig (Glengarry), Ferguson, Fitzsimmons, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York),

Hays, Lauder, Luton, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McCall (Norfolk), Oliver, Read, Scott (Grey), Strange, Supple, Swinarton, Tett, and Williams (Durham).—28.

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged and the Bill withdrawn.

The Order of the Day having been called for the second reading of Bill (No. 28), Respecting abandoned Oil Wells in this Province ;

*Ordered*, That the said Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Order of the Day having been called for the third reading of Bill (No. 103), To enable the Corporation of *Port Hope* to aid by way of bonus the extension and completion of the *Port Hope, Lindsay, and Beaverton Railway Company to Beaverton*.

Mr. *Williams (Durham)* moved,—That the Bill be read the third time, when

Mr. *Blake* moved in amendment,—That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be read the third time on this day six months.

And the amendment having been put, was lost on the following division :—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Currie, Evans, Ferguson, Finlayson, McCall (Norfolk), McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Oliver, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Trow, and Williams (Hamilton).—23.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Clarke, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Corby, Craig (Glengarry), Crosby, Eyre, Ferrier, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Galbraith, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greeley, Hays, Lauder, Luton, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McColl (Elgin), Read, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Strange, Supple, Swinarton, Tett, Wallis, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Wilson, and Wood.—42.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

Bill (No. 85), To vest certain real estate in the Trustees of the *Adelaide Street Wesleyan Methodist Church, Toronto*, and to enable them to sell the same, was read the third time and passed.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and report adopted:—

Bill (No. 101), To relieve the Trustees of the Estate of the Honourable *John Elmsley*, late of *Toronto*, and to vest said Estate in *Charlotte Elmsley*, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 83), To incorporate the *Presqu'Isle and Belmont Railway Company*, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 108), To incorporate the *Simcoe and Muskoka Railway Company*, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 109), To incorporate the *Norfolk Railway Company*, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 102), To vest the estate of the late *Alexander Wright* in Trustees, with certain powers, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 111), To provide for the Succession of Trustees of the Church and Glebe Property belonging to *St. Andrew's Church, Peterboro'*, and to authorize the Trustees of said Property to mortgage the said Property or part thereof, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 84), To incorporate the *Ontario Trust and Investment Company*, (with amendments).

*Ordered*, That the said Bills be severally read the third time to-morrow.

The following Bills were also severally considered in Committee of the Whole, and progress reported :—

Bill (No. 95), To incorporate the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of *Hamilton*.

Bill (No. 113), To grant certain powers to the *Ontario Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company*.

*Ordered*, That leave be given to sit again to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

## Friday, 8th January, 1869.

Seventy-five Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*,—

*Ordered*, That a new Writ be issued for the Election of a Member of this House for the South Riding of the County of *Lanark*, in the room of *William McNairn Shaw*, deceased.

On motion of Mr. *Hays*,—

*Ordered*, That Mr. *Lount* have leave of absence until the end of the Session, in consequence of ill health.

The following Bills were severally introduced:—

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Bill (No. 131), intituled “An Act to make provision for the Selection of Jurors for the County of *York*, for the year 1869.”

Mr. *Cockburn*, Bill (No. 132), intituled “An Act to incorporate the Township of *Monck*.”

Mr. *Cockburn*, Bill (No. 133), intituled “An Act to incorporate the United Counties of *Watt*, *Cardwell*, *Humphrey*, *Christie*, *Medora*, and *Wood*.”

*Ordered*, That the said Bills be severally read the second time on Monday.

The following Resolutions, adopted in Committee of Supply, were reported, and having been read a second time, were concurred in:—

*Resolved*,—That there be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the several services named, the following amounts:—

### 1. LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S OFFICE.

|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Private Secretary, Salary..... | \$800 00 |
| Messenger, do .....            | 400 00   |
|                                | 1,200 00 |

### 2. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OFFICE.

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Clerk, Salary .....         | 400 00   |
| Caretaker, do.....          | 365 00   |
| Messenger, part Salary..... | 250 00   |
|                             | 1,015 00 |

### 3. ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S OFFICE.

|                                            |          |
|--------------------------------------------|----------|
| Attorney-General, as Premier, Salary ..... | 4,000 00 |
| Chief Clerk, Salary.....                   | 1,200 00 |
| Second do .....                            | 700 00   |
| Messenger, part Salary.....                | 250 00   |
|                                            | 6,150 00 |

## 4. TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

|                                        |            |
|----------------------------------------|------------|
| Treasurer, Salary.....                 | \$3,200 00 |
| Accountant, do .....                   | 1,200 00   |
| Chief Clerk, Audit Branch, Salary..... | 1,200 00   |
| Junior do do .....                     | 550 00     |
| Clerk of Correspondence, do .....      | 650 00     |
| Messenger, do .....                    | 365 00     |
|                                        | <hr/>      |
|                                        | 7,165 00   |

## 5. SECRETARY AND REGISTRAR'S OFFICE.

|                                                       |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Secretary and Registrar, Salary.....                  | 3,200 00 |
| Assistant Secretary and Deputy Registrar, Salary..... | 1,600 00 |
| First Clerk.....                                      | 800 00   |
| Two Clerks, at \$2 per diem .....                     | 1,460 00 |
| Two do \$1 do .....                                   | 730 00   |
| Messenger.....                                        | 365 00   |
|                                                       | <hr/>    |
|                                                       | 8,155 00 |

## 6. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS.

|                                         |          |
|-----------------------------------------|----------|
| Commissioner, Salary .....              | 3,200 00 |
| Architect and Engineer, Salary .....    | 2,000 00 |
| Secretary of Public Works, Salary ..... | 1,000 00 |
| Secretary of Agriculture, do .....      | 800 00   |
| Accountant, do .....                    | 800 00   |
| Messenger, do .....                     | 365 00   |
|                                         | <hr/>    |
|                                         | 8,165 00 |

## 7. CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT.

|                                                                                    |           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Commissioner, Salary .....                                                         | 3,200 00  |
| Assistant Commissioner, Salary .....                                               | 2,600 00  |
| Surveys Branch, Salaries.....                                                      | 3,810 00  |
| Land Claims and Sales in Old Townships Branch, Salaries.....                       | 4,760 00  |
| Clergy and School Lands and Crown Lands in New Townships<br>Branch, Salaries ..... | 5,500 00  |
| Letters Patent Branch, Salaries .....                                              | 3,030 00  |
| Woods and Forests Branch, Salaries .....                                           | 3,200 00  |
| Accounts do do .....                                                               | 7,220 00  |
| Colonization Roads do do .....                                                     | 2,400 00  |
| Registrar's do do .....                                                            | 1,400 00  |
| Office Keeper, Salary .....                                                        | 500 00    |
| Messenger, do .....                                                                | 450 00    |
|                                                                                    | <hr/>     |
|                                                                                    | 38,070 00 |

## 8. CONTINGENCIES

Of the Departments, not otherwise provided for, including  
Printing, Stationery, Advertising, Blank Books, Postages,  
Telegrams, Additional Clerk-hire, &c., &c., viz. :—

|                                                  |           |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Lieutenant-Governor's Office .....               | 210 00    |
| Executive Council Office .....                   | 780 00    |
| Attorney-General's Office .....                  | 805 00    |
| Treasury Department .....                        | 3,075 00  |
| Secretary and Registrar's Office .....           | 2,568 00  |
| Department of Agriculture and Public Works ..... | 1,933 00  |
| Crown Lands Department .....                     | 12,000 00 |
|                                                  | <hr/>     |
|                                                  | 21,371 00 |

The consideration of the concurrence in Resolution No. 9, was postponed.

10. COLONIZATION ROADS.

For construction and repairs .....\$50,000 00

11. LEGISLATION.

*Salaries.*

|                                       |            |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Mr. Speaker .....                     | \$1,000 00 |
| Clerk of the House .....              | 1,400 00   |
| Assistant Clerk and Accountant .....  | 1,200 00   |
| Clerk of Committees.....              | 1,200 00   |
| Law Clerk, arrears, 1868 .....        | 1,000 00   |
| do 1869 .....                         | 1,000 00   |
| First Office Clerk .....              | 800 00     |
| Clerk of Routine and Records .....    | 600 00     |
| Clerk of the Crown in Chancery .....  | 400 00     |
| Sergeant-at-Arms .....                | 400 00     |
| Junior Clerk .....                    | 500 00     |
| Housekeeper and Chief Messenger ..... | 500 00     |
| Three Messengers at \$365 .....       | 1,095 00   |
| Fireman .....                         | 365 00     |
| Night Watchman .....                  | 365 00     |
|                                       | <hr/>      |
|                                       | 11,825 00  |

|                                                                 |           |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Sessional Writers, Messengers and Pages .....                   | 2,000 00  |
| Postages, and cost of House Post Office.....                    | 1,500 00  |
| Stationery, including Printing-Paper, Printing and Binding..... | 5,000 00  |
| Printing, Binding and Distributing the Statutes .....           | 3,500 00  |
| Expenses of Elections.....                                      | 1,000 00  |
| Increase of Library.....                                        | 1,000 00  |
| Indemnity to Members, including Mileage.....                    | 30,000 00 |
| Contingencies .....                                             | 2,000 00  |
|                                                                 | <hr/>     |
|                                                                 | 57,825 00 |

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

12. COURT OF CHANCERY.

|                                       |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Salary of Master.....                 | 2,240 00  |
| Arrears, 1868.....                    | 760 00    |
| Salary of Taxing Officer.....         | 1,600 00  |
| do Senior Clerk, Master's Office..... | 1,000 00  |
| do Junior do do .....                 | 800 00    |
| do Registrar.....                     | 1,840 00  |
| do Clerk, Registrar's Office.....     | 1,000 00  |
| do do do .....                        | 1,000 00  |
| do do do .....                        | 1,000 00  |
| do Entering Clerk.....                | 600 00    |
| do do .....                           | 500 00    |
| do Usher and Housekeeper.....         | 450 00    |
| do Messenger .....                    | 365 00    |
| do Surrogate Court Clerk.....         | 1,600 00  |
| Contingencies .....                   | 1,182 00  |
|                                       | <hr/>     |
|                                       | 15,937 00 |

## 13. COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH.

|                                     |            |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Salary of Clerk of the Crown.....   | \$1,840 00 |
| do Senior Clerk.....                | 1,200 00   |
| do Junior do .....                  | 1,000 00   |
| do Clerk of Process.....            | 1,400 00   |
| do Assistant in Process Office..... | 400 00     |
| do Housekeeper and Messenger.....   | 500 00     |
| do Usher and Crier.....             | 160 00     |
| do Assistant Messenger.....         | 160 00     |
| Contingencies.....                  | 750 00     |
|                                     | 7,410 00   |

## 14. COURT OF COMMON PLEAS.

|                                   |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Salary of Clerk of the Crown..... | 1,840 00 |
| do Senior Clerk.....              | 1,200 00 |
| do Junior do .....                | 1,000 00 |
| do Usher and Crier.....           | 160 00   |
| Contingencies.....                | 500 00   |
|                                   | 4,700 00 |

## 15. CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

|                                           |            |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|
| Crown Counsel, Criminal Prosecutions..... | 10,000 00  |
| Administration of Criminal Justice.....   | 117,000 00 |
| Special Services, Criminal Justice.....   | 2,000 00   |
|                                           | 129,000 00 |

## 16. MISCELLANEOUS JUSTICE.

|                                                                                                                                     |           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Deputy Clerks of the Crown and Pleas.....                                                                                           | 12,100 00 |
| To meet expenses of Administration of Justice in the Districts of<br><i>Algoma, Nipissing and Muskoka</i> , and other services..... | 17,900 00 |
| To meet expenses incurred by the authorities <i>in re Driscoll</i> murder,<br><i>Kingston</i> .....                                 | 712 82    |
| do <i>in re Neubecker</i> murder, <i>Bruce</i> .....                                                                                | 459 36    |
| do <i>in re Benson</i> forgery, <i>London</i> .....                                                                                 | 65 69     |
| Seals and other contingencies.....                                                                                                  | 200 00    |
|                                                                                                                                     | 31,437 87 |

## PUBLIC WORKS AND BUILDINGS.

17. Government Buildings.—For repairs, insurance, furniture, and other expenses..... 25,000 00
18. Fuel, gas, water, &c., for House of Assembly and Departments... 5,000 00

Hon. Mr. *Wood* moved that the sum to be granted for services under Resolution No. 19, be reduced to \$50,000, in place of \$60,000 as reported, when

Mr. *McDougall* moved in amendment,—That in the opinion of this House the expenditure of \$110,000 for the Lieutenant-Governor's residence, (including \$60,000 for the house, \$32,000 for the furniture, \$8,000 for the outbuildings, and \$10,000 for fencing and laying out grounds) is excessive, and that the Resolution be recommitted to Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of reducing the amounts therein named by twenty thousand dollars, thus limiting the proposed expenditure for the Lieutenant-Governor's residence to \$90,000.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Crosby, Currie, Evans, Finlayson,

Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Galbraith, Gow, McCall (Norfolk), McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Oliver, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, and Williams (Hamilton).—28.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Beatty, Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Clarke, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Corby, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Cumberland, Eyre, Ferguson, Ferrier, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greeley, Hays, Lauder, Luton, Macdonald, Matchett, McColl (Elgin), Read, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Secord, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Supple, Swinarton, Tett, Wallis, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Wilson, and Wood.—41.

The Resolution was then concurred in as follows :—

|     |                                                                                                                                       |             |
|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 19. | Government House, completing Lieutenant-Governor's residence, including outbuildings, furniture, fencing and laying out grounds ..... | \$50,000 00 |
| 20. | Lieutenant-Governor's residence—Rent, fuel, &c., for Lieutenant-Governor's present residence.....                                     | 2,500 00    |
| 21. | Provincial Lunatic Asylum, <i>Toronto</i> , completing new wings .....                                                                | 75,000 00   |
| 22. | Additional Asylum accommodation for Lunatics .....                                                                                    | 100,000 00  |

Mr. *McKellar* moved, in amendment to above resolution, No. 22.—

That this House, while willing and anxious to provide additional Asylum accommodation for lunatics, is of opinion that estimates of the probable cost of the new Lunatic Asylum, according to approved plans, should be submitted to this House before it is called upon to vote \$100,000 in respect thereof.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Crosby, Evans, Finlayson, Fraser, Galbraith, Gow, McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Oliver, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, and Williams (Hamilton).—25.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Clarke, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Corby, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Currie, Ferguson, Ferrier, Fitzsimmons, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greeley, Hays, Luton, Macdonald, Matchett, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), Read, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Secord, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Supple, Swinarton, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Wilson, and Wood.—38.

Mr. *McKellar* then again moved, in amendment,—

That this House has had no opportunity of expressing its opinion as to the place to be selected for the new Lunatic Asylum, and that before any expenditure of money be made in respect thereof the Government ought to submit the selection made to the consideration of the Legislature.

And debate arising,

And the House having continued to sit until twelve of the clock, midnight.

SATURDAY, 9th January, 1869.

And the debate continuing,

The amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Crosby, Finlayson, Fraser, Gow, McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Oliver, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, and Williams (Hamilton).—23.

## Nays :

Messrs. Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Clarke, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Currie, Evans, Ferguson, Fitzsimmons, Galbraith, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greeley, Hays, Lauder, Luton, Macdonald Matchett, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), Read, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Secord, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Supple, Swinarton, Tett, Wallis, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Wilson, and Wood.—41.

The Resolution was then concurred in.

23. Deaf and Dumb Institution.....\$75,000 00

Mr. McKellar moved, in amendment,—

That the House has had no opportunity of expressing its opinion as to the place to be selected for the new Deaf and Dumb Institution, and that before any expenditure of money be made in respect thereof the Government ought to submit the selection made to the consideration of the Legislature.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

## Yeas :

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Finlayson, Fraser, Gow, McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Oliver, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Middlesex), Springer, and Williams (Hamilton).—21.

## Nays :

Messrs. Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Clarke, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Currie, Evans, Ferguson, Fitzsimmons, Galbraith, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greeley, Hays, Lauder, Luton, Macdonald, Matchett, McColl (Elgin), Read, Richards, Rykert, Secord, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Supple, Swinarton, Tett, Wallis, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Wilson, and Wood.—40.

The Resolution was then concurred in.

24. Reformatory, *Penetanguishene*, workshops, and water supply..... \$5,000 00

25. Improving navigation of inland waters, and surveys, and drainage of lands, as follows :—

For works at *Lake Rosseau* .....\$35,000 00

For works at *Young's Point*..... 30,000 00

For works at *Balsam River*..... 20,000 00

For surveys, and for drainage of Crown Lands..... 15,000 00

\$100,000 00

26. Government Buildings, *Toronto*.—Salary of House-keeper, east wing, Departmental Buildings..... \$400 00

27. do of Fireman for do ..... 365 00

28. House cleaning ..... 200 00

## AGRICULTURE.

29. Electoral Division Societies—73 at \$700 each.....\$51,100 00

1 at \$550 ..... 550 00

7 at \$350 “ ..... 2,450 00

30. Fruit Growers' Association ..... 350 00

31. Agricultural Association ..... 10,000 00

32. Mechanics' Institutes ..... 4,000 00

## IMMIGRATION.

33. Grant in aid of Immigration.....\$10,000 00

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* delivered a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, which was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

W. P. HOWLAND.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits an additional estimate of the expenditure of the Province for the year ending 31st December, 1869, and recommends the same to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Toronto, 8th January, 1869.

(*Sessional Papers*, No. 25.)

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Wood*,—

*Resolved*,—That the House resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on Monday, and that the Message of His Excellency and the Additional Estimate be referred to the Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for copies of the following papers :—

1. The memorandum referred to in the letter from the Chief Superintendent of Education to the Provincial Secretary of *Canada*, dated April 17th, 1861.

2. The accounts, including the extra payments made to Messrs. *Hodgins*, *Marling* and *Taylor* in 1863, sent by the Chief Superintendent to the Government, or to the Audit Office, and the explanations accompanying those accounts.

3. The accounts, including the various extra payments made to the various employees of the Education Department, sent to the Government, or to the Audit Office for each year since 1863, with any explanations which accompanied such accounts.

4. Any communications made to the Government, or to the Auditor, by the Chief Superintendent, or to the Chief Superintendent, by the Government, or the Auditor since the year 1862, on the subject of the expenditure of the Education Department.

5. The accounts sent to the Government, or the Audit Office, of the expenditure of the Normal and Model Schools, for each year, since 1863.

6. Copies of any of the above documents to be found in the Education Department.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented :—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 3rd December, 1868, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for copies of all correspondence between the Government and Mr. *John Carroll*, late Crown Land Agent of the *Burleigh* Road, since the first of January, 1867; and also, copies of all accounts, or memorandum of accounts received from the said *John Carroll* during the same time. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 32.)

The House then adjourned, at 1.15 A. M.

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Saturday, 9th January, 1869.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Twenty-four petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :—

Of *Thomas Coleman* and others, of the Township of *Enniskillen*, praying against the tenth clause of the proposed Common School Act.

Of the County Council of *Elgin*; also, of the County Council of *Welland*, severally praying for amendments to the Assessment Law.

Of *William Wilson* and others, of the Township of *Cumberland*; also, of *William Bradley* and others, of the Town of *Prescott*; also, of *Stephen Tucker* and others, of the Township of *Clarence*, severally praying for an Act to quiet the titles to lands sold for taxes.

Of *J. M. Burns* and others, of the Township of *Warwick*; also, of *Stephen C. Millard* and others, of the Village of *Houghton*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of *Walker Hicks* and others, of the Town of *Goderich*; also, of *Andrew McDonald* and others, of the Township of *Hullett*; also, of the Rev. *John McLachlan* and others, of the Township of *Thorah*; also, of *James McDonald* and others, of the Township of *Nichol*; also, of *Peter Kennedy* and others, of the Township of *Notfield*; also, of *L. Denton* and others, of the Township of *Bayham*; also, of *Joseph Graham* and others, of the Township of *Yarmouth*; also, of *John Westlake* and others, of the Town of *Port Hope*; also, of *James F. Wright* and others, of the Village of *Vienna*; also, of *H. Parker* and others, of the Town of *Woodstock*; also, of *Thomas Collins* and others, of the Township of *McGillivray*; also, of *Peter W. Day* and others, of the Village of *Collingsby*; also, of *Thomas Law* and others, of the Township of *Scarboro'*; also, of *J. E. Thomas* and others, of the Village of *Cashmere*; also, of *William Best* and others, of the Village of *Mount Pleasant*; also, of *Peter Robertson* and others, of the Township of *Mornington*; also, of the Rev. *James Norris* and others, of the Township of *Emily*; also, of *John McMillan* and others, of the Township of *Bosanquet*; also, of the Rev. *P. McDermid* and others, of the Township of *Moore*; also, of *James Munroe* and others, of the Township of *Sarnia*; also, of *P. M. Clarke* and others, of the Township of *Ernestown*; also, of *John Hoyle* and others, of the Township of *Ernestown*; also, of *John Sager* and others, of the Town of *Brantford*; also, of *George Fleming* and others, of the Town of *Brantford*, severally praying against the proposed Tavern License Law.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed:—

Bill (No. 101), To relieve the Trustees of the Estate of the Honourable *John Elmsley*, late of *Toronto*, and to vest said Estate in *Charlotte Elmsley*.

Bill (No. 83), To incorporate the *Presqui' Isle and Belmont* Railway Company.

Bill (No. 108), To incorporate the *Simcoe and Muskoka* Railway Company.

Bill (No. 102), To vest the estate of the late *Alexander Wright* in Trustees, with certain powers.

Bill (No. 111), To provide for the Succession of Trustees of the Church and Glebe Property belonging to *St. Andrews' Church, Peterboro'*, and to authorize the Trustees of said Property to mortgage the said Property or part thereof.

Bill (No. 109), To incorporate the *Norfolk* Railway Company, was read the third time.

On motion of the Hon. Mr. *Wood*, the following amendment was made to the Bill:—

In the third section, after the word "*Brantford*" insert the words, "and thence to some point on the Great Western Railway."

On motion, That the Bill do now pass,

Mr. *McCall (Norfolk)*, moved in amendment,—

That the Bill do not now pass, but that it be referred back forthwith to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same, by providing that the said Railway shall commence at *Simcoe*, and thence to *Port Ryerse, Port Dover* and *Caledonia*.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

The Bill was then passed on a division.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and report adopted:—

Bill (No. 110), To legalize the granting to, and holding by the Municipal Corporation of the Township of *St. Vincent*, in the County of *Grey*, of certain lands, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 96), To amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, 25 Vic., Cap. 72, by declaring the intentions of the same, and confirming Conveyances made by the Trust and Loan Company thereunder, (without amendment).

Ordered, That the said Bills be severally read the third time on Monday.

On motion of Hon. Mr *Wood*, the House resolved to form itself into a Committee of the Whole on Tuesday, to consider the following Resolutions :—

*Resolved*,—1. That over and above the sum to be imposed by Municipalities, there shall be paid to and for the use of Her Majesty, for each Tavern License in Cities, a duty of                   dollars; in Towns, of                   dollars; and in Townships and Incorporated Villages, of                   dollars; and for vessels navigating the waters of this Province, of                   dollars; and for each Shop License, of                   dollars.

2. That in any case of a transfer of a Tavern License, as provided in section 19 of Bill (No. 19), it shall be lawful to charge therefor a fee of                   dollars; to be paid to the issuer of Tavern Licenses for the use of Her Majesty.

On motion of Mr. *Currie*,—

*Resolved*, That this House do form itself into Committee of the Whole on Monday, to consider the following Resolutions :—

1. That it is expedient that the provisions of Cap. 57 of the Con. Stat. of *Upper Canada*, intituled “An Act respecting Line-Fences and Water-courses,” should, so far as the same relates to Water-courses, apply to unoccupied and non-resident lands and the owners thereof, to the same extent as to occupied lands and the owners thereof.

2. That the Fence-viewers should have the power to determine the share of the expense to be borne by the owners of unoccupied lands for the construction of Water-courses.

3. That the amount to be charged against non-resident or unoccupied lands for the construction of Water-courses, shall be collected in the same way as wild land tax, and shall stand in like manner as a charge upon said lands.

On motion of Mr. *Coyne*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for a return of the number of patients and inmates aided by the several Hospitals and Charities receiving Government grants from the year 1862 to 1868 inclusive, and the length of time each of such patients or inmates has been in receipt of such aid; also the religion and country of each, and the last place of residence of the said several patients or inmates, prior to their admission to the said Institutions.

The Order having been called to consider the Notice of Motion of Mr. *McKellar*,—

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor praying that he may cause to be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence between the Government or any Department thereof, and the City Council of *London*, or other parties, relative to the closing of the streets on the *Hunt* property, lately the subject of litigation in the Court, of the *Queen vs. Hunt* in the Court of Appeal, in relation to the surrender or exchange of the property or the closing of said streets.

The Notice of Motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *McKellar*, an humble Address was voted to his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for a return of the number of sheep worried by dogs and the amount paid therefor by the several municipalities during the year 1867.

Mr. *Sinclair* moved,—

That in the opinion of this House, it is highly desirable that conflicting claims to the public lands should be settled without delay.

That where all just claims have been forfeited, the lands should be immediately resumed and resold, and that wherever the price fixed upon for the land has been so high that it would be oppressive to the settler to enforce payment, an abatement should be made.

That to carry out those views a Commission should be appointed, to hold sittings in such Townships as the Commissioner of Crown Lands may direct, and whose duty it shall be to take evidence and decide upon those matters, and submit such evidence and decisions to the Commissioner of Crown Lands for his approval.

That the said Commission shall be composed of an officer of the Crown Lands Department, the County Judge, and the Warden of the County in which the sittings are held.  
 And debate arising,  
 The motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Order having been called to consider the Notice of Motion of Mr. *Cumberland*,—  
 That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for a Return of all fees, emoluments and stipends received during the years 1865-6 and 7, respectively, by the County Crown Attorney, and Clerk of the Peace for the County of *York* and City of *Toronto*, and the Clerk of the Recorder's Court of the said City.  
 The Notice of Motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. *Blake* moved that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, representing that on the 19th day of February last, nearly eleven months ago, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency, the late Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he would cause to be laid before this House a Statement connected with the Land Improvement fund, and, no reply having, as yet, been received to the said Address, praying that His Excellency would be graciously pleased to direct a Return to be made thereto, without further delay.

And debate arising,

The motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*,  
*Resolved*, That the House do form itself into Committee of the Whole on Monday, to consider the following Resolution:—

That the existing system of commuting the Statute Labour Tax gives an unjust advantage to the larger at the expense of the smaller proprietors, and that the said tax should be levied so that each proprietor shall contribute thereto in proportion to the value of his property.

On motion of Mr. *McKellar*, a Select Committee was appointed, to consider the correspondence that has taken place between the Dominion and *Ontario* Governments, respecting the order of Official Precedence, and the saluting of Lieutenant Governors, with an instruction to report to this House, to be composed as follows:—Messrs. *Blake*, *Rykert*, *Pardee*, *Ferrier* and *McKellar*.

Bill (No. 76), To amend the Municipal Institutions Act of *Upper Canada*, was read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *McKellar* the Bill was amended as follows:—

In the first section the word "surveyor" struck out' and the words "other competent person" inserted in lieu thereof.

The Bill was then passed.

The House then adjourned,

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## Monday, 11th January, 1869.

Thirty-two Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:—

Of *James Robertson* and others, of the Township of *Edwardsburgh*; also, of *A. B. Pardee* and others, of the Township of *Augusta*; also, of *D. B. Stewart* and others, of the Village of *Beckwith*; also, of *James Cumming* and others, of the Village of *Lyn*; also, of

*John Dodds* and others, of the County of *Lanark*; also, of *J. Jamieson* and others, of the Township of *Ramsey*; also, of *J. Scott* and others, of the Township of *Packenhram*; also, of *George Ferguson* and others, of the Township of *Townsend*; also, of *M. D. Campbell* and others, of the village of *Petersville*; also, of *William Jordan* and others, of the County of *Peel*; also, of *Mark Mortimer* and others, of the Township of *Mulmur*; also, of *Francis Hurren* and others, of the County of *Huron*; also, of *D. M. Munro* and others, of the Township of *Westminster*; also, of *James Sutton* and others, of the same; also, of *John McNamee* and others, of the same; also, of *Joseph Elson* and others, of the Village of *Petersville*; also, of *Hill Campbell* and others, of the Township of *Cornwall*; also, of *Thomas Caldwell* and others, of the County of *Peel*; also, of *Edward Burke* and others, of the City of *London*; also, of *H. S. Cotter* and others, of the Township of *Nelson*; also, of *John Reynolds* and others, of the Township of *Maidstone*; also, of *Thomas Woodbridge* and others, of the Town of *Sandwich*; also, of *E. Mitchell* and others, of the Township of *Pembroke*; also, of *Robert Reilly* and others, of the Township of *Ross*; also, of *W. N. Mitchell* and others, of the Township of *Claremont*; also, of *Burton Buntin* and others, of the Township of *Pickering*; also, of *John Botton* and others, of the County of *Prince Edward*; also, of *B. H. Louthard* and others, of the Township of *Hallowell*; also, of *L. M. Mathews* and others, of the Township of *Crowland*; also, of the County of *Lancaster*; also, of *William Hollingshead* and others, of the Township of *Bosanquet*; also, of *William Woods* and others, of the same; also, of *James D. Conklin* and others, of the same; also, of *T. N. Flagg* and others, of the Township of *Mitchell*; also, of *J. N. Helts* and others, of the Town of *Collingwood*; also, of *Samuel Otter* and others, of the Village of *Binbrook*; also, of *William Cook* and others, of the Township of *South Cayuga*; also, of *James Edgecourt* and others, of the Township of *Yarmouth*; also, of *Daniel Knapp* and others, of the Township of *Harwick*; also, of *Albert Andrews* and others, of the Township of *Kincardine*; also, of *Leonard Lyman* and others, of the Township of *Kitley*; also, of *H. N. Breman* and others, of the County of *Leeds*; also, of *A. L. Riddle* and others, of the same; also, of *Richard Ringer*, of the Township of *South Elmsley*; also, of *John Stewart* and others, of the County of *Huron*; also, of *George D. Young* and others, of the Township of *Grenville*; also, of *J. L. Campbell* and others, of the County of *Meaford*; also, of *Alexander Ferguson* and others, of the Village of *Port Burwell*; also, of *N. J. Armstrong* and others, of the Township of *King*; also, of *G. H. Biggar* and others, of the Township of *Stamford*; also, of *James Smith* and others, of the Village of *Dawn Mills*; also, of *George Shannon* and others, of the Town of *Goderich*; also, of *A. Munro* and others, of the Township of *Brucefield*; also, of *William Tracey* and others, of the Township of *Pickering*; also, of *B. Wilkins* and others, of the Village of *Glenwilliam*; also, of *John Barnet* and others, of the Village of *Kingsville*; also, of the Reverend *O. Whitecomb* and others, of the Village of *Tilsonburgh*; also, of *P. Heaselip* and others, of the Township of *Gananoque*; also, of *J. H. Gorman* and others, of the County of *Northumberland*, severally praying against the proposed Tavern License Law.

Of *James Phillips* and others, of the Township of *Scott*; also, of *Walker Bell* and others, of the Township of *Clarksburgh*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of *J. C. Gilchrist* and others, of the Township of *Eldon*, praying for the legalization of the Bonus of that Township, granting aid to the *Toronto* and *Nipissing* Railway.

Of *C. Sharrard*, of the Township of *Uxbridge*, praying against the By-Law granting aid to the *Toronto* and *Nipissing* Railway.

Of *George Munns* and others, of the County of *Simcoe*; also, of *Arthur W. Covell*, of the Township of *South Elmsley*, severally praying for amendments to the School Act.

Of *Alexander Taylor* and others, of the Village of *Caledonia*, praying for amendments to the *Norfolk* Railway Company Act.

Of *H. Browning* and others, of the Township of *Monck*, praying for an Act to incorporate said Township.

Of *Robert Spears* and others, of the Township of *Uxbridge*; also, of *N. B. Graham* and others, of the same; also, of *William Lucas* and others, of the Township of *Cartwright*; also, of *E. Walker* and others, of the Township of *Reach*; also, of *George Harrison* and others, of the Township of *Scott*; also, of *Wm. Harris* and others, of the same, severally praying for an Act to quiet titles to Lands sold for Taxes.

Hon. Mr. *Richards* introduced Bill (No. 134), intituled "An Act relative to certain streets in the City of *London*, in this Province."

*Ordered* for the second reading to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented:—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 19th February, 1868, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for a Return shewing the amounts which have been received by the Crown in each year since the abolition of the Land Improvement Fund, for lands sold during the existence of that Fund: and also, the amounts which are still receivable by the Crown in respect of such sales; and also, the sums which would, but for the abolition of the said Fund, be payable to each Municipality out of the said amounts for each year aforesaid and for the future. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 33).

The Order of the Day having been called for the third reading of Bill (No. 84), To incorporate the *Ontario* Trust and Investment Company,

Mr. *McMurrich* moved in amendment,—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, to be amended by limiting the amount of money received in deposit by the Company to double the amount of their cash capital.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

Bill (No. 110), To legalize the granting to and holding by the Municipal Corporation of the Township of *St. Vincent*, in the County of *Grey*, of certain lands, was read the third time and passed.

Bill (No. 113), To grant certain powers to the *Ontario* Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company, was considered in Committee of the Whole.

(*In Committee.*)

Mr. *McMurrich* moved in amendment,—

That section number four be expunged.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

Yeas, 24; Nays, 32.

The Bill was then reported (with amendments), and report adopted.

*Ordered* for the third reading to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and report adopted:—

Bill (No. 72), To amend and confirm the charter of the *Ottawa* and *Gloucester* Road Company, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 99), To incorporate the Synod of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and to unite the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto* therewith, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 106), To amend the Act to incorporate the *Port Whitby* and *Port Perry* Railway Company, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 120), To incorporate the *Caledonia* Peat Manufacturing and Smelting Company, (with amendments).

*Ordered*, That the said Bills be severally read the third reading to-morrow.

The Order of the Day having been called for the second reading of Bill (No. 92), To remove doubts as to the rights of the Bond-holders of the *Cobourg* and *Peterboro'* Railway Company to the surplus funds paid, or to be paid, into the Court of Chancery, under the Act 20 *Vic.*, Cap. 79, after providing for payments of Rights of Way, Station and Depot Grounds, and to provide for the distribution thereof among such Bond-holders.

Mr. *Fraser* moved in amendment,—

That the Bill be not now read the second time, but that it be read this day six months,—

And debate arising,

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, the debate was adjourned till to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 80), To admit *William Darley Pollard* to the Degree of Barrister-at-Law.

Bill (No. 82), To admit *Charles Gamon* to the Degree of Barrister-at-Law.

Bill (No. 105), To authorize the Law Society of Ontario to admit *Frederick George Allenby* as a Barrister-at-Law.

The said Bills were severally referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

The Order of the Day having been called for the Second Reading of Bill (No. 104), To grant relief to Lady *Smith*, and to enable her to manage the Estate of her late husband, Sir *Henry Smith*.

Mr. *Blake* moved in amendment,—

That the Bill be not now read the second time, but that it be read this day six months.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Baxter, Beatty, Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Evans, Ferrier, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Galbraith, Greeley, McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Oliver, Pardee, Perry, Read, Rykert, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Swinarton, Trow, and Williams (Hamilton).—31.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Barber, Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Corby, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Crosby, Currie, Eyre, Graham (Hastings), Lauder, Luton, Macdonald, Matchett, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McGill, Paxton, Richards, Scott (Ottawa), Secord, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Supple, Tett, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Wilson, and Wood.—33.

The Bill was then read the second time, and referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

*Resolved*,—That there be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the service named, the following amount :—

90. To correct the amount estimated for the expenses of the  
Crown Lands Department for the year 1869 ..... \$50,170 00

Resolution reported.

Report to be received to-morrow.

The House then adjourned.

Tuesday, 12th January, 1869.

Eleven Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :—

Of *John Tytler* and others, of the Township of *Clarence*, praying for amendments to the Assessment Act.

Of *James Walker* and others, of the Township of *Uxbridge*; also, of *Paul Lawrence* and others, of the same; also, of *Martin Pert* and others, of the Township of *Scott*; also, of *Thomas Bolster* and others, of the Township of *Uxbridge*; also, of *William Reynolds* and others, of the Township of *Markham*, severally praying for an Act to quiet titles to lands sold for taxes.

Of *W. R. German* and others, of the Township of *Murray*; also, of *J. D. Osterhout* and others, of the same; also, of *Andrew Weeks* and others, of the Township of *Uxbridge*; also, of *Charles Taylor* and others, of the Town of *Sarnia*; also, of *Matthew Addison* and others, of the County of *Renfrew*; also, of *Andrew Thornton* and others, of the Township of *Emily*; also, of *George Wilson* and others, of *Port Dover*; also, of *David Stouffer*, and others, of the Village of *Stouffville*; also, of *David Pentland* and others, of the Town of *Peterboro'*; also, of *James Mathews* and others, of the Village of *Westminster*; also, of *Alexander McErveen* and others, of the Township of *Roxborough*; also, of *John Walter* and others, of the County of *Oxford*; also, of *K. H. Wetherell* and others, of the Village of *Kemptville*; also, of *E. W. Holten* and others, of the Town of *Belleville*; also, of *J. R. Fairfield* and others, of the Township of *Thurlow*; also, of *Dr. Oronhyatheka* and others, of the Village of *Frankford*; also, of *C. H. Dorland* and others, of the same; also, of *J. M. Ferguson* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*, severally praying against the proposed Tavern License Law.

*Mr. Coyne*, from the Select Committee on Bill (No. 47), Respecting the partition of Real Estate in *Ontario*, reported the Bill, (with amendments).

*Mr. McGill* introduced Bill (No. 135), intituled "An Act to regulate the sale of Poisons, and respecting Chemists, Druggists, and Apothecaries."

Ordered for the second reading on Thursday.

The following Resolutions adopted in Committee of Supply, were reported and, having been read the second time, were concurred in :—

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of the several services named, the following amounts :—

MISCELLANEOUS.

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| 34. Salary of Inspector of Prisons.....                                              | \$2,000 00 |
| 35. Expenses of do .....                                                             | 500 00     |
| 36. Cost of <i>Official Gazette</i> .....                                            | 3,000 00   |
| 37. Expenses of Arbitration.....                                                     | 1,000 00   |
| 38. Salary of Inspector of Registry Offices.....                                     | 2,000 00   |
| 39. To cover gratuities to public officers whose services may be dispensed with..... | 20,000 00  |

*Mr. McKellar* moved in amendment to the above Resolution, No. 39,—

That the said Resolution be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of specifying the particular sums to be paid to the particular officers whose services are to be dispensed with, so as not to have so large a sum as \$20,000 to be expended at the mere will of the Executive, without a previous vote appropriating the same to the various persons to whom it is to be paid.

And *Mr. McCall (Norfolk)* moved in amendment to the said amendment,—

That the said Resolution be re-committed to Committee of the Whole forthwith, with instructions to strike out the said \$20,000 to cover gratuities to public officers whose services may be dispensed with.

And the amendment to the amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

The amendment, having been then put, was lost on the following division:—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Crosby, Evans, Finlayson, Fraser, Gow, McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Oliver, Perry, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Middlesex), Trow, and Williams (Hamilton).—21.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Clarke, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Cumberland, Currie, Eyre, Ferguson, Ferrier, Fitzsimmons, Galbraith, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greely, Hays, Hooper, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McCall (Norfolk), McGill (Elgin), McGill, Read, Richards, Scott (Ottawa), Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Supple, Swinarton, Tett, Wallis, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Wilson, and Wood.—46.

The Resolution was then concurred in.

40. To aid the destitute Colonists of the Red River Settlement,  
in the discretion of the Government, not to exceed..... \$5,000 00

HOSPITALS AND CHARITIES.

|                                                                                 |            |
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| 41. Aid to <i>Toronto</i> Hospital, <i>Toronto</i> .....                        | \$6,400 00 |
| 42. do do for County Patients, <i>Toronto</i> .....                             | 4,800 00   |
| 43. do House of Industry, do .....                                              | 2,400 00   |
| 44. do Protestant Orphans' Home and Female Aid Society,<br><i>Toronto</i> ..... | 640 00     |
| 45. do Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, <i>Toronto</i> .....                       | 640 00     |
| 46. do Lying-in Hospital, <i>Toronto</i> .....                                  | 480 00     |
| 47. do <i>Magdalen</i> Asylum, do .....                                         | 480 00     |
| 48. do House of Providence, do .....                                            | 320 00     |
| 49. do Girls' Home and Public Nursery, <i>Toronto</i> .....                     | 320 00     |
| 50. do General Hospital, <i>Kingston</i> .....                                  | 4,800 00   |
| 51. do House of Industry and Refuge for Indigent Sick,<br><i>Kingston</i> ..... | 2,400 00   |
| 52. do Orphans' Home, <i>Kingston</i> .....                                     | 640 00     |
| 53. do Hotel Dieu Hospital, do .....                                            | 800 00     |
| 54. do General Hospital, <i>London</i> .....                                    | 2,400 00   |
| 55. do City Hospital, <i>Hamilton</i> .....                                     | 4,800 00   |
| 56. do Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, <i>Hamilton</i> .....                      | 640 00     |
| 57. do Orphan Asylum and Ladies' Benevolent Society,<br><i>Hamilton</i> .....   | 640 00     |
| 58. do Protestant Hospital, <i>Ottawa</i> .....                                 | 1,200 00   |
| 59. do Roman Catholic Hospital, <i>Ottawa</i> .....                             | 1,200 00   |
| 60. In aid of the Deaf and Dumb .....                                           | 3,000 00   |
| 61. Aid to General and Marine Hospital, <i>St. Catharines</i> .....             | 1,000 00   |

LUNATIC ASYLUMS.

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| 62. Provincial Lunatic Asylum and Branch, <i>Toronto</i> ..... | 76,300 00 |
| 63. Lunatic Asylum, <i>Malden</i> .....                        | 32,676 00 |
| 64. do <i>Orillia</i> .....                                    | 17,954 00 |
| 65. do <i>Rockwood</i> .....                                   | 14,300 00 |

## REFORMATORY, PENETANGUISHENE.

66. For Salaries and Maintenance..... 23,627 00

## LITERARY AND SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS.

67. Aid to Medical Faculty, *Victoria College, Cobourg*..... 750 00

Mr. *Perry* moved in amendment to the above Resolution No. 67,—

That the following words be added to the Resolution:—"But this House is of opinion that it is inexpedient to pay money out of the Public Treasury to aid any of the Faculties of the Denominational Colleges, and makes this appropriation in order to save the embarrassment which might arise were they suddenly deprived thereof."

And the amendment, having been put, was carried on the following division:—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Clemens, Cockburn, Coyne, Crosby, Currie, Evans, Eyre, Ferguson, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Gow, Lauder, Luton, Monteith, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Oliver, Paxton, Perry, Read, Secord, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Supple, Trow, Williams (Hamilton), and Wilson.—38.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Colquhoun, Corby, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Cumberland, Fraser, Galbraith, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greely, Hays, Hooper, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, McGill, Richards, Scott (Grey), Scott (Ottawa), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Tett, Wallis, Wigle, Williams (Durham), and Wood.—34.

The Resolution, as amended, was then agreed to.

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| 68. Aid to School of Medicine, <i>Kingston</i> ..... | 750 00 |
| 69. do School of Medicine, <i>Toronto</i> .....      | 750 00 |
| 70. do Canadian Institute, do .....                  | 750 00 |
| 71. do Canadian Institute, <i>Ottawa</i> .....       | 300 00 |
| 72. do Athenæum, do .....                            | 300 00 |

## EDUCATION.

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| 73. For Common and Separate Schools..... | \$170,000 00 |
| 74. do Poor Schools.....                 | 4,000 00     |
| 75. do Normal and Model Schools.....     | 18,000 00    |

Debate having arisen on the foregoing Resolution,

And objection having been taken by Mr. *Ferguson* to words spoken by Mr. *Blake* in debate, as not having reference to the Resolution before the House, and being out of order, Mr. Speaker decided as follows:—

An arrangement having been made, with the leave of the House, that Mr. *Blake* might, when this Resolution came up, speak on the general policy of the Executive, Mr. *Blake* is therefore in order.

The debate was then continued.

The Resolution was concurred in.

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| 76. For Grammar Schools.....                 | \$57,500 00 |
| 77. do Libraries, Apparatus, and Prizes..... | 36,000 00   |
| 78. do Superannuated Teachers .....          | 6,500 00    |
| 79. do Museum and Library.....               | 3,500 00    |
| 80. do <i>Journal of Education</i> .....     | 1,800 00    |

Debate having arisen on the foregoing Resolution No. 80,

And the House having continued to sit until Twelve of the clock, midnight.

WEDNESDAY, 13th January, 1869.

The debate was continued.

The Resolution was concurred in.

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| 81. For Grammar School Inspection.....                                                                   | \$2,000 00 |
| 82. County Common School Superintendents, part salaries.....                                             | 13,500 00  |
| 83. Salary of the Superintendent of Education.....                                                       | \$4,000 00 |
| do Deputy do do .....                                                                                    | 2,200 00   |
| do Senior Clerk and Accountant.....                                                                      | 1,200 00   |
| do Corresponding Clerk.....                                                                              | 900 00     |
| do Statistical Clerk.....                                                                                | 1,000 00   |
| do Assistant do .....                                                                                    | 500 00     |
| do do do .....                                                                                           | 500 00     |
| do Messenger .....                                                                                       | 365 00     |
|                                                                                                          | 10,665 00  |
| 84. Contingencies :—                                                                                     |            |
| On motion of Hon. Mr. <i>Wood</i> , the amount for the above service was reduced from \$4,035.00 to..... | 2,828 00   |

The Resolution, as amended, was concurred in.

## UNFORESEEN AND UNPROVIDED EXPENSES.

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| 85. To meet unforeseen and unprovided Expenses.....                                                                                                                                                            | 20,000 00 |
| 86. To make good the amount paid to Mrs. <i>Isabella McKenzie</i> , widow of the late <i>William Lyon McKenzie</i> , in accordance with an Address passed by the Legislative Assembly, on 3rd March, 1868..... | 4,000 00  |
| Concurred in on a division.                                                                                                                                                                                    |           |
| 87. To correct the amount estimated for the completion of the Government House, being the amount of the unexpended appropriation for the year 1868, which elapses on the 31st December, 1868 .....             | 22,322 26 |
| 88. To meet the amount expended by the Dominion Government on account of the Province of <i>Ontario</i> , as per Statement No. 6 of the Public Accounts, for the nine months ending 30th September, 1868 ..... | 13,264 72 |
| 89. Loan to <i>Toronto</i> General Hospital, to prevent the same being closed up, to form a charge on the <i>Toronto</i> General Hospital hereditaments and property .....                                     | 4,000 00  |

## CROWN LANDS EXPENDITURE.

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| 9 & 90. Salaries and Expenses of Travelling Agents..... | \$5,000 00   |
| Board of Surveyors.....                                 | 400 00       |
| Agents' Salaries, Commission and Disbursements.....     | 35,000 00    |
| Refunds.....                                            | 10,000 00    |
| Surveys.....                                            | 50,000 00    |
|                                                         | \$100,400 00 |

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* introduced Bill (No. 136), intituled "An Act to amend the Act 31 Vic., Cap. 29, intituled 'An Act for the encouragement of Agriculture, Horticulture, Arts and Manufactures.'"

*Ordered* for the second reading to-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 1.15 a.m.

Wednesday, 13th January, 1869.

Twenty-four Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :—

Of *John Ferguson* and others, of the Town of *Whitby*; also, of *J. H. Wilson* and others, of the same; also, of *S. D. Bogg* and others, of the Township of *Cornwall*; also, of *R. W. Burrell* and others, of the Village of *Burrell's Hollow*; also, of *Samuel Brown* and others, of *Victoria Square*; also, of *M. Atkinson* and others, of the Town of *Ailsa Craig*; also, of *W. Austin* and others, of the Township of *Adelaide*; also, of *John B. Wormpain* and others, of *Moraviantown*; also, of *Rev. A. D. Howard* and others, of the Town of *Brockville*; also, of *James Henderson* and others, of the Township of *North Gower*; also, of *Hugh Shields* and others, of the Township of *Huntley*; also, of *John Wiggins* and others, of the Township of *Marmor*; also, of *David Bentley* and others, of the same; also, of *James Outwater* and others, of the Township of *Rawdon*; also, of *John Laurie* and others, of *Port Dalhousie*; also, of *David Clarke* and others, of *Princeton*; also, of *James Robertson* and others, of the Township of *Ramsay*; also, of *Stephen L. Bishop* and others, of *Bishop's Mills*; also, of the *Rev. James Whyte* and others, of the Township of *Osgoode*; also, of *David Croll* and others, of the Township of *Gloucester*; also, of *R. N. Adams* and others, of the same, severally praying against the proposed Tavern License Law.

Of *T. W. Collins* and others, of the Township of *Whitchurch*; also, of *W. T. Trounce* and others, of the Township of *Reach*; also, of *W. S. Sexton* and others, of the Township of *Scugog*; also, of *G. Wheeler* and others, of the Township of *Uxbridge*; also, of *Michael Chapman* and others, of the same; also, of *P. Biglow* and others, of the Township of *Reach*; also, of *Henry Gordon* and others, of the same, severally praying for an Act to quiet titles to lands sold for taxes.

Of *A. D. Lalonde* and others, of the Town of *Brockville*; also, of *J. E. Huntington* and others, of the Town of *Stratford*, severally praying against the passing of the amended Dentistry Bill.

Of *John Burns* and others, of the Township of *Eldon*, praying for the Legalization of the said Township By-Law in favour of the *Toronto* and *Nipissing* Railway.

*Mr. Greeley*, from the Select Committee on Bill (No. 33), Respecting Titles to Union-Houses of Religious Worship, reported the Bill, (without amendment).

*Mr. Eyre*, from the Select Committee on Bill (No. 59), To amend the Act intituled "An Act respecting the Survey of Lands in *Upper Canada* (now Province of *Ontario*") reported the Bill, (with amendments).

*Hon. Mr. Cameron* presented—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly dated 24th November, 1868, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of the agreements between the *Canada* Land and Emigration Company and the Government, respecting the purchase of ten Townships of Crown Lands; and all Orders in Council and correspondence respecting said agreement.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 34.*)

Also :—Supplementary Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 18th December, 1868, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for copies of all correspondence between the Commissioner of Agriculture of this Province, and the Board of Agriculture and the Agricultural Associations, or with any other person, in relation to the Accounts of the said Board of Agriculture and Agricultural Associations, together with the receipts and expenditure for the years 1866 to 1868 inclusive.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 30.*)

*Mr. Pardee* introduced Bill (No. 138), intituled "An Act to amend the Common Law Procedure Act."

Ordered for the second reading to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* introduced Bill (No. 139), intituled "An Act to amend and consolidate the Law respecting the Assessment of Property in the Province of *Ontario*."  
*Ordered* for the second reading to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to consider a certain Resolution proposed by Hon. Mr. *Richards* on the sixteenth of December last.

(*In Committee.*)

*Resolved*, That it is expedient that certain payments, salaries and expenses, consequent upon the carrying out of the Bill, intituled "An Act relative to Mining," shall be paid and defrayed out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and that provision should be made in the said Bill therefor.

Resolution reported ; report to be received to-morrow.

The Report of Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 71), Respecting the Public Works of *Ontario*, was adopted.

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

Bill (No. 62), Relative to Mining, was further considered in Committee of the Whole ; progress reported.

*Ordered*, That leave be given to sit again to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 113), To grant certain powers to the *Ontario* Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company.

Bill (No. 72), To amend and confirm the Charter of the *Ottawa* and *Gloucester* Road Company.

Bill (No. 99), To incorporate the Synod of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and to unite the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto* therewith.

Bill (No. 106), To amend the Act to incorporate the *Port Whitby* and *Port Perry* Railway Company.

Bill (No. 120), To incorporate the *Caledonia* Peat Manufacturing and Smelting Company.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole ; reported, and report adopted :—

Bill (No. 80), To admit *William Darley Pollard* to the Degree of Barrister-at-Law, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 82), To admit *Charles Gamon* to the Degree of Barrister-at-Law, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 87), Respecting Division Courts (with amendments).

Bill (105), To authorize the Law Society of *Ontario* to admit *Frederick George Allenby* as a Barrister-at-Law, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 122), To amend the Free Grants and Homestead Act, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 97), To amend the Act intituled, "An Act to incorporate *Huron* College (27th *Victoria*, Chapter 31), (without amendment).

Bill (No. 98), To incorporate the *Hellmuth* Ladies' College, (without amendment).

*Ordered*, That the said Bills be read the third time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 95), To incorporate the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of *Hamilton*, was considered in Committee of the Whole.

(*In Committee.*)

Mr. *Clarke* moved, that in lieu of section 26 the following be inserted :—

"The said Society shall not issue any policy of insurance until the subscription book of said Society contains the names of one hundred or more persons, who, by their signa-

tures in said subscription book, signify their intention, and shall agree to insure property in the said Society to an amount of not less than one hundred thousand dollars."

Mr. *McMurrich* moved in amendment to the said amendment,—

That in addition to the cash premium paid, the insured shall give their promissory notes for double the amount of the cash premium paid.

And the amendment to the amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

The amendment, having been put, was carried.

The Bill was then reported (with amendments), and report adopted.

*Ordered* for the third reading to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 117), To amend the Act respecting the Court of Error and Appeal.

Bill (No. 126), To repeal certain Acts and Enactments of the Legislature of *Ontario*.

Bill (No. 131), To make provision for the selection of Jurors for the County of *York* for the year 1869.

Bill (No. 136), To amend the Act 31 *Vic.*, cap. 29, for the encouragement of Agriculture, Horticulture, Arts, and Manufactures.

The said Bills were severally referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 127), To authorize the transfer of Prisoners from the Jail of the City of *Toronto* to the old County Jail for Reformatory purposes, was discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 134), Relative to certain streets in the City of *London*, in this Province, having been called,

Mr. *Oliver* moved,—

That the Bill be not now read the second time, but that it be read the second time on Wednesday.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

The Bill was then read the second time, and referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 90), Respecting Tavern and Shop Licenses having been called,

And debate arising,

Mr. Speaker called on Mr. *McCall* (*Norfolk*), to take the chair during his absence.

The Bill was read the second time, and referred to Committee of the Whole to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* delivered a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor which was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

W. P. HOWLAND.

The Lieutenant-Governor, considering the altered circumstances since the salaries of the Judges of the Superior Courts, in the Province of *Ontario*, have been fixed by Law, recommends for the consideration of the Legislative Assembly the propriety of granting to each of the said Judges, the sum of one thousand dollars, to be paid annually out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

*Toronto*, 13th January, 1869.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Wood* the Message of His Excellency was referred to Committee of Supply.

The House then adjourned.

Thursday, 14th January, 1869.

Seven petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :—

Of *John Cummings* and others, of the Township of *South Gower*, praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of the *Cobourg, Peterboro' and Marmora* Railway Company, praying against the Bill in reference to the rights of Bondholders of said Company.

Of *Henry Barrett* and others, of the Town of *Bowmanville*; also, of *James Smith* and others, of the Township of *Reach*; also, of *W. S. Williams* and others, of the Town of *Napanee*; also, of *John Plant* and others, of *Hurst Settlement*; also, of *Henry Loudon* and others, of the Village of *Smith's Falls*; also, of *Jacob Stone* and others, of the Township of *Albwick*; also, of *James Duncan* and others, of the Township of *Sarnia*; also, of *Jesse Kenward* and others, of the County of *Lambton*; also, of *James Drummond* and others, of the Township of *Otonabee*; severally praying against the proposed Tavern License Law.

On motion of Mr. *Lauder*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor for a Return, shewing in detail all moneys that have become subject to the control and distribution of the Court of Chancery, under Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, chap. 12, sec. 72, giving amount of money in Court, or subject to its control on the first day of January, 1850; also, giving in detail, with dates, the receipts and payments since that time, specifying in each case the suit or matter in which such moneys were received or paid; and also, a statement of the investments that have been made under the direction of the Court, of any of said moneys.

Also,—A Return of the amount of fees received each year for themselves, and of the amount received in each year for the Government, by the several country Masters and Deputy Registrars.

Also,—A statement of the present position of the Suitors' Fee Fund Account of the Court of Chancery referred to and established under Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, chap. 12, sec. 73; specifying receipts on account of said fund, and giving a detailed statement, with dates of the disbursement thereof, stating to whom paid, upon whose cheque, and for what service.

On motion of Mr. *Fraser*,—

*Ordered*, That the fee on Bill (No. 60), respecting the improvement of *Cobourg Harbour*, be returned to the promoters of the Bill, less the actual expense for printing.

On motion of Mr. *Pardee*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for a Return of all Timber Dues collected in the Counties of *Essex, Kent* and *Lambton*, during the year 1868; such return to state the Township, Concession and Lot upon which such dues were paid, the quantity and kind of Timber taken, the name of the person or persons who took the same, the name of the person who paid the dues, and the amount paid by such person.

On motion of Mr. *Currie*,—

*Resolved*, That this House do form itself into Committee of the Whole on Monday, to consider the following Resolutions :—

1. That it is expedient to amend the Municipal Law so that each Township shall be divided into four Wards, and the Electors of each Ward elect one Councillor.

2. That the Electors of the whole Township shall elect one Reeve, and the Council of any Township having over one thousand names on its last revised Assessment Roll, shall elect one Deputy Reeve.

On motion of Mr. *Smith (Kent)*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the

Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of all papers in the Crown Lands Department on the subject of improving the navigation of the River *Thames*, and of all correspondence between the Governments of *Ontario* and *Canada* on that subject.

The motion of Mr. *Rykert*, That the Report of the Commissioner appointed to investigate the Accounts of the Board of Agriculture be referred to a Select Committee to report thereon to this House, with power to send for persons and papers, was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Hon. Mr. *Wood* introduced Bill (No. 127), intituled, "An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying the expenses of Civil Government for the year 1869; for making good certain sums expended for the public service of 1868, and for other purposes."

*Ordered* for the second reading to-morrow.

The House went again into Committee of Supply.

(*In Committee.*)

*Resolved*,—That there be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the service named, the following amount:—

91. To each of the Judges of the Superior Courts of *Ontario*, to be paid annually, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, the sum of \$1,000 . . . . . \$10,000 00

The said Resolution was reported and adopted.

The Resolution was then read a second time, and concurred in.

The following Bills were severally read the third time, and passed:—

Bill (No. 96), To amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, 25 *Vic.*, Cap. 72, by declaring the intentions of the same, and confirming Conveyances made by the Trust and Loan Company thereunder.

Bill (No. 80), To admit *William Darley Pollard* to the Degree of Barrister-at-Law.

Bill (No. 82), To admit *Charles Gamon* to the Degree of Barrister-at-Law.

Bill (No. 105), To authorize the Law Society of *Ontario* to admit *Frederick George Allenby* as a Barrister-at-Law.

Bill (No. 95), To incorporate the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of *Hamilton*.

Bill (No. 87), Respecting Division Courts.

Bill (No. 71), Respecting the Public Works of *Ontario*.

Bill (No. 122), To amend the Free Grants and Homestead Act.

Bill (No. 97), To amend the Act intituled "An Act to incorporate *Huron College* (27th *Victoria*, Chapter 31).

Bill (No. 98), To incorporate the *Hellmuth Ladies' College*.

The Order of the Day having been called for resuming the debate on the second reading of Bill (No. 92), To remove doubts as to the rights of the Bond-holders of the *Cobourg* and *Peterboro'* Railway Company to the surplus funds paid, or to be paid, into the Court of Chancery, under the Act 20 *Vic.*, Cap. 79, after providing for payments of Rights of Way, Station and Depot Grounds, and to provide for the distribution thereof among such Bondholders.

And the amendment, moved by Mr. *Fraser* on the 11th instant, having been put, was carried on the following division:—

*Yeas*:

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Beatty, Boyd, Christie, Clarke, Clemens, Cook, Coyne, Crosby, Currie, Evans, Eyre, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Galbraith, Greeley, Hays, Lauder, Monteith, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McGill, McMurrich, Pardee,

Paxton, Perry, Read, Rykert, Scott (Ottawa), Seord, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Supple, Tett, Trow, Williams (Hamilton), and Wilson.—43.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Corby, Craig (Glengarry), Gow, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Hooper, Luton, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, Richards, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Swinarton, Wallis, Wigle, and Williams (Durham)—25.

*Ordered*, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and report adopted:—

Bill (No. 104), To grant relief to Lady *Smith*, and to enable her to manage the Estate of her late husband, Sir *Henry Smith*, (with amendments).

*Ordered* for the third reading on Monday.

Bill (No. 33), Respecting titles to Union Houses of Religious Worship, (without amendment).

*Ordered* for the third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 30), To amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the profession of Medicine and Surgery, (with amendments).

*Ordered* for the third reading on Saturday.

Bill (No. 136), To amend the Act, 31 *Vic.* cap. 29, for the encouragement of Agriculture, Horticulture, Arts and Manufactures, (with amendments).

*Ordered* for the third reading forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House then adjourned.

Friday, 15th January, 1869.

Six petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:—

Of *John Proctor* and others, of the Village of *Bothwell*; also, of *Dennis Gleason* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*; also, of *James Cairns* and others, of the Town of *Prescott*; also, of *T. Conley* and others, of the Village of *Carleton*; also, of *Dennis A. Perry* and others, of the Town of *Chatham*; also, of *William Kerns* and others, of *Wellington Square*; also, of *John N. Tuttle* and others, of the Village of *Iroquois*; also, of *James Major* and others, of the Township of *Moore*; also, of *Asa Beach* and others, of the Township of *Winchester*; also, of *John Marsh* and others, of the Township of *Matilda*; also, of *S. O. Holden* and others, of the Village of *Nottawa*; also, of *J. D. Laflamme* and others, of the Township of *Winchester*, severally praying against the proposed Tavern License Law.

Of *Jonas Steel* and others, of the County of *Monck*; also, of *William Robertson* and others, of the Village of *Plattsville*; also, of *A. Young* and others, of the Town of *Sarnia*; also, of *R. S. Chalmers* and others, of the same; also, of *G. A. Carman* and others, of the same; also, of *Alexander Fartinger* and others, of the Village of *Morrisburgh*, severally praying that no further aid be granted to Denominational Colleges.

Of *Henry B. Evans*, Provincial Licentiate of the Town of *Picton*, praying against the passing of the Medical Bill in its present state.

Of the County Council of *Lennox* and *Addington*, respecting the School Law.

Of the Board of Public Instruction of the County of *Bruce*, praying that the School Bill may stand over until next Session.

Of *John Johnston* and others, of the Township of *Uxbridge*, praying for an Act to quiet titles to lands sold for taxes.

Of *John Cowan* and others, of the City of *London*, praying against the passing of the Bill to close up certain streets of that City.

Of the School Teachers' Association of *Ontario*, praying for amendments to the School Bill now before the House.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*,—

*Resolved*, That on and after Monday next, to the end of the present Session, there shall be, besides the usual sittings of this House, a morning sitting, to commence at the hour of ten o'clock, A. M., and continue until the hour of one o'clock, P. M.

The Resolution as to Mining, reported from Committee of the Whole on the 13th instant, was read the second time and concurred in.

The House went into Committee on Ways and Means.

(*In Committee.*)

*Resolved*, That to make good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the sum of one million six hundred and forty-five thousand six hundred and seventy-nine dollars and fifty-one cents (\$1,645,679 $\frac{51}{100}$ ), be granted to Her Majesty, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province.

The resolution was reported, read the second time and concurred in.

The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions proposed by the Hon. Mr. *Wood* on the 9th instant.

(*In Committee.*)

1. *Resolved*, That over and above the sum imposed by Municipalities, there shall be imposed a Provincial Duty; in Cities, a duty of twenty dollars; in Towns, of seventeen dollars, and in Townships and Incorporated Villages, of twelve dollars; and for vessels navigating the waters of this Province, of twenty dollars; and for each Shop License, of twelve dollars. Provided always, that for each Tavern License not requiring all the accommodation required for Taverns mentioned in section six, sub-section five in Bill (No. 90), a duty of twenty-five dollars.

2. *Resolved*, That in any case of a transfer of a Tavern License, as provided in section eighteen of Bill (No. 90), it shall be lawful to charge therefor a fee of two dollars, to be paid to the Issuer of Tavern Licenses for the use of Her Majesty.

Mr. *Boulter* moved in amendment,—That the sum of ten dollars only be exacted by the Government for a Tavern or Shop License in Townships and Incorporated Villages.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

The original Resolutions were then reported and adopted.

The Resolutions were then read the second time, and concurred in.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, and report adopted:—

Bill (No. 90), Respecting Tavern and Shop Licenses, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 131), To make provision for the selection of Jurors for the County of *York* for the year 1869, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 126), To repeal certain Acts and Enactments of the Legislature of *Ontario*, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 117), To amend the Act respecting the Court of Error and Appeal, (with amendments).

*Ordered*, That the said Bills be severally read the third time to-morrow.

Bill (No. 62), Relative to Mining, was considered in Committee of the Whole and progress reported.

*Ordered*, That leave be given to sit again to-morrow.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald* introduced Bill (No. 140), intituled "An Act to make further provision relating to the Territorial Division of *Muskoka*."

*Ordered* for the second reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 33), Respecting titles to Union Houses of Religious Worship was read the third time and passed.

The House then adjourned.

## Saturday, 16th January, 1869.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Six petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :—

Of the Board of School Trustees of the City of *Hamilton*; also, of the Board of School Trustees of the Town of *Woodstock*, severally praying for amendments to the School Bills.

Of *Charles Robinson* and others, of the Village of *Thorah*, praying for an Act to quiet Titles to Lands sold for Taxes.

Of *R. J. Allen* and others, of the Township of *Amaranth*; also, of *James Clarke* and others, of the Village of *Sidney*; also, of *William How* and others, of the Township of *Erin*; also of *Thomas J. Williams* and others, of the Village of *Ravenshoe*, severally praying against the proposed Tavern License Law.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 30), To amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the Profession of Medicine and Surgery.

Bill (No. 117), To amend the Act respecting the Court of Error and Appeal.

Bill (No. 126), To repeal certain Acts and Enactments of the Legislature of *Ontario*.

Bill (No. 131), To make provision for the selection of Jurors for the County of *York*, for the year 1869.

The following Bills were severally considered in Committee of the whole, reported, and report adopted :—

Bill (No. 62), Relative to Mining, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 16), To amend the Act imposing a Tax on Dogs, and for the Protection of Sheep, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 68), To amend the Act respecting Common Schools in *Upper Canada*, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 19), To provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 58), To amend Chapter 57 Con. Stat. *U. C.*, intituled "An Act respecting Line-Fences and Watercourses," (with amendments).

Bill (No. 94), For the relief of *William H. Bell* and others, interested in the estate of the late *Thomas Bell*, (without amendment).

Bill (No. 134), Relative to certain streets in the City of *London*, in this Province, (without amendment).

*Ordered*, That the said Bills be severally read the third time on Monday.

Bill (No. 59), Respecting the Survey of Lands in *Upper Canada*, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and progress reported.

*Ordered*, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Monday.

The Order of the Day for the House to go into Committee on Bill (No. 89), To make provision for the Registration of Marks or Brands used in marking Timber, was discharged.

The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions proposed by Mr. *Currie* on the 9th instant:—

(*In Committee*).

*Resolved*,—1. That it is expedient that the provisions of Cap. 57, of the Con. Stat. of *Upper Canada*, intituled “An Act respecting Line-Fences and Water-courses,” should, so far as the same relates to Water-courses, apply to unoccupied and non-resident lands, and the owners thereof, to the same extent as to occupied lands, and the owners thereof.

2. That the Fence viewers should have the power to determine the share of the expense to be borne by the owners of unoccupied lands for the construction of Water-courses; provided that in no case shall the lands of such non-residents be liable to more than twenty-five cents per rod for such Drains or Water-courses.

3. That the amount to be charged against non-resident or unoccupied lands for the construction of Water-courses, shall be collected in the same way as wild land tax, and shall stand in like manner as a charge upon said lands.

Resolutions reported, read the second time, concurred in, and referred to Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 58).

The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to consider certain Resolutions proposed by Mr. *Pardee* on the 7th instant:—

(*In Committee*).

*Resolved*,—1. That it is expedient that certain payments and expenses consequent upon the carrying out of the Bill, intituled “An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths,” shall be paid and defrayed out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, and that provision shall be made in the said Bill therefor.

2. That a fee of ten cents be authorized for the Registration of each Birth, Marriage, or Death.

3. That a fee of ten cents be charged by every clergyman for each Marriage celebrated, in addition to the sum now allowed to be charged by law.

Resolutions reported, read the second time, concurred in, and referred to Committee of the Whole on Bill (No. 19).

The following Bills were severally read the second time, referred forthwith to Committee of the Whole, considered, reported, and report adopted:—

Bill (No. 115), for the relief of the *Toronto Street Railway Company*, and to provide for the sale of the Railway, (with amendments);

Bill (No. 132), To incorporate the Township of *Monck*, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 133), To incorporate the United Counties of *Watt, Humphrey, Christie, McDora* and *Wood*, (with amendments).

Bill (No. 137), For granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying the expenses of Civil Government for the year 1869; for making good certain sums expended for the public service of 1868, and for other purposes, (with amendments).

*Ordered*, That the said Bills be severally read the third time on Monday.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 138), To amend the Common Law Procedure Act.

Ordered to be referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows :—Hon. Mr. Cameron, Messrs. Blakee, Clark, Rykert and Pardee.

Bill (No. 139), To amend the Assessment Act.

Referred to Committee of the Whole on Monday.

Bill (No. 140), To make further provision relating to the Territorial Division of *Muskoka*.

Referred to Committee of the Whole on Monday.

The House then adjourned.

Monday, 18th January, 1869.

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Of *Joseph Ryan* and others, of the Town of *Guelph* ; also, of *Annie Ryan* and others, of the same ; also, of *Thomas Hamilton* and others, of the Village of *Dunwich* ; also, of *W. C. Montgomery* and others, of the County of *Simcoe* ; also, of *Thomas Scott* and others, of the Village of *Thornton*, severally praying against the Tavern License Law.

The following Bills were severally read the third time and passed :—

Bill (No. 134), Relative to certain streets in the City of *London*, in this Province.

Bill (No. 19), An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

Bill (No. 58), To amend Chapter 57 Con. Stat. *U. C.*, intituled " An Act respecting Line Fences and Watercourses.

Bill (No. 115), For the relief of the *Toronto* Street Railway Company, and to provide for the sale of the Railway.

Bill (No. 132), To incorporate the Township of *Monck*.

Bill (No. 133), To incorporate the United Counties of *Watt*, *Humphrey*, *Christie*, *Medora*, and *Wood*.

Bill (No. 104), To grant relief to *Lady Smith*, and to enable her to manage the Estate of her late husband, *Sir Henry Smith*.

The Order of the Day having been called, for the third reading of Bill (No. 16), To amend the Act imposing a tax on dogs, and for the protection of sheep,

Mr. *Blake* moved in amendment,—

That the said Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same, as follows :—

1. By transposing the 15th and 16th sections.

2. By adding as section 17 the following section :—

" In case the Council of any County or Union of Counties deem it advisable that the tax by this Act established should be maintained, but that the application of the proceeds thereof by this Act provided should be dispensed with, it shall be lawful for such Council, by By-law, to declare that such application shall be dispensed with, and thereafter, during the continuance of such By-law, the sections of this Act numbered from 6 to 15 inclusive, shall have no force or effect in any of the Municipalities within the jurisdiction of such Council ; and the moneys collected and paid to the Clerk or Treasurer of any Municipality under the remaining sections of this Act shall be the property of such Municipality, and shall be subject to its disposition in like manner as other local taxes."

By adding as section 18 the following section :—

“The Council of any County or Union of Counties shall have power from time to time to repeal any By-law passed under the authority of this Act, and to enact or re-enact any By-law authorised by this Act.”

And the amendment having been put, was carried.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole, and amended the Bill accordingly; the Bill was reported, as amended, and report adopted.

On motion, That the Bill be now read the third time,

Mr. *Ferrier* moved in amendment,—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, to amend section number two, by striking out the whole of said section, after the word “bitch,” in the third line.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Carnegie, Christie, Clemens, Currie, Evans, Ferrier, Finlayson, Galbraith, Hays, Luton, Monteith, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McKellar, McMurrich, Paxton, Perry, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), and Williams (Durham).—23.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Boulter, Boyd, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Clarke, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Cook, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Cumberland, Eyre, Fitzsimmons, Graham (Hastings), Greeley, Hooper, Lauder, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Ottawa), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Supple, Tett, Wallis, Wigle, and Wood.—32.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. *Boulter*, (for Mr. *Corby*):—

*Ordered*, That the fee on Private Bill (No. 43), Respecting *Clarissa Wilkins*, be refunded to the promoters, less the expense for printing.

On motion of Mr. *Lauder*:—

*Ordered*, That the fee on Private Bill (No. 85), Respecting the *Adelaide Street Wesleyan Methodist Church* property, be refunded to the promoters, less the expense for printing.

On motion of Mr. *Carnegie*,—

*Ordered*, That the fee on Private Bill (No. 111) Respecting the *St. Andrew's Church* in *Peterboro'* be refunded to the promoters, less the expense for printing.

On motion of Mr. *Eyre*,—

*Ordered*, That the fee on Private Bill (No. 34), Respecting the Survey of *Alexander Campbell*, in Township of *Seymour*, be refunded to the promoters of the Bill, less the expense for printing.

The Notice of Motion, by Mr. *McKellar*, for an humble address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, setting forth, That, in the opinion of this House, it would greatly conduce to the general convenience and facilitate the business of Legislation, if Parliament were convened on or about the first December in each year, was, after debate, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Notice of Motion, by Mr. *Eyre*, That Messrs. *McGill* and *Williams (Durham)*, be added to the Select Committee on Bill (No. 22), Respecting the conveyance of Real Estate by Married Women, was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Notice of Motion, by Mr. *McCall (Norfolk)*, That in the opinion of this House,

it is unnecessary to continue the publication of the Journal of Education, was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for a statement shewing in detail, all moneys that have been paid into the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas since the institution of the said Courts respectively, and the Commission and other fees charged in respect of each of such payments; also, shewing in detail all moneys that have been paid out of said Courts respectively, and the Commission or other fees charged in respect of each of such payments, specifying with respect to each sum received or paid out, the suit or matter in which the same was so received or paid out, the date of each such receipt or payment, and by what officer of the Court each sum paid into Court was received; also, shewing to whose credit such sum was paid, and into what, if any, Bank or Banks, what interest has been received from any Bank or Banks on account of such moneys, and to what credit or account the same have been applied, with a statement from such Bank or Banks respecting the same; also, shewing with like details and particulars, what moneys are now remaining in such said Courts respectively, in what Bank or Banks, upon what terms, and to whose credit the same are deposited, and upon whose cheque the same are payable.

Bill (No. 140), Respecting the *Muskoka* Territory, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported, with an amendment, and report adopted.

*Ordered*, for the third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 47), Relating to the Partition of Real Estate, was considered in Committee of the Whole, and proceeded with till one o'clock P.M.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

The consideration of Bill (No. 47) was resumed.

The Bill was reported (with amendments), and report adopted.

*Ordered* for the third reading, to-morrow.

Bill (No. 94), For the relief of *William H. Bell* and others, interested in the Estate of the late *Thomas Bell*, was read the third time.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, the following amendment was made to the Bill:

In section 4—Insert in the blank space the word "ten."

The Bill was then passed.

The Order of the Day having been called for the third reading of Bill (No. 68), To amend the Act respecting Common Schools in *Upper Canada*.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* moved in amendment,—

That the said Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole for amendment, by adding thereto the following:—

"That the following proviso be added to Section one of Chapter sixty-five of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada* and be taken and read as part thereof, Provided always that no person shall be deemed a supporter of any separate school for coloured people unless he resides within three miles in a direct line of the site of the school house for such separate school, and every coloured child residing further than three miles in a direct line from the separate school house shall be allowed to attend the Common School of the section within the limit of which he shall reside."

And the amendment, having been put, was carried.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole and amended the Bill accordingly.

The Bill was reported as amended, and report adopted.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Orders of the Day for the second reading of the following Bills were severally discharged, and the Bills withdrawn :—

Bill (No. 118), To amend the Act as to the qualifications of Justices of the Peace.

Bill (No. 125), To amend an Act respecting the Surrogate Courts.

Bill (No. 128), To facilitate the recovery of debts acknowledged in writing, and to lessen the costs of collection of the same in the Province of *Ontario*.

The Order of the Day having been called for the second reading of Bill (No. 123), To quiet the titles of persons holding lands previously sold for taxes,

Mr. *Rykert* moved, That the said Bill be not now read the second time, but that the same be read the second time this day six months.

And, debate arising,

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, it was

*Ordered*, That the debate be adjourned till to-morrow.

The Order of the Day having been called for the second reading of Bill (No. 130), To amend the Dower Act of *Ontario*.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald* moved,

That the said Bill be not now read the second time, but that the same be read the second time this day three months.

And the amendment having been put, was carried on the following division :—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Colquhoun, Corby, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Currie, Evans, Ferguson, Ferrier, Fitzsimmons, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greeley, Hays, Hooper, Lauder, Luton, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McColl (Elgin), McGill, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Secord, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Supple, Tett, Wigle, Williams (Durham), and Wood.—42.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clarke, Clemens, Cockburn, Cook, Crosby, Cumberland, Finlayson, Fraser, Galbraith, Gow, McCall (Norfolk), McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Oliver, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Trow, Wallis, and Williams (Hamilton).—31.

*Ordered*, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

Bill (No. 139) To amend the Assessmant Act, was considered in Committee of the Whole, progress reported, and leave given to sit again to-morrow.

On motion of Hon. Mr. *Cameron*,—

*Resolved*, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned till to-morrow, at three o'clock, P.M.

The House then adjourned.

Tuesday, 19th January, 1869.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Six petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :—

Of *John W. Higginson* and others, of the County of *Prescott*, praying for an Act to quiet titles to lands sold for taxes.

Of *Joseph Leech* and others, of the Village of *Blue Vale*; also, of *Samuel Steel* and others, of the Village of *Paisley*; also, of *A. Conn* and others, of the Township of *Yarmouth*; also, of *John Bell* and others, of the same; also, of *William Webster* and others, of the Township of *Florence*, severally praying against the proposed Tavern License Law.

The Order of the Day having been called,

That Bill (No. 90), Respecting Tavern and Shop Licenses, be read the third time,

Hon. Mr. *Wood* moved,—

That the Order be discharged, and the Bill be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the tenth section of said Bill, by substituting “eighty dollars” in lieu of “one hundred dollars” in Cities; of “sixty dollars” in lieu of “eighty dollars” in Towns; of “thirty dollars” in lieu of “fifty dollars” in Townships and Incorporated Villages for Tavern Licenses; and “fifty dollars” in lieu of “thirty dollars” for Shop Licenses; and also by inserting, in the said tenth section, the following provision: “Provided always that for each Tavern License mentioned in section six, sub-section five, the sum shall not be less than one hundred and twenty dollars in Cities, and not less than one hundred dollars in Towns for Tavern Licenses.” And also to amend section three by substituting “ten dollars” in lieu of “twelve dollars” in the sixth line of the said section mentioned.

And the amendment, having been put, was carried on the following division :—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Clarke, Clemens, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Cook, Corby, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Crosby, Cumberland, Currie, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Greeley, Hooper, Luton, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McGill, Perry, Read, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Secord, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville) Strange, Springer, Supple, Swinarton, Tett, Trow, Wallis, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Wilson, and Wood—52.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Beatty, Blake, Boyd, Evans, Eyre, Fraser, Galbraith, Gow, McDougall, McKim, McMurrich, Pardee, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Middlesex), and Williams (Hamilton)—18.

The House then resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and amended the Bill accordingly.

The Bill was reported as amended, and the report adopted.

Hon. Mr. *Wood* then moved,—

That the Bill be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the twenty-third section, by striking out the word “seven,” and inserting “nine” in lieu thereof, and by striking out the word “eight,” and inserting the word “six” in lieu thereof.

And debate arising,

The motion was, with the leave of the House, amended, by limiting the instructions to the Committee to the substituting for the word “eight” the word “six.”

And the amendment, having been put, was carried.

The House again resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and amended the Bill accordingly.

The Bill was then reported, as amended, and report adopted.

Mr. *Ferguson* then moved in amendment,—

That the Bill be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same, as follows:—

1st. By striking out such portion of the Bill as denies the right of appeal in cases of prosecution.

The amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

2nd. By striking out of section twenty-six all the words after the word “Witness,” in the eighteenth line, to the word “and,” in the twenty-third line.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Cockburn, Cook, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Crosby, Ferguson, Galbraith, Grahame (York), Lauder, Luton, Lyon, Monteith, McCall (Norfolk), McDougall, McMurrich, Pardee, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Scott (Ottawa), Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Strange, Springer, Supple, Trow, and Wallis—29.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Boulter, Boyd, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Clemens, Colquhoun, Corby, Craig (Russell), Currie, Evans, Eyre, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Greeley, Hooper, Macdonald, Matchett, McColl (Elgin), McGill, McKim, Oliver, Paxton, Perry, Read, Richards, Secord, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Smith (Middlesex), Swinarton, Wigle, Williams (Hamilton), Wilson, and Wood—42.

3rd. By striking out all that denies an appeal from prosecutions and convictions under said Bill to and before the Chairman of the Quarter Sessions, as set forth in section thirty-six.

Objection having been taken by Mr. *Currie* to the foregoing amendment,

Mr. Speaker, having been appealed to, decided,—

That the amendment is not in order, as being indefinite, and not conveying accurate instructions to the Committee as to the particular amendments to be made, and cannot therefore be entertained.

4th. By striking out all the words after “Act” in the fourth line, to the word “may” in the sixth line of the thirty-sixth section.

Objection having been taken by Mr. *Boyd* to the foregoing amendment,

Mr. Speaker, having been appealed to, decided,—

That the amendment, although similar in wording, differs in fact from the previous motion, and is in order, and may therefore be entertained.

The amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Clarke, Cockburn, Cook, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Crosby, Ferguson, Finlayson, Galbraith, Grahame (York), Luton, Lyon, Monteith, McDougall, McMurrich, Oliver, Pardee, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Strange, Springer, Supple, Tett, Trow, and Wallis—30.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Boulter, Boyd, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Clemens, Colquhoun, Corby, Craig (Russell), Currie, Evans, Eyre, Ferrier, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Greeley, Hays, Hooper, Lauder, Macdonald, Matchett, McColl (Elgin), McKim, Paxton, Perry, Read, Richards, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Smith (Middlesex), Swinarton, Williams (Durham), Williams (Hamilton), Wilson, and Wood—40.

Mr. *Fraser* moved in amendment,—

That the Bill be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same, by adding to sub-section four of section six the words following:—

“But in no Municipality shall Tavern License certificates be granted in a greater proportion than one for every two hundred and fifty souls residents therein, as shown by the last census, or by a special enumeration, taken by order of the municipal council concerned.”

The amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Blake, Boyd, Calvin, Clemens, Cook, Crosby, Currie, Evans, Finlayson, Fraser, Galbraith, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Lauder, Luton, McColl (Elgin), McDougall, McKim, McMurrich, Oliver, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Middlesex), and Williams (Hamilton).—29.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Baxter, Boulter, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Clarke, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Corby, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Cumberland, Ferguson, Ferrier, Fitzsimmons, Grahame (York), Greeley, Hays, Hooper, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McCall (Norfolk), Read, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Scott (Ottawa), Secord, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Springer, Supple, Swinarton, Tett, Trow, Wallis, Wagle, Williams (Durham), Wilson and Wood.—45.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day having been called, That Bill (No. 137), Supply, be read the third time,

Mr. *Cumberland* moved in amendment,—

That the Order be discharged, and the Bill re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same, by striking out all words from the commencement to and including the word “therefore,” and inserting in lieu thereof, the words “Be it;” and with further instructions to expunge all after the words, “School of Medicine, Toronto.”

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Beatty, Boulter, Calvin, Carnegie, Clarke, Colquhoun, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Cumberland, Fraser, Galbraith, Graham (Hastings), Grahame (York), Hays, Hooper, Lyon, Matchett, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Scott (Ottawa), Strange, and Williams (Durham).—23.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Clemens, Cockburn, Cook, Corby, Coyne, Crosby, Currie, Evans, Eyre, Ferguson, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Gow, Greeley, Luton, Macdonald, Monteith, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McDougall, McGill, McKim, McMurrich, Oliver, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Read, Secord, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Supple, Swinarton, Trow, Wallis, Williams (Hamilton), Wilson, and Wood.—49.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The following Bills were severally read the third time, and passed:—

Bill (No. 47), Relating to Partition of Real Estate.

Bill (No. 140), *Muskoka* Territory.

Bill (No. 62), Relative to Mining.

The House then adjourned.

Wednesday, 20th January, 1869.

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Petitions received and read :

Of *Porter J. Collins* and others of the Village of *Millhaven*, praying against the proposed Tavern License Law.

Of *Samuel Manning* and others of the Township of *Reuch*; also, of *Robert Allen* and others, of the same; also, of *James Allen* and others, of the same, severally praying for an Act to quiet titles to lands sold for taxes.

Of *J. S. Russell* and others, of the Township of *Eldon*, praying for amendments to the School Act.

Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald* introduced Bill (No. 141), intituled "An Act respecting lands sold for arrears of taxes."

*Ordered* for the second reading at the first sitting of this House to-morrow.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*,

*Resolved*, That the Sitting of this House to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M., be considered a distinct and separate Sitting.

The Order of the Day for receiving the Report of the Committee on Public Accounts having been called,

*Ordered*, That the Order be discharged and the Report withdrawn.

Bill (No. 139), To amend the Assessment Act, was again considered in Committee of the Whole, and proceeded with till 1 o'clock P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

The consideration of Bill (No. 139) was resumed.

The Bill was reported (with amendments) and report adopted.

*Ordered* for the third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 78), To amend the Act 31 Vic., cap. 40, To incorporate the *Toronto, Grey and Bruce* Railway Company, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported (with amendments), and report adopted.

*Ordered* for the third reading to-morrow.

Bill (No. 93), To amend the Act 31 Vic., cap. 41 intituled, An Act to incorporate the *Toronto and Nipissing* Railway Company, was read the second time and referred to Committee of the Whole forthwith.

The Bill was then considered in Committee of the Whole, reported (with amendments) and report adopted.

*Ordered* for the third reading to-morrow.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* presented :—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 8th January, 1869, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for copies of the following papers :—

1. The memorandum referred to in the letter from the Chief Superintendent of Education to the Provincial Secretary of *Canada*, dated April 17th, 1861.

2. The accounts, including the extra payments made to Messrs. *Hodgins, Marling* and *Taylor* in 1863, sent by the Chief Superintendent to the Government, or to the Audit Office, and the explanations accompanying those accounts.

3. The accounts, including the various extra payments made to the various employees of the Education Department, sent to the Government, or to the Audit Office for each year since 1863, with any explanations which accompanied such accounts.

4. Any communications made to the Government, or to the Auditor, by the Chief Superintendent, or to the Chief Superintendent, by the Government, or the Auditor since the year 1862, on the subject of the expenditure of the Education Department.

5. The accounts sent to the Government, or to the Audit Office, of the expenditure of the Normal and Model Schools, for each year, since 1863.

6. Copies of any of the above documents to be found in the Education Department. (*Sessional Papers No. 35.*)

The House then adjourned.

Thursday, 21st January, 1869.

TEN O'CLOCK A.M.

Three Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read:—

Of the Board of Grammar School Trustees of *St. Catharines*, praying for an increased number of Trustees.

Of *William Hastings* and others, of the Township of *Wellesley*; also, of *J. W. Colvin* and others, of *Port Welland*; severally praying that no further aid be granted to denominational Colleges.

Of *E. M. Morphy* and others, of the City of *Toronto*; also, of *Richard Arnold* and others, of the Township of *Elizabethtown*; severally praying against the proposed Tavern License Law.

*Mr. Greeley* presented the Fifth Report of the Standing Committee on Printing, being the Report of the Sub-Committee as to the auditing of the printing accounts; together with the Report of the Clerk of the Printing Committee as to the services of the past year, and recommended that said Reports be printed.—(*Appendix, No. 2.*)

*Ordered* to be printed accordingly.

On motion of *Mr. Rykert*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for a Return shewing the lands sold and deceded for Taxes by the different Sheriffs and Treasurers in *Ontario*, from 1830 to 1868, inclusive, and also the names of the purchasers of the said lots.

On motion of *Mr. McCull (Norfolk)*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of all letters, certificates and reports relating to the completion of settlement or other necessary duties for the issue of the Crown Patent for Lots 18 and 19 in the 10th Concession, and 18, 19 in the 11th Concession, and 16, 17 in the 14th Concession of the Township of *Chandos*.

*Mr. Scott (Grey)*, moved,—

That in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the purchasers of the unpatented lands of the Crown, where any timber on such lands is reserved to the Crown, shall have the privilege of selling such timber, or so much thereof as they may think fit, upon such terms as may be approved of by the Crown Land Agent of the district, or such person as may be appointed by the Commissioner of Crown Lands, for that purpose; the purchase money to be paid into the Crown Lands Department, and credited in account upon the purchase money of such lands.

After debate, the Resolution was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The Notice of Motion of Mr. *Hays* having been called,

1. That in the opinion of this House, the Order in Council prohibiting parties settling on Government Lands, liable to resumption, is wrong, and in case of lands so situated, parties who intend to become actual settlers should be permitted to settle thereon, and their claims to said lands be fully recognized.

2. That in all cases, the claims of the *bona fide* actual settler or squatter should be recognized, in preference to the non-resident, where it is possible so to do.

The Notice of Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, an humble Address was voted to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, for copies of all papers, affidavits, correspondence, applications and reports in the Crown Lands Department, touching lots 8 and 9 in the 9th concession of *Marmora*.

Mr. *Gow* moved,

That the fee on Private Bill (No. 102), Respecting the Estate of *Alexander Wright*, be refunded, less the expenses for printing.

The motion, having been put, was lost on a division.

On motion of Mr. *Fraser*,

*Ordered*, That the fee on Bill (No. 49), Respecting the *Cobourg, Peterborough* and *Marmora* Railway and Mining Company, be refunded, less the expense for printing.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*,

*Ordered*, That the fee on Bill (No. 69), Respecting the *London* and *Port Stanley* Railway, be refunded, less the expense for printing.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*,

*Ordered*, That the fee on Bill (No. 92), Respecting the Bondholders of the *Cobourg* and *Peterboro'* Railway, be refunded, less the expense for printing.

On motion that Bill (No. 141), Respecting lands sold for arrears of taxes be read the second time,

And debate arising,

The motion, having been put, was carried on the following division:—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Clemens, Cockburn, Corby, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Crosby, Currie, Evans, Eyre, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Gow, Grahame (York), Greeley, Hooper, Lauder, Luton, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McColl (Elgin), McGill, McKim, McMurrich, Paxton, Read, Richards, Scott (Grey), Secord, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Springer, Supple, Swinarton, Wallis, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Wilson, and Wood.—51.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Blake, Boyd, Christie, Cook, Fraser, McCall (Norfolk), McKellar, Oliver, Pardee, Perry, Rykert, Sinclair, Smith (Middlesex), Trow, and Williams (Hamilton).—16.

The Bill was then read the second time, and referred to Committee of the Whole, at the second sitting of the House this day.

The House was then adjourned at 1 o'clock P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Bill (No. 141), Respecting lands sold for Taxes, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported (with amendments), and report adopted.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.  
The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day having been called for the third reading of Bill (No. 139), To amend the Assessment Act,

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* moved,—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that the same be recommitted to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same as follows:—

By adding to sub-section 7 of section 9, the following words:—

“But not when occupied by any person, as tenant or lessee, or otherwise than as a servant or officer of the Corporation for the purposes thereof.”

And the amendment, having been put, was carried.

The House then resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and amended the Bill accordingly.

The Bill was then reported, as amended, and the report adopted.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* moved,—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same as follows,—

By inserting in the 87th section, after the word “section,” the following: “Or any sum for Statute Labour commuted under the eighty-fifth section.”

And by inserting at the end of said section the following:—

“And any person liable to perform statute labour under the eighty-second section of this Act not commuted, shall perform the same when required so to do by the path-master or other officer of the Municipality appointed for the purpose; and in case of wilful neglect or refusal to perform such labor after six days’ notice requiring him to do the same, shall incur a penalty of five dollars, and upon conviction thereof before a Justice of the Peace aforesaid, such Justice shall order the same, together with the costs of prosecution and distress, to be levied by distress of the offender’s goods and chattels, and in case there shall be insufficient distress, such offender may be committed to the Common Gaol of the County, and there put to hard labour for any time not exceeding ten days—unless such penalty and costs, and the costs of the warrant of commitment, and of conveying the said person to gaol shall be sooner paid; all sums and penalties other than costs, recovered under this section shall be paid to the Treasurer of the local municipality, and form part of the Statute Labour Fund thereof.”

And the amendment, having been put, was carried.

The House then resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and amended the Bill accordingly.

The Bill was then reported as amended, and the Report adopted.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron* moved,—That the Bill be not now read the third time, but be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same by adding to section eighty-three the following:—“Provided always that the Canadian Land and Emigration Company, Limited, shall not be liable to assessment on account of Statute labour in the Township of Longford, for the term of five years from the passing of this Act.”

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

Mr. *McCall*, (*Norfolk*) moved—That said Bill be not now read the third time, but be recommitted to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same so that the eighty-third section may read after the words “assessed at” as follows:—

“Not more than.....\$200 be liable to 1 day’s Statute labour.

“At more than \$200, and not more than \$400 “ 2 “

“ “ \$400, “ \$700 “ 3 “

“ “ \$700, “ \$1,000 “ 4 “

“And for every \$400 over \$1000, one additional day.”

And the amendment having been put, was lost on a division.

Mr. *Sinclair* moved,—

That the Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of expunging from sub-section 22 of the 9th Clause,

the words "and the parsonage or dwelling-house occupied by him, with the lands thereto attached."

And the amendment having been put, was lost on the following division :—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Blake, Clemens, Finlayson, McCall (Norfolk), McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Perry, Read, Sinclair, and Springer—11.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Beatty, Boulter, Boyd, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Cockburn, Colquhoun, Cook, Corby, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Crosby, Cumberland, Currie, Evans, Eyre, Ferrier, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Galbraith, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Greeley, Hays, Hooper, Lauder, Luton, Lyon, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McColl (Elgin), McGill, Pardee, Paxton, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Secord, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Smith (Middlesex), Strange, Supple, Swinarton, Tett, Trow, Wallis, Wigle, Williams (Durham), Williams (Hamilton), Wilson, and Wood.—58.

Mr. *Graham*, (*Hastings*), moved,—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same by inserting as sub-section two of section seventy-one, the following :

2. If any Local Municipality shall be dissatisfied with the action of any County Council in increasing or decreasing the aggregate of the valuation made by the Assessors of any Municipality, the Municipality so dissatisfied, may appeal from the decision of the Council to the Judge of the County Court of the County at any time within ten days after such decision, by giving to such Judge, and to the Clerk of the County Council, a notice in writing under the seal of the Municipality, of such appeal, and the County Judge shall appoint a day for hearing the appeal not later than ten days from the receipt of such notice of appeal, and may at such Court proceed to hear and determine the matter of appeal or adjourn the hearing thereof from time to time, provided that the same be not adjourned or judgment deferred beyond the first day of August next, after notice of the appeal, and such judge shall have the power to equalize the whole assessment of the County.

And the amendment, having been put, was carried on the following division :—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Blake, Boyd, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carnegie, Christie, Clemens, Craig (Glengarry), Crosby, Eyre, Finlayson, Fraser, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Greeley, Lauder, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McColl (Elgin), McKellar, McMurrich, Pardee, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Ottawa), Sinclair, Supple, Trow, Wigle, and Williams (Durham).—32.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Beatty, Boulter, Carling (Huron), Colquhoun, Corby, Currie, Evans, Ferrier, Fitzsimmons, Galbraith, Hays, Luton, Lyon, McCall (Norfolk), McGill, McKim, Paxton, Perry, Read, Secord, Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Tett, Wallis, Williams (Hamilton), and Wilson.—28.

The House then resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and amended the Bill accordingly.

The Bill was then reported, as amended, and report adopted.

Mr. *Currie* moved,—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be recommitted to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same by expunging the words "one hundred" in sub-section twenty of section nine, and inserting the word "fifty" in lieu thereof.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

Mr. *Fitzsimmons* moved,—

That the said Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same by striking out of section nine sub-section twenty-one the word “four,” and inserting in lieu thereof the word “five.” Also by striking out the word “four” where it occurs in the 25th section and inserting the word “five” in lieu thereof.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

Mr. *Hays* moved,—

That the said Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole forthwith to amend section 79 by inserting at the end of said section the following:—

“Nor shall any non-commissioned Officer or Private of the volunteer force, certified as being an efficient volunteer by the District Staff Officer; but the last exemption shall not apply to any volunteer who may be assessed for property.”

And the amendment, having been put, was carried.

The House then resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and amended the Bill accordingly.

The Bill was then reported, as amended, and report adopted.

Mr. *Currie* moved,—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same by expunging the word “three” in the last line of section one hundred and seventy-two, and inserting the word “twelve” instead thereof; and to amend section one hundred and ten by striking out the word “fifteenth” and inserting “first” in lieu thereof in the sixth line.

And the amendment having been put was carried.

The House then resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and amended the Bill accordingly.

The Bill was then reported, as amended, and report adopted.

Mr. *Carnegie* moved,—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to strike out the word “eight” in the fourth line of section one hundred and twenty-seven and insert “ten” in lieu thereof.

And the amendment, having been put, was carried on the following division:—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Blake, Boulter, Boyd, Carnegie, Clemens, Cockburn, Cook, Corby, Currie, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Galbraith, Graham (Hastings), Hays, Lauder, Luton, Matchett, Monteith, McColl (Elgin), McKellar, McMurrich, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Scott (Grey), Secord, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), and Supple.—30.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Baxter, Beatty, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Clarke, Colquhoun, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Crosby, Cumberland, Eyre, Ferguson, Fernier, Greeley, Lyon, Macdonald, McCall (Norfolk), McGill, Rykert, Scott (Ottawa), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Tett, Williams (Durham), and Wood.—27.

The House then resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and amended the Bill accordingly.

The Bill was then reported, as amended, and report adopted.

Mr. *Blake* moved,—

That the said Bill be not now read the third time, but be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the eighty-third section thereof by striking out the sentence immediately following the figure “5,” and inserting in lieu thereof the words following:—“And for every \$200 over \$900 one additional day.”

And the amendment having been put was lost on a division.

Mr. *Blake* moved,—

That the said Bill be not now read the third time, but be re-committed to

Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same by striking out all the words in the eighty-ninth clause after "Collector's Roll," and by adding the words following: "And in all cases, both of residents and non-residents, the statute labor shall be rated and charged against every separate lot or parcel according to its assessed value; but every resident shall have the right to perform his whole statute labour in the statute labour division in which his residence is situated, unless otherwise ordered by the Municipal Council."

And the amendment having been put, was carried on the following division:—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boulter, Boyd, Calvin, Carling (Huron), Christie, Clemens, Cockburn, Coyne, Eyre, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Hays, Lauder, Monteith, McColl (Elgin), McGill, McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Smith (Middlesex), Trow, and Williams (Hamilton).—36.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Cameron, Carling (London), Carnegie, Colquhoun, Cook, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Crosby, Cumberland, Currie, Evans, Galbraith, Greeley, Luton, Macdonald, Matchett, McCall (Norfolk), Read, Richards, Secord, Sexton, Supple, Tett, Williams (Durham), Wilson, and Wood.—28.

The House then resolved itself into Committee of the Whole and amended the Bill accordingly; the Bill was then reported, as amended, and report adopted.

Mr. *Blake* moved, That the said Bill be not now read a third time, but be recommitted section, by adding after the word "Crown" the following words: "And except in cases of to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the one hundred and fifty-fifth actual fraud."

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Christie, Clemens, Cockburn, Crosby, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Galbraith, Gow, Hays, Monteith, McCall (Norfolk), McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Pardee, Perry, Scott (Ottawa), Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Trow, Wallis, and Williams (Hamilton).—30.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Boulter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Carling (Huron), Carnegie, Colquhoun, Cook, Craig (Glengarry), Craig (Russell), Cumberland, Currie, Evans, Eyre, Graham (Hastings), Greeley, Lauder, Luton, Macdonald, Matchett, McColl (Elgin), McGill, Paxton, Read, Richards, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Secord, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Strange, Supple, Tett, Wigle, Williams (Durham) and Wood.—37.

Mr. *Blake* moved,—

That the said Bill be not now read the third time, but be recommitted to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the one hundred and fifty-fifth section, by striking out the word "two," where it last occurs, and substituting the word "four."

And the amendment having been put, was lost on a division.

Mr. *Boyd* moved,—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but be recommitted to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to add the following words to section eighty-eight, "and in all cases when the statute labor of non-residents is paid in money, the Municipal Council shall order the same to be expended in the statute labor division where the property is situated on which said Statute labor tax is levied."

And the amendment having been put, was carried.

The House then resolved itself into Committee of the Whole, and amended the Bill accordingly.

The Bill was then reported, as amended, and report adopted.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The Order of the Day having been called for the third reading of Bill (No. 78), To amend the Act 31 Vic. cap. 40, to incorporate the *Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway Company*,

Mr. *Carnegie* moved in amendment,—

That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same, by adding to the first section the following words:—"Provided that no municipality shall issue debentures for the purposes of the railway under any by-law hereby legalized, so long as the annual special rates for paying the interest and creating the sinking fund of any debt heretofore contracted under any by-law of such municipality shall not have been fully rated and levied as thereby required, or so long as such interest or sinking fund or any portion thereof shall be and remain in default; and any debentures issued during any such default shall be illegal and void."

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boulter, Boyd, Carnegie, Christie, Craig (Russell), Cumberland, Currie, Eyre, Fitzsimmons, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Greeley, Hays, Matchett, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McGill, Read, Sexton, Williams (Durham), and Williams (Hamilton).—23.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Cockburn, Colquhoun, Cook, Crosby, Evans, Ferguson, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fraser, Galbraith, Lauder, Luton, Macdonald, Monteith, McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Secord, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Smith (Middlesex), Strange, Springer, Supple, Trow, Wallis, Wigg, Wilson, and Wood.—40.

Mr. Speaker called on Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*, to take the chair during his absence.

Mr. *Graham (Hastings)*, moved in amendment,

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same by striking out the first section.

And debate arising, and it being twelve of the clock, midnight—

FRIDAY, 22nd January, 1869.

The debate continued,

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boulter, Carnegie, Christie, Craig (Glengarry), Cumberland, Currie, Eyre, Fitzsimmons, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Greeley, Matchett, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McGill, Read, Williams (Durham), and Williams (Hamilton).—20.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Cockburn, Cook, Crosby, Evans, Ferguson, Finlayson, Fraser, Galbraith, Lauder, Luton, Macdonald, Monteith, McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Pardee, Perry, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Secord, Sinclair,

Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Smith (Middlesex), Strange, Springer, Supple, Trow, Wallis, and Wood.—35.

Mr. *Sinclair*, moved,—

That the question be now put.

And the motion, having been put, was carried on the following division :—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Beatty, Blake, Boyd, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Cockburn, Cook, Craig (Glengarry), Crosby, Currie, Evans, Eyre, Ferguson, Finlayson, Fitzsimmons, Fraser, Galbraith, Greeley, Lauder, Luton, Macdonald, Matchett, Monteith, McColl (Elgin), McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Pardee, Perry, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Secord, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Smith (Middlesex), Strange, Springer, Supple, Trow, Wallis, and Wood.—45.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Boulter, Carnegie, Christie, Cumberland, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Hays, McCall (Norfolk), McGill, Paxton, Read, Williams (Durham), and Williams (Hamilton).—13.

The original motion, having been put, was carried on the following division :—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Barber, Beatty, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Cockburn, Cook, Craig (Glengarry), Crosby, Evans, Ferguson, Finlayson, Fraser, Galbraith, Lauder, Luton, Macdonald, Monteith, McKellar, McKim, McMurrich, Pardee, Paxton, Perry, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Secord, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Smith (Middlesex), Strange, Springer, Supple, Trow, Wallis, and Wood.—37.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Baxter, Blake, Boulter, Boyd, Carnegie, Christie, Cumberland, Currie, Eyre, Fitzsimmons, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Greeley, Hays, Matchett, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McGill, Read, Williams (Durham), and Williams (Hamilton).—21.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day having been called, for the third reading of Bill (No. 93), To amend the Act 31 *Vic.*, Chap. 41, intituled, An Act to Incorporate the *Toronto* and *Nipissing* Railway Company,—

Mr. *Williams*, (*Durham*,) moved in amendment,—

That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same by striking out the section of the said Bill granting power to amend to *Lindsay*.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

*Yeas :*

Messrs. Baxter, Beatty, Blake, Boulter, Boyd, Carnegie, Cook, Cumberland, Currie, Eyre, Fitzsimmons, Graham (Hastings), Greeley, Hays, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McGill, Pardee, Paxton, Read, Rykert, Secord, Smith (Kent), Williams (Durham), and Williams (Hamilton).—25.

*Nays :*

Messrs. Barber, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Cockburn, Craig (Glengarry), Crosby, Evans, Ferguson, Finlayson, Fraser, Galbraith, Lauder, Luton, Matchett, Monteith, McKim, McMurrich, Perry, Scott (Grey), Sinclair, Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Smith (Middlesex), Strange, Springer, Trow, Wallis, and Wood.—28.

Mr. *Carnegie* moved in amendment,—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same by adding to the first section the following words:—

“Provided always, that where any suit or action has been commenced, or is now pending before the Courts of this Province to quash one or more of such By-laws, the issue of debentures shall be restrained until the validity of any such By-laws may be determined by the Courts of Law.”

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Boulter, Carnegie, Craig (Glengarry), Cumberland, Currie, Eyre, Fitzsimmons, Graham (Hastings), Matchett, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McGill, Read, Rykert, Secord, Williams (Durham), and Williams (Hamilton).—17,

*Nays:*

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Beatty, Blake, Boyd, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Cockburn, Crosby, Evans, Ferguson, Finlayson, Fraser, Galbraith, Greeley, Lauder, Luton, Monteith, McKellar, McMurrich, Scott (Grey), Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Trow, Wallis, and Wood.—30.

Mr. *Carnegie* moved in amendment,—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be re-committed to Committee of the Whole, with instructions to amend the same, by striking out the first clause.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Blake, Boulter, Boyd, Carnegie, Craig (Glengarry), Cumberland, Currie, Fitzsimmons, Graham (Hastings), Matchett, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McGill, Read, Rykert, Secord, Williams (Durham), and Williams (Hamilton).—18.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Cockburn, Crosby, Ferguson, Finlayson, Fraser, Galbraith, Greeley, Lauder, Luton, Monteith, McKellar, McMurrich, Scott (Grey), Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Smith (Middlesex), Springer, Trow, Wallis, and Wood.—26.

Mr. *Boulter* moved in amendment,—

That the Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be read the third time on this day six months.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on the following division:—

*Yeas:*

Messrs. Blake, Boulter, Boyd, Carnegie, Craig (Glengarry), Currie, Eyre, Fitzsimmons, Gow, Graham (Hastings), McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McGill, Read, Rykert, Secord, Williams (Durham), and Williams (Hamilton).—18.

*Nays:*

Messrs. Barber, Baxter, Beatty, Calvin, Cameron, Carling (London), Cockburn, Crosby, Evans, Ferguson, Finlayson, Fraser, Galbraith, Greeley, Lauder, Luton, Monteith, McKellar, McMurrich, Paxton, Scott (Grey), Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds and Grenville), Smith (Middlesex), Strange, Springer, Trow, Wallis, and Wood.—30.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed.

The following Orders of the Day were severally discharged, and the Bills withdrawn:—  
House in Committee on Bill (No. 67), To amend the Act respecting Dentistry.

House again in Committee on Bill (No. 22), To amend Chapter 85 Con. Stat. *U. C.*, intituled "An Act respecting the Conveyance of Real Estate by Married Women.

Second Reading Bill (No. 121), Providing for Industrial Schools.

Resuming Debate on the Second Reading Bill (No. 123), To quiet the titles of persons holding Lands previously sold for Taxes.

Second Reading Bill (No. 124), To provide for the Administration of Oaths in certain cases.

Second Reading Bill (No. 135), To regulate the sale of Poisons, and respecting Chemists, Druggists, and Apothecaries.

The following Orders of the Day were discharged, and the Resolutions withdrawn :—

House in Committee on Resolutions as to Municipal Laws, &c.

House in Committee on Resolution as to Statute Labour.

Mr. *Cameron* presented :—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 3rd December, 1868, to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying for copies of all applications made to the Crown Lands Department for the purchase of Mining Lands in *Lake Superior* District, under the Order in Council of 13th July, 1866, in respect of which patents have not issued, together with the dates of such applications, the amounts paid to the Department in respect thereof, the dates of such payments, and all correspondence in connexion therewith. (*Sessional Papers, No. 36.*)

Also; Return of Fees and Emoluments received by the several Registrars of Ontario, for the year 1868, made in accordance with the provision of 29th Victoria, Chapter 24, Section 72. (*Sessional Papers, No. 37.*)

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*,

*Resolved*, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned till 3 o'clock p.m. to-day.

The House then adjourned at 2.30 a.m.

Friday, 22nd January, 1869.

THREE O'CLOCK P.M.

Three Petitions were brought up and laid upon the table.

Petitions received and read :—

Of the Presbytery of the *Canada* Presbyterian Church of *Huron*, praying for amendments to the Act for the Registration of Births and Marriages.

Of *Peter Graham* and others, of the Township of *Warwick*, praying that the proposed amendments to the School Act may not pass.

Of *Henry Redner* and others, of the Township of *Fenelon*, praying for an Act to quiet titles to lands sold for taxes.

Of *Alfred Bowlby* and others, of the County of *Norfolk*, praying for an Act prohibiting smoking.

Hon. Mr. *Cameron*, from the Select Committee on the Common and Grammar School System of *Ontario*, together with the Department of Public Instruction, presented their First Report ;—also, the Report of the Sub-Committee appointed to examine into the Educational Department. (*Appendix, No. 3.*)

*Ordered*, That the report be printed.

Mr. *Greeley*, from the Committee on Printing, presented a report recommending that the following Papers be printed:—

Return to an Address relative to the Land Improvement Fund. (*Sessional Papers, No. 33.*)

Report of the Chancellor of the University of *Toronto*. (*Sessional Papers, No. 4.*)

Return to an Address for the names of Magistrates who have qualified. (*Sessional Papers, No. 26.*)

Return to an Address for amounts received for Statutes of *Ontario*, sold to Magistrates. (*Sessional Papers, No. 28.*)

Return to an Address for the number of Tavern Licenses issued. (*Sessional Papers, No. 31.*)

Return to an Address for copies of correspondence between the Government and Mr. *Carroll*, Crown Land Agent. (*Sessional Papers, No. 32.*)

Also, That 3000 copies of the "Assessment Law," and 2000 copies of the "Tavern License Law," be printed.

*Ordered*, That the foregoing Papers be printed.

Also, that the cost of the Printing of the Meteorological Maps in the Report of the Chief Superintendent of Education, being six hundred and twenty-five dollars, (\$625) be paid.

*Ordered*, That the above be paid.

Mr. *Cumberland*, from the Select Committee on Public Accounts, presented their Second Report. (*Appendix No. 4.*)

*Ordered*, That the Report be printed.

The Order of the Day having been called for the second reading of Bill (No. 116), To confer certain powers on Trustees and Executors.

Mr. *Blake* moved in amendment,—

That the Bill be not now read the second time, but that it be read a second time on this day six months.

And the amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

The Bill was then read the second time and referred forthwith to a Committee of the Whole.

The Bill was then considered in Committee of the Whole, reported (without amendments), and report adopted.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

Bill (No. 59), Respecting the Survey of Lands in *Upper Canada*, was considered in Committee of the Whole, reported (with amendments) and report adopted.

*Ordered*, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

On motion of Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*,—

*Resolved*, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned till to-morrow, at 11 o'clock, A.M.

The House then adjourned.

Saturday, 23rd January, 1869.

ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

One petition was brought up and laid upon the table.

Hon. Attorney General *Macdonald* introduced Bill (No. 142), intituled "An Act respecting the Police."

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor entered the House at one o'clock P.M., and, being seated on the Throne, was pleased, in Her Majesty's name, to assent to the following Bills :—

An Act to amend the law as to costs in suits for Alimony.

An Act to amend the Act, chapter 35 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, intituled "An Act respecting Attorneys-at-Law."

An Act to exempt certain Articles from Toll.

An Act to incorporate the *Ottawa* Unity Protestant Benefit Society.

An Act to amend the Act, chapter 40 of 29th *Victoria*, intituled "An Act to prevent the spreading of *Canada* Thistles in *Upper Canada*."

An Act to amend an Act of the late Province of *Canada*, intituled "An Act for the Collection, by means of Stamps, of Fees of Office Dues and Duties, payable to the Crown upon Law proceedings and Registration."

An Act to incorporate the *St. Andrew's* Society of the City of *Ottawa*.

An Act to amend "The Free Grants and Homestead Act of 1868."

An Act to authorize the Law Society of *Ontario* to admit *Frederick George Allenby* as a Barrister-at-Law.

An Act to amend the Act 26th *Victoria*, chapter thirty-one, intituled "An Act to incorporate *Huron* College."

An Act to incorporate the *Norfolk* Railway Company.

An Act to amend the Municipal Institutions Act of *Upper Canada*.

An Act to authorize the Law Society of *Upper Canada* to admit *Charles Gamon* as a Barrister-at-Law.

An Act to authorize the Law Society of *Upper Canada* to admit *William Darley Polward* as a Barrister-at-Law.

An Act to amend and confirm the Charter of "The *Ottawa* and *Gloucester* Road Company."

An Act respecting Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly.

An Act respecting Titles to Union Houses of Religious Worship.

An Act amending the "Act to incorporate the *Port Whitby* and *Port Perry* Railroad Company."

An Act to incorporate the *Peterborough* and *Haliburton* Railroad Company.

An Act to amend chapter fifteen of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, intituled "An Act respecting County Courts."

An Act respecting the Colonial Securities Company (limited), to facilitate proof of its incorporation, for the execution of Instruments, and for other purposes.

An Act to constitute and enable the Trustees of the Estate of *Alexander Wright*, deceased, to sell and dispose of his Real Estate, and to vest its proceeds for the support and education of his family.

An Act to amend the Act respecting Division Courts.

An Act to grant certain powers to the *Ontario* Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company.

An Act respecting the Court of Error and Appeal in the Province of *Ontario*.

An Act to amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, twenty-fifth *Victoria*, chapter seventy-two, by declaring the intention of the same, and confirming conveyances made by the Trust and Loan Company thereunder.

An Act to incorporate the *Kingston* and *Frontenac* Railway Company.

An Act to vest certain Real Estate in the Trustees of the Adelaide Street Wesleyan

Methodist Church, *Toronto*, with power to sell and convey the same, and to apply the proceeds in the erection of a new church.

An Act to incorporate the *Ontario* Trust and Investment Company.

An Act to legalize the granting to, and the holding by the Municipal Corporation of the Township of *St. Vincent*, in the County of *Grey*, in the Province of *Ontario*, of certain lands.

An Act to amend the Act passed in the twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth *Victoria*, chapter twenty-eight, intituled "An Act respecting the Office of Sheriff," and to make further provision respecting the said office.

An Act to incorporate the *Presqu'Isle* and *Belmont* Railway Company.

An Act to enable the Council of the Corporation of *Port Hope* to aid, by way of bonus, the extension and completion of the *Port Hope, Lindsay* and *Beaverton* Railway to *Beaverton*, and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate the Synod of the Diocese of *Toronto*, and to unite the Church Society of the Diocese of *Toronto* therewith.

An Act to repeal certain Acts and Enactments therein mentioned, and to abolish the Court of Impeachment for the trial of County Judges.

An Act to amend the Act passed in the twenty-seventh and twenty-eighth years of Her Majesty's Reign, respecting the granting of Charters of Incorporation to Manufacturing, Mining, and other Companies.

An Act to provide for the succession of Trustees of the Church and Glebe property belonging to *St. Andrew's* Church, *Peterborough*, and to authorize the Trustees of the said property to mortgage the said property, or part thereof.

An Act to repeal and amend certain Acts and Enactments therein mentioned.

An Act relative to certain Streets in the City of *London*, in this Province.

An Act to erect the Township of *Monck*, in the District of *Muskoka*, into a Municipality.

An Act to grant relief to *Lady Smith*, and to enable her to manage the estate of her late husband, *Sir Henry Smith*.

An Act to incorporate the *Hellmuth Ladies' College*.

An Act to amend the Act thirty-first *Victoria*, intituled "An Act for the encouragement of Agriculture, Horticulture, Arts, and Manufactures."

An Act to make provision for the selection of Jurors for the County of *York*, for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate the *Caledonia* Peat Manufacturing and Smelting Company.

An Act to incorporate the *Hamilton* Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

An Act respecting the Public Works of *Ontario*.

An Act respecting the Security to be given by Officers in *Ontario*.

An Act to relieve the Trustees of the Honourable *John Elmsley*, late of *Toronto*, from the Trusts in a certain Indenture mentioned, and to vest the property therein mentioned in *Charlotte Elmsley*.

An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

An Act to erect the Townships of *Watt, Cardwell, Humphrey, Christie, Medora* and *Wood*, in the District of *Muskoka*, into a Municipality.

An Act to amend the Act respecting Common Schools in *Upper Canada*.

An Act for the relief of *William Houghton Bell*, and others, interested in the Estate of the late *Thomas Bell*.

An Act to incorporate the *Simcoe* and *Muskoka* Railway Company.

An Act to amend and consolidate the Acts relating to the profession of Medicine and Surgery.

An Act to amend chapter fifty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, intituled "An Act respecting Line-fences and Water courses."

An Act for the Relief of the *Toronto* Street Railway Company, and to provide for the Sale of their Railway, and for other purposes.

An Act to amend the Act imposing a Tax on Dogs, and for the Protection of Sheep.

An Act respecting Tavern and Shop Licenses.

An Act respecting the Partition of Real Estate in *Ontario*.

An Act to make further provision relating to the Territorial District of *Muskoka*.

An Act relative to Mining.

An Act respecting lands sold for arrears of taxes.

An Act to amend and consolidate the Law respecting the Assessment of Property in the Province of *Ontario*.

An Act to amend the Act 31st *Victoria*, chapter 40, "To incorporate the *Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway Company*."

An Act to amend the Act 31st *Victoria*, chapter 41, intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto and Nipissing Railway Company*."

An Act to confer certain powers on Trustees and Executors.

An Act to amend the Act intituled "An Act respecting the Survey of Lands in *Upper Canada*" (now Province of *Ontario*).

Mr. SPEAKER then said :—

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and faithful subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Ontario*, in Session assembled, approach Your Excellency at the close of our labours with sentiments of unfeigned devotion and loyalty to Her Majesty's person and Government, and humbly beg to present for Your Excellency's acceptance, a Bill intituled "An Act for Granting to HER MAJESTY certain sums of money required for defraying the expenses of Civil Government for the year 1869, for making good certain sums expended for the Public Service for 1868, and for other purposes ;" thus placing at the disposal of the Crown the means by which the Government may be made efficient for the service and welfare of the Province.

To this Bill the Royal Assent was signified in the following words :—

In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor doth thank Her loyal subjects, accept their benevolence and assent to this Bill.

After which, the LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR was pleased to address the Legislative Assembly in the following words :—

*Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :*

In relieving you from your Legislative labours at this time, I desire to express my profound sense of the zeal and devotion which have marked the discharge of your duties during the session, and I tender to you my acknowledgement for the prompt attention which you have bestowed on the several important measures which I thought proper to suggest for your consideration.

To the different Bills which you have passed, I have given my assent, and I am persuaded that they will contribute to promote the best interests of the Province.

I thank you for the supplies granted for the service of the year, and for the appropriations made for carrying on public works of improvement.

I take leave of you, convinced that your exertions in your several counties will be directed to the task of inspiring in the minds of the people a hopeful confidence in the future of this growing Province, the government and institutions of which are founded upon wholesome and just laws, administered impartially to all,—a condition of things well calculated to make us a happy and a prosperous people.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron*, Provincial Secretary, then said :—

*Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :*

It is His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's will and pleasure, that this Legislative Assembly be prorogued until Thursday, the fourth day of March next, to be then here holden ; And this Provincial Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued until Thursday, the fourth day of March next.



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# REPORT

## OF THE

# SELECT COMMITTEE

APPOINTED TO CONSIDER HOW FAR IT WOULD BE EXPEDIENT TO  
AMEND RULES 85 AND 102 OF THIS HOUSE.

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To the Honorable the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario :

The Select Committee appointed to consider how far it would be expedient to amend the Rules 85 and 102 of this House, in so far as the same relate to the reception of Petitions praying for pecuniary relief or assistance, beg to report that they, at the outset, referred to Rule 65 of this House, corresponding with Rule 86 of the Commons, viz :—
“ Every Petition not containing matter in breach of the privileges of this House, and which according to the Rules or practice of this House, can be received, is brought to the table by direction of the Speaker, who cannot allow any debate, or any member to speak upon or in relation to such Petition, but it may be read by the Clerk at the Table, if required, or if it complain of some present personal grievance, requiring an immediate remedy, the matter contained therein may be brought under immediate discussion.”

Petitions under this Rule, although properly signed and containing a prayer, cannot, according to the practice, be received, if they contain words disrespectful to the Queen, to the Lieutenant-Governor, or reflecting upon the legislation of your Honorable House, or upon any of its members, or containing blasphemous language.

The Member who presents such Petition will be held responsible, as knowing what the House does not yet know until the same is read. The Speaker, when such Petitions are proposed to be received, is to point out the objectionable passage as in breach of the privilege of the House, or otherwise, and the petition is consequently rejected. Not so, however, with unobjectionable petitions, which contain a prayer for amendments of any General or Private Acts, or for the enactment of any new Statute.

The reception of this class of Petitions, including Election Petitions, is obviously necessary, in order that they may be referred when received to the respective Special Committees, or the General Committee of the whole House to whom the various subjects enumerated in the Petitions are referred for consideration. The action of your Honorable House on all these Petitions is regulated by its rules or its practice.

Your Committee will now allude to another class of Petitions, praying for grants of money or aid from the public exchequer, and in order the better to comprehend the distinction between this class and those of a different character, as already alluded to, your Committee beg to quote the 54th section of the British North America Act of 1867.

“ It shall not be lawful for the House of Commons to adopt or pass any Vote, Resolution, Address or Bill for the appropriation of any part of the Public Revenue, or of any tax or impost to any purpose that has not been first recommended to that House by message of the Governor General, in the Session in which such Vote, Resolution, Address, or Bill is proposed.”

It is clear from the terms of this clause, that no Petition for any of the objects mentioned in this section can be permitted to advance a step further beyond the mere present

tation, without the consent of the Lieutenant-Governor, nor could its formal reception by the House be construed to override the strict declaration of the Imperial Act, which this Honorable House can in no wise disregard or set aside.

The Canadian Commons, during its last sitting, sustained the objection made by Mr. McKenzie, member for Lambton, to the reception of a petition which asked for a grant of public money without being recommended by the Governor General. In that case the Speaker decided that, under Rule 116 of that House, which contains precisely the same words as Rule No. 102 of your Honorable House, "Though there is no Rule of this House expressly applicable to the question, yet by Rule 116 it is ordered, that in unprovided cases, the Rules, Usages, and Forms of the English House of Commons are to be followed. The practice in England has been clearly against the reception of such petitions, and I find by a Standing Order of the House of Commons of the 20th March, 1866, it is declared, 'That this House will receive no petitions for any sum relating to public service payable out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund, or out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, unless recommended from the Crown.'

"I think this Rule should be held to be in force here, and that therefore, the Petition ought not to be received."

Your Committee feel bound to recognize this decision as a sound one and as being in accordance with the universal practice of the English House of Commons for nearly a century past, they recommend its observance to your Honorable House, especially as its adoption in no wise limits or restricts the sacred rights of petition.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. S. MACDONALD,
Chairman.

FIFTH REPORT

OF THE

COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Committee Room, 9th December, 1868.

The Standing Committee on Printing would beg leave to submit, as their

FIFTH REPORT,

The Report of their Sub-Committee appointed to audit the Printing Accounts, together with the Report of the Clerk of the Printing Committee on the printing services of the past year, which they respectfully recommend to the consideration and adoption of the House, and also recommend that they be printed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. GREELEY,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO AUDIT THE PRINTING ACCOUNTS.

Committee Room, 1st December, 1868.

The Sub-Committee appointed to examine the Printing Accounts for the past year beg leave to submit the following as their Report:—

They have examined the "Printing Account Balance Sheet" for 1867-68, together with the vouchers verifying the same, and find them correct, and would beg to express their satisfaction with the system adopted and the manner in which the accounts have been kept by the Clerk of the Committee, Mr. H. J. Hartney.

The accounts shew the total cost of the Printing, Printing Paper and Binding of the Legislative Assembly to have been \$2,859 90.

The Sub-Committee highly approve of all the work pertaining to the printing services of Ontario being performed at the one office, being a guarantee for its more faithful performance, and in this approval they trust the Committee and the House will join; but the Sub-Committee would recommend a rigid adherence to the present system of checking all the printing accounts as practised by the Clerk of the Committee. For the Balance Sheet shews at once the total cost, for what service, and to whom paid, the accounts prove the balance sheet, and they are proved by vouchers composed of a fyle of every document printed, on the endorse of each of which is plainly set forth, its cost, in detail; thus each document becomes a record of its own charges.

Thus errors (if any there should be) cannot escape detection, and the result must be so satisfactory both to the Clerk and the Contractors as to be well worthy of the extra labour bestowed, and it also very materially relieves the labour of the auditory.

Respectfully submitted.

A. GREELEY, *Chairman.*
JAMES TROW.

REPORT

OF THE

CLERK OF THE PRINTING COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM,

November 3, 1868.

To the Chairman and Members of the Printing Committee :

GENTLEMEN,—I have deemed it my duty, as Clerk of the Printing Committee, to submit an account current, or balance sheet, shewing, on the Dr. side, the whole cost of the Printing Services of the past year, and on the Cr. side, the several items of expenditure, which are verified by the several accounts rendered. The very gratifying fact will be seen that the whole cost of those services, including printing, printing paper and binding only amounted to \$2,859 90 ; and that the whole cost of the printing, printing paper and binding of the edition of the Statutes, numbering six thousand, only cost \$2,345 02. These amounts are verified by vouchers, numbered from one to three hundred and thirty, being a fyle of every document printed, on the endorse of each of which the whole cost of each is plainly written in detail. I say very gratifying, because by referring to the Journals of the Legislative Assembly, of United Canada, of the Session held in 1852-3, at which time the number of members was eighty-four, only two more than the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, and at page 194, it is stated that the cost of printing, printing paper and binding for the preceding year amounted to £17,448 0s. 4½d., or \$69,792 07, from which, if we deduct a third for the French portion of that work, would show comparatively the cost then to have been \$46,528 03. The same gratifying comparison can be made with regard to the stationery, the cost of which, for the Legislative Assembly of United Canada, (when the representatives numbered eighty-four) as shown in the same Journals, and in the same page, amounted to £1,123 8s. 1½d., or \$4,493 62, while that of the Legislative Assembly, of Ontario, amounted to about \$800. The cost of both these services must, however, naturally increase with the business of the Province. Under the circumstances, the printing services of the past year have been fairly performed, and I think I cannot do better than quote from the final report of the Printing Committee of last Session the following words : “Your Committee can safely say that taking the difficulties of commencing everything new into account, with the many delays incident to Clerks and Officers new to the work, they have found no real cause of complaint.”

The arrangements for the present Session are very perfect, for, in accordance with the views of Committee, as expressed in the above mentioned report, the whole of the public printing is being performed at the one office, the whole strength of which is devoted to the public service.

The *Official Gazette* is also printed at the same office, at the same rate of composition and presswork as the ordinary printing of the Executive and Legislative Departments. As Queen's Printer, all advertisements from the Treasurers, Sheriffs and the public are sent to me for insertion in the *Gazette*, and after the first insertion, I make out the accounts

for the same, and mail them to the several parties. As I receive the remittances I deposit them to the account of the *Official Gazette* with the Bank of Montreal. It is very fairly presumed that the revenue arising from this source, as well as the saving effected in the Government advertisements, will largely diminish the burden of the cost of the public printing. In conclusion, I would beg to say, that the Printing Accounts are ready to audit whenever the Committee may choose to appoint an Audit Committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY JERVIS HARTNEY,
Queen's Printer,
and *Clerk to Printing Committee.*

PRINTING ACCOUNT—BALANCE SHEET.—SESSION 1867-8.

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CR.

1868.		\$	cts.	Voucher.		\$	cts.
30th September..	To amount charged in Treasury Department \$5,177 44			1	By printing, including Statutes, Samuel Beatty		2,036 53
	Due to contractors for paper..... 64 20	5,241	64	2	By binding Journals, Robertson & Cook.....		115 74
	Deduct—Cost of Statutes, per contra.....	2,345	02	3	By binding Statutes, A Dredge.....		1,067 22
				4	By paper, Robertson & Cook.....\$1,957 95		
					By paper due to contractor, 20 reams..... 64 20		
					LESS—Value of paper on hand..... \$2,022 15		
					Total cost of paper used..... 36 72		
					Total expenditure.....		1,985 43
					DEDUCT—Cost of Statutes.....		5,204 92
					Cost of printing, binding and printing paper, Legislative Assembly		2,345 02
					By value of paper on hand for next Session.....		2,859 90
							36 72
							\$2,896 02

1st October, 1868.—To balance of paper on hand :—
 4 reams Royal, at \$3.21..... \$12 84
 15 ³/₀ reams Fcap., at \$1.53..... 23 88
 \$36 72

HENRY JERVIS HARTNEY,
Queen's Printer and Clerk to Printing Committee.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
 9th November, 1868.

Audited and found correct, 1st December, 1868.

A. GREELEY, *Chairman.*
 JAMES TROW.

R E P O R T

OF THE

Common and Grammar School Committee.

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly, Ontario:—

The Select Committee appointed to examine into the working of the Common and Grammar School system of Ontario, together with the Department of Public Instruction," beg leave to present their Report:—

Your Committee have considered the provisions of the law respecting Common and Grammar Schools, and adopted certain resolutions for the amendment thereof, which have been embodied in Bills numbers 119 and 129, now before your honourable House.

Some progress has been made in investigating the management and usefulness of Upper Canada College, but owing to the lateness of the session and the number of persons to be examined, and documents to be considered, the Committee will not be able to report thereon this session. They have also procured returns and other useful information, which have been printed under the order of your honourable House for the use of members.

The Committee visited the Education Office and examined the system of management pursued there, and appointed a sub-Committee for the more careful and extended investigation of that department of the educational system. The result of the labour of that Committee is embodied in their report as adopted and approved by your Committee, and herewith submitted.

Your Committee have to congratulate the country upon the extent and efficiency of its educational system, brought to its present state of usefulness mainly by the indefatigable exertions of the able and venerable Chief Superintendent, the Reverend Doctor Ryerson, seconded by the Council of Public Instruction, and a most efficient staff of officers, together with the liberal provision made by the representatives of the people for the support of education in all its branches.

Your Committee are also much indebted to the Chief Superintendent for the great assistance given to the Committee by him in pursuing their enquiries; and it is matter of regret to the Committee, that the time at their disposal, owing to the many calls upon its members in the discharge of other legislative duties, has prevented the preparation of an extended report upon the subjects embraced in their enquiries.

All which is respectfully submitted.

M. C. CAMERON,
Chairman.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
January 19th, 1869.

To the Chairmen of the Educational Committee:—

The sub-Committee appointed to examine into the internal management of the Educational Department, report:—

That in undertaking the duties assigned to them, they first determined to make a thorough examination into the mode of conducting the financial department.

Your Committee find that the system adopted by the Department is of so thorough and complete a character, that no funds can by any possibility be received without being checked by proper officers, whose several duties require them to make entries in various books, through which every item can readily be traced.

They find that all moneys received by the department are regularly deposited to the credit of the Government, with the exception of moneys intended to be disbursed in the purchase of articles outside of the institution, and that all expenditures are made by cheque, properly countersigned by the different heads of the department to which they respectively belong.

They find that a perfect system of registration of every communication received by the department is maintained, by means of which the several officers to whose department the communication has reference, are immediately apprized of the contents, and answers are promptly returned to the same.

Your Committee have also made a thorough investigation of the Depository Department, and find that the existing arrangements for purchasing stock are satisfactory and well fitted for securing the same on the most favourable terms. The mode of disposing of the books is equally satisfactory.

Your Committee find that the amount yearly received by the Department from the Municipalities for books, maps, &c., is very considerable, amounting in 1868 to \$20,004 $\frac{20}{100}$, which sum is paid directly into the Public Treasury, and should be regarded as an offset against the amount granted to the Department.

In connexion with this subject your Committee submit the following statement, showing the cost of books, maps, &c., and the amount received for the same from 1850 to 1867, inclusive. Also the amount received from the Government on account thereof, viz. :—

The total amount paid for books, maps, &c., imported from 1850 to 1867,		
was.....	\$271,869	52
Purchases in Montreal.....	3,990	06
Articles manufactured or purchased in Toronto.....	93,146	88
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	\$369,006	46
Freight, agency, packing, printing, insurance, salaries, and		
expenses.....	73,600	19
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	\$442,606	65
Value of Books, dispatched, Libraries, including the 100		
per cent. grant	\$123,298	97
Maps, prizes, &c.....	213,993	78
Do sold, without grant, text books, &c.....	82,182	59
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	\$419,475	34
Grants received from Government on this account, from		
1850-67.....	253,518	48
Less remitted Receiver-General.....	66,378	69
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	\$187,139	79
If we deduct half of the above mentioned		
amounts	\$123,298	97
	213,993	78
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	337,292	75
Which is.....	<hr/>	
	\$168,646	37

We get the amount of goods dispatched over and above what was paid for.

Taking then the grants.....	\$187,139 79
And deducting the above proportion of goods.....	168,646 37
	\$18,493 42

Leaves a balance of.....

Which amount is fully covered by the stock on hand.

The above is exclusive of the transactions of 1868.
 Your Committee in making their investigation have noticed that a considerable amount of extra labour has been performed in the depository and other departments by Messrs. Hodgins, Marling, and Taylor, to whose energies and abilities in a great measure the department is indebted for its present state of efficiency.

The services rendered by these gentlemen, outside of their ordinary business, and during extra hours, has hitherto rendered unnecessary the employment of additional assistance; and having performed these duties for nearly five years, your Committee regret the reduction which has been made in the amount of their emoluments, without relieving them of their extra duties, the result of which will in all probability be an increased expenditure in the shape of additional clerks.

Among other things, the printing of the establishment came under review of your Committee, and they call attention to the fact, that the prices charged by the Queen's printer are in excess of those formerly paid; for instance—

	Copies.	Lovell's Charge.	Queen's Printer's Charge.	Excess.
Journal of Education	5520	\$130 00	\$156 50	\$26 50
Board of Trustees Report	125	17 50	28 32	10 82
Scheme for Analysis	1000	10 00	15 77	5 77
	6645	\$157 50	\$200 59	\$43 09

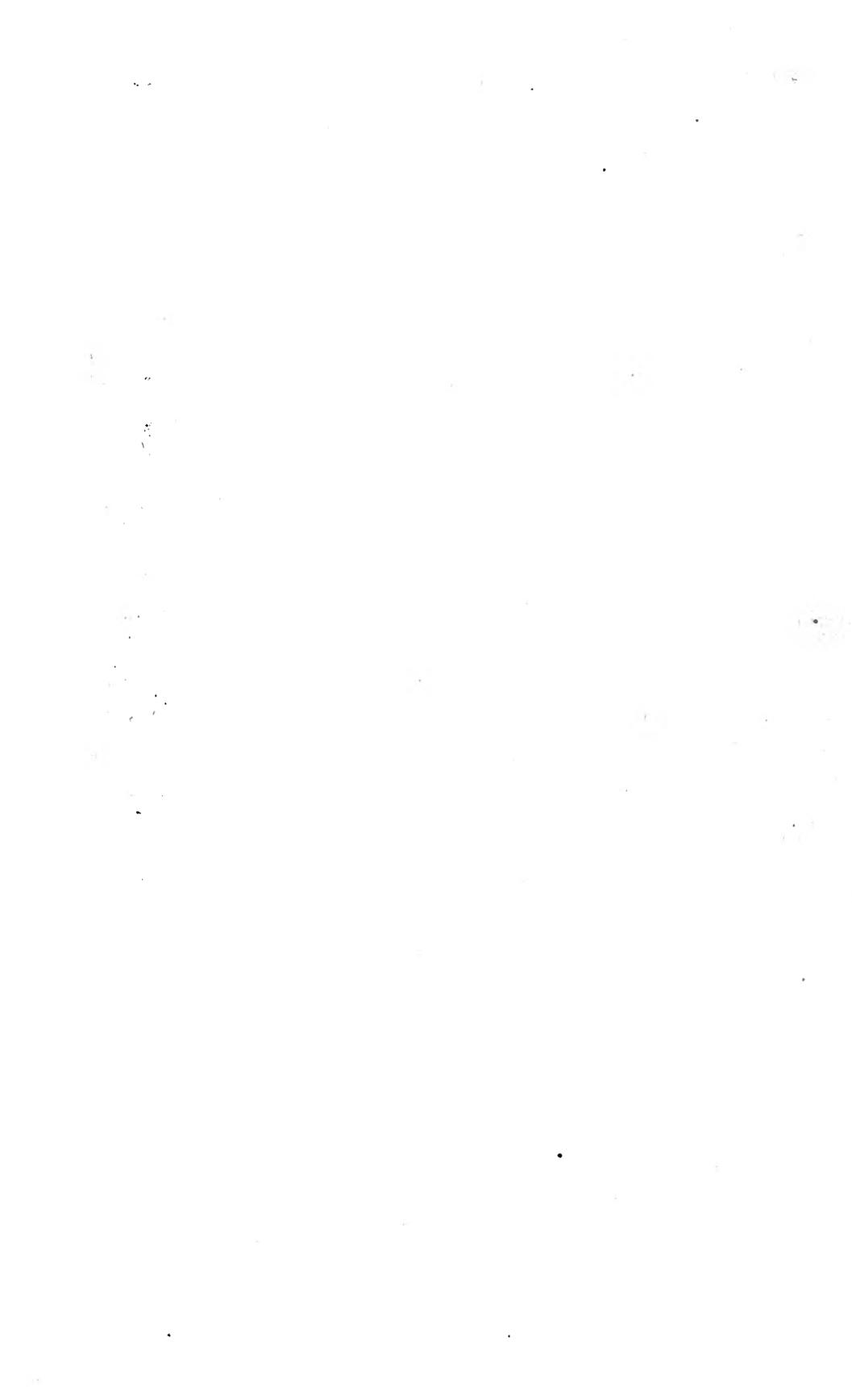
Your Committee have collected a complete set of the forms and papers used in the department, which they submit for your inspection.

Your Committee have great pleasure in reporting, that the internal management of the Educational Department is most satisfactory.

In conclusion, they would recommend that there be a yearly audit of the books of the department.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. McMURRICH,
Chairman sub Com.



R E P O R T

OF THE

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly:—

The Standing Committee on Public Accounts beg leave to Report:—

1. Although the Public Accounts for the nine months ending the 30th September, were duly laid before your Committee, it was not possible for your Committee to deal with them sufficiently, by reason of their including only a broken period rather than the completed year for which the estimates were granted; under these circumstances, your Committee recommend that the Public Accounts to 30th September last be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts of next Session.

2. Your Committee think it right further to state that they do not recognize a detailed audit as within the functions of the Committee on Public Accounts, and that having regard to the time, labour and responsibility involved in such a duty, it would not be possible for such a Committee to undertake or properly to perform it. The House will, therefore, understand that the only detailed investigation of accounts in the nature of an audit, now established, is the Departmental examination and control in the Treasurer's office.

3. Your Committee submit for the consideration of the House that it may be convenient to establish the termination of the fiscal year at such a time as will enable the Government to submit to the Legislature the Public Accounts for the year in a complete state as closed accounts, and in such season as will afford to the Committee on Public Accounts ample time and opportunity for their efficient investigation, a course which would seem to be all the more desirable, because of the absence of any previous audit other than that already referred to.

4. As the labours of Parliament are usually light during the early portion of each Session, your Committee are of opinion that the discussion of the Estimates might then be more conveniently and efficiently engaged in by the House than at a later period, when the time of the House is more exclusively devoted to the work of legislation. Your Committee for this and other obvious reasons recommend that the Estimates be, if possible, brought down within twenty days from the opening of the Session; and although that time will be somewhat later than is now usually observed in England, your Committee recognize in the extension named, a beneficial security against the introduction of Supplementary Estimates, which it is most desirable to maintain within the strictest limitation possible.

5. Your Committee recommend that the expenditure of the grants made in respect of Education, and all other matters of account connected with or relating to the service of Public Instruction be dealt with and controlled under the system applied to all other branches of the public service, and that all receipts and disbursements for those services be hereafter made through the Treasurer's department.

Respectfully submitted.

FRED. CUMBERLAND,
Chairman.



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