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W. P. HOWLAND.

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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 FOURTH day of the month of MARCH, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, to 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 FOURTH day of the month of MARCH, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, 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 THIRTEENTH day of the month of APRIL 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 most Honourable Order of the Bath, and Lieutenant-Governor of Our Province of *Ontario*, at Our Government House, in Our City of *Toronto*, in Our said Province, this FOURTH day of MARCH, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the thirty-second year of our Reign.

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

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

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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 most Honourable Order of the Bath, and Lieutenant-Governor of Our Province of *Ontario*, at Our Government House, in Our City of *Toronto*, in Our said Province, this TENTH day of APRIL, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the thirty-second year of our Reign.

By Command,

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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-SECOND day of the month of MAY, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, 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 TWENTY-SECOND day of the month of MAY, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, 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 FIRST day of the month of JULY next, you meet Us, in Our Legislature 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 most Honourable Order of the Bath, and Lieutenant-Governor of Our Province of *Ontario*, at Our Government House, in Our City of *Toronto*, in Our said Province, this TWENTY-FIRST day of MAY, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, 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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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 FIRST day of the month of JULY, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, 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 FIRST day of the month of JULY, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, 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 NINTH day of the month of AUGUST next, you meet Us, in Our Legislature 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 most Honourable Order of the Bath, and Lieutenant-Governor of Our Province of *Ontario*, at Our Government House, in Our City of *Toronto*, in Our said Province, this TWENTY-SIXTH day of JUNE, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the thirty-third year of our Reign.

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

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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 NINTH day of the month of AUGUST, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

J. S. Macdonald, } WHEREAS the meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the
Attorney-General. } Province of *Ontario*, stands called for the NINTH day of the
month of AUGUST, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, 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 EIGHTEENTH day of the month of SEPTEMBER next, you meet Us, in Our Legislature 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 most Honourable Order of the Bath, and Lieutenant-Governor of Our Province of *Ontario*, at Our Government House, in Our City of *Toronto*, in Our said Province, this SEVENTH day of AUGUST, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the thirty-third year of our Reign.

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

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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 Our City of *Toronto*, on the EIGHTEENTH day of the month of SEPTEMBER, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

J. S. Macdonald, } WHEREAS the meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the
Attorney-General. } Province of *Ontario*, stands called for the EIGHTEENTH day
of the month of SEPTEMBER, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, 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 TWENTY-EIGHTH day of the month of OCTOBER next, you meet Us, in Our Legislature 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 most Honourable Order of the Bath, and Lieutenant-Governor of Our Province of *Ontario*, at Our Government House, in Our City of *Toronto*, in Our said Province, this ELEVENTH day of SEPTEMBER, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the thirty-third year of our Reign.

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

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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 of Our said Province, at Our City of *Toronto*, on the TWENTY-EIGHTH day of the month of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, 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-EIGHTH day of the month of OCTOBER next, nevertheless, for certain causes and considerations, We have thought fit further to prorogue the same to WEDNESDAY, the THIRD day of the month of NOVEMBER next, so that neither you, nor any of you, on the said TWENTY-EIGHTH day of OCTOBER next, at Our City of *Toronto*, to appear are to be held and constrained, for We do will that you, and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, that on WEDNESDAY, the THIRD day of the month of NOVEMBER next, at Our City of *Toronto* aforesaid, personally you be and appear FOR THE DESPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act and conclude upon those things which in Our 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 most Honourable 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 TWENTY-FIFTH day of SEPTEMBER, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the thirty-third year of our Reign.

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

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PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.

Wednesday, 3rd November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P. M.

This being the first day of the Third 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 :

I rejoice that I am enabled, on again meeting you, to congratulate you on the prosperous condition of the Province.

Through the Divine goodness, the blessings of a bounteous harvest have been vouchsafed to the labours of the husbandman, who will thus be encouraged to redouble his efforts in the incessant warfare which the plough is maintaining with the forest ; at the same time, activity is everywhere evident among our infant but rising manufactures ; trade and commerce are extending ; there is a large and increasing demand for all sorts of labour, and although it might be presumed that the capital of the country would still be fully absorbed by the ordinary demands of agriculture, industry and commerce, it yet seems that a portion of it can now be diverted to public enterprises in the domain of locomotion and transport, which, generously encouraged as they are by the support of Municipal Corporations and individuals locally interested in their success, promise, if conducted with prudence, to be beneficial also to the entire Province. All these labour-employing sources tend to diffuse the blessings of plenty over a wider and wider area, and must result in an increased enjoyment of the comforts and conveniences of life amongst the great body of the population.

I have the pleasure to inform you that the Arbitrators selected under the provisions of the British North America Act of 1867, for the adjustment of the debts, assets, and liabilities of *Upper Canada* and *Lower Canada* respectively, have at length entered on their investigation, and have made such progress as to warrant the hope of an early decision of the various important questions on which they will have to deliberate prior to making their final award.

Since last year, energetic measures have been taken for attracting to this Province a fair share of that population which continues to quit the shores of Europe, and I am happy to inform you that these have had for their result a large increase in the number of emi-

grants who have selected *Ontario* as their permanent abode. In striving to bring about this result, I have necessarily incurred outlays to an amount beyond the means which I had asked from you for that purpose; but in a matter towards the promotion of which I believe a very strong public opinion prevails, I thought I might venture to anticipate your approval of some expenditure, though not authorized, rather than that from an over strict observance of an excellent general rule, I should have let slip a favourable opportunity of bringing about what must always be regarded as a lasting benefit to the Province.

To the best of my information, these settlers are generally well satisfied with their reception and prospects; the reports of the country, and of the condition in which they found those of their own class, who at a comparatively recent date had preceded them from across the ocean, which they transmit to their friends at home, will be an encouragement to others to follow in their footsteps; and I trust that by a continuation, or, as I would recommend, an increase in your liberality, you will enable me to extend more and more widely, and especially among your fellow-subjects of the British Empire, a knowledge of the advantages here in store for the industrious emigrant, a knowledge which, where it exists, cannot fail to induce countless numbers to unite their fortunes with yours, and to contribute by their intelligence and industry to raise this important Province to a still higher rank than it has even yet attained among the Colonial possessions of the Crown.

It having been officially announced that the North-West Territory, lately under the administration of the Hudson's Bay Company, is about to be annexed to the Dominion of *Canada*, and looking to the certainty of this measure being carried out, I venture to suggest the propriety of your providing for an early ascertainment of the boundary line between that Territory and this Province.

I have the satisfaction of announcing to you that the Provincial Revenue for the past year has been more than adequate to the demands on it. The Public Accounts, with the Estimates for the ensuing year, will be laid before you, and on examining the latter, I trust you will find that they have been prepared with a strict regard to economy, yet without neglecting anything really essential to the necessary and efficient requirements of the public service.

It is proper that I should announce to you that the contracts entered into for the erection of the Asylums, and for the construction of the Public Works intended to connect the waters of certain Northern lakes and streams, and for which appropriations were made by you during last Session, are in all cases within the original estimated cost.

Amongst the measures which I have directed to be laid before you, there will be found Bills for effecting certain improvements in the Grammar and Common School Acts.

Judgments recently delivered in our Courts of Law and Equity, in respect to lands sold for arrears of taxes, and for which Sheriffs' Deeds had issued, having created a strong impression that there is scarcely a sale, unless of a late date, of that nature made since the year 1830, that can be regarded as valid. Hundreds, if not thousands, of innocent purchasers throughout the Province, for many years occupying lots and parcels of land so sold, and on which, in very many instances, large clearings and costly dwellings, besides out-buildings have been made and erected, are justly and painfully alarmed at the prospect of having not only their farms, but also the accumulation of years of toil and labour bestowed thereon, ruthlessly transferred to perhaps a remote representative of the original owner, who may have designedly omitted to pay the taxes, or to his assignee, not unfrequently a greedy and unfeeling speculator. It is well known that the numerous instances of families being lately ejected from lots which the occupants ever regarded though sold by the Sheriff, as held in fee simple, have led others to yield to compulsory and extortionate exactions as the only mode of purchasing the forbearance of the speculator. Besides the individual hardships to which I have referred, there arises a serious retardment in the process of clearing and improving the tax lands, many of them yet in a state of nature, and all owing to the unwillingness on the part of the present claimants to embark in an outlay for that purpose, whilst the dark cloud of uncertainty continues to hang over their title. This state of things, in my opinion, imperatively demands your earnest consideration, and a Bill, having for its object the application of a remedy for a grievance so serious, and affecting, as it does, the interests of so useful a class of our community, will be laid before you.

I have caused careful surveys to be made of certain swamp lands well known to exist in the heart of some of the most thriving and populous counties in the Province. The result of these surveys will shortly be laid before you. They shew that there are large tracts of lands lying in a state of nature, which, from being either generally or periodically overflowed with water, and now utterly unproductive and useless to man, but which, by a judicious system of drainage, undertaken scientifically and on a large scale, might be reclaimed to tillage, thus greatly increasing the productive capabilities of the Province, and along with that the salubrity of the surrounding country.

A measure, embracing features of a general nature, will be laid before you for effecting, with the aid of prudent advances, to a limited extent, from the public chest, the reclamation of these or similar tracts of land at the expense, ultimately, of the owners, but reimbursed in a manner which they would feel but little burdensome, whilst at the same time no loss of any sort would be entailed on the community.

To these and such other measures as may be brought before you, I would invite your careful attention, and I trust your deliberations will result in the adoption of whatever may be best calculated to promote the welfare of the Province and all Her Majesty's loyal subjects dwelling therein.

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

The following Petition was brought up and laid upon the Table :—

By the Honourable Mr. Cameron,—The Petition of *Frank Smith*, and others, of *Toronto*.

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

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that he had issued his warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery for a Writ of Election to fill up the vacancy caused by the death of *William McNairn Shaw*, Esquire, Member for the South Riding of the County of *Lanark*; and further, that the Clerk of this House had received the following certificate :

Province of Ontario.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the eighth day of January last past, issued by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to the High Sheriff of the County of *Lanark* (*James Thompson*, Esquire), Returning Officer, *ex-officio*, for the South Riding of the County of *Lanark*, for the election of a Member to represent the said South Riding of the County of *Lanark*, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of *William McNairn Shaw*, Esquire, deceased, *Abraham Code*, Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of election, dated the eighth day of February last past, which is now lodged of record in my office.

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

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Toronto, 3rd November, 1869.

To *Charles Todd Gillmor*, Esquire,
Clerk Legislative Assembly, *Toronto*.

Mr. *Code*, Member for the South Riding of the County of *Lanark*, having previously taken the oath and signed the roll, took his seat.

Mr. Speaker also acquainted the House that, during the recess, he had received the following letter of resignation from *John Supple*, Esquire, Member for the North Riding of the County of *Renfrew*, and had issued his warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery for a Writ of Election, to fill up the vacancy caused by the said resignation :—

I, *John Supple*, of the Village of *Pembroke*, Esquire, Member for the North Riding of

Renfrew, do hereby declare my intention to resign my seat for the North Riding of *Renfrew*, in the Legislature of *Ontario*, and this declaration is evidence of such my desire to resign my seat ; and I require you to take the necessary steps to give effect to this declaration, and address your warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery for the issue of a Writ for the election of a new Member in my place.

As witness my hand and seal this twenty-second day of October, in the year of Our Lord 1869.

Signed, sealed, and delivered in presence }
 of
 JAS. CALTON,
 W. MCKAY WRIGHT. }

JOHN SUPPLE. [L.S.]

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* introduced the following Bill, which was read the first time, and ordered for the second reading on this day fortnight :—

Bill (No. 1) intituled “An Act to provide for the administration of Oaths of Office to persons appointed as Justices of the Peace.”

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,

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

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.

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 Committees 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.

Resolved, That if any thing 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.

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

Resolved, 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 at 4.15 P.M.

Thursday, 4th November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK, P.M.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House :—

Annual Report and list of Stockholders of the Beaver Mutual Fire Insurance Association, for the year 1868.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 8.)

Also :—Annual Report and list of Stockholders of the Toronto Mutual Fire Insurance Company, for the year 1868.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 9.)

Mr. Speaker also communicated to the House a Report of the Librarian on the state of the Library, which is as follows :—

To the Legislative Assembly of Ontario, in Session Assembled :—

The Report of the Librarian upon the state of the Legislative Library

RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH,

That immediately on being placed in charge of the Library, your Librarian proceeded to prepare a Catalogue in extenso of the Books belonging to it, arranged according to their subjects. This has been completed, and is partly engrossed in a bound volume obtained for that purpose. An Index or Alphabetical Catalogue for the convenience of reference is also now nearly ready for engrossment.

The number of volumes at present in the Library amounts to about Fourteen Hundred (1395), without reckoning duplicates ; including these (duplicates for the most part of Sessional Papers, of which there are sometimes as many as six or seven), the number of volumes exceeds Two Thousand (2052).

On comparing the books on the shelves with the invoices which were furnished to the Librarian for that purpose, various volumes could not be found, of which a list is annexed to this Report. Probably they may have been removed by gentlemen who have failed, merely through inadvertence, to enter them in the Library Receipt-book. It is hoped they will now be returned without delay, and that in future, as required by the Rules of your Honourable House, no book shall be taken out of the Building except by the authority of the Speaker, or upon receipts given by a Member of the House.

All which is respectfully submitted,

ALEX. GORDON,
Librarian.

Legislative Library of Ontario,
Toronto, November 3, 1869.

LIST OF VOLUMES MISSING FROM LIBRARY.

<i>Hansard's Debates</i> , 3rd Series, vols. 83 to 88, and 118.	<i>Ruffhead's British Statutes</i> , vol. 12.
<i>Heam's Government of England</i> .	<i>Smith's History of the World</i> .
List of Parliamentary Papers, 1866.	<i>Smith's Mercantile Law</i> .
<i>McCulloch's Political Economy</i> .	Statutes of <i>Illinois</i> , vol. 2.
<i>May's Constitutional History of England</i> , 2 vols.	——— of <i>Ohio</i> , vol. 1.
<i>Mills' Political Economy</i> .	<i>Upper Canada Queen's Bench Reports</i> , vols. 23 and 25.
	<i>Webster's Dictionary</i> .

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the table :—

By Mr. *Grahame* (*York*),—The Petition of the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company.

By Mr. *Carnegie*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Peterboro'* ; also of the Provisional Directors of the *Peterboro'* and *Haliburton* Railway Company.

By Mr. *Lauder*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Melancthon* ; also of the Township Council of *Bentinck*.

By the Honourable Mr. *McMurrich*,—Two Petitions from the County Council of York.

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Carling*,

Resolved, That a Special Committee of ten Members be 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 :—The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, the Honourable Mr. *Carling*, Messrs. *Clarke*, *McKellar*, *Blake*, *McGill*, *Williams* (*Hamilton*), *Beatty*, *Cockburn* and *Boulter*.

The Order of the Day having been read, for taking into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor,—

Mr. *Cumberland* moved, seconded by Mr. *Smith* (*Leeds*), 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 further to assure His Excellency that we rejoice that His Excellency is enabled, on again meeting us, to congratulate us on the prosperous condition of the Province.

2. That it is matter of thankfulness with us that through the Divine goodness, the blessings of a bounteous harvest have been vouchsafed to the labours of the husbandman, who will thus be encouraged to redouble his efforts in the incessant warfare which the plough is maintaining with the forest ; that at the same time activity is everywhere evident among our infant but rising manufactures ; that trade and commerce are extending ; that there is a large and increasing demand for all sorts of labour, and that although it might be presumed that the capital of the country would still be fully absorbed by the ordinary demands of agriculture, industry and commerce, it yet seems that a portion of it can now be diverted to public enterprises in the domain of locomotion and transport, which, generously encouraged as they are by the support of Municipal Corporations and individuals locally interested in their success, promise, if conducted with prudence, to be beneficial also to the entire Province. That we agree with His Excellency that all these labour-employing sources tend to diffuse the blessings of plenty over a wider and wider area, and must result in an increased enjoyment of the comforts and conveniences of life amongst the great body of the population.

3. That we learn with pleasure that the Arbitrators selected under the provisions of the *British North America Act* of 1867, for the adjustment of the debts, assets and liabilities of *Upper Canada* and *Lower Canada* respectively, have at length entered on their investigation, and have made such progress as to warrant the hope of an early decision of the various important questions on which they will have to deliberate prior to making their final award.

4. That we learn with satisfaction that since last year energetic measures have been taken for attracting to this Province a fair share of that population which continues to quit the shores of *Europe*, and especially that these have had for their result a large increase in the number of emigrants who have selected *Ontario* as their permanent abode. We trust that whatever outlays have been incurred to an amount beyond the means which His Excellency had asked from us for that purpose, will be found to have been necessarily incurred, and in a matter towards the promotion of which we know that a very strong public opinion prevails, His Excellency has safely ventured to anticipate our approval of some expenditure, though not authorized, rather than that from an over-strict observance of an excellent general rule, he should have let slip a favourable opportunity of bringing about what must always be regarded as a lasting benefit to the Province.

5. That we believe these settlers are generally well satisfied with their reception and prospects ; That the reports of the country and of the condition in which they found those of their own class, who at a comparatively recent date had preceded them from across the ocean, which they transmit to their friends at home, will be an encouragement to others to follow in their footsteps ; and that His Excellency may rely on our willingness that by a continuation, or, an increase (as to which we will not fail to give due consideration to His Excellency's recommendation), in our appropriations for that pur-

pose, he shall be enabled to extend more and more widely, and especially among our fellow-subjects of the British Empire, a knowledge of the advantages here in store for the industrious emigrant, a knowledge which, where it exists, cannot fail to induce countless numbers to unite their fortunes with ours, and to contribute by their intelligence and industry to raise this important Province to a still higher rank than it has even yet attained among the Colonial possessions of the Crown.

6. That since it has been officially announced that the North-West Territory, lately under the administration of the Hudson's Bay Company, is about to be annexed to the Dominion of *Canada*, looking to the certainty of this measure being carried out, we agree with His Excellency as to the propriety of applying for an early ascertainment of the boundary line between that territory and this Province.

7. That we learn with satisfaction that the Provincial Revenue for the past year has been more than adequate to the demands on it; and when the Public Accounts, with the Estimates for the ensuing year, are laid before us, we trust that on examining the latter, we shall find that they have been prepared with a strict regard to economy, yet without neglecting anything really essential to the necessary and efficient requirements of the public service.

8. That we rejoice to hear that the contracts entered into for the erection of the Asylums, and for the construction of the Public Works intended to connect the waters of certain Northern lakes and streams, and for which appropriations were made during last Session, are in all cases within the original estimated cost.

9. That we will give our careful consideration, amongst the measures which His Excellency has directed to be laid before us, to the Bills for effecting certain improvements in the Grammar and Common School Acts.

10. That we are impressed with the gravity of His Excellency's communication that judgments recently delivered in our Courts of Law and Equity, in respect to lands sold for arrears of taxes, and for which Sheriffs' Deeds had issued, have created a strong impression that there is scarcely a sale, unless of a late date, of that nature made since the year 1830, that can be regarded as valid; that hundreds, if not thousands, of innocent purchasers throughout the Province, for many years occupying lots and parcels of land so sold, and on which, in very many instances, large clearings and costly dwellings, besides outbuildings, have been made and erected, are justly and painfully alarmed at the prospect of having not only their farms, but also the accumulation of years of toil and labour bestowed thereon, ruthlessly transferred to perhaps a remote representative of the original owner, who may have designedly omitted to pay the taxes, or to his assignee, not unfrequently a greedy and unfeeling speculator; that the numerous instances of families being lately ejected from lots which the occupants ever regarded, though sold by the Sheriff, as held in fee simple, have led others to yield to compulsory and extortionate exactions as the only mode of purchasing the forbearance of the speculator; that besides the individual hardships to which His Excellency has referred, there arises a serious retardment in the process of clearing and improving the tax lands, many of them yet in a state of nature, and all owing to the unwillingness on the part of the present claimants to embark in an outlay for that purpose, whilst the dark cloud of uncertainty continues to hang over their title. That we agree in opinion with His Excellency that this state of things imperatively demands our earnest consideration, and that we will be prepared to give our most serious consideration to a Bill, which His Excellency promises will be laid before us, having for its object the application of a remedy for a grievance so serious, and affecting, as it does, the interests of so useful a class of our community.

11. That we learn with satisfaction that His Excellency has caused careful surveys to be made of certain swamp lands well known to exist in the heart of some of the most thriving and populous counties in the Province, and that the result of these surveys will shortly be laid before us. That we learn with interest that they shew that there are large tracts of land lying in a state of nature, which, from being either generally or periodically overflowed with water and now utterly unproductive and useless to man, but which, by a judicious system of drainage, undertaken scientifically and on a large scale, might be reclaimed to tillage, thus greatly increasing the productive capabilities of the Province, and along with that the salubrity of the surrounding country.

12. That we will carefully consider the measure embracing features of a general nature proposed to be laid before us for effecting, with the aid of prudent advances, to a limited extent, from the public chest, the reclamation of these or similar tracts of land, at the expense, ultimately, of the owners, but reimbursed in a manner which they would feel but little burdensome, whilst at the same time no loss of any sort would be entailed on the community.

13. That to these and such other measures as may be brought before us, His Excellency may rely upon our careful attention, and that we join with His Excellency in trusting that our deliberations will result in the adoption of whatever may be best calculated to promote the welfare of the Province and all Her Majesty's loyal subjects dwelling therein.

The proposed Address, having been again read, was agreed to.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, thanking His Excellency for his gracious Speech at the opening of the Sessions.

Resolved, That the above Resolution be referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows :—The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*, Messrs. *Beatty* and *Clarke*.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Select Committee, reported an Address, which was read, 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, the Parliament of Ontario, in Parliament assembled, humbly thank Your Excellency for your gracious Speech at the opening of this Session.

We rejoice that Your Excellency is enabled, on again meeting us, to congratulate us on the prosperous condition of the Province.

It is matter of thankfulness with us that through the Divine goodness, the blessings of a bounteous harvest have been vouchsafed to the labours of the husbandman, who will thus be encouraged to redouble his efforts in the incessant warfare which the plough is maintaining with the forest ; that at the same time activity is everywhere evident among our infant but rising manufactures ; that trade and commerce are extending ; that there is a large and increasing demand for all sorts of labour, and that although it might be presumed that the capital of the country would still be fully absorbed by the ordinary demands of agriculture, industry and commerce, it yet seems that a portion of it can now be diverted to public enterprises in the domain of locomotion and transport, which, generously encouraged as they are by the support of Municipal Corporations and individuals locally interested in their success, promise, if conducted with prudence, to be beneficial also to the entire Province. We agree with Your Excellency that all these labour-employing sources tend to diffuse the blessings of plenty over a wider and wider area, and must result in an increased enjoyment of the comforts and conveniences of life amongst the great body of the population.

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To these and such other measures as may be brought before us, Your Excellency may rely upon our careful attention, and we join with Your Excellency in trusting that our deliberations will result in the adoption of whatever may be best calculated to promote the welfare of the Province and all Her Majesty's loyal subjects dwelling therein.

The Address, having been read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Address be engrossed, and presented to His Excellency by such Members of the House as are of the Executive Council.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* presented:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House 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.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 10).

Also:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House 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.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 11).

Also:—Second Report of the Inspector of Asylums, Prisons, &c., Province of *Ontario*, 1869.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 4).

Also:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid on the table of the House, a statement shewing the number of Grand and Petit Jurors selected and subpoenaed during the year 1868 in the Province

of *Ontario*; also, the expense of selecting and subpoenaing and paying such Jurors.—(*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 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.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 13.)

Also:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House a Return of the number of sheep worried by dogs, and the amount paid therefor by the several Municipalities during the year 1867.—(*Sessional Papers* No. 1.)

Also:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House copies of all letters, certificates and reports relating to the completion of settlement duties, or otherwise necessary for the issue of the Crown Patent for lots 18 and 19 in the 10th Concession, 18 and 19 in the 11th Concession, and 16 and 17 in the 14th Concession of the Township of *Chandos*.—(*Sessional Papers* No. 14.)

Also:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House 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*.—(*Sessional Papers* No. 15.)

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,

Resolved, That, when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned till Monday next, at 3 o'clock P.M.

The House then adjourned at 11.15 o'clock P.M.

Monday, 8th November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Williams* (*Durham*),—The Petition of the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton* Railway Company.

By Mr. *Scott* (*Ottawa*), (Per the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*),—The Petition of *H. Abbott*, and others, of *Brockville*.

By Mr. *Carnegie*,—The Petition of *James H. Dixon*, of the Township of *Smith*.

By Mr. *Fitzsimmons*,—The Petition of the County Council of the United Counties of *Leeds* and *Grenville*.

By the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,—The Petition of *Donald McKay* and others, of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *Christie*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Dundas*.

By Mr. *Sinclair*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Arran*.
 By Mr. *Grahame* (*York*),—The Petition of the Township Council of *Etobicoke*.
 By Mr. *Code*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Drummond*.
 By Mr. *McLeod*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Clarke*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *Frank Smith* and others, of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act to Incorporate the *Toronto, Simcoe and Muskoka Junction Railway Company*.

Of the Town Council of *Peterboro'*; also, of the Provisional Directors of the *Peterboro' and Haliburton Railway Company*, severally praying for certain amendments to the Charter of the said Company.

Of the Township Council of *Melancthon*, praying for the passing of an Act to confirm the survey made by *F. F. Passmore*, in the old Township of *Melancthon*.

Of the Township Council of *Bentinck*, praying for the erection of an Ophthalmic Hospital.

Of the County Council of *York*, praying for certain amendments to "The Law Reform Act."

Of the County Council of *York*, praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Law.

The Honourable Attorney General *Macdonald*, from the Special Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House, reported that they had prepared the Lists, and the same were read, as follows :—

COMMITTEE ON RAILWAYS.—The Honourable Attorney General *Macdonald*, the Honourable Messrs. *Cameron, Carling, McMurrich, Richards, Wood*, Messrs. *Beatty, Calvin, Christie, Cockburn, Coyne, Craig (Glengarry), Cumberland, Currie, Ferguson, Fraser, Gow, Graham (Hastings), Hays, Lyon, McCall (Norfolk), McColl (Elgin), McDougall, McKellar, McKim, McLeod, Paxton, Perry, Rykert, Scott (Grey), Scott (Ottawa), Sinclair, Swinarton, Trow, Wallis, Williams (Hamilton), Williams (Durham)*.—37.

COMMITTEE ON STANDING ORDERS.—The Honourable Mr. *Wood*, Messrs. *Barber, Beatty, Boulter, Carnegie, Clarke, Clemens, Code, Cook, Corby, Coyne, Ferrier, Finlayson, Fraser, Gow, Greeley, Luton, Matchett, McGill, McKim, McLeod, Oliver, Paxton, Read, Rykert, Secord, Sinclair, Smith (Kent), Smith (Leeds), Springer, Strange, Swinarton, Wallis, Wigle, Wilson*.—35.

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

COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.—The Honourable Attorney General *Macdonald*, the Honourable Messrs. *Cameron, McMurrich, Richards*, Messrs. *Baxter, Blake, Boyd, Calvin, Christie, Colquhoun, Crosby, Evans, Ferguson, Fitzsimmons, Gow, Grahame (York), Hays, Hooper, Monteith, McColl (Elgin), McKellar, Pardee, Paxton, Sexton, Sinclair, Smith (Leeds), Springer, Tett*.—28.

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

Resolved, That this House do concur in the above Report.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for the second reading on Wednesday next :—

Bill (No. 2), intituled "An Act to amend the Grammar School Law of the Province of Ontario."—The Honourable Mr. *Cameron*.

Bill (No. 3), intituled "An Act to amend the Common School Acts of (*Upper Canada*), Ontario."—The Honourable Mr. *Cameron*.

Bill (No. 4), intituled "The Income Franchise Act 1869."—Mr. *Boyd*.

Bill (No. 5), intituled "An Act to exempt the Homesteads of Families from Levy, or Sale on Execution."—Mr. *Boyd*.

Bill (No. 6), intituled "An Act to prohibit the sale or gift of Intoxicating Liquors to persons in their minority, and others."—Mr. *Boyd*.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Carling*,

Ordered, That there be printed three times the usual number of copies of the Grammar School Bill (No. 2), and of the Common School Bill (No. 3).

On motion of Mr. *McKellar*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *McMurrich*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House Copies of all Orders touching the office of Provincial Auditor, the appointment thereto, the salary thereof, and of all instructions issued to the Auditor.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House Copies of all correspondence between the Governments of *Canada* and *Ontario* (not already brought down), touching any Act of the Legislature of *Ontario*, and specially touching the Act concerning the Privileges of the Legislative Assembly, the Act to amend the County Courts Act, and the Act granting the supplies for 1869.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House Copies of all correspondence between the Governments of *Canada* and *Ontario*, and of all correspondence between the Governments of *Quebec* and *Ontario* (not already brought down), touching, 1st. The Public Debt. 2nd. Immigration. 3rd. The accounts between *Canada* and *Ontario*, and the adjustment thereof; and of all Orders in Council touching the subject of Immigration.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a statement of the various expenditures made, and of the various expenditures contracted for, in respect of the land and works in connection with the *London* Lunatic Asylum, and the *Belleville* Deaf and Dumb Asylum respectively.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House plans, estimates, advertisements, tenders and contracts for the land and works, and any reports of the Architects or Departmental Officers in connexion with the *London* Lunatic Asylum, and the *Belleville* Deaf and Dumb Asylum respectively.

Resolved,—That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Statement of the moneys (if any) which have been paid under section six of the Act granting the supplies for 1869, with the dates of any such payments.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, Copies of all correspondence between the office of the Chief Superintendent of Education and the Government (not already brought down) touching the financial administration of the Education Office; and the expenditure or application of the grants made for education.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* presented:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House, copies of all correspondence between the Governments of *Canada* and *Ontario* (not already brought

down) touching any Acts of the Legislature of the Government of *Ontario*, and specially touching any concerning the privileges of the Legislative Assembly, the Act to amend the County Courts Act, and the Act granting the supplies for 1869—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 16.

Also: Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House, Copies of all correspondence between the Government of *Canada* and *Ontario* touching the subject of Immigration—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 17).

The House then adjourned at 3.45 P.M.

Tuesday, 9th November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Scott*, (*Grey*),—The Petition of the Board of Public Instruction for the County of *Grey*.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Dawn*.

The Order of the Day for reading and receiving Petitions having been called,—

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* objected to the reception of the Petition of the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company, inasmuch as it had no definite prayer, and sought (if anything) a grant from the Crown, without previous recommendation from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and, after debate, Mr. Speaker having been appealed to, decided as follows :—

This Petition cannot be received, so long as the Rule of this House remains in force, whereby no Petition can be received, praying for a Grant not previously recommended by the Crown.

And, appeal having been made against the decision of Mr. Speaker, the decision was sustained by the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs.

<i>Baxter</i> ,	<i>Corby</i> ,	<i>Lauder</i> ,	<i>Richards</i> ,
<i>Beatty</i> ,	<i>Craig (Glengarry)</i> ,	<i>Luton</i> ,	<i>Secord</i> ,
<i>Calvin</i> ,	<i>Crosby</i> ,	<i>Macdonald</i> ,	<i>Sinclair</i> ,
<i>Cameron</i> ,	<i>Currie</i> ,	<i>Matchett</i> ,	<i>Smith (Kent)</i> ,
<i>Carling (London)</i> ,	<i>Eyre</i> ,	<i>Monteith</i> ,	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.)</i> ,
<i>Carling (Huron)</i> ,	<i>Ferrier</i> ,	<i>McColl (Elgin)</i> ,	<i>Smith (Middlesex)</i> ,
<i>Carnegie</i> ,	<i>Finlayson</i> ,	<i>McGill</i> ,	<i>Strange</i> ,
<i>Clarke</i> ,	<i>Fitzsimmons</i> ,	<i>McKellar</i> ,	<i>Tett</i> ,
<i>Clemens</i> ,	<i>Galbraith</i> ,	<i>McLeod</i> ,	<i>Trow</i> ,
<i>Code</i> ,	<i>Graham (Hastings)</i> ,	<i>Perry</i> ,	<i>Wigle</i> ,
<i>Colquhoun</i> ,	<i>Hooper</i> ,	<i>Read</i> ,	<i>Williams (Durham)</i> ,
<i>Cook</i> ,			<i>Wilson</i> .—46.

NAYS :

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<i>Boulter</i> ,	<i>Grahame (York)</i> ,	<i>Lount</i> ,	<i>Scott (Grey)</i> ,
<i>Boyd</i> ,	<i>Greeley</i> ,	<i>McCall (Norfolk)</i> ,	<i>Swinarton</i> ,
<i>Ferguson</i> ,	<i>Hays</i> ,	<i>Oliver</i> ,	<i>Wallis</i> .—13.
<i>Gow</i> ,			

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*, *Resolved*, That in order to enable the Members of this House to testify their respect for, and attend the funeral of the late Chancellor of *Ontario*, the Honourable *P. M. Van-koughnet*, this House do now adjourn, and stand adjourned till to-morrow at half-past seven o'clock, P.M.

The House then adjourned at 4.45 P.M.

Wednesday, 10th November, 1869,

7.30 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,—The Petition of the *Toronto, Grey and Bruce* Railway.

By Mr. *Lauder*,—The Petition of the Reverend *John Potts* and others, of *Hamilton*.

By Mr. *McCall* (*Norfolk*),—The Petition of *Christian Shoup* and others, of the County of *Norfolk*.

By Mr. *Barber*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Oakville*; also the Petition of the Town Council of *Milton*.

By Mr. *Evans*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *London*; also the Petition of the Township Council of *Ekfrid*.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Bothwell*.

By Mr. *Clemens*,—The Petition of the Town of *Galt*.

By Mr. *Perry*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Woodstock*.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

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

Of the *Port Hope, Beaverton and Lindsay* Railway Company, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to extend their line.

Of *H. Abbott* and others, of *Brockville*, praying to be incorporated under the name of "The Mississippi River Mining and Navigation Company."

Of *James H. Dixon*, of the Township of *Smith*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable him to render the River Mississippi navigable above *Carleton Place*.

Of the County Council of *Leeds and Grenville*; also of the Board of Public Instruction for the County of *Grey*, severally praying for certain amendments to the School Acts.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* presented:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House, Copies of all Orders touching the Office of Provincial Auditor, the appointment thereto, the salary thereof, and of all instructions issued to the Auditor.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 18.)

Also:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House, a Statement of the Moneys (if any), which have been paid under section six of the Act granting the Supplies for 1869; with the dates of any such payments.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 19.)

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Carling*,

Resolved, That a select Committee on Printing be appointed, composed as follows:—

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Messrs. *McKellar*, *Galbraith*, *Fraser*, *Beatty*, *Greeley*, *Scott* (*Ottawa*), *Tett* and *Trow*, with power to report from time to time.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for the second reading on this day week:—

Bill (No. 7), intituled “An Act for amending the Law relating to the Trial of Controverted Elections, and providing more effectually for the prevention of improper practices at Elections for the Legislative Assembly of *Ontario*.”—Mr. *Blake*.

Bill (No. 8), intituled “An Act to amend Sub-sections 2 and 3 of Section 9 of the Law Reform Act of 1868,” and to repeal Section 2 of Cap. 128 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada* (now *Ontario*).—Mr. *Carnegie*.

Bill (No. 9), intituled “An Act to amend the Law of Evidence.”—Mr. *Blake*.

Bill (No. 10), intituled “An Act to make better provision for the realization of the Debts of Deceased Persons out of their Lands.”—Mr. *Blake*.

On motion of Mr. *Boyd*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *McMurrich*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of all the contracts given on Colonization Roads, since this House was last in Session, the names of the parties to whom the same were given, and the amount to be paid for the work to be done, the names of Superintendents, and their Salaries.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Statement of all sums of money paid for official advertisements in all the Public Departments, from the first day of January, 1869, to the first day of November, 1869, with the name of each journal in which such advertisements were published, and the dates and general description of the advertisements.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of names of all persons who have been appointed to any office of honour or emolument by the Government since the first day of July, 1867, shewing the date of their respective appointments, whether the appointment be temporary or permanent, the salary or fee in each case, so as to exhibit the actual income, so far as it is known to the Government; also, the name of each officer, and the Statute, Order in Council, or other authority under which each such officer or incumbent was appointed.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *McMurrich*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, Copies of all Orders in Council and Departmental Orders, not already brought down, touching the Crown Lands, Mines and Forests, since the 1st July, 1869.

The House then adjourned at 8.20 P.M.

Thursday, 11th November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Craig (Glengarry)*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Alexander McDonell* and others, of *Lochiel*; also the Petition of *Peter Kennedy* and others, of *Glengarry*; also the Petition of *C. LeClair*, and others, of *North Lancaster*; also the Petition of *Alexander McDonald* and others, of *Glengarry*; also the Petition of *John Barrett* and others, of *Glengarry*; also the Petition of *Alexander McKay* and others, of *Martintown*; also the Petition of *Donald McDonald* and others, of *Alexandria*.

By Mr. *Greeley*,—The Petition of a Committee of the Society of Friends; also the Petition of *John H. Murney* and others, of *Marysburgh*.

By the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,—The Petition of the *Toronto and Nipissing Railway Company*.

By Mr. *Lount*,—The Petition of the *Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company*; also the Petition of the Town Council of *Collingwood*; also the Petition of the Township Council of *Medonte*.

By Mr. *McCall (Norfolk)*,—The Petition of *Aaron Austin* and others, of *Norfolk*.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Howard*.

By Mr. *Springer*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Berlin*; also the Petition of the Village Council of *Preston*.

By Mr. *Luton*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *South Dorchester*.

By Mr. *Code*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Montague*.

By Mr. *Coyne*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Brampton*.

By Mr. *Fraser*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Alnwick*; also the Petition of the Township Council of *Hamilton*; also the Petition of the Township Council of *Haldimand*.

By Mr. *Smith (Middlesex)*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Adelaide*.

On motion of Mr. *McLeod*, seconded by Mr. *Williams (Hamilton)*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a Return, shewing all provincial moneys (if any) invested by Government during the current year, and the nature of the securities; together with a statement of all amounts on the 1st November, 1869 on deposit, and the name of the bank or banks in which the same may be deposited.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House Copies of all Correspondence since last Session of the Legislature, between the Chief Superintendent of Education and the Government, respecting the contemplated changes in the Grammar and Common School Acts.

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for the second reading on this day week :—

Bill (No. 11), intituled, "An Act to regulate the sale of Poisons, and respecting Chemists, Druggists and Apothecaries."—Mr. *McGill*.

Bill (No. 12), intituled, "The Registration of Co-Partnerships Act, 1869."—Mr. *Boyd*.

Bill (No. 13), intituled, "An Act to amend the Law of Evidence in Civil Causes."—Mr. *Clarke*.

Bill (No. 14), intituled, "An Act respecting Public Notice and Registration of Trading Partnerships."—Mr. *Cumberland*.

The House then adjourned at 3.35 P. M.

Friday, 12th November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that his Warrant for the appointment of Members to serve on the General Committee of Elections was on the Table; and the Warrant was read as follows:—

Pursuant to the thirty-first section of chapter seven, of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, intituled “An Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections;”

I do hereby appoint *Richard W. Scott*, Esquire, Member for the City of *Ottawa*; *Frederick W. Cumberland*, Esquire, Member for the District of *Algoma*; the Honourable *John McMurrich*, Member for the North Riding of the County of *York*; *McNeil Clarke*, Esquire, Member for the South Riding of the County of *Grenville*; *James Boyd*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Prescott*; and *William Beatty*, Esquire, Member for the County of *Welland*, to be Members of the General Committee of Elections for the present Session.

Given under my hand and seal this Twelfth day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

(L.S.) JOHN STEVENSON,
Speaker.

The following petitions were severally brought up, and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. *Ferguson*,—The Petition of the *Port Credit* Harbour Company.

By Mr. *Lount*,—The Petition of *Abraham Wilcox*, of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *Fitzsimmons*,—The Petition of *Stafford McBrutney* and others, of *Elizabethtown*.

By Mr. *Carnegie*,—Two Petitions of the Town Council of *Peterborough*.

By Mr. *Lauder*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Glenely*.

By Mr. *Springer*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Waterloo*.

By the Honourable Mr. *McMurrich*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Newmarket*.

By Mr. *Secord*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Sherbrooke* and *Moulton*.

By Mr. *Fraser*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Cobourg*.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

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

Of the Reverend *John Potts* and others, of the City of *Hamilton*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to vest certain lands in Trustees.

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Carling*,

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

The following Bills were severally introduced, read the first time, and ordered for the second reading on Tuesday next:—

Bill (No. 15), intituled “*Ontario Drainage Act*.”—The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*.

Bill (No. 16), intituled, “An Act concerning Sheriffs’ Sales for Taxes.”—The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*.

The House then adjourned at 3.30 P.M.

Monday, 15th November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House :—

Annual Return of the Orphans' Home of the City of *Ottawa*, of the affairs of the said corporation, and of the real and personal property held by them, for the year 1869. —(*Sessional Papers No. 20*).

Also :—Statement of the affairs of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of the County of *Wellington*, for the year 1868. (*Sessional Papers No. 21*).

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

By Mr. *Perry*,—The Petition of the County Council of *Oxford*.

By the Honourable Mr. *Richards*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Niagara*.

By Mr. *Lyon*,—The Petition of the Ladies of the Orphans' Home, *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Wallis*,—The Petition of Managers of the Boys' Home, *Toronto*.

By the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,—The Petition of *Adam Crooks* and others, of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *Wigle*,—The Petition of *Noe Jolie*, and others, of *Essex* ; also the Petition of the Township Council of *Sandwich*.

By Mr. *Williams* (*Hamilton*),—The Petition of *S. B. Freeman* and others, of *Hamilton*.

By Mr. *Evans*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *North Dorchester*.

By the Honourable Mr. *McMurrich*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Aurora*.

By Mr. *Clemens*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Hespeler*.

By Mr. *Strange*,—The Petition of the City Council of *Kingston*.

By Mr. *Williams* (*Durham*),—The Petition of the Township Council of *Hope*.

By the Honourable Mr. *Wood*,—The Petition of the County Council of *Brant*.

By Mr. *Rykert*,—The Petition of *J. G. Currie*, and others, of *St. Catharines*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company, praying for a Select Committee of the House to enquire into the proposed works of said Company.

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

Of *John H. Murney* and others, of the Township of *Marysburgh*, praying that said Township may be divided into two Municipalities.

Of a Committee of the Society of Friends, praying for the passing of an Act to enable certain parties, not members of their Society, to affirm.

Of *Alexander McDonnell* and others, of *Lochiel* ; also, of *Alexander McKay* and others, of *Martintown* ; also, of *John Barrett* and others, of *Glengarry* ; also, of *Donald McDonald* and others, of *Alexandria* ; also, of *Peter Kennedy* and others, of *Glengarry* ; also, of *C. Le Clair* and others, of *North Lancaster* ; also, of *Alexander McDonald* and others, of *Glengarry*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to enable *D. A. Macdonald* to cut a canal, &c.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Railways, presented their First Report, recommending that the quorum of the Committee be reduced to nine members.

Ordered, That the quorum be reduced to nine.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, presented their First Report, recommending that the quorum of the Committee be reduced to nine members.

Ordered, That the quorum be reduced to nine.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 17), intituled “An Act to amend the Assessment Law.”—Mr. *Trow*.
Ordered for the second reading on this day week.

Bill (No. 18), intituled “An Act to amend Chapter 31 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, intituled ‘An Act respecting Jurors and Juries.’”—Mr. *Trow*.
Ordered for the second reading on this day week.

Bill (No. 19), intituled “An Act respecting the Appointment of Notaries Public.”—
 The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*.
Ordered for the second reading on Thursday next.

The Honourable Mr. *Richards* presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Commissioner of Crown Lands of the Province of *Ontario*, for the year 1868—(*Sessional Papers No. 7.*)

Also :—Copies of the Orders and Regulations made during the year 1869, previously to the third day of November of that year (being the first day of the present Session of the Legislative Assembly), by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, under “The Public Lands Act of 1860,” and “The Free Grants and Homestead Act of 1868.”—(*Sessional Papers, No. 22.*)

The Honourable Mr. *Wood*, presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Public Accounts of the Province of *Ontario*, for the year ending 31st December, 1868; and Statements of the Receipts and Expenditures on account of the Province of *Ontario*, during the nine months ending 30th September, 1869.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 2.*)

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* laid before the House;—
 Index to the Municipal Laws.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 23.*)

The House then adjourned at 3.50 P.M.

Tuesday, 16th November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*,—The Petition of the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church of *Stormont*, and the Moderator of the Presbytery of *Glengarry*.

By the Honourable Mr. *Richards*,—The Petition of *Charles Campbell* and others, of *Niagara*; also the Petition of the Board of Grammar School Trustees of *Niagara*; also the Petition of the Town Council of *Niagara*.

By Mr. *McDougall*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Renfrew*.

By Mr. *Paxton*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Mara*.

By Mr. *Secord*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Dunnville*.

By Mr. *Clemens*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *North Dumfries*.

By Mr. *Pardee*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Oil Springs*.

By Mr. *Ferrier*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *East Garafraxa*.

By Mr. *McCall*,—The Petition of *E. B. Beemer*, and others, of *Norfolk*.

By Mr. *Strange*,—The Petition of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of *Kingston*.

By Mr. *Lyon*,—The Petition of the *Ottawa* Board of Trade; also the Petition of the Township Council of *Fitzroy*.

By Mr. *Williams* (*Hamilton*),—The Petition of the City Council of *Hamilton*.

By Mr. *Hays*,—The Petition of *M. C. Cameron* and others, of *Goderich*; also two Petitions of the Township Council of *Morris*.

By Mr. *Code*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Bathurst*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *North Burgess*; also the Petition of the Township Council of *South Sherbrooke*; also the Petition of the Township Council of *North Elmsley*.

By Mr. *McLeod*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Darlington*; also, the Petition of *Robert Armour*, and others, of *Bowmanville*.

By Mr. *Cook*,—The Petition of the United Counties of *Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry*.

By Mr. *Ferguson*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Bradford*; also three Petitions of the County Council of *Simcoe*,

By Mr. *Coyne*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Chinguacousy*; also the Petition of the Conference of the Primitive Methodist Connexion in *Ontario*.

By Mr. *Currie*,—The Petition of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Electoral Division of *West Middlesex*; also the Petition of the Village Council of *Wardsville*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the *Port Credit* Harbour Company, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to increase their capital stock, and for other purposes.

Of the Town Council of *Peterborough*, praying for certain amendments to the *Peterborough Town Trust Act*.

Mr. *Greeley*, from the Committee on Printing, presented their First Report, recommending that the following documents be printed :—

Return to an Address,—Correspondence as to Provincial Auditor.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 18.)

Return to an Address,—Statement of moneys paid under Section 6 of Supply Bill of 1869.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 19.)

Return to an Address,—Orders in Council under “The Public Lands Act of 1860;” and “The Free Grants and Homestead Act of 1868.”—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 22.)

Addenda to Return to an Address of Session of 1868-9.—Dismissal of *John Carroll*.

On motion of Mr. *Greeley*, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,

Resolved, That the First Report of the Committee on Printing be concurred in.

Mr. *Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, reported that they had examined the following Petitions, and that the notices are correct :—

Of the *Toronto, Simcoe and Muskoka* Railway Company.

Of the *Toronto* House Building Society.

Of the *Toronto, Grey and Bruce* Railway Company.

Also :—That they recommend the quorum of the Committee to be reduced to nine members.

Ordered, That the quorum be reduced to nine.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 20), intituled, “An Act to Incorporate the *Toronto, Simcoe and Muskoka Junction* Railway Company.”—The Honourable Mr. *Cameron*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 21), intituled, “An Act to render ineligible certain persons from being Members of the Legislative Assembly of *Ontario*.”—Mr. *McKellar*.

Ordered for the second reading on Monday next.

The House proceeded, according to Order, to take into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, at the opening of the present Session,

And a motion having been made that a Supply be granted to Her Majesty,
Resolved, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider that motion.

Ordered, That that part of the Speech of His Excellency, which relates to a Supply be referred to the Committee.

On motion of Mr. *Carnegie*, seconded by Mr. *Strange*,

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the usefulness and cost of Wooden Railways, as a means of furthering the settlement of the country; composed as follows:—The Honourable Messrs. *Carling*, *Richards*, *McMurrich*; Messrs. *McKellar*, *Cumberland*, *Boulter*, *Barber*, *Williams* (*Durham*), *Graham* (*Hastings*), *Craig* (*Russell*), *Cockburn*, *Sinclair*, *Greeley*, *Hooper*, *Calvin* and *Carnegie*.

Mr. *Evans* moved, seconded by Mr. *Smith* (*Middlesex*),

That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the working of the present system of remunerating Registrars, and whether any and what changes may be properly made therein.

And a debate arising,

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

On motion of Mr. *Lauder*, seconded by Mr. *Greeley*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a Return, shewing the Receipts and Expenditure, during the last two years, of the Canadian Institute of *Toronto*, the number of meetings held during the past twelve months, the number of lectures delivered, and subjects upon which they were delivered; the present membership of the Institute, and the increase or decrease during the last five years; also a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Institute.

On motion of Mr. *McKellar*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *McMurrich*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a Return, shewing a copy of the Petition or Application of *William James Nichols* for certain lands in or near the *Muskoka* District, together with all Orders in Council, and correspondence had with him touching the same.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House, a Return shewing all provincial moneys (if any) invested by Government during the current year, and the nature of the securities; together with a statement of all amounts on the 1st November, 1869, on deposit, and the name of the bank or banks in which the same may be deposited.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 24.)

Also:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House, a Return of all the contracts given on Colonization Roads since the House was last in Session, the names of the parties to whom the same were given, and the amounts to be paid for the work to be done, the names of Superintendents, and their salaries.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 25.)

Also:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence since last Session of the Legislature, between the Chief Superintendent of Education and the Government, respecting the contemplated changes in the Grammar and Common Schools Acts.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 26.)

Also:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that

he will cause to be laid before the House, a Statement of all sums of money paid for official advertisements in all the Public Departments, from the 1st day of January, 1869, to the 1st day of November, 1869, with the name of each journal in which such advertisements were published, and the dates and general description of the advertisements.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 27.)

Also :—Annual Report of the Normal, Model, Grammar and Common Schools of Ontario for the year 1868, by the Chief Superintendent of Education.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 3.)

Also :—Return (so far as relates to the Public Debt and the accounts between *Canada* and *Ontario*, &c.) to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House, copies of all correspondence between the Governments of *Quebec* and *Ontario* (not already brought down), touching ;

1st. The Public Debt.

2nd. Immigration.

3rd. The accounts between *Canada* and *Ontario*, and the adjustments thereof ; and of all Orders in Council touching the subject of Immigration.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 29.)

The House then adjourned at 4.40 P.M.

Wednesday, 17th November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Carnegie*,—The Petition of *W. H. Scott*, and others, of *Peterborough*.

By Mr. *Wallis*,—Two Petitions of the City Council of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *Rykert*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *St. Catharines* ; also, the Petition of the County Council of *Lincoln* ; also, the Petition of the *Ontario* Peat Company.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of the *Erie* and *Niagara* Extension Railway Company.

By Mr. *Cockburn*,—The Petition of the Township Council of the United Townships of *Draper*, *Macauley*, *Stephenson*, *Ryde* and *Oakley*.

By Mr. *Smith*, (*Kent*),—The Petition of the Township Council of *East Tilbury*.

By Mr. *Luton*,—The Petition of *George Suffel*, and others, of *Bayham*.

By Mr. *Wigle*,—The Petition of *A. M. McCormick* and others, of *Point Pelee*.

By Mr. *Cook*,—The Petition of the Township Council of the United Counties of *Stormont*, *Dundas* and *Glengarry*.

By Mr. *Hays*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Turnberry*.

By Mr. *McCall*,—The Petition of *James McCaffery*, and others, of *Norfolk*.

By Mr. *Oliver*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Ingersoll*.

By Mr. *McDougall*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Arnprior*.

By Mr. *Finlayson*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Paris*.

By Mr. *Boulter*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Stirling*.

By Mr. *McGill*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Whitby*.

By Mr. *Monteith*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Stratford*.

By Mr. *Lyon*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Napanee*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *Noe Jolie* and others, of *Essex*, praying that certain lines may be defined in the Township of *West Sandwich*.

Of the County Council of *Brant*, praying for the repeal of sub-section 2 of section 71, of the Assessment Act.

Of the County Council of *Oxford*, praying for the passing of an Act respecting the Fair Proceeds of the County of *Oxford*.

Of *James French* and others, of *Erin*, praying that the School Bill may not pass.

Of *J. G. Currier* and others, of *St. Catharines*; also, of *Adam Crooks* and others, of *Toronto*; also, of *S. B. Freeman* and others, of *Hamilton*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to render the Benchers of the Law Society elective.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 22), intituled, “An Act to Incorporate the *Toronto House Building Association*.” The Honourable Mr. *Cameron*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 23), intituled, “An Act to amend Cap. 51, 29 and 30 *Vic.*, intituled ‘An Act respecting Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*.’” Mr. *Fitzsimmons*.

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

On motion of the Honourable Attorney General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,—

Resolved, That Rule No. 59 of this House, be referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, with a view to reduce the number of eight clear days required to be given before any Private Bill can be considered by said Committee, to four days.

On motion of Mr. *Currie*, seconded by Mr. *McColl (Elgin)*—

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House a Return, shewing the number of Addresses that have been brought down since the first day of July, 1867, and the names of Members that moved for such Addresses, with the total cost of printing and preparing the same.

Frederick W. Cumberland, Esquire, the Honourable *John McMurrich*, *McNeil Clarke*, Esquire, *James Boyd*, Esquire, and *William Beatty*, Esquire, being five of the six Members appointed by Mr. Speaker, to serve on the general Committee of Elections, and not objected to by the House, severally took the following oath :—

“I swear that I will truly and faithfully perform the duties belonging to a Member of the General Committee of Elections, to the best of my judgment and ability, without fear or favour. SO HELP ME GOD.”

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 4), “The Income Franchise Act, 1869, having been called,

Mr. *Boyd* moved, seconded by Mr. *McLeod*, That the Bill be now read the second time;

Mr. *McCall (Norfolk)*, moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Carnegie* :—That the said Bill be not now read, but that it be read the second time, this day six months.

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

YEAS :

Messieurs.

<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wood—46.</i>
<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Lount,</i>		

NAYS :

Messieurs.

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Cook,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton).</i>
<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	

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Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time this day six months.

The House then adjourned at 10.35 P.M.

Thursday, 18th November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*,—The Petition of *James Bethune* and others, of *Cornwall*.

By the Honourable *Mr. Wood*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Brantford* ; also, the Petition of *W. R. Van Norman* and others, of *Brantford*.

By *Mr. Carnegie*,—The Petition of *Z. Burnham* and others, of *Peterborough* ; also the Petition of the Township Council of the United Townships of *Dysart, Guilford, Dudley, Harburn, Harcourt, and Bruton*.

By *Mr. Boyd*,—The Petition of *James Daniel*, and others, of *L'Orignal* ; also, the Petition of *Caroline Maria Hersey*, of *Hawkesbury*.

By *Mr. Luton*,—The Petition of *R. Gilbert*, and others, of *Yarmouth* ; also, the Petition of the Reeve of *Bayham*, and others ; also, two Petitions of the Council of *Elgin*.

By *Mr. Pardee*,—The Petition of *Joshua Adams* and others, of *Sarnia* ; also, the Petition of *William Turnbull*, and others, of *Moore*.

By *Mr. Lount*,—The Petition of *D. Tisdale*, and others, of *Simcoe* ; also, the Petition of *Frank Evans*, and others, of *Orillia*.

By *Mr. Monteith*,—The Petition of *James P. Woods*, and others, of *Stratford*.

By *Mr. McKellar*,—The Petition of *A. Dawson*, and others, of *Sombra*.

By *Mr. Evans*,—The Petition of *A. H. Merinder* and others, of *Middlesex*.

By *Mr. Graham (Hastings)*,—The Petition of *L. C. Coleman*, and others, of *Belleville*.

By *Mr. McColl (Elgin)*,—Three Petitions of the County Council of *Elgin*.

By *Mr. Code*,—The Petition of *E. G. Mallock* and others, of *Kent*.

By *Mr. Williams (Durham)*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Port Hope*.

By *Mr. Sinclair*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Amabel*.

By *Mr. Smith (Kent)*,—The Petition of *Bishop Nazrey*, and others, of *Kent*.

By *Mr. Gow*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Guelph*.

By *Mr. Currie*,—The Petition of *James Stewart* and others, of *Delaware*.

By *Mr. Ferrier*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Elora*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church of *Stormont*, and the Moderator of the Presbytery of *Glengarry*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to sell certain lands.

Of the Board of Trade of *Ottawa* : also, of the County Council of *Simcoe* ; also, of the City Council of *Hamilton*, severally praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Law.

Of *M. C. Cameron* and others, of *Goderich* ; also, of *Robert Armour* and others, of *Boumanville*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to render the Benchers of the Law Society elective.

Of the County Council of *Simcoe* ; also, of *E. B. Beemer* and others, of *Norfolk* ; also, of *C. Campbell* and others, of *Niagara* ; also, of the Board of Grammar School Trustees of *Niagara* ; also, of the Township Council of the united Counties of *Stormont, Dundas* and *Glengarry*, severally praying for certain amendments to the School Act.

Of the Conference of the Primitive Methodist Connexion in *Ontario*, praying for the declaration of certain powers.

Of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Electoral Division of *West Middlesex*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to sell certain lands.

Of the Township Council of *Morris*, praying that they may be paid their share of the Land Improvement Fund.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 24) intituled, an Act to amend Chap. 12 of the Statutes of *Ontario*, entitled “An Act for the protection of Game, in the Province of *Ontario*.”—Mr. *Trow*.

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

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* reported to the House, That His Excellency having been attended with the Address of Thursday last, was pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following answer :—

“I thank you for your loyal and dutiful Address, and for the assurance that I may rely upon your attention to the measures which may be brought before you.”

Mr. *Christie* moved, seconded by Mr. *Carnegie*,

That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the endowment and utility of *Upper Canada College*, and its relation to our educational system, to be composed as follows:—The Honourable Messrs. *Cameron* and *McMurrich*, Messrs. *Coyne*, *Hayes*, *Craig (Russell)*, *Lauder*, *Beatty*, *McGill*, *Scott (Ottawa)*, *Carnegie*, *Rykert*, *Graham (Hastings)*, and *Christie*.

Mr. *Rykert* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Clarke*,

That the names of Messrs. *McKellar*, *McDougall*, *Clarke*, *Sinclair*, *Lount*, and *Williams (Durham)*, be added to the Committee.

And debate arising,

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

Mr. *Ferguson* moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Wood*,

That the Committee be composed as follows :—The Honourable Messrs. *Cameron* and *McMurrich*, Messrs. *Blake*, *Boyd*, *Carnegie*, *Christie*, *Coyne*, *Craig (Russell)*, *Crosby*, *Cumberland*, *Ferguson*, *Ferrier*, *Greeley*, *Lauder*, *McDougall*, *McGill*, *Monteith*, *Pardee*, *Rykert*, *Scott (Ottawa)*, *Sinclair*, *Tett* and *Williams (Durham)*.

And the amendment, having been put, was carried.

The original motion, as amended, having been put,

Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into, and report upon the endowment and utility of *Upper Canada College*, and its relation to our educational system, composed as follows :—The Honourable Messrs. *Cameron* and *McMurrich*, Messrs. *Blake*, *Boyd*, *Carnegie*, *Christie*, *Coyne*, *Craig (Russell)*, *Crosby*, *Cumberland*, *Ferguson*, *Ferrier*, *Greeley*, *Lauder*, *McDougall*, *McGill*, *Monteith*, *Pardee*, *Rykert*, *Scott (Ottawa)*, *Sinclair*, *Tett* and *Williams (Durham)*.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, Copies of all Orders in Council and Departmental

Orders, not already brought down, touching the Crown Lands, Mines and Forests, since the 1st July, 1868.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 30.*)

Bill (No. 8), To Amend Sub-sections 2 and 3 of Section 9 of the Law Reform Act, of 1868, and to Repeal Section 2 of Cap. 128 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada* (now *Ontario*), was read the second time, and referred to a Select Committee composed as follows:—The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, Messrs. *Hays, Lyon, Ferguson* and *Carnegie*.

The House then adjourned at 5.10 P.M.

Friday, 19th November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House:—

Balance Sheet of the *Oxford Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company* for the year 1869.—(*Sessional Papers No. 28.*)

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

By Mr. *Smith (Kent)*,—Two Petitions of the Town Council of *Chatham*.

By Mr. *Luton*,—The Petition of *George M. Smith* and others, of *Malahide*; also the Petition of *William Mason* and others, of *Yarmouth*; also the Petition of *James Turnbull* and others, of *Bayham*.

By Mr. *Rykert*,—The Petition of the *Cobourg, Peterborough and Marmora Railway and Mining Company*.

By Mr. *Gow*,—The Petition of *A. Lemon* and others, of *Guelph*.

By Mr. *Fitzsimmons*,—The Petition of *Ormond Jones* and others, of *Brockville*.

By Mr. *Trow*,—The Petition of *L. M. Clinch* and others, of *St. Mary's*.

By Mr. *Carnegie*,—The Petition of the Presbytery of *Victoria* in connexion with the Church of *Scotland*.

By Mr. *Scott (Grey)*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Collingwood*; also the Petition of the Town Council of *Owen Sound*.

By Mr. *Calvin*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Frontenac*.

By Mr. *Matchett*,—The Petition of *A. La Course* and others, of *Lindsay*.

By Mr. *Hooper*,—The Petition of *B. C. Davy* and others, of *Napanee*.

By Mr. *McKim*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Minto*.

By Mr. *Monteith*,—The Petition of the County Council of *Perth*.

By Mr. *Clarke*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Prescott*.

By Mr. *Coyne*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Streetsville*.

By Mr. *Carling (Huron)*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Stephen*.

By Mr. *Galbraith*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Pakenham*.

By Mr. *Pardee*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Enniskillen*.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of the County Council of *Lincoln*, also of *James McCaffery* and others of *Norfolk*, severally praying for certain amendments to the School Act.

Of the *Ontario Peat Company*, praying for the passing of an Act of Incorporation.

Of the City Council of *Toronto*, praying that a Committee of the House may be granted to the *Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company*.

Of the *Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company*; also of *George Suffel* and others, of *Bayham*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to amend the charter of the *Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company*.

Of the Township Council of the United Counties of *Draper, Macauley, Stephenson, Ryde and Oakley*, praying for a separation of Townships.

Of the Township Council of *East Tilbury*, praying for a confirmation of the present plan of certain side roads.

Of *A. M. McCormick* and others, of *Point au Pelée*, praying to be incorporated under the name of the "*Pelée Island Game Association*."

Of the Township Council of *Turnbury*, praying for a share of the Land Improvement Fund.

Of the Township Council of the United Counties of *Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry* praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Act.

Mr. *Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Second Report, stating that they had examined the following Petitions and that the notices are correct :—

Of the *Port Hope, Beaverton and Lindsay Railway Company*, praying for certain powers.

Of the *Peterboro' and Haliburton Railway Company*, praying for certain amendments to their charter.

Of *James H. Dixon*, praying for an Act to render navigable the River *Mississippi*.

Of the *Peterboro' Town Trust*, praying for certain amendments to their charter.

Also :—That they recommend the Rule of this House, requiring notice to be given to local papers to be suspended, with regard to the following Petitions, as they do not affect any private rights :—

Of the Primitive Methodist Connexion, praying for certain powers.

Of the Presbyterian Church of *Stormont*, praying for certain powers.

Mr. *Greeley*, from the Committee on Printing, presented their Second Report, recommending—

That the Return relative to Grand and Petit Jurors, be printed.—(*Sessional Papers No. 12.*)

That the recommendation, in their first Report, directing the printing of papers relative to the dismissal of *John Carroll*, be cancelled.

That the Municipal and Assessment Laws be consolidated, and published with an index.

That five hundred extra copies of the Journals of this House be printed for sale by the Queen's Printer, at fifty cents each.

That an interchange of all public documents be made with the Legislative Council of *Quebec*.

On motion of Mr. *Greeley*, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,

Resolved, That the Second Report of the Committee on Printing be concurred in.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 25) intituled, "An Act to amend Chapter 31, of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*."—Mr. *Greeley*.

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

Bill (No. 26) intituled, "An Act respecting the Primitive Methodist Connexion."—Mr. *Coyne*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 27) intituled, "An Act to permit Solemn Declarations to be substituted for Oaths in certain cases."—Mr. *Greeley*.

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

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Carling*,—

Resolved,—That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting the Indemnity to Members, and the Salary of the Speaker.

Resolved,—That this House will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting Drainage works.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee, to consider the motion proposed on Tuesday last, "That a supply be granted to Her Majesty."

(*In the Committee.*)

The Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor having been read,
Resolved, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Rykert* reported the Resolution.
Ordered, That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor:—

Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House a Return of names of all persons who have been appointed to any office of honour or emolument by the Government since the first day of July, 1867, shewing the date of their respective appointments, whether the appointment be temporary or permanent, the salary or fee in each case, so as to exhibit the actual income, so far as it is known to the Government; also the name of each officer, and the Statute, Order in Council, or other authority under which each such officer or incumbent was appointed.—(*Sessional Papers No. 31.*)

Bill (No. 19), Respecting the Appointment of Notaries Public, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the Whole House, on Tuesday next.

The House then adjourned at 3.45 P. M.

Monday, 22nd November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table:—

Statement of the affairs of the *Ottawa* Unity Protestant Benefit Society, for the year 1868.—(*Sessional Papers No. 32.*)

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

By the Honourable Mr. *Wood*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Burford*.

By the Honourable Mr. *Carling*,—The Petition of *James Shanly* and others, of *London*; also two Petitions of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Huron*.

By Mr. *Baxter*,—The Petition of *George S. MacPherson* and others, of *Enniskillen*; also the Petition of *John Ormond* and others, of *Moore*; also the Petition of the Township Council of *Enniskillen*; also the Petition of the Village Council of *Petrolia*.

By Mr. *Blake*,—The Petition of *R. Sutherland* and others, of *Walkerton*; also the Petition of *Ronald Fraser* and others, of *Kenyon* and *Charlottenburg*.

By Mr. *Boyd*,—The Petition of *John Hamilton* and other of *Hawkesbury*; also the Petition of the Village Council of *Hawkesbury*.

By Mr. *Hays*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Seaforth*; also the Petition of the Township Council of *Howick*; also the Petition of the Township Council of *Grey*.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of *Charles R. Atkinson* and others, of *Chatham*; also the Petition of the Township Council of *Camden*.

By Mr. *Beatty*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Welland*; also the Petition of the Village Council of *Thorold*.

By Mr. *Carnegie*,—The Petition of *F. M. Fairbairn* and others, of *Peterborough*.

By Mr. *McCall* (*Norfolk*),—The Petition of the Township Council of *Aldborough*.

By Mr. *Luton*,—The Petition of *John McLean* and others, of *St. Thomas*.

By Mr. *Code*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Perth*,

By Mr. *Lount*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Barrie*.

By Mr. *Oliver*,—The Petition of *John Macdonald* and others, of *Ingersoll*.

By Mr. *Calvin*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Portsmouth*.

By Mr. *Scott* (*Grey*),—The Petition of the Township Council of *Derby*.

By Mr. *Williams* (*Hamilton*), the Petition of *George Hamilton Mills* and others, of *Wentworth*.

By Mr. *Strange*, the Petition of *James Agnew* and others of *Kingston*.

By Mr. *Cockburn*, the Petition of *Richard Fitzgerald* and others, of *Carden* and *Dalton*.

The following petitions were received and read:—

Of *James Bethune* and others, of *Cornwall*; also of *V. R. Van Norman* and others, of *Brantford*; also of *James Daniel* and others, of *L'Orignal*; also of *Z. Burnham* and others, of *Peterborough*; also of *L. C. Coleman* and others, of *Belleville*; also of *E. G. Malloch* and others of *Perth*; also of *James P. Wood* and others, of *Stratford*; also of *Frank Evans* and others, of *Orillia*; also of *D. Tisdale* and others, of *Simcoe*; also of *Joshua Adams* and others of *Sarnia*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to render the Benchers of the Law Society elective.

Of *A. Dawson* and others, of *Sombra*; also of *A. H. Merinden* and others, of *Middlesex*; also of *R. Gilbert* and others, of *Yarmouth*; also of the Reeve and others, of *Bayham*; also of the County Council of *Elgin*; also of *James Stuart* and others, of *Delaware*; also of *Wm. Turnbull*, and others of *Moore*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to enable the *Erie* and *Niagara* Railway Company to extend their line.

Of the County Council of *Elgin*, praying for certain amendments to the Act relating to lands sold for arrears of taxes.

Of the County Council of *Elgin*, praying for certain amendments to the Criminal Law.

Of the Township Council of *Dysart*, *Guilford*, *Dudley*, *Harburn*, *Harcourt* and *Bruton*, praying for certain amendments to the charter of the *Peterboro'* and *Haliburton* Railway Company.

Of *Bishop Nazrey* and others, of *Kent*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate an Industrial School under the name of the "*Nazrey Institute*."

Of *Caroline Maria Hersey* and others, of *Hawkesbury*, praying for the passing of an Act to declare *Caroline Maria Hersey*, a Trustee for the sale of certain lands.

Of the County Council of *Elgin*, praying that ministers of religion may not be exempt from taxation.

Also, of the same, praying for certain amendments to the School Act.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 28) intituled, "An Act to amend the law respecting the powers of Executors and Administrators," Mr. *Clarke*,

Ordered, that the Bill be read the second time on Thursday next.

Bill (No. 29) intituled, "An Act to repeal An Act intituled, 'An Act to define the privileges, powers, and immunities of the Legislative Assembly, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of sessional papers,'" Mr. *Blake*,

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

On Motion of Mr. *Lount*, seconded by Mr. *Hays*,

Resolved, that a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into the present position of the Huron and Ontario Ship Canal, and also into the practicability and advantage of the proposed work, composed as follows:—The Honourable Mr. *Cameron*, Messrs. *Ferguson*,

Coyne, McCall (Norfolk), Hays, Clarke, Williams (Durham), Wallis, Swinarton, Grahame (York), Boyd, Oliver, Lauder and Lount.

On Motion of Mr. McKellar, seconded Mr. Blake,

Resolved, that this House will, on Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the following Resolution:—

That the share of the expenses of any Water-course chargeable against unoccupied and non-resident lands shall not exceed the sum of cents per rod.

The Honourable Mr. Cameron presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, a copy of the Petition or Application of *William James Nichols* for certain lands in or near the *Muskoka* District, together with all Orders in Council, and correspondence had with him touching the same.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 33.*)

Also:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, a Return, shewing the receipts and expenditure, during the last two years, of the Canadian Institute of *Toronto*, the number of meetings held during the past twelve months, the number of lectures delivered, and subjects upon which they were delivered; the present membership of the Institute, and the increase or decrease during the last five years; also a copy of the constitution and by-laws of the Institute.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 34.*)

Also:—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the office of the Chief Superintendent of Education and the Government (not already brought down) touching the financial administration of the Education Office; and the expenditure or application of the grants made for education.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 35.*)

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 12), The Registration of Co-Partnerships Act of 1869.

Referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows:—The Honourable Mr. Cameron, Messrs. *Clarke, Cumberland, Pardee, and Boyd.*

Bill (No. 14), Respecting Public Notice and Registration of Trading Partnerships.

Referred to the Select Committee on Bill (No. 12), The Registration of Co-Partnerships Act of 1869.

The House then adjourned at 5 P.M.

Tuesday, 23rd November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By the Honourable Mr. Cameron,—The Petition of the *Toronto* Wharf and Warehousing Company; also, the Petition of the *Toronto* Boys' Home.

By Mr. *Williams (Durham)*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Tiny*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Cavan*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Medonte*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Tay*.

By Mr. *Eyre*,—The Petition of *John McColl* and others ; also, of *James Dinwoodie* and others ; also, of *W. W. Webb* and others, all of *Northumberland*.

By Mr. *Currie*,—The Petition of *William McMaster* and others, of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *Monteith*,—Two Petitions of the Township Council of *Elma* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Wallace*.

By Mr. *Wigle*,—The Petition of *James Clague* and others, of *Sandwich West* ; also, two Petitions of the County Council of *Essex*.

By Mr. *Fraser*,—The Petition of *Thomas Dumble* and others, of *Cobourg* ; also, the Petition of *David W. Dumble* and others, of *Cobourg*.

By Mr. *Matchett*, of *David Brown* and others, of *Peterboro'*, *Victoria* and *Ontario*.

By Mr. *Rykert*,—The Petition of the *St. Catharines, Thorold and Suspension Bridge Road Company*.

By Mr. *McCull (Norfolk)*,—The Petition of *Thomas Jacques* and others ; also, of *Robert Aelezer* and others, of *Woodhouse*.

By Mr. *Pardee*,—The Petition of *Patrick Holland* and others, of *Moore* ; also, the Petition of *John McNabb* and others, of *Enniskillen* ; also, the Petition of *Andrew Elliott* and others, of *Oil Springs* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Brooke* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Moore* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Plympton*.

By Mr. *Baxter*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Cayuga*.

By Mr. *Cockburn*,—The Petition of *A. H. Browning* and others, of *Muskoka District*.

By Mr. *Hays*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Howick*.

By Mr. *Paxton*,—The Petition of *M. Thwaites* and others, of *Peterboro'*, *Victoria* and *Ontario* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Reach*.

By Mr. *Fitzsimmons*,—The Petition of the County Council of the United Counties of *Leeds and Grenville*.

By Mr. *Clemens*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Waterloo*.

By Mr. *Perry*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Blandford*.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of *D. C. Littlejohn* and others, of *Oswego*.

By Mr. *Ferrier*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Orangeville*.

By Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*,—The Petition of the Reverend *William Moore* and others, of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Calvin*,—The Petition of *William Robinson* and others, of *Kingston*.

By Mr. *Boulter*,—The Petition of *George Lake* and others, of *Camden* and *Sheffield*.

By Mr. *Craig*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Charlottenburg*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Town Council of *Chatham*, praying for the passing of an Act to confirm the recent survey made by Messrs. *Saulter and Kirk*.

Of *Geo. M. Smith* and others, of *Malahide* ; also, of *James Turnbull* and others, of *Bayham* ; also, of *William Mason* and others, of *Yarmouth*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to enable the *Erie and Niagara Railway* to extend their line.

Of the Presbytery of *Victoria*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to appoint Trustees for certain lands.

Of *A. Lemon* and others, of *Geulph* ; also, of *A. La Course* and others, of *Lindsay* ; also, of *B. C. Davy* and others, of *Napanee* ; also of *L. M. Clench* and others, of *St. Marys* ; also, of *Ormond Jones* and others, of *Brockville*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to render the Benchers of the Law Society elective.

Of the County Council of *Frontenac*, praying for the consolidation and revision of the Municipal Laws.

Of the *Cobourg, Peterboro' and Marmora Railway and Mining Company*, praying for the passing of an Act to amend their charter.

Of the Township Council of *Collingwood*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to pass by-laws for the construction, extension and improvement of a harbour at the mouth of *Beaver River*.

Of the Town Council of *Chatham*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to sell certain lands.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 30), intituled, "An Act to repeal Sub-section one of Section one hundred and fifty-five, of Cap. thirty-one, Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, respecting Jurors and Juries, and to make other provision in lieu thereof."—Mr. *Sexton*.

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

Bill (No. 31), intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton* Railway Company, to change the name of the Company, and to extend their line of Railway, and for other purposes."—Mr. *Williams* (*Durham*).

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 32), intituled, "An Act to repeal Section six, of Chapter one, passed in the thirty-second year of Her Majesty's reign."—Mr. *Boyd*.

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

Bill (No. 33), intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to regulate the precedence of the Superior Courts of Common Law, and of the County Courts."—Mr. *Rykert*.

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

Richard W. Scott, Esquire, being one of the six Members appointed by Mr. Speaker to serve on the general Committee of Elections, and not objected to by the House, took the following oath :—

"I swear that I will truly and faithfully perform the duties belonging to a Member of the General Committee of Elections, to the best of my judgment and ability, without fear or favour. SO HELP ME GOD."

Mr. *Blake* moved the following Resolutions, seconded by Mr. *McKellar* :—

1. That under the former Constitution, large local expenditure in *Upper Canada* and *Lower Canada* were provided for by the Legislature of United *Canada*, a system which in the belief of a large proportion of the people produced great extravagance, lavish and improper grants of public funds for local purposes, an unfair distribution of the public revenue as between the two Provinces, and other serious evils, all bearing with peculiar pressure on *Upper Canada*, and resulting in extreme dissatisfaction and bitter sectional strife.

2. That as a remedy for these and other grievances the scheme of Confederation was devised and submitted to the representatives of the people, who were assured that under the proposed Federal Constitution each Province would for its local expenditure be obliged to rely exclusively on its own resources, as provided by the scheme, and that the revenues at the disposal of the general Parliament would be applicable exclusively to general as distinguished from local services.

3. That the aid to be given under the scheme to each Province towards the maintenance of its Government and Legislature was proposed to be apportioned according to the population in 1861, and was expressly stated to be in full settlement of all future demands on the general Government.

4. That though there was ground for argument that the basis of apportionment operated unfairly towards *Upper Canada*, (whose population had since 1861 increased more rapidly, and whose contribution to the revenue was greater in proportion to population than that of the rest of the Dominion), yet it was cheerfully agreed to by the representatives of *Upper Canada*, as being the basis settled by the delegates from all the Provinces, and the price of the redress *Upper Canada* was obtaining.

5. That the delegates to the *London* Conference made alterations in the financial arrangements unfavourable to *Upper Canada*, by which the subsidies to *Nova Scotia* and *New Brunswick* were to be increased with the increase of population in those Provinces up to a certain maximum, while the subsidies to *Upper Canada* (now *Ontario*) were left stationary; and by which special additional subsidies were granted to the Provinces at the rate of 5½ cents per head to *Ontario*, 6 cents per head to *Quebec*, 18 cents per head to *Nova Scotia*, and 19 cents per head to *New Brunswick*, and the *British North America* Act 1867, was passed by the Imperial Parliament consummating the Union on the terms so altered.

6. That the representatives of *Ontario*, notwithstanding the said unfavourable alterations, accepted the Union Act in furtherance of the accomplishment of the Union; and in the belief that the financial arrangements embodied in the Act were final, that the sums thereby granted to the Provinces were in the language of the Act "in full settlement of all future demands on *Canada*," that under the Act the public service of each Province was to be provided for out of the revenues thereof, and not out of the revenues of *Canada* which were to be appropriated to the public service of *Canada* solely; and that thus the great grievance of the application of general funds to local services was removed forever.

7. That the financial arrangements made by the Union Act as between *Canada* and the several Provinces, cannot and ought not to be changed by the Parliament of *Canada*.

8. That the financial arrangements made by the Union Act, as between *Canada* and the several Provinces ought not to be changed without the assent of the several Provinces.

9. That the Parliament of *Canada*, at its last Session, passed an Act whereby the amount of debt at which *Nova Scotia* entered the Union was increased by \$1,188,756, and her subsidy was increased by an annual payment of \$82,698 for ten years, making altogether an alteration in favour of that Province of over \$2,000,000, of which *Ontario* pays over \$1,100,000.

10. That by the assumption by the Parliament of *Canada* of the power by the *Nova Scotia* Act claimed, the former evils, so far from being removed by Confederation, will be intensified, the just expectations of the people will be disappointed, sectional strife will be aroused, the Federal principle will be violated, and the Constitution will be shaken to its base.

11. That no such change as is effected by the *Nova Scotia* Act should have been made without a general revision and re-adjustment of the financial arrangements as between the several Provinces; and the said Act is grossly unjust to *Ontario*.

12. That an humble Address be presented to Her Most Gracious Majesty, embodying the foregoing resolutions, and praying that she will be pleased to disallow the said Act.

13. That in the opinion of this House the interests of the country require such legislation as may remove all colour for the assumption by the Parliament of *Canada* of the power to disturb the financial relations established by the Union Act as between *Canada* and the several Provinces.

The first paragraph of the proposed Resolutions having been again read :—

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* moved, seconded by the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*.—

That the further consideration of the Resolution be postponed until this day six months.

And a Debate having arisen, and the House having continued to sit till twelve of the clock, midnight.

WEDNESDAY, 24th November, 1869.

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Ferguson.</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Curling (London),</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Curling (Huron),</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>	<i>Wood.—42.</i>
<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>		

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton).—</i>
<i>Cook,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	

[35.]

The several paragraphs of the proposed Resolutions, from the second to the eleventh, inclusive, having been read, the foregoing amendment was moved to each, and having been put, was carried on a similar division.

Ordered, That the several paragraphs of the proposed Resolution, from the second to the eleventh, inclusive, be taken into consideration this day six months.

The twelfth paragraph was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

The thirteenth paragraph having been again read, the foregoing amendment was moved, and having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>	<i>Wood.—31.</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>	

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Cook,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Wilson.—46.</i>
<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>		

The said thirteenth original Resolution having been then put, was carried on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Sinclair.</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Grahaime (York),</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Cook,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Craig, (Glengarry)</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wood.—64.</i>

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Tett.—12.</i>

And it was,

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House the interests of the country require such legislation as may remove all colour for the assumption by the Parliament of *Canada* of the power to disturb the financial relations established by the Union Act as between *Canada* and the several Provinces.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Commissioner of Agriculture, and Arts for 1869 ; with Synopsis of the state and proceedings of the Societies in connection with the Department. (*Sessional Papers, No. 5.*)

Also : Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House ; 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 County 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. 72, 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.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 36.*)

The House then adjourned at 12.45 A.M.

Wednesday, 24th November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,—The Petition of *George Verral* and others, of *Toronto*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Portland*.

By Mr. *Ferguson*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Mulmur*.

By Mr. *Sexton*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Bimbrook*.

By Mr. *Beatty*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Welland*.

By Mr. *Galbraith*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Ramsay*.

By Mr. *Smith (Kent)*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Chatham*.

By Mr. *Baxter*,—The Petition of *Joseph Hale* and others, of *Cayuga*.

By Mr. *Oliver*,—The Petition of *J. McCaughey* and others, of *Ingersoll*.

By Mr. *Barber*,—The Petition of *John Dewar* the younger, and others of *Milton*.

By Mr. *Boulter*,—The Petition of the Honourable *Billa Flint*, and others, of *Hastings*.

By Mr. *Wallis*,—The Petition of the City Council of *Toronto*; also the Petition of *John A. Aldwell*, of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *Wigle*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Windsor*.

By Mr. *Paxton*,—The Petition of the *Port Whitby* and *Port Perry* Railway Company.

By Mr. *Coyne*,—The Petition of *Alexander McDonald*, of *Hamilton*.

By Mr. *Williams (Hamilton)*,—The Petition of the President and Directors of the Wesleyan Female College, *Hamilton*.

By Mr. *Ferrier*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Elora*.

By Mr. *Eyre*,—The Petition of *William McConnell*, and others, of *Northumberland*.

By Mr. *Grahame (York)*,—The Petition of the *Weston Church School*.

By Mr. *McCall (Norfolk)*,—The Petition of *E. S. Hellyer* and others; also the petition of *B. Kilinaster* and others, of *Walsingham*.

By Mr. *Hays*,—Two Petitions of the Township Council of *East Wawanosh*.

By Mr. *Pardee*,—The Petition of *Patrick McLaughlin* and others, of *Moore*; also the Petition of *John McKenzie* and others; also the Petition of *P. Barclay* and others, of *Petrolia*; also the Petition of the Village Council of *Oil Springs*.

By Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*,—The Petition of the *Ottawa Mechanics' Institute* and *Athenaeum*, and the *Ottawa Natural History Society*; also the Petition of the *Brockville* and *Ottawa Railway Company*.

By Mr. *Fitzsimmons*,—The Petition of *David Ford Jones* and others, of *Gananoque*; also the Petition of *John B. J. Robison* and others, of *Newark*.

By Mr. *Christie*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Beverley*; also, the Petition of *Thomas Stock* and others, of *East Flamborough*; also, the Petition of the Reverend *J. M. King* and others, of *Toronto*.

By Mr. *Greeley*,—The Petition of *George O'Leary*, of *Reach*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *Charles R. Atkinson* and others, of *Chatham*; also, of *James Agnew* and others, of *Kingston*; also, of *F. M. Fairbairn* and others, of *Peterboro'*; also, of *R. Sutherland* and others, of *Walkerton*; also, of *James Shanly* and others, of *London*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to render the Benchers of the Law Society elective.

Of the Village Council of *Petrolia*; also, of *John McLean* and others, of *St. Thomas*; also, of the Township Council of *Enniskillen*; also, of *John Ormond* and others, of *Moore*; also, of *George S. McPherson* and others, of *Enniskillen*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to enable the *Erie* and *Niagara Railway Company* to extend their line.

Of *John McDonald* and others, of *Ingersoll*, praying that Aldermen and Councillors may be elected yearly.

Of *Geo. H. Mills* and others, of *Wentworth*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the *Hamilton* and *Caledonia Railway Company*.

Of *John Hamilton* and others, of *Hawkesbury*; also, of the Village Council of *Hawkesbury*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to vest certain property of *Z. S. M. Hersey*, deceased, in Trustees.

Of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Huron*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to sell certain lands in the Township of *Goderich*.

Also, of the same, praying for the passing of an Act to legalize and confirm a sale and conveyance of certain lands in the Town of *Galt*.

Of *Donald Fraser* and others, of *Kenyon* and *Charlottenburg*, praying that an Act may not be allowed to pass, enabling *D. A. MacDonald* to cut a Canal to his Mills.

Of *Richard Fitzgerald* and others, of the Township of *Carden* and *Dalton*, praying that the said Township be not sub-divided.

Of the Town Council of *Perth*, praying for the passing of An Act to separate *Perth* from the County of *Lanark* for Municipal purposes.

Of the Township Council of *Grey*, praying for a share of the Land Improvement Fund.

Mr. *Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Third Report, stating that they had examined the following Petitions, and that the notices are correct :—

Of the *Ontario Peat Company*, praying for an Act of incorporation.

Of the *Port Credit Harbor Company*, praying for an increase of capital stock.

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

Of the *Cobourg, Peterboro' and Marmora Railway and Mining Company*, praying for the passing of an Act to legalize the amalgamation of the *Cobourg and Peterboro' Railway*, and the *Marmora Iron Company*.

Of the Presbytery of *Victoria*, praying for the appointment of Trustees.

Of *Maria Hersey* and others, praying for certain powers.

Also :—That they recommend the Rule of this House requiring notices, to be suspended with regard to the following Petition :—

Of the *Erie and Niagara Railway Extension Company*, praying for certain powers.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 34), intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto and Nipissing Railway Company*.—The Honourable Mr. *Cameron*..

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 35), intituled, "An Act to legalize the amalgamation of the *Cobourg and Peterboro' Railway Company*, and the *Marmora Railway Company*."—Mr. *Rykert*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No 36), intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company*, and to change its name."—Mr. *McKellar*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 37), intituled, "An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church in the Township of *Finch*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, to sell Lot No. 14, in the 5th Concession of the said Township."—Mr. *Colquhoun*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 38), intituled, "An Act respecting Law Fees and Trust Funds."—The Hon. Mr. *Wood*.

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

Bill (No. 39), intituled, "An Act to establish Municipal Institutions in the District of *Algoma*."—Mr. *Cumberland*.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time, To-morrow.

Bill (No. 40), intituled, "An Act to amend the Charter of the *Port Credit Harbour Company*."—Mr. *Coyne*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 41), intituled, "An Act to amend the Law relating to Bills of Lading."—
Mr. *Clarke*.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time, To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Hays*, seconded by Mr. *McCall*, (*Norfolk*):—

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a Return, shewing the annual average attendance of pupils in each of the Grammar Schools of *Ontario*, (formerly *Upper Canada*), during the first three years of the existence of such Schools; Also: A Return shewing the average annual attendance of pupils in each Grammar School in *Ontario* during the years 1865, 1866, 1867, and 1868.

On motion of Mr. *Carnegie*, seconded by Mr. *Boulter*:—

Resolved, That leave be granted to the Select Committee on Wooden Railways, to send for persons and papers.

On motion of Mr. *Crosby*, seconded by Mr. *Finlayson*:—

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a Return of the number of persons located on Free Grants from the 1st January last to the 1st November, 1869, with the number of acres and names of Townships; also, the number of acres sold to locatees under the Homestead Act, during the same time.

Bill (No. 13), To amend the Law of Evidence in Civil Causes, was read the second time, on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>	<i>Wood.—43.</i>
<i>Cockburn.</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>	

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Cook,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Wallis.—30.</i>
<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>		

Referred to a Select Committee composed as follows:—The Honourable Mr. *Wood*, Messrs. *Blake*, *Pardee*, *Lount* and *Clarke*.

Bill (No. 9), to amend the Law of Evidence, was read the second time, and referred to the Select Committee on Bill (No. 13), To amend the Law of Evidence in Civil Causes.

Mr. Rykert reported from the Committee to whom it was referred to consider the Motion, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty, a Resolution which was read as follows :—

That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

The Resolution having been read the second time.

Resolved, That this House doth agree in the Resolution.

Resolved, That this House will on Friday next resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

The House then adjourned at 11 o'clock, P.M.

Thursday, 25th November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House—

Statement of the affairs of the *Gore* District Mutual Fire Insurance Company for the year 1869. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 37.)

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

By the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Cornwall*.

By the Honourable Mr. *Wood*,—Three Petitions of the Town Council of *Brantford*.

By Mr. *Ferguson*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Innisfil*; also, the Petition of the County Council of *Simcoe*.

By Mr. *Swinarton*,—The Petition of *Samuel Ewin* and others, also, the Petition of *John Malone* and others, also, the Petition of *Patrick Dereham* and others, also, the Petition of *John J. Walsh* and others, also, the Petition of *Dennis O'Leary* and others, also, the Petition of *Patrick Small* and others, all of *Simcoe*; also, the Petition of *C. Small* and others, of *Adjala*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Albion*; also, the Petition of the County Council of *Peel*.

By Mr. *Baxter*,—The Petition of *Thomas Mantindale* and others; also the Petition of *E. S. Martin* and others, all of *North Cayuga*; also the Petition of *Nicholas Lockie* and others, of *Haldimand*.

By Mr. *Oliver*,—The Petition of *F. A. Stearns* and others, of *Walsingham*; also the Petition of *W. S. Law* and others, of *Dereham*; also the Petition of *A. Lewis* and others; also the Petition of *James McIntosh* and others, all of *Malahide*.

By Mr. *Pardee*,—The Petition of *J. W. Branan* and others; also, the Petition of *Thomas Saunders* and others, all of *Brooke*.

By Mr. *Christie*,—The Petition of *John Clemens* and others, of *Beverley*.

By Mr. *Carnegie*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *South Monaghan*.

By Mr. *Eyre*,—The Petition of *A. A. Becker* and others, of *Northumberland*.

By Mr. *Lyon*,—The Petition of *John Caldwell*, and others of *Huntley*.

By Mr. *McDougall*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Horton*.

By Mr. *Read*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Otonabee*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Dysart*.

By Mr. *Sexton*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Ancaster*.

By Mr. *Coyne*,—The Petition of the County Council of *Peel*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the *Toronto* Wharf and Warehousing Company, praying for the passing of an Act of incorporation.

Of *A. H. Downing* and others, of *Muskoka* District, praying for the passing of an Act to erect the District of *Muskoka* into a Junior County.

Of *Thomas Dumble* and others, of *Cobourg*, praying for the passing of an Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the *Cobourg* Cemetery Company.

Of *David W. Dumble* and others, of *Cobourg*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to sell certain lands

Of the County Council of *Essex*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to decide, by vote, upon the erection of a Gaol and Court House.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of *Leeds* and *Grenville*, praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Law.

Of *James Clague* and others, of the Township of *Sandwich* West, praying that certain lines in that Township be not altered as proposed.

Of the Township Council of *Cavan*, praying for the passing of an Act to separate the Counties of *Durham* and *Northumberland*.

Of the *St. Catharines, Thorold*, and Suspension Bridge Road Company, praying for the passing of an Act to define their rights.

Of the Township Council of *Elma*, praying that all arrears may be paid under the Land Improvement Act.

Of the Reverend *W. Moore* and others, of *Ottawa*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate them under the name of the *Ottawa* Ladies' School.

Of *Thomas Jacques* and others, of *Woodhouse*; also of *Robert Hellzer* and others, of *Woodhouse*, severally praying that certain clauses of the School Bill may not pass.

Of *M. Thwaites* and others; also of *David Brown* and others, of *Peterborough, Victoria*, and *Ontario*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate "The Mutual Water Transportation and Navigation Improvement Company."

Of the Township Council of *Howick*, also of the Township Council of *Wallace*, severally praying for a share in the Land Improvement Fund.

Of *W. A. Webb* and others, also, of *James Dunwoodie* and others, also, of *John McCall* and others, of *Northumberland*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to separate certain townships in that county.

Of *D. C. Littlejoy* and others, of *Oswego*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the *Canada* South Western Air Line Railway Company.

Of the Township Council of *Tiny*; also, of the Township Council of *Tay*; also, of the Township Council of *Medonte*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to enable the *Port Hope, Lindsay* and *Beaverton* Railway Company to extend their line.

Of *Andrew Elliott* and others, of *Oil Springs*; also, of the Township Council of *Brooke*; also, of the Village Council of *Cayuga*; also of *Patrick Holland* and others, of *Moore*; also, of *John McNabb* and others, of *Enniskillen*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to enable the *Erie* and *Niagara* Railway Company to extend their line.

Of *George Lake* and others, of *Camden* and *Sheffield*; also, of *A. Robertson* and others, of *Kingston*, severally praying for the passing of an Act of incorporation for a Company to construct a railway from *Kingston* to *Madoc*.

Of *William McMaster* and others, of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act of incorporation for a Company for the construction of a Railway between *Glencoe* and *Fort Erie*.

Mr. *Greeley*, from the Committee on Printing, presented their Third Report, recommending that the following documents be printed:—

Return to an Address with reference to the Public Debt, Immigration, and the Accounts between *Canada* and *Ontario*.—(*Sessional Papers*, Nos. 17 & 29.)

Return to an Address with reference to Appointments to Office.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 31.)

On motion of Mr. *Greeley*, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*:—

Resolved, That the Third Report of the Committee on Printing be concurred in.

The following Bill was introduced, and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 42), intituled, "An Act to provide for the conveyance of land sold by the

late Z. S. M. Hersey, and to authorize the sale of certain Village Lots belonging to his estate."—Mr. Boyd.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

On motion of Mr. Blake, seconded by Mr. McKellar,

Resolved—1. That by the Land Act of 1853, it was enacted, that it should be lawful for the Governor in Council to reserve out of the proceeds of the School Lands in any County, a sum not exceeding one fourth of such proceeds, as a fund for public improvements within the county, to be expended under the direction of the Governor in Council, and also to reserve out of the proceeds of unappropriated Crown Lands, in any County, a sum not exceeding one fifth, as a fund for public improvements within the County, to be also expended under the direction of the Governor in Council.

2. That on the 7th of December, 1855, an Order in Council was passed reciting, that applications had been made for aid from the Improvement Fund created by the said Act, and directing that the Crown Lands Department should appraise the Inspector General of the amount at the credit of each County for the proceeds of sale of both Crown and School Lands, so that the proportions accruing to the Improvement Fund might be set apart by the Receiver General for that purpose.

3. That the Petitions presented to this House on the subject of the Land Improvement Fund, be referred to a Select Committee composed as follows:—The Honourable Messrs. Wood, Richards, Messrs. Ferrier, Finlayson, Galbraith, Pardee, Boulter, McKellar, and Blake; with power to send for persons and papers.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider the following Resolution:—

That the share of the expenses of any Watercourse, chargeable against unoccupied and non-resident lands, shall not exceed the sum of _____ cents per rod.

(In the Committee.)

Mr. McKellar moved, That the blank be filled with the word "fifty."

After debate,

Mr. Ferguson moved, —

That the blank be not now filled, but that the Committee rise, report progress, and ask leave to sit again.

And Mr. Graham (Hastings) moved, in amendment to the proposed amendment, "That the Committee do now rise."

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

The amendment, having been then put, was carried.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair, and Mr. Lount reported:—

That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

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

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 11), To regulate the sale of Poisons, and respecting Chemists, Druggists and Apothecaries.

Referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows:—The Honourable Mr. Wood, Messrs. Boulter, Baxter, Rykert, Pardee, Matchett, Blake, and McGill.

Bill (No. 18), To amend Chapter 31 of the Consolidated Statutes of Upper Canada, intituled "An Act respecting Jurors and Juries."

Referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows:—The Honourable Mr. Cameron, Messrs. McKellar, McLeod, Clarke, Currie, Boyd, Ferguson, Finlayson, Galbraith, Craig (Glen-garry), Graham (Hastings), and Trow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 21), To render ineligible certain persons from being Members of the Legislative Assembly of *Ontario*, having been read,

Mr. *McKellar* moved, seconded by Mr. *Blake*,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

And the Honourable Mr. *Cameron* moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Wood* :—

That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following words be substituted, "the Bill be not now read the second time, but that it be read the second time this day "six months."

And a debate having arisen, and the House having continued to sit till twelve of the clock, midnight,

FRIDAY, 26th November, 1869.

The amendment having been put, was carried on the following division ;—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>	<i>Wood—41.</i>
<i>Cumberland,</i>			

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>Oliver.</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Patton,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton).</i>
<i>Cook,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>		—26.

The original motion, as amended, having been put, was carried.

Ordered,—That the Bill be read the second time this day six months.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House a Statement of the various expenditures made, and of the various expenditures contracted for, in respect of the land and works in connection with the *London Lunatic Asylum*, and the *Belleville Deaf and Dumb Asylum* respectively. —(*Sessional Papers No. 38.*)

Also :—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, plans, estimates, advertisements, tenders and contracts for the land and works, and any reports of the Architects or Departmental

Officers in connexion with the *London Lunatic Asylum*, and the *Belleville Deaf and Dumb Asylum* respectively.—(*Sessional Papers No. 39*).

Also :—Annual Report of the Senate of the University of *Toronto* for the year 1868-69.—(*Sessional Papers No. 40*).

The House then adjourned at 1.15 o'clock, A.M.

Friday, 26th November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Baxter*,—The Petition of *D. Thompson* and others, of *Seneca* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Seneca*.

By Mr. *Williams* (*Durham*),—The Petition of the Village Council of *Orillia* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Mara*.

By Mr. *Pardee*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Sarnia*.

By Mr. *Smith* (*Kent*),—Two Petitions of the Township Council of *Harwich*.

By Mr. *Calvin*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Portsmouth*.

By Mr. *Eyre*,—The Petition of *J. M. Farris* and others, of *Northumberland*.

By Mr. *Lauder*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Proton*.

By Mr. *Swinarton*,—The Petition of *William Snell* and others, of *Simcoe*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *Thomas Stock* and others, of *East Flamboro*, praying for amendments to the School Bill.

Of the Village Council of *Elora*, praying for the passing of an Act to legalize a certain By-law of said Village.

Of *Alexander McDonald*, of *Hamilton*, praying for the passing of an Act to revive the charter of the *Hamilton and Port Dover Railway Company*.

Of the Honourable *B. Flint* and others, of *Hastings*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate a Company for the construction of a line of railway from *Kingston* to *Madoc*.

Of *G. O'Leary*, praying for the passing of an Act to amend Chap. 40, of 26 *Vic.*, intitled "An Act to authorize the sale of the removable property of the late *Harriet J. Hart*."

Of *D. F. Jones* and others, of *Gananoque*, praying for the passing of an Act to relieve the said *D. F. Jones* from certain Trusts.

Of *John A. Aldwell*, of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the *Toronto Sugar Refinery*.

Of the City Council of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act to authorize them to exempt the Sugar Refinery of *John A. Aldwell*, from taxation.

Of the President and Directors of the *Wesleyan Female College* of *Hamilton*, praying for the passing of an Act to amend their Act of incorporation.

Of the *Ottawa Mechanics' Institute* and *Athenæum*, and the *Ottawa Natural History Society*, praying for the passing of an Act to amalgamate them under the name of the *Ottawa Literary and Scientific Society*.

Of *Wm. McConnell* and others, of *Northumberland*, praying for the passing of an Act to separate certain Townships.

Of the *Weston Church School*, praying for the passing of an Act of incorporation.

Of the Reverend *J. M. King* and others, of *Toronto*, praying that clergymen be not exempt from taxation.

Of the Town Council of *Windsor*, praying for the passing of an Act to enable the electors to decide by vote, upon the erection of a Gaol and Court House.

Of the Township Council of *Mulmur*, praying for the passing of an Act to erect certain Townships into a Provisional County.

Of the *Port Whitby* and *Port Perry* Railway Company, praying for the passing of an Act to amend their charter.

Of *George Verral* and others, of *Toronto*, praying for amendments to the Municipal Law, so far as cab-owners are affected.

Of the Township Council of *Portland*, praying for the passing of an Act to confirm the survey of the Township by *A. B. Perry*, P.L.S.

Of *John B. J. Robison* and others, of *Newark*, praying for the passing of an Act to incorporate the *Brockville Chemical and Superphosphate Company*.

Of the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway Company, praying for the passing of an Act to enable them to sell a portion of their line.

Of the Township Council of *Wawanosh*, praying for a share in the Land Improvement Fund.

Of *J. McCaughy* and others, of *Ingersoll*; also, of *John Dewar, jr.* and others, of *Milton*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to render the Benchers of the Law Society elective.

Of *Joseph Hall* and others, of *Cayuga*; also, of *P. Barklay* and others, of *Petrolia*; also, of *Patrick McLaughlin*, and others, of *Moore*; also, of the Village Council of *Oil Springs*; also, of *John McKenzie* and others, of *Petrolia*; also, of *E. S. Hellzer*, and others, of *Walsingham*; also, of *B. Kelmaster* and others, of *Walsingham*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to enable the *Erie* and *Niagara* Railway to extend their line.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Railways, presented their Second Report, wherein they report the following Bill:—

Bill (No. 20). To incorporate the *Toronto, Simcoe* and *Muskoka* Railway Company. (With Amendments).

Mr. *Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Fourth Report, stating that they had examined the following Petitions, and that the notices are correct:—

Of the Reverend *John Potts*, and others, of the City of *Hamilton*, praying to be enabled to vest certain lands in Trust.

Of the *St. Catharines, Thorold* and *Suspension Bridge* Road Company, praying for an Act defining their rights.

Of *A. M. McCormick*, and others, praying for an Act of incorporation under the name of the *Pelé Island Game Association*.

Of *William McMaster*, and others, praying for an Act to enable them to construct a line of Railway from the line of the Great Western Railway to *Niagara River*.

Of the Town Council of *Chatham*, praying for an Act to enable them to sell certain lands.

Of the Town Council of *Chatham*, praying for an Act to confirm a Survey.

Of the West Riding of *Middlesex* Agricultural Society, praying for an Act to enable them to sell certain lands.

Of the County Council of *Orford*, praying for an Act respecting their Fair Grounds.

Of *H. Abbott* and others, praying for an Act to incorporate the *Mississippi River Mining and Navigation Company*.

Of *D. C. Littlejohn* and others, of *Oswego*, praying for an Act to incorporate the *Canada South-Western Air-Line Railway Company*.

Of *William Robinson* and others, praying for an Act to enable them to construct a Railway from *Madoc* to *Kingston*.

Of the Township Council of *Melancthon*, praying for an Act to confirm a certain Survey.

Of *D. A. Macdonald* and others, praying for an Act to enable *D. A. Macdonald* to cut a Canal.

Of the Township Council of *Collingwood*, praying for an Act to enable them to pass By-laws.

Also:—That they recommend that the Rules of this House, requiring notices, be suspended with regard to the following Petitions:—

Of the Reverend *William Moore* and others, of *Ottawa*, praying for an Act to incorporate the *Ottawa Ladies' College*.

Of Bishop *Nazrey* and others, of the County of *Kent*, praying for an Act to incorporate an Industrial School, under the name of the *Nazrey Institute*.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time;—

Bill (No. 43), intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Canada Air Line Railway Company*."—*Mr. Rykert*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 44), intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Canada South-Western Air Line Railway Company*."—*Mr. Oliver*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 45), intituled, "An Act to enable *D. A. Macdonald* to construct a Canal in the Township of *Kenyon*."—*Mr. Ferguson*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 46), intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Mississippi Navigation Company*."—*Mr. Carnegie*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 47), intituled "An Act to legalize and confirm the Survey of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Concessions of the old Survey of the Township of *Melancthon*, made by *F. F. Passmore, P.L.S.*"—*Mr. Lauder*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 48), intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Kingston and Madoc Railway Company*."—*Mr. Strange*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 49), intituled, "An Act to vest certain real estate in the Trustees of the *McNabb Street Wesleyan Methodist Church, Hamilton*, with power to sell and convey the same, and to apply the proceeds to the erection of a new church."—*Mr. Lauder*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 50), intituled "An Act respecting the Fair Ground of the County of *Oxford*."—*Mr. Perry*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 51), intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Pelé Island Game Association*."—*Mr. Wigle*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill No. (52), intituled, "An Act to consolidate the Mutual Fire Insurance Companies doing business in the Province of *Ontario*."—*Mr. Clemens*.

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

Bill (No. 53), intituled, "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Peterborough and Haliburton Railway Company*."—*Mr. Carnegie*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 54), intituled, "An Act to amend Cap. 61 of the 24th *Victoria*, intituled, "An Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of *Peterborough*, and to authorize the issue of debentures on the security of Town property, and for other purposes."—*Mr. Carnegie*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 55), intituled, "An Act to appoint Trustees for certain lands belonging to the Presbyterian Church in connexion with the Church of *Scotland*, in the Townships of *Dummer* and *Asphodel*, in the County of *Peterborough*."—*Mr. Carnegie*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

The House resolved itself into a Committee on Bill (No. 19), Respecting the appointment of Notaries Public, was considered in a Committee of the whole House; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*, reported the Bill, without any Amendment.

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

Bill (No. 2), To amend the Grammar School Law of the Province of *Ontario*, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the whole House, on Tuesday next.

The House then adjourned at 5:50 P.M.

Monday, 29th November, 1869.

3 o'CLOCK P.M.

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

By the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Cornwall*.

By Mr. *Blake*,—Two Petitions of the Township Council of *Huron*.

By Mr. *Swinarton*,—The Petition of *Samuel Reany* and others, of *Adjala*.

By Mr. *Calvin*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Kingston*.

By Mr. *Baxter*,—The Petition of *Aaron Hobbs* and others; also, the Petition of *H. L. Brackinreed* and others; also, the Petition of *David Hill* and others; also, the Petition of *James Davis* and others, all of *Walpole*.

By Mr. *Oliver*,—The Petition of *Thomas Hardy* and others, of *Dereham*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *South Norwich*; also, the Petition of *George Southwick* and others, of *South Norwich*.

By Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*,—Two Petitions of the City Council of *Ottawa*.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *John Clemens* and others, of *Beverley*, praying that the School Bill may not pass.

Of the Township Council of *Innisfil*, praying that no Act may be passed to dismember the County of *Simcoe*.

Of *F. A. Starns* and others, of *Walsingham*; also, of *Thomas Saunders* and others, of *Brooke*; also, of *U. S. Law* and others, of *Dereham*; also, of *James McIntosh* and others, of *Malahide*; also, of *E. S. Martin* and others, of *North Cayuga*; also, of *Nicholas Loeckie* and others, of *Haldimand*; also, of *A. Lewis* and others, of *Malahide*; also, of *Thomas Martingale* and others, of *North Cayuga*; also, of *J. U. Branan* and others, of *Brooke*, severally praying for the passing of an Act to enable the *Erie* and *Niagara* Railway Company to extend their line.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 56), intituled, "An Act to amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, intituled, 'An Act to secure to Wives and Children the benefit of Assurances on the lives of their Husbands and Parents.'"—Mr. *Rykert*.

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

Bill (No. 57), intituled, "An Act to legalize and establish the re-survey of the Town of *Chatham*, in the Province of *Ontario*."—Mr. *Smith (Kent)*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 58), intituled, "An Act to enable the Corporation of the Town of *Chatham* to dispose of certain lands."—Mr. *Smith (Kent)*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 59), intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Ottawa Ladies' College*."—Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 60), intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Ontario Peat Company*."—Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 61), intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Mississippi River Mining and Navigation Company*."—Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Mr. *Blake* moved, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,

1. That it is the undoubted right, and bounden duty, of this House to control the administration of the Public Finances.

2. That in order to the exercise of an efficient control over the administration of the Finances, it is necessary, *first*, that the grants of public moneys made by this House should be, by Act of the Legislature, specifically appropriated to the particular services for which the grants are made; *secondly*, that provision should be made to prevent the issue of public moneys except to the extent, and for the services to which they have been appropriated; and *thirdly*, that provision should be made for an efficient and independent audit of the appropriation of the moneys so issued, and also of the amounts of the expenditure thereof; and for reports to this House in respect thereof.

3. That, in order to accomplish the objects indicated in the preceding Resolution, it is necessary that there should be a Provincial Auditor.

4. That it should be the duty of the Provincial Auditor to authorize, on a proper requisition, the issue of public moneys to the Provincial Treasurer to the extent, and for the services to which the same have been appropriated by Act of the Legislature, to audit the appropriation of the moneys so issued, and the amounts of the expenditure thereof, and to report to this House in respect thereof.

5. That the Provincial Auditor should be responsible to the Legislature alone, should hold his office during good behaviour, subject to removal on an Address of this House, and should not hold any other office at the pleasure of the Crown.

And the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,

That the proposed Resolutions do not now pass, but that they be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts.

The amendment, having been put, was carried.

Ordered, That the foregoing Resolutions be referred to the Committee on Public Accounts.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 17), To amend the Assessment Law.

Referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows:—The Honourable Mr. *Cameron*, Messrs. *McKellar*, *Currie*, *Fitzsimmons*, *Galbraith*, *Sinclair*, *Monteith*, *Scott (Ottawa)*, *Gow*, *Ferguson*, *Graham (Hastings)*, *Barber*, *Perry*, *McLeod*, *Rykert*, *Trow*.

Bill (No. 23), To amend chap. 51, 29 and 30 *Vic.*, intituled "An Act respecting the Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*."

Referred to the Select Committee on Bill (No. 17), Assessment Law.

Bill (No. 19), Respecting the appointment of Notaries Public, was read the third time and passed.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting the indemnity to Members, and the salary of the Speaker.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, acquainted the House that His Excellency, having been informed

of the subject matter of the proposed Resolutions, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

(*In the Committee.*)

1. *Resolved*,—That in each Session of the Legislature there shall be allowed to each Member of the Legislative Assembly, attending at such Session, six dollars, for each day's attendance, if the Session do not extend beyond thirty days; and if the Session extends beyond thirty days, then there shall be payable to each Member a Sessional allowance of four hundred and fifty dollars, and no more.

2. *Resolved*,—That a reduction of four dollars a day shall be made from the said Sessional allowance for every day on which the Member does not attend a sitting of the House, or of some Committee thereof, provided the House sits on such a day; but each day during the Session, after the first on which the Member attends as aforesaid, on which there has been no sitting of the House, in consequence of its having adjourned over such day, or on which the Member was in the place where the Session was held, but was prevented by sickness from attending any such sitting as aforesaid, shall be reckoned as a day of attendance at such Session.

3. *Resolved*,—That a Member shall not be entitled to the said Sessional allowance for less than thirty-one days' attendance reckoned as aforesaid; but his allowance for any less number of days shall be six dollars for each day's attendance.

4. *Resolved*,—That the said compensation may be paid from time to time as the Members become entitled to it, to the extent of four dollars for each day's attendance as aforesaid; but the remainder shall be retained by the Clerk of the House until the close of the Session, when the final payment shall be made.

5. *Resolved*,—That if any person is for any cause a Member of the Legislative Assembly for a part only of any Session, then, provided he is a Member for upwards of thirty days during such Session, he shall be entitled to the Sessional allowance, subject to the deduction aforesaid for non-attendance as a Member, and also to a deduction of four dollars for each day of such Session before or after he was a Member, but if he is a Member for only thirty days, or less, then he shall be entitled only to six dollars for each day's attendance at such Session, whatever be the length thereof.

6. *Resolved*,—That there shall also be allowed to each Member ten cents for each mile of the distance between the place of residence of such Member and the City of *Toronto*, reckoning such distance going and coming, according to the nearest mail route, which distance shall be decided and certified by the Speaker.

7. *Resolved*,—That the sum due to each Member at the close of any Session shall be paid to him by the Clerk of the House on his making and signing, before the Clerk or Accountant of the House, a solemn declaration, to be kept by the Clerk, stating the number of days' attendance, and the number of miles distance, according to the nearest mail route, as decided and certified by the Speaker, for which such Member is entitled to the said allowance, and the amount of such allowance, after deducting the number of days (if any), which are to be deducted; and such declaration may be in a form, to be annexed, and shall have the same effect as an affidavit, in the same form.

8. *Resolved*,—That notwithstanding any thing hereinbefore contained, for the present Session of the Legislature, there shall be allowed to each Member of the Legislative Assembly, attending at such Session, a Sessional allowance of four hundred and fifty dollars and no more.

9. *Resolved*,—That there shall be allowed in respect to travel to and from the present Session of the Legislature, to each Member of the Legislative Assembly, ten cents for each mile of the distance between the place of residence of such Member and the City of *Toronto*, reckoning such distance as hereinbefore contained, and such allowance shall be payable in the manner hereinbefore provided.

10. *Resolved*,—That a salary of one thousand dollars per annum shall be payable to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Pardee* reported the Resolutions.
Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 10.30 P.M.

Tuesday, 30th November, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Scott* (*Ottawa*),—The Petition of the Reverend *Samuel G. Stene* and others, of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Coyne*,—The Petition of the County Council of *Peel*.

By Mr. *Crosby*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Markham*.

By Mr. *Tett*,—The Petition of *Richard Preston* and others, of *South Crosby*.

By Mr. *Williams* (*Hamilton*),—The Petition of the City Council of *Hamilton*.

By Mr. *Pardee*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Sarnia*.

By Mr. *Eyre*,—The Petition of *Amos Bull* and others ; also, the Petition of *Thomas Smith* and others ; also, the Petition of *William Doyle* and others, all of *East Northumberland*.

By Mr. *Fraser*,—The Petition of *William Kerr* and others, of *Cobourg* ; also, the Petition of *William McDougall* and others, of *Baltimore (Ontario)* ; also, the Petition of *W. Irvine Stanton* and others, of *Cobourg* ; also, the Petition of *G. W. Webb* and others, of *Colborne* ; also, the Petition of the *Cobourg* Board of Trade ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of *Cobourg*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Township Council of *Proton*, praying to be placed upon the same footing with other Townships, so far as regards the Land Improvement Fund.

Of the Township Council of *Harwick*, praying that the Bill to legalize the Kirk Survey, in the Town of *Chatham*, may not become law.

Mr. *Rykert*—From the Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Fifth Report, stating that they had examined the following Petitions, and that the notices are correct :—

Of the Municipality of *East Tilbury*, praying for the confirmation of certain side roads.

Of the Municipality of *Perth*, for an Act to separate *Perth* from the County of *Lanark*.

Of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Huron*, praying for an Act to legalize the sale of certain lands in the Town of *Galt*.

Of the *Ottawa* Mechanics' Institute and Athenæum, and the *Ottawa* Natural History Society, praying for an Act of amalgamation.

Of the Wesleyan Female College of *Hamilton*, praying for an Act to amend their Act of incorporation.

Of the Township Council of *Portland*, praying for an Act to confirm a survey.

Of the *Toronto* Wharf and Warehousing Company, praying for an Act of incorporation.

Of the Church Society of the Diocese of *Huron*, praying for an Act to enable them to sell certain lands in the Township of *Goderich*.

Of the Township Council of *Cavan*, praying for an Act to separate *Durham* from *Northumberland*.

Of *George H. Mills* and others, praying for an Act to incorporate the *Hamilton* and *Caledonia* Railway Company.

Also :—That they recommend that the Rule of this House requiring notices, be suspended with regard to the following petitions :—

Of the Municipality of *Elora*, to confirm a certain By-Law, with a recommendation to the Committee on Private Bills that they guard all private interests.

Of the City of *Toronto*, praying for the passing of an Act to exempt the *Toronto* Sugar Refinery from taxation.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 62), intituled "An Act to Exempt from Taxation a Sugar Refinery, proposed to be erected in the City of *Toronto*."—Mr. *Rykert*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 63), intituled "An Act to authorize the construction of a Railway from the City of *Hamilton* to *Caledonia*, with power to extend the same."—Mr. *Williams* (*Hamilton*).

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 64), intituled "An Act to amend the Act for incorporation of the Wesleyan Female College of *Hamilton*."—Mr. *Williams* (*Hamilton*).

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 65), intituled "An Act to authorize the closing of certain Streets in *Elora*, in conformity with a by-law of the said Village."—Mr. *Ferrier*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 66), intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Nazrey* Institute."—Mr. *Smith* (*Kent*).

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 67), intituled "An Act to empower the *Ottawa* Mechanics' Institute and Athenæum, and the *Ottawa* Natural History Society, to amalgamate into one corporate body, under the name of 'The *Ottawa* Literary and Scientific Society.'"—Mr. *Scott* (*Ottawa*).

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 68), intituled "An Act to confirm certain side-roads in the Township of *Tilbury* East, and to provide for the defining of other road allowances and lines in the said Township."—Mr. *Smith* (*Kent*).

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 69), intituled "An Act to amend the Act 31 Vic., chap. 40, intituled 'An Act to incorporate the *Toronto*, *Grey* and *Bruce* Railway Company,' and the Act 32 Vic., chap. 82, amending the same."—The Honourable Mr. *Cameron*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 70), intituled "An Act to facilitate the withdrawal of the Town of *Perth* from the County of *Lanark*, and to provide for the liability of the Town for its share of the County debt."—Mr. *Code*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 71), intituled "An Act to notify the Owners of Lands sold for Taxes of the Sale thereof."—Mr. *Sinclair*.

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

Bill (No. 72), intituled "An Act in relation to Weights and Marks on Casks and Packages containing Butter."—Mr. *Coyne*.

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

Bill (No. 73), intituled "An Act respecting the separation of the County of *Durham* from the County of *Northumberland*."—Mr. *Williams* (*Durham*).

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 74), intituled "An Act respecting the establishment of Public Fairs."—The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*.

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

The Report from the Committee, to which was referred, on Monday last, certain Resolutions respecting the indemnity to Members, and the salary of the Speaker, was received, and the Resolutions, having been read the second time, were agreed to; and the following Bill, founded thereon, was then introduced and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 75), intituled "An Act respecting the Indemnity to Members, and the Salary of the Speaker."—The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting Drainage Works.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, acquainted the House that His Excellency, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That the sum of two hundred thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty for the making of drains, and for the construction of works connected therewith, in certain localities in Ontario.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Lyon* reported the Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 3), To amend the Common School Acts of (*Upper Canada*), *Ontario*.
Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 20), To incorporate the *Toronto, Simcoe and Muskoka Railway Company*.
Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 33), To amend the Act to regulate the procedure of the Superior Courts of Common Law and of the County Courts.

Referred to Select Committee, composed as follows:—The Honourable Mr. *Cameron*, Messrs. *Clarke*, *Pardee*, *Lyon*, *Lount*, *Coyne* and *Rykert*.

On motion of Mr. *Boyd*, seconded by Mr. *Galbraith*,—

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed as follows:—Messrs. *Clarke*, *Lount*, *Ferrier*, *Blake* and *Boyd*, be appointed to enquire into the circumstances connected with the printing, distribution and posting of the Bills No. 43 and No. 44, with power to send for persons and papers, and to report thereon.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House a Return shewing the annual average attendance of pupils in each of the Grammar Schools of *Ontario* (formerly *Upper Canada*), during the first three years of the existence of such Schools. Also, a Return shewing the average annual attendance of pupils in each Grammar School in *Ontario* during the years 1865, 1866, 1867 and 1868.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 41.)

The House then adjourned at 10.50 P.M.

Wednesday, 1st December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,—The Petition of the City Council of *Toronto*; also, the Petition of the Board of Trade, *Toronto*.

By the Honourable Mr. *Richards*,—The Petition of *Philip A. Cathline* and others; also, the Petition of *John McCulloch* and others; also, the Petition of *Henry Paffard* and

others; also, the Petition of *William Kirby* and others; all of the Town of *Niagara*; also, the Petition of *S. J. J. Brown* and others; also, the Petition of *Alexander Servos* and others; also, the Petition of *David Thorburn* and others; also, the Petition of *R. N. Ball* and others; also, the Petition of *James Durham* and others, all of the Township of *Niagara*.

By Mr. *Blake*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Kincardine*.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of *Henry Jackson* and others, of *Kent*.

By Mr. *Rykert*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *St. Catharines*.

By Mr. *Pardee*,—The Petition of *John Macfarlane* and others; also, the Petition of the Reverend Dr. *Armstrong* and others, all of *Moore*.

By Mr. *Lount*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Orillia*.

By Mr. *Trow*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *St. Mary's*.

By Mr. *Beatty*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Clifton*; also, the Petition of *John Campbell* and others, of *Stamford*; also, the Petition of *George J. Duncan* and others of *Drummondville*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Stamford*.

By Mr. *Carling (Huron)*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Goderich*.

By Mr. *Greeley*,—The Petition of *A. Haight* and others, of *Newmarket*.

By Mr. *Hays*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Ashfield*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Colborne*; also the Petition of the Village Council of *Clinton*.

By Mr. *Boulter*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Madoc*.

By Mr. *Barber*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Esquesing*.

By Mr. *Springer*,—The Petition of the *Ontario Mutual Life Assurance Company*.

By Mr. *Currie*,—The Petition of *Alexander McCutcheon*, and others, of *Mosa*; also, the Petition of *Donald McRae* and others, of *Ekfrid*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Carradoc*.

By Mr. *Luton*,—The Petition of *J. McKay* and others; also, the Petition of *Murdoch McKenzie* and others; also, the Petition of *Edward McCrone*, and others; also, the Petition of *Colin Monroe* and others; also, the Petition of *J. Mitchell* and others; also, the Petition of *H. W. Moore*; also, the Petition of *John McKay*, and others, all of *St. Thomas*; also the Petition of the Town Council of *St. Thomas*.

By Mr. *Wilson*,—The Petition of *D. D. Van Norman*, and others, of *Simcoe*.

By Mr. *Coyne*,—The Petition of the County Council of *Peel*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Mono*; also, the Petition of the Township of *Toronto*; also, the Petition of the Township of *Toronto Gore*; also, the Petition of *Charles Armstrong* and others, of *Mono*.

By Mr. *McCall (Norfolk)*,—The Petition of *Patrick Burke* and others; also, the Petition of *Walter Laing* and others; also, the Petition of *Archibald McLachlin* and others; also, the Petition of *Henry S. Ellis* and others, all of *St. Thomas*; also, the Petition of *David McLaws* and others, of *Dunwich*; also, the Petition of *A. W. Mann* and others, of *Yarmouth*.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of the Township Council of *Huron*, respecting the Land Improvement Fund.

Of the City Council of *Ottawa*, praying for the repeal of the clause in the Assessment Act, exempting the salaries of Government employees from taxation.

Mr. *Clarke*, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bills (Nos. 9 and 13), to amend the Law of Evidence, reported,

Bill (No. 13), to amend the Law of Evidence in Civil Causes, (with Amendments); also:—That the provisions of Bill (No. 9), to amend the Law of Evidence, have been amalgamated therewith.

Mr. *Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Sixth Report, and the same having been read,

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,

Ordered, That the Report be referred back to the Committee, with instructions to amend the same.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 76), intituled “ An Act to authorize the *St. Catharines, Thorold and Suspension Bridge Road Company* to collect tolls upon their road in the Town of *Clifton*.”—Mr. *Rykert*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 77), intituled “ An Act to incorporate the *Toronto Wharf and Warehouse Company*.”—The Honourable Mr. *Cameron*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 78), intituled “ An Act to confirm and legalize a sale and conveyance by the Church Society of the Diocese of *Huron*, of certain premises in the Town of *Galt*, to the Reverend *Michael Boomer*, D.D.”—The Honourable Mr. *Carling*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 79), intituled “ An Act to authorize the Church Society of the Diocese of *Huron*, to sell certain church lands in the Township of *Goderich*.”—The Honourable Mr. *Carling*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 80), intituled “ An Act to make the Benchers of the Law Society of *Ontario* elective by the Bar thereof.”—Mr. *Clarke*.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 81), intituled “ An Act to authorize the Corporation of the Township of *Collingwood*, in the County of *Grey*, to construct a harbour at the mouth of Beaver River, in the said Township, to impose and collect harbour dues, and for other purposes.”—Mr. *Scott (Grey)*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 82), intituled “ An Act to empower and confirm certain sales of land made by the West *Middlesex Agricultural Society*.”—Mr. *Currie*

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,—

Resolved, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider a Resolution as to the propriety of granting an annual payment of a certain sum to each of the Judges of the Court of Error and Appeal in *Ontario*, as compensation for the services rendered by the said Judges in the said Court, and in the Heir and Devisee Commission.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports from the Committee on Standing Orders on Petitions now before them, be extended till Tuesday next the 7th of December.

Ordered, That the time for introducing Private Bills to this House, be extended till Thursday, the 9th of December.

On motion of Mr. *Greeley*, seconded by Mr. *Beatty*,—

Resolved, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider a Resolution to provide for the payment of Justices summoned to assist in the drafting of panels of Jurors.

On motion of Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*, seconded by Mr. *Tett*,—

Ordered, That it be referred to the Committee on Private Bills and to the Committee on Railways, to consider whether it is expedient that the time for presenting Petitions for Private Bills be extended till Tuesday next.

Mr. *Blake* moved, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,

That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament, for the purpose of removing all colour for the assumption, by the Parliament of *Canada*, of the

power to disturb the financial relations established by the *British North America Act* (1867), as between *Canada* and the several Provinces.

And Mr. *Clarke* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Lyon*,

That all the words after the word "That" be left out, and the following words be substituted, "it is inexpedient to present any Address to Her Majesty the Queen, which may be considered as an expression of dissatisfaction at the action of the Imperial Government, or of the Dominion Parliament, taken with a view to allay the disaffection in the Province of *Nova Scotia*,"

Mr. Speaker called upon Mr. *Rykert* to take the Chair during his absence, and after some time Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Tett.—12.</i>

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Wilson.—57.</i>
<i>Cook,</i>			

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Wilson.—57.</i>
<i>Cook,</i>			

NAYS :

Messieurs

*Boulter,
Calvin,
Clarke,*

*Coyne,
Craig (Russell),
Cumberland,*

*Lyon,
Matchett,
Rykert,*

*Scott (Grey),
Scott (Ottawa),
Tett.—12.*

And it was,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament, for the purpose of removing all colour for the assumption, by the Parliament of *Canada*, of the power to disturb the financial relations established by the *British North America Act* (1867), as between *Canada* and the several Provinces.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed as follows :—The Honourable Mr. *McMurrich*, Messrs. *McKellar*, *Galbraith*, *Finlayson*, and *Blake*, be appointed to draft an humble Address to Her Majesty, founded on the said Resolution.

Mr. *Blake*, from the Select Committee, reported an Address, which was read, and is as follows :—

TO THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY :

Most Gracious Sovereign :

We, your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of *Ontario*, in Session assembled, humbly approach your Majesty for the purpose of praying that your Majesty may be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament, for the purpose of removing all colour for the assumption, by the Parliament of *Canada*, of the power to disturb the financial relations established by the *British North America Act* (1867), as between *Canada* and the several Provinces.

All which the Legislative Assembly of *Ontario* humbly pray your Majesty to take into your gracious and favourable consideration.

The Address having been read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Address be engrossed.

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

THURSDAY, 2nd December, 1869.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, informing him of the foregoing Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty.

Resolved, That the foregoing Resolution be referred to a Select Committee, to draft an Address to His Excellency, to be composed as follows :—The Honourable Mr. *McMurrich*, Messrs. *McKellar*, *Galbraith*, *Finlayson*, and *Blake*.

Mr. *Blake*, from the Select Committee, reported an Address, which was read, 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, beg leave to inform your Excellency, that this House hath voted an humble Address to Her Most Gracious Majesty, praying that Her Majesty would be graciously pleased to cause a measure to be submitted to the Imperial Parliament for the purpose of removing all colour for the assumption, by the Parliament of *Canada*, of the power to disturb the financial relations established by the *British North America Act* (1867), as between *Canada* and the several Provinces ; and we humbly pray

Your Excellency, that you will be pleased to transmit the said Address to His Excellency the Governor-General of *Canada*, to be laid at the foot of the Throne.

The Address, having been read the second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Address be engrossed, and presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House as are of the Executive Council.

The House then adjourned at 1.10 A.M.

Thursday, 2nd December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Currie*,—The Petition of *Edward Stonehouse*, of *Strathroy*.

By Mr. *Blake*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Kinloss*.

By Mr. *Luton*,—The Petition of *George A. Parlee* and others; also, the Petition of *Garrett Oakes* and others; also the Petition of *M. A. Gilbert* and others; also, the Petition of *J. A. Eakins* and others, all of *Yarmouth*; also, the Petition of *George Suffel* and others, of *Vienna*; also, the Petition of *G. T. Claris* and others; also, the Petition of *F. B. Going* and others, all of *St. Thomas*; also, the Petition of *James O'Reilly* and others; also, the Petition of *R. C. Wright* and others; also, the Petition of *Amasa Lewis* and others, all of *Malahide*.

By Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*,—The Petition of *N. Sparks* and others, of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Cook*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Morrisburgh*.

By Mr. *Matchett*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Mariposa*.

By Mr. *Wigle*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Malden*.

By Mr. *Hooper*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Bedford*.

By Mr. *Boulter*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Marmora*.

By Mr. *Oliver*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *West Oxford*.

By Mr. *Barber*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Trafalgar*.

By Mr. *Lyon*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *North Gower*.

By Mr. *Scott (Grey)*,—Two Petitions of the Township Council of *St. Vincent*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Euphrasia*.

By Mr. *McColl (Elgin)*,—The Petition of *George Montgomery* and others, of *Southwold*.

By Mr. *Sinclair*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Saugeen*.

By Mr. *McGill*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Pickering*.

By Mr. *Lauder*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Proton*.

By Mr. *Baxter*,—The Petition of *John Armour* and others, of *Walpole*; also, the Petition of *Jeshua Mason* and others, of *Cayuga*; also, the Petition of *David McClung* and others; also, the Petition of *Henry Young* and others; also, the Petition of *Alexander Winram* and others, all of *North Cayuga*; also, the Petition of *William Lamb* and others, of *Rainham*; also, the Petition of *William Grant* and others, of *Oneida*.

By Mr. *McCall (Norfolk)*,—The Petition of *Benjamin Killinaster* and others; also the Petition of *John E. Stearns* and others; also, the Petition of *J. L. Dedrick* and others; also, the Petition of *Joseph Tuttle* and others; also, the Petition of *R. Abbott* and others; also, the Petition of *Thomas Fry* and others; also, the Petition of *S. P. Maybee* and others, all of *Walsingham*; also, the Petition of *Henry Skelley* and others; also, the Petition of *O. M. Smith* and others, all of *Charlottesville*.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *J. G. Webb* and others, of *Colborne*, praying that no Act may be passed to make the East Riding of *Northumberland* a separate County.

Of the Town Council of *Sarnia*, praying that no alteration be made in the Municipal Law regarding the yearly election of councillors.

Of the Board of Trade and certain merchants of *Cobourg*, praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Law.

Of *Richard Preston* and others, of *North Crosby*, praying that certain clauses of the School Bill may not pass.

Of the County Council of *Peel*, praying to be allowed to appoint trustees for school purposes.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, presented their Second Report, wherein they report the following Bill:—

Bill (No. 22), To incorporate the *Toronto* House Building Association.

Also:—That they have considered the Resolution, relative to Petitions for Private Bills, referred to the Committee yesterday and, inasmuch as the time for presenting said Petitions had lapsed, without motion made to suspend the Rule of this House (No. 49), the Committee cannot recommend a relaxation of the Rule.

Mr. *Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Sixth Report, stating that they had examined the following Petitions, and that the notices are correct:—

Of *Thomas Dumble* and others, praying for an Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the *Cobourg* Cemetery Company.

Of *Alexander McDonald* and others, praying for an Act to revive the charter of the *Hamilton* and *Port Dover* Railway Company.

Of the *Port Whitby* and *Port Perry* Railway Company, praying for an Act to amend their Act of incorporation.

Of the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway Company, praying for an Act to enable them to sell a certain portion of their line.

Of *John J. Robison* and others, praying for an Act to incorporate the *Brockville* Chemical and Superphosphate Company.

Of *W. W. Webb* and others, praying for an Act to set apart the East Riding of *Northumberland* into a separate County.

Of the *Weston* Church School, praying for an Act of incorporation.

Of *M. Thuaites* and others, to incorporate the Inland Water and Transportation Company.

Of *John H. Murney* and others, praying for an Act to divide the Township of *Marysburgh*.

Also:—That they recommend that the Rules of this House requiring notices, be suspended with regard to the following Petitions:—

Of *David Ford Jones*, of *Brockville*, praying for an Act to relieve him of certain trusts.

Of *A. H. Browning* and others, of *Muskoka*, praying for an Act to erect the District of *Muskoka* into a Junior County.

Also:—That they recommend that the Committee be empowered to report on Petitions now before them, before Wednesday next.

Mr. *Greeley*, from the Committee on Printing, presented their Fourth Report, recommending that the following documents be printed:—

Return to an Address relative to the expenditures in respect of the *London* Lunatic Asylum, and the *Belleville* Deaf and Dumb Asylum, at *Belleville*.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 38.)

Return to an Address relative to the average attendance at Grammar Schools.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 41.)

Return to an Address relative to correspondence between the Chief Superintendent of Education and the Government.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 35.)

Also :—That there be printed for distribution two thousand (2,000) copies of the Report of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Arts for 1869, with Synopsis of Societies ; and one thousand (1,000) copies of the Fruit Growers' Association Report.

Also :—That they recommend that all copy, and proof of printed documents shall be sent to the Printing Office through the Queen's Printer, and also, that all proof of Bills, Public and Private, shall be sent to the Law Clerk through the Queen's Printer ; and that all Bills and printed documents shall be sent from the Printing Office to the Queen's Printer, to be by him transferred, after examination, to the Office of Routine and Records, thence to be distributed.

On motion of Mr. *Greeley*, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,—

Resolved, That the Fourth Report of the Committee on Printing be concurred in.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 83), intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Weston Church School*.—Mr. *Graham (York)*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 84), intituled, "An Act to amend the Acts relating to the *Port Whitby* and *Port Perry Railway Company*.—Mr. *Paxton*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 85), intituled, "An Act to incorporate the Inland Water Transportation and Navigation Improvement Company."—Mr. *Paxton*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 86), intituled, "An Act to incorporate the *Brockville Chemical and Superphosphate Company*."—Mr. *Fitzsimmons*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 87), intituled, "An Act to authorize the *Brockville* and *Ottawa Railway Company* to sell a part of their line to the *Canada Central Railway Company*."—Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 88), intituled, "An Act to amend 25 *Victoria*, chap. 103, intituled, 'An Act for the relief of the representatives of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*.'"—Mr. *Fitzsimmons*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 89), intituled, "An Act respecting proceedings in Judges' Chambers at Common Law."—The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

Bill (No. 90), intituled, "An Act to amend the Act respecting Tavern and Shop Licences."—Mr. *Ferguson*.

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

Bill (No. 91), intituled, "An Act to amend the Municipal Institutions Act of the late Province of *Canada*, 29 and 30 *Vic.*, chap. 51, sec. 355, sub-sec. 9 and 12."—Mr. *Wigle*.

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

Bill (No. 92), intituled, "An Act to amend the 25th sec., chap. 21 and 32 *Vic.*, intituled, 'An Act respecting the Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly.'"—Mr. *Coyne*.

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

Bill (No. 93), intituled, "An Act to provide for the separation of the East Riding of the County of *Northumberland* from the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*."—Mr. *Eyre*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 94), intituled, "An Act to divide the Township of *Marysburg* into two Municipalities."—Mr. *Greeley*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,

Ordered, That Rule (No. 57) of this House be referred to the Committee on Private Bills, with instructions to consider the expediency of more explicitly defining the class of Private Bills which ought to be exempt from the payment of the amount mentioned in the Rule, and to report thereon to this House.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House a Statement of the various expenditures made and contracted for in connexion with the Lieutenant-Governor's residence, and of any reports and estimates made for the Public Works Department in respect thereof.

The Order of the Day for the House again to resolve itself into a Committee on a proposed Resolution as to Watercourses having been read,—

Mr. *McKellar* moved, seconded by Mr. *Blake*,—

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

The Honourable Atty.-Gen. *Macdonald* moved in amendment, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Cameron*,—

That all the words after “That” be left out, and the following words be substituted :
“The House do not now resolve itself into a Committee, but that it do resolve itself into a Committee this day six months, to consider the said proposed Resolution.”

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber</i> ,	<i>Coyne</i> ,	<i>Greeley</i> ,	<i>Read</i> ,
<i>Beatty</i> ,	<i>Craig (Glengarry)</i> ,	<i>Hooper</i> ,	<i>Richards</i> ,
<i>Boulter</i> ,	<i>Craig (Russell)</i> ,	<i>Lount</i> ,	<i>Rykert</i> ,
<i>Calvin</i> ,	<i>Crosby</i> ,	<i>Luton</i> ,	<i>Scott (Grey)</i> ,
<i>Cameron</i> ,	<i>Cumberland</i> ,	<i>Lyon</i> ,	<i>Scott (Ottawa)</i> ,
<i>Carling (London)</i> ,	<i>Eyre</i> ,	<i>Macdonald</i> ,	<i>Secord</i> ,
<i>Carnegie</i> ,	<i>Ferguson</i> ,	<i>Matchett</i> ,	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.)</i> ,
<i>Cockburn</i> ,	<i>Ferrier</i> ,	<i>Monteith</i> ,	<i>Swinarton</i> ,
<i>Code</i> ,	<i>Fitzsimmons</i> ,	<i>McCall (Norfolk)</i> ,	<i>Tett</i> ,
<i>Colquhoun</i> ,	<i>Galbraith</i> ,	<i>McGill</i> ,	<i>Trow</i> ,
<i>Cook</i> ,	<i>Graham (Hastings)</i> ,	<i>Oliver</i> ,	<i>Williams (Durham)</i> ,
<i>Corby</i> ,	<i>Grahame (York)</i> ,	<i>Paxton</i> ,	<i>Wilson</i> .—48.

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Baxter</i> ,	<i>Evans</i> ,	<i>McKim</i> ,	<i>Sinclair</i> ,
<i>Blake</i> ,	<i>Finlayson</i> ,	<i>McMurrich</i> ,	<i>Smith (Middlesex)</i> ,
<i>Boyd</i> ,	<i>Gow</i> ,	<i>Pardee</i> ,	<i>Springer</i> ,
<i>Christie</i> ,	<i>Lauder</i> ,	<i>Perry</i> ,	<i>Wigle</i> ,
<i>Clemens</i> ,	<i>McColl (Elgin)</i> ,	<i>Sexton</i> ,	<i>Williams (Hamilton)</i> .
<i>Currie</i> ,	<i>McKellar</i> ,		—22.

The original motion, as amended, having been put, was carried on a similar division.

Ordered, That the House do resolve itself into a Committee to consider the said Resolution this day six months.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 5), To exempt the Homesteads of families from levy, or sale on execution having been read,—

Ordered. That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 7), To amend the law relating to the trial of Controverted Elections, and providing more effectually for the prevention of improper practices at Elections for the Legislative Assembly of *Ontario* having been read,—

Mr. *Blake* moved, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,
That the Bill be now read the second time.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*.

That all the words after "That" be left out, and the following words be substituted, "the Bill be not now read the second time, but that it be read the second time this day "three months."

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wilson.—44.</i>

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Smith, (Kent),</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Cook,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton).—[28.</i>

The original motion, as amended, having been put, was carried.

Ordered, that the Bill be read the second time this day three months.

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

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 24), To amend Chap. 12 of the Statutes of *Ontario* intituled "An Act for the Protection of Game in the Province of *Ontario*."

Referred to a Select Committee composed as follows :—Messrs. *Grahame (York)*, *Williams (Durham)*, *Cook*, *Lount*, *Lyon*, *Scott (Grey)*, *Beatty*, *Craig (Glengarry)* and *Trow*.

Bill (No. 28), To amend the law respecting the powers of Executors and Administrators.

Referred to a Select Committee composed as follows :—The Honourable Mr. *Cameron*, Messrs. *Blake*, *Pardee*, *Lyon* and *Clarke*.

Bill (No. 30), To repeal sub-section one of section one hundred and fifty-five of Cap. 31, Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, respecting Jurors and Juries, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.

Referred to the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 18), Respecting Jurors and Juries.

Bill (No. 39), To establish Municipal Institutions in the District of *Algoma*.

Referred to the Select Committee to which was referred, Bill (No. 17), To amend the Assessment Law.

Bill (No. 56), To amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act to secure to Wives and Children the benefit of Assurances on the lives of their Husbands and Parents."

Referred to a Select Committee composed as follows :—The Honourable Mr. *Richards*, Messrs. *Blake*, *Lauder*, *Pardee*, *Lount* and *Rykert*.

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

FRIDAY, 3rd December, 1869

The following Bill was read the second time :—

Bill (No. 41), To amend the law relating to Bills of Lading.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

The House then adjourned at 12.15 A.M.

Friday, 3rd December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Smith (Kent)*,—The Petition of *J. H. Morrison* and others ; also, the Petition of *W. R. Fellows* and others ; also, the Petition of *Joseph McGregor* and others ; also, the Petition of *George Vester* and others, all of *Harwick*.

By Mr. *Luton*,—The Petition of *S. H. Davis* and others ; also, the Petition of *Thomas Thompson* and others, all of *Port Bruce* ; also, the Petition of *William G. Emery* and others, of *Bayham* ; also, the Petition of *Robert McCalley* and others, of *Vienna* ; also, the Petition of *Thomas Cooper* and others ; also, the Petition of *C. H. Hankinson* and others, all of *Port Burwell* ; also, the Petition of *Harvey Vanputter* and others, of *Malahide* ; also, the Petition of *Jehial McConnell* and others, of *Ontario*.

By Mr. *Perry*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Embro* ; also, the Petition of the Board of School Trustees of *Embro*.

By Mr. *Secord*,—The Petition of *George Kennedy* and others ; also, the Petition of *James Scholfield* and others, all of *Dunville* ; also the Petition of *Isaac Thompson* and others, of *Caistor*.

By Mr. *Fraser*,—The Petition of *Robert Cockburn* and others, of *Seymour*.

By Mr. *Lauder*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Osprey*.

By Mr. *Calvin*,—The Petition of *M. Spoor* and others, of *Wolfe Island*.

By Mr. *Monteith*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Listowell*.

By Mr. *McCall (Norfolk)*,—The Petition of *N. C. Ford* and others, of *Simcoe* ; also, the Petition of *George A. Killmaster* and others, of *Walsingham*.

By Mr. *Baxter*,—The Petition of *John Croft* and others ; also, the Petition of *Thomas Bamrick* and others ; also, the Petition of *John McFadden* and others, all of *North Cayuga*.

By Mr. *Scott (Grey)*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Collingwood*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Village Council of *Clifton*, praying that no Act may be passed to incorporate the *St. Catharines, Thorold and Niagara Falls* Macadamized Road Company.

Of the Township Council of *Ashfield*, praying for the payment of arrears of the Land Improvement Fund.

Of *Henry Jackson* and others, of *Kent*, praying that no Act may be passed to incorporate the *Nazrey* Institute.

Of the Town Council of *St. Catharines*; also, of the City Council of *Toronto*; also, of the *Toronto* Board of Trade, severally praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Act.

Of *A. McLachlin* and others, of *St. Thomas*; also, of *Alexander Servill* and others, of *Niagara*; also, of *D. D. Van. Norman* and others, of *Simcoe*; also, of *Henry Pafford* and others, of *Niagara*; also, of *S. J. J. Brown* and others, of *Niagara*; also of the Reverend *Dr. Armstrong* and others, of *Moore*; also, of *John Campbell* and others, of *Stamford*; also, of *Philip A. Cathline* and others, of *Niagara*; also, of *James Durham* and others, of *Niagara*; also, of *George J. Duncan* and others, of *Drummondville*; also, of *Henry E. Ellis* and others, of *St. Thomas*; also, of *Walter Laing* and others, of *St. Thomas*; also, of *A. W. Mann* and others, of *Yarmouth*; also, of *John McFarlane* and others, of *Moore*; also, of *J. McKay* and others, of *St. Thomas*; also, of *C. Mitchell* and others, of *St. Thomas*; also, of *N. W. Moore* and others, of *St. Thomas*, severally praying that no charter be granted to *Wm. McMaster* and others, for the construction of a railway from *Glencoe* to *Niagara River*.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 95), intituled, “An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the *Cobourg* Cemetery Company, and to extend to said Company the provisions of Chapter 67, Con. Stat. U.C., and for other purposes.”—*Mr. Fraser*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

Bill (No. 96), intituled “An Act to erect certain Townships in the District of *Muskoka* into Municipalities, and to organize the County of *Muskoka* for municipal and other purposes.”—*Mr. Cockburn*.

Bill (No. 97), intituled “An Act to amend the *Ontario* Medical Act.”—The Honourable *Mr. McMurich*.

Ordered for the second reading on Wednesday next.

The Report of the Committee, to which was referred on Tuesday the 30th November, a certain Resolution respecting Drainage Works, was received; and the Resolution, having been read the second time, was agreed to.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 15), The *Ontario* Drainage Act.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House on Tuesday next.

Bill (No. 16), Concerning Sheriffs' Sales for Taxes.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House on Tuesday.

Bill (No. 22), To incorporate the *Toronto* House Building Association.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

Bill (No. 75), Respecting the Indemnity to Members.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Resolution respecting Drainage be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Bill (No. 15), *Ontario* Drainage Act.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the granting an annual payment to each of the Judges of the Court of Error and Appeal.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, by command of his Excellency the

Lieutenant-Governor, acquainted the House that His Excellency, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That there shall be annually paid to the Chief Justice, and to each of the Judges of the Court of Error and Appeal in Ontario, the sum of one thousand dollars, as compensation for the services rendered by the said Judges in the said Court, and in the Heir and Devisee Commission.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Lauder* reported the Resolution. Report to be received on Monday.

The House resolved itself into a Committee on Bill (No. 20), To incorporate the *Toronto, Simcoe and Muskoka Railway Company*,

(In the Committee.)

On motion of Mr *Rykert*, the following Section was added :—

“32. That the said Railway shall be commenced within one year and completed, from “the point of junction with the Northern Railway of *Canada*, to or near the Village “of *Orillia*, within two years after the passing of this Act, or else all rights and privileges “conferred upon the said Company shall be forfeited; and that the said railway shall be “completed within six years.”

Section “32” to stand as Section “33”.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *McLeod* reported the Bill, with Amendments. The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

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

The House then adjourned at 8.15 P.M.

Monday, 6th December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid upon the table :—

By Mr. *Blake*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Amaranth*.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—Two Petitions of the *Erie and Niagara Railway Extension Company*; also, the Petition of *Edmund B. Harrison* and others, also, the Petition of *James Craig* and others, also, the Petition of *Charles McLearn* and others, also, the Petition of *C. A. Shaw* and others, also, the Petition of *T. B. McLachlan* and others, also, the Petition of *George Arnold* and others, all of *Howard*; also, the Petition of *D. Gemmell* and others, of *Sombra*; also, the Petition of *John S. Smith* and others, of *Clearville*; also, the Petition of *Henry Watson* and others, also, the Petition of *Dougald Leitch* and others, also, the Petition of *H. D. Cunningham* and others, all of *Orford*; also, the Petition of *Samuel Maccoll* and others, also, the Petition of *L. Carpenter* and others, also, the Petition of *P. J. Lendenman* and others, also, the Petition of *David Lee* and others, also, the Petition of *J. H. Greer* and others, all of *Aldborough*.

By Mr. *Springer*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Bath*.

By Mr. *Monteith*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Ellice*.

By Mr. *Baxter*,—The Petition of *Joseph Hussell* and others, also, the Petition of *Cozen Grindell* and others, all of *Cayuga*; also, the Petition of *Alexander J. Nelles* and

others, of *Caledonia*; also, the Petition of *D. Thompson* and others, of *Seneca*; also, the Petition of *John Stewart* and others, of *Dunville*.

By Mr. *McDougall*,—The Petition of the Board of School Trustees, *Renfrew*.

By Mr. *Williams (Durham)*,—The Petition of *John Walsh* and others, of *Cavan*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Hope*; also, the Petition of the Town Council of *Port Hope*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Manvers*.

By Mr. *Craig (Glengarry)*,—The Petition of *Robert Cross* and others, of *Glengarry*.

By Mr. *Secord*,—The Petition of *J. S. Killins* and others, of *Canboro'*; also, the Petition of *A. Bownson* and others, of *Dunville*; also, the Petition of *W. C. Moore* and others, also, the Petition of *John B. Crow* and others, also, the Petition of *Jonas Steele* and others, also, the Petition of *Christian Klagan* and others, all of *Pelham*.

By Mr. *Hays*,—The Petition of *George E. Meyer* and others, of *Houghton*; also, the Petition of *John R. Fick* and others, of *Walsingham*.

By Mr. *Fraser*,—The Petition of *Robert Scripture* and others, of *East Northumberland*; also, the Petition of *Carmen M. Gould* and others, of *Cramahe*.

By Mr. *Pardee*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Sarnia*; also, the Petition of *Samuel Gooden* and others, of *Moore*; also, the Petition of *Andrew Fletcher* and others, also, the Petition of *David Trotter* and others, all of *Petrolia*; also, the Petition of *Robert Houston* and others, of *Inniskillen*; also, the Petition of *George Shirley* and others, also, the Petition of *Archibald McEachren* and others, also, the Petition of *J. W. Branan* and others, also, the Petition of *H. A. Slater* and others, all of *Brooke*.

By Mr. *Wigle*,—The Petition of *Abraham Brown* and others, also, the Petition of *Hugh Ruthven* and others, also, the Petition of *John McNutt* and others, also, the Petition of *W. E. Wagstaff* and others, also, the Petition of *Isaac Riley* and others, all of *Gosfield*; also, the Petition of *William Lodge* and others, also, the Petition of *Alexander Haskett* and others, also, the Petition of *George Richmond* and others, all of *Colchester*; also, the Petition of *Henry McAfee* and others, of *Sandwich East*; also, the Petition of *Richard Golden* and others, also, the Petition of *William Caldwell* and others, all of *Amherstburgh*; also, the Petition of *James Fraser* and others, of *Windsor*; also, the Petition of *Albert Conover* and others, also, the Petition of *Walter Cowan* and others, also, the Petition of *Horace Hyatt* and others, also, the Petition of *Thomas M. Fox* and others, also, the Petition of *Theodore Mellatt* and others, all of *Mersea*; also, the Petition of *Duncan McAllister* and others, also, the Petition of *Samuel Jackson* and others, also, the Petition of *David Henderson* and others, also, the Petition of *James A. Peel* and others, all of *Tilbury West*; also, the Petition of *T. P. Oullett* and others, also, the Petition of *Thomas McKee* and others, also, the Petition of *Charles Baby* and others, all of *Sandwich*; also, the Petition of *Thomas Moran* and others, also, the Petition of *John A. Hogan* and others, also, the Petition of *John Chambers* and others, also, the Petition of *James Deehan* and others, also, the Petition of *Francis McCloskey* and others, all of *Maidstone*.

By Mr. *McCall (Norfolk)*, the Petition of the Township Council of *Woodhouse*; also, the Petition of *William Skelley* and others, of *Vittoria*; also the Petition of the Township Council of *Mosa*; also, the Petition of *William Bent* and others, of *Charlotteville*; also, the Petition of *Henry Morgan* and others, also, the Petition of *Robert Stringer* and others, all of *Woodhouse*; also, the Petition of *Benjamin Patient* and others, also, the Petition of *Anson Owen* and others, all of *Lynedoch*; also, the Petition of *Malcolm McKenzie* and others, also, the Petition of *John W. Hogan* and others, also, the Petition of *James McKay* and others, also, the Petition of *J. S. Smith* and others, also, the Petition of *J. L. Husk* and others, also, the Petition of *S. P. Mabee* and others, also, the Petition of *Morris Fry* and others, also, the Petition of *John Hunter*, the younger, and others, also, the Petition of *Henry Dales* and others, also, the Petition of *James A. Backus* and others, all of *Walsingham*.

By Mr. *Smith (Kent)*,—The Petition of *Samuel Bentley* and others, of *Harwich*; also, the Petition of *Stephen White* and others, also, the Petition of *Dennis Lewis* and others, also, the Petition of *Samuel Shepley* and others, also, the Petition of *James Fuse* and others, all of *Raleigh*; also the Petition of *John Fletcher* and others, also the Petition of *James Stewart* and others, also, the Petition of *William Morris* and others, also, the Petition of *Alexander Coutts* and others, also, the Petition of *Andrew Wilson* and others, also, the

Petition of *John Brown* and others, also, the Petition of *James Smith* and others, all of *Tilbury East*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *N. Sparks* and others, of *Ottawa*, praying that Aldermen may be elected yearly.

Of the Township Council of *Euphrasia* ; also, of the Township Council of *North Gower* ; also, of the Township Council of *St. Vincent* ; also, of the Township Council of *Kinloss*, severally praying for participation in the Land Improvement Fund.

Of *William Grant* and others, of *Oneida* ; also of *G. F. Claris* and others, of *St. Thomas* ; also of *J. A. Eakins* and others, of *Yarmouth* ; also of *Henry Young* and others, of *North Cayuga* ; also, of *Alexander Winram* and others, of *North Cayuga* ; also of *George Suffel* and others, of *Vienna* ; also, of *R. C. Wright* and others, of *Malahide* ; also, of *M. A. Gilbert* and others, of *Yarmouth* ; also, of *F. B. Gouig* and others, of *St. Thomas* ; also, of *T. L. Dedrick* and others, of *Walsingham* ; also, of *R. Abbott* and others, of *Walsingham* ; also, of *John Armour* and others, of *Walpole* ; also, of *Henry Shelley* and others, of *Charlottetown* ; also, of *James O'Reilly* and others, of *Malahide* ; also, of *George Parlee* and others, of *Yarmouth* ; also, of *David McClung* and others, of *North Cayuga* ; also of *Garret Oakes* and others, of *Yarmouth* ; also, of *Joseph Tuttle* and others, of *Walsingham* ; also, of *O. M. Smith* and others, of *Charlottetown* ; also, of *John E. Stearns* and others, of *Walsingham* ; also, of *Joshua Mason* and others, of *Cayuga* ; also, of *George Montgomery* and others, of *Southwold* ; also, of *William Lamb* and others, of *Rainham* ; also, of *Amasa Lewis* and others, of *Malahide*, severally praying that no charter may be granted to *William McMaster* and others, for the construction of a Railway from *Glencoe* to the *Niagara River*.

The following Bills were severally introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 98), intituled, “ An Act to revive, for a limited purpose, the Charter of the *Hamilton and Port Dover Railway Company*.”—Mr. *Coyne*.

Referred to the Committee on Railways.

Bill (No. 99), intituled, “ An Act to amend the Act, chapter sixty-nine, of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, relating to the holding and conveying of real estate by the Religious bodies mentioned therein.”—Mr. *Lauder*.

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

On motion of Mr. *Carnegie*, seconded by Mr. *Read*,

Ordered, That the Quorum of the Select Committee on *Upper Canada College* be reduced to nine Members.

Mr. *Blake* moved, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,—

That the tenure, by Members of this House, of employments of profit in the gift of the Executive, whether such profit be or be not payable out of the public funds, will tend to subvert the independence of this House, and should be prohibited.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,—

That this House do not now proceed to take the said Resolution into consideration, but that it be taken into consideration this day six months.

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Smith, (Kent),</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Graham (York),</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>	<i>Wood.—36.</i>

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton).—</i>
<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>			[21.]

Ordered, That the consideration of the proposed Resolution be taken into consideration this day six months.

Mr. Blake moved, seconded by *Mr. McKellar*,—

That the participation of Members of this House in contracts for supplies to Provincial Institutions, sustained and controlled through the Executive, will tend to subvert the independence of this House, and should be prohibited.

The Honourable *Mr. Cameron* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honourable *Mr. Wood*,—

That all the words after “That” be omitted, and the following words be substituted:—“in the opinion of this House the independence of this House and the public interests, are sufficiently protected by the Act to secure the independence of the Legislative Assembly,”

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wood.—</i>
			36.

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton).—</i>
<i>Evans,</i>			[21.]

And it was,

Resolved, That in the opinion of this House the independence of this House, and the public interests, are sufficiently protected by the Act to secure the independence of the Legislative Assembly.

Mr. Blake moved, seconded by *Mr. McKellar*,—

That the selection of sites for Provincial Institutions, established by the Legislature, should be made solely in the public interest, and should not be, to any extent, dependent on favour, or on the political opinions prevalent in the locality; and that to make it so dependent will tend to impair public morality and to subvert the independence of this House.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Carling*,—

That all the words after the word "That" be omitted, and the following words be substituted, "this House, recognizing the judicious selection of the several sites on which the Government have caused to be erected the Provincial Institutions for which appropriations were made by the Legislature, is of opinion that there is not any cause shewn to justify doubt that similar prudence, in respect to future selections of sites, will not fail to be observed."

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

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wilson.</i> —38.
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>		

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Springer.</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Cnrrie,</i>	<i>McCull (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton).</i> —
<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>		[22.

And it was,

Resolved, That this House, recognizing the judicious selection of the several sites on which the Government have caused to be erected the Provincial Institutions for which appropriations were made by the Legislature, is of opinion that there is not any cause shewn to justify doubt that similar prudence, in respect to future selections of sites, will not fail to be observed.

On motion of Mr. *Finlayson*, seconded by Mr. *Sinclair*,—

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a Return, showing the names of the Municipalities which borrowed from the Municipal Loan Fund, the amount borrowed by each Municipality, the principal and interest paid on those loans by each Municipality, the principal and interest now due on those loans, by each Municipality, with the amount of Sinking Fund and accrued interest on said fund at the credit of each Municipality.

Bill (No. 20), To incorporate the *Toronto, Simcoe and Muskoka* Railway Company, was read the third time, and passed.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, a Return of the number of persons located on Free

Grants from the 1st January last to the 1st November, 1869, with the number of acres and names of Townships ; also, the number of acres sold to locatees under the Homestead Act, during the same time.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 42.)

The House then adjourned at 12 o'clock midnight.

Tuesday, 7th December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of *Thomas T. Rutledge* and others ; also, the Petition of *James C. MacDonald* and others, all of *Orford*.

By Mr. *Carnegie*,—The Petition of *S. S. Peck* and others, of *Peterborough*.

By Mr. *McColl*,—The Petition of *Alexander Sillers* and others, of *Aldborough* ; also, the Petition of *John Mills* and others, of *Southwold* ; also, the Petition of *Joseph Scott* and others ; also, the Petition of *W. S. Morden* and others ; also, the Petition of *Thomas Moore* and others ; also, the Petition of *Elias Hawkins* and others, all of *Tyrconnell* ; also, the Petition of *James Phillpott* and others, also, the Petition of *A. G. Gunn* and others, also, the Petition of *Robert Blackwood* and others, also, the Petition of *John McKellop* and others, all of *Dunwich* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Dunwich* ; also, the Petition of *William Glasgow* ; also, the Petition of *D. McPherson* and others, all of *Elgin*.

By Mr. *Fraser*,—The Petition of *W. J. Sanderson* and others, also, the Petition of *James R. Sanderson* and others, also, the Petition of *James Potts* and others, all of *East Northumberland* ; also, the Petition of *C. M. Gould* and others, also, the Petition of *Willis Jones* and others, all of *Cramahe*.

By Mr. *McLeod*,—The Petition of *John Jones* and others, of *Clarke*.

By Mr. *Monteith*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Listowell*.

By Mr. *Eyre*,—The Petition of *John Douglas* and others, of *Percy*.

By Mr. *Wigle*,—The Petition of *John Mourn* and others, also, the Petition of *Cameron Cumming* and others, all of *Northumberland*.

By Mr. *McCall (Norfolk)*,—The Petition of *E. T. Martin* and others, also the Petition of *David White* and others, all of *Houghton* ; also, the Petition of *J. W. Kimball* and others, also, the Petition of *J. V. Watts* and others, also, the Petition of *John H. Spencer* and others, all of *Charlottesville*.

By Mr. *Matchett*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Ops*.

By Mr. *Wilson*,—The Petition of *Daniel Smith* and others ; also, the Petition of *Jonathan W. Beemer* and others ; also, the Petition of *Isaac Potts* and others ; also, the Petition of *William Walker* and others ; also, the Petition of *David Dinwoodie* and others ; also, the Petition of *Thomas Robinson* and others, all of *Townsend* ; also, the Petition of *James Wilson* and others ; also, the Petition of *Abner O. Buchner* and others ; also, the Petition of *Percy Dean* and others, also, the Petition of *Patrick Doyle* and others, all of *Middleton* ; also, the Petition of *Elijah Smith* and others, of *Rockford* ; also, the Petition of *John McAlpine* and others, of *Villanova*.

By Mr. *Scott (Grey)*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Derby*.

By Mr. *Baxter*,—The Petition of *Robert Sill* and others ; also, the Petition of *Luke Carvin* and others ; also, the Petition of *John Hull* and others, all of *Walpole*.

By the Honourable Mr. *Carling*,—The Petition of the City Council of *London* ; also, the Petition of the Sisters of *St. Joseph*, at *London*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *Robert Cockburn*, and others, of *Seymour*, praying that no Act may pass to separate the Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*.

Of the Village Council of *Listowell*; also, of the Township Council of *Collingwood*, severally praying for participation in the Land Improvement Fund.

Of the Board of Common School Trustees of *Embro*; also, of the Village Council of *Embro*; also, of *Wm. Spoor*, and others, of *Wolfe Island*, severally praying for certain amendments to the School Law.

Of *Thomas Cooper*, and others, of *Port Burwell*; also, of *John Craft* and others, of *North Cayuga*; also, of *S. H. Davis*, and others, of *Port Bruce*; also, of *Wm. S. Emery*, and others, of *Bayham*; also, of *W. R. Fellows*, and others of *Harwick*; also, of *N. C. Ford*, and others, of *Simcoe*; also, of *C. H. Hauken*, and others, of *Port Burwell*; also, of *George A. Kennedy*, and others, of *Dunnville*; also, of *George A. Hillmaster*, and others, of *Walsingham*; also, of *J. H. Morrison*, and others, of *Harwick*; also, of *Robert McCally*, and others, of *Vienna*; also, of *Jehiel McConnell*, and others, of *Ontario*; also, of *Joseph McGregor*, and others, of *Harwick*; also, of *Thomas Thompson*, and others, of *Port Bruce*; also, of *Isaac Thompson*, and others, of *Caistor*; also, of *George Vester*, and others, of *Harwick*; also, of *J. Scholfield*, and others, of *Dunnville*; also, of *Harvey Vansuther*, and others, of *Malahide*; also, of *John McFadden*, and others, of *North Cayuga*; also, of *Thomas Bamrick*, and others, of *North Cayuga*, severally praying that no Charter be granted for the construction of a Railway from *Glencoe* to *Niagara River*.

Mr. *Rykert*, from the Committee on Standing Orders, presented their Seventh Report, stating that they had examined the following Petition, and that the notices are correct:—

Of *George O'Leary*, praying for an Act to amend Chapter 40, 26 Vic.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, presented their Third Report, which was read, as follows:—

Your Committee have had under consideration:—

Bill (No. 26), Respecting the Primitive Methodist Connexion, also:—

Bill (No. 37), To authorize the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church, in the Township of *Finch*, in the County of *Stormont*, in connexion with the Church of *Scotland* to sell Lot Number Fourteen in the Fifth Concession of the said Township, and beg leave to report the said Bills, without Amendment.

Your Committee also recommend that the fees, except actual cost, be remitted on the said Bills (No. 26) and (No. 37), the same being in connection with religious institutions, and of a character which, in the estimation of your Committee, may be exempt from payment under the Rules and practice of your Honourable House.

Your Committee have considered the Resolution of your Honourable House of Thursday last in relation to Rule 57, to consider the expediency of more explicitly defining the class of Private Bills which ought to be exempt from the payment of the amount mentioned in said Rule, and would recommend, that to avoid misapprehension or doubt in the construction of said Rule, it be resolved that hereafter any Bill based upon a Petition presented to your Honourable House, and which has been submitted to, and reported upon by the Standing Orders Committee, shall for all purposes of said Rule be considered and treated as a Private Bill, and that all fees required in cases of Private Bills shall be paid as therein provided before the same be transmitted to the printers; and further, that in no case shall the fee, or any portion thereof be remitted upon any such Bill unless upon Report of the Private Bills Committee, recommending such remission.

Your Committee also recommend that hereafter no Petition for a Private Bill shall be submitted by the Clerk of the Committees to the Committee on Standing Orders, as contemplated in Rule 53 of your Honourable House, unless the proofs of publication shall have been left with such Clerk of Committees at least one clear day before the consideration of such Petition by said Committee.

Your Committee also recommend, that hereafter the Rule 59 of your Honourable House be suspended, so far as the same is affected hereby, and that "four days," viz: first day exclusive and last day inclusive be substituted for "eight clear days," as provided therein, for affixing in the Lobby notice of Sitting of Committee, and that the same be retro-active as to the present Session.

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*, the Third Report of the Committee on Private Bills was concurred in.

The Report of the Committee to which was referred, on Friday last, a certain Resolution respecting payments to the Judges of Error and Appeal, was received ;

The Resolution, having been read the second time, was agreed to ; and the following Bill, founded thereon, was then introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 100), intituled “An Act to remunerate certain members of the Court of Error and Appeal.” The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*.

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

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 15). “The *Ontario Drainage Act*.”

(*In the Committee.*)

Page 1—line 18—Fill blank with “Two hundred thousand.”

“ “ 27—Fill blank with “Ten.”

“ “ 35—Fill blank with “Six per cent.”

“ “ 38—Fill blank with “First.”

“ “ 39—Fill blank with “January.”

“ “ 40—Fill blank with “First.”

“ “ 41—Fill blank with “January.”

“ “ 42—Fill blank with “January.”

“ “ 43—Strike out “Six months” and inserted “next.”

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Coyne* reported the Bill, with Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Thursday.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 75), Respecting the Indemnity to Members and the Salary of the Speaker ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Boyd* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

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

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The Honourable Mr. *Wood* delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency.

The Message 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 the 31st of December, 1870 ; also, Estimates of sums required to complete the service of the Province for the years 1868 and 1869, and recommends these Estimates to the Legislative Assembly.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Toronto, December 6th, 1869.

ESTIMATES.

For the service of the years 1868 and 1869.....	\$ 183,009 04
For the service of the year 1870.....	2,066,233 10
Total.....	\$2,249,242 14

(*Sessional Papers No. 43.*)

Ordered, That the Message of His Excellency, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 3), To amend the Common School Act of *Upper Canada (Ontario)*.

(In the Committee).

Mr. *Baxter* moved that the following be added to clause 4 :—

“Provided always that it shall not be lawful to appoint any person as County Superintendent who has not been engaged as a practical teacher for a period of at least three years, excepting such persons only who may hold said office at the time of the passing of this Act.”

And the amendment, having been put, was declared lost.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Lauder* reported that the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 16), Concerning Sheriffs' Sales for Taxes.

(In the Committee).

Page 1, line 31, after “the,” insert “tax.”

Page 1, line 32, after “sale,” insert “had prior to 1st November, 1869,” and strike out from “sale” to “has” in 33rd line.

Page 1, line 34, strike out “prior to the passing of this Act.”

Page 2, line 14, after “and,” insert “incorporated.”

Page 2, line 34, strike out from “the” to “since” in line 38, and insert “tax purchaser in favour of the original owner who has.”

Page 2, strike out clause 2, and insert the following in lieu thereof:—

2. “The first section, subject to the exceptions in the sub-sections thereof, shall apply also to make the sale valid in those cases in which the tax purchaser shall not have occupied the land, or any part thereof, or having occupied, shall not have occupied for the four years mentioned in the first section, or shall not have made improvements thereon to the value mentioned in such section; Provided the tax purchaser has since the sale, and prior to the first day of November, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, paid at least eight years' taxes charged on the said lands; and provided that the owner has not occupied the land, or some part thereof, for one year between the conveyance by the Sheriff and the said first day of November.”

Page 3, line 3, after “the” insert “tax,” and after “purchaser” strike out to “has” in the 4th line.

Page 3, line 47, after the second “the” insert “tax.”

Page 3, line 48, strike out from beginning of line to “shall.”

Page 3, line 51, strike out “executors or administrators,” also, at the end of line strike out “the” and insert “such tax purchaser.”

Page 3, line 52, strike out from beginning of line to “be.”

Page 4, line 2, strike out “in such manner.”

Page 4, line 8, strike out from “deductions” to “provided,” in line 24.

Page 4, line 26, after “taxes” insert “prior to first November, 1869.”

Page 4, line 26 after “him,” insert “Provided also that no claim for improvements, as set forth in this section, shall be allowed in any case except within the period of five years after such dispossession.”

Page 7, line 10, fill blank with “thirty.”

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Rykert* reported the Bill with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Thursday.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 22), to incorporate the *Toronto* House Building Association ; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Pardee* reported the Bill without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 38), Respecting Law Fees and Trust Funds.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 74), Respecting the establishment of Public Fairs.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 89), Respecting proceedings in Judges Chambers at Common Law.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 10.30 P.M.

Wednesday, 8th December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Lyon*,—The Petition of *G. F. Preston* and others, of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Smith (Kent)*,—The Petition of *William Russell* and others, of *Tilbury East* ; also, the Petition of *Cyrus B. Lambert* and others, of *Raleigh* ; also, the Petition of *Horatio Mills* and others, of *Romney*.

By Mr. *Hooper*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Bedford*.

By Mr. *Lauder*,—The Petition of *Henry Wakefield* and others, of *Egremont*.

By Mr. *Eyre*,—The Petition of *William Quick* and others, of *Northumberland*.

By Mr. *Wilson*,—The Petition of *John Ostrander* and others, also, the Petition of *James Cowan* and others, all of *Middleton* ; also, the Petition of *Henry Buck* and others, of *Townsend*.

By Mr. *Sexton*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Glanford*.

By Mr. *Lount*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Oro* ; also the Petition of the Township Council of *Vespra*.

By Mr. *Luton*,—The Petition of *D. Sutherland* and others, of *Orwell*.

By Mr. *Fraser*,—The Petition of *William Easten* and others, of *Cramahe*.

By Mr. *McGill*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Oshawa* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Whitby West*.

By Mr. *Hays*,—The Petition of *William H. Meyer* and others, of *Walsingham*.

By Mr. *McCall*,—The Petition of *P. Steinhoff* and others, of *Woodhouse*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the *Erie and Niagara* Railway Company, praying that no charter be granted to *Gilbert Hathaway* and others, for the construction of a Railway.

Of *Robert Cross* and others, of *Glengarry*, praying that no Act may pass allowing *D. A. Macdonald* to cut a canal.

Of the Township Council of *Amaranth*, praying for participation in the Land Improvement Fund.

Of the Board of School Trustees, of *Renfrew*, respecting the School Laws.

Of the Township Council of *Cramahe* ; also, of *Robert Scripture* and others, of *East Northumberland*, praying that no Act may be passed to erect the *East Riding of Northumberland* into a separate County.

Of *John Walsh* and others, of *Cavan*, praying that no Act may be passed to separate *Northumberland* and *Durham*.

Of *William Lodge* and others, of *Colchester*; also, of *Dennis Lewis* and others, of *Raleigh*; also, of *Dougal Leitch* and others, of *Oxford*; also, of *Christian Klagan* and others, of *Pelham*; also, of *Samuel Jackson* and others, of *Tilbury West*; also, of *John A. Hogan* and others, of *Maidstone*; also, of *David Henderson* and others, of *Tilbury West*; also, of *Stephen White* and others, of *Raleigh*; also, of *Andrew Wilson* and others, of *Tilbury East*; also, of *E. W. Wagstaff* and others, of *Gosfield*; also, of *James Fuse* and others, of *Raleigh*; also, of *D. Gemmell* and others, of *Sombra*; also, of *Samuel Shipley* and others, of *Raleigh*; also, of *John Stewart* and others, of *Dunnville*; also, of *David Trotter* and others, of *Petrolia*; also, of *J. S. Smith* and others, of *Walsingham*; also, of *Archibald McEachren* and others, of *Brooke*; also, of *Robert Stringer* and other, of *Walsingham*; also, of *James Stewart* and others, of *Tilbury East*; also, of *Henry Watson* and others, of *Oxford*; also, of *D. Thompson* and others, of *Seneca*; also, of *James Smith* and others, of *Tilbury East*; also, of *William Skelly* and others, of *Vittoria*; also, of *A. H. Slatter* and others, of *Brooke*; also, of *George Shirley* and others, of *Brooke*; also, of *Jonas Steele* and others, of *Pelham*; also, of *John S. Smith* and others, of *Clearville*; also, of *C. A. Shaw* and others, of *Howard*; also, of *Hugh Ruthven* and others, of *Gosfield*; also, of *Isaac Riley* and others, of *Gosfield*; also, of *George Richmond* and others, of *Colchester*; also, of *W. C. Moore* and others, of *Pelham*; also, of *George E. Meyer* and others, of *Houghton*; also, of *Samuel Maccall* and others, of *Aldborough*; also, of *P. J. Lindenman* and others, of *Aldborough*; also, of *Horace Hyatt* and others, of *Mersea*; also, of *John Hunter*, jun., and others, of *Walsingham*; also, of *J. S. Husk* and others, of *Walsingham*; also, of *Edmund B. Harrison* and others, of *Howard*; also, of *Robert Houston* and others, of *Enniskillen*; also, of *Richard Golden* and others, of *Amherstburgh*; also, of *Crozen Grendell* and others, of *Cayuga*; also, of *Samuel Gooden* and others, of *Moore*; also, of *James N. Peel* and others, of *Tilbury West*; also, of *Thomas P. Ouillette* and others, of *Sandwich*; also, of *Alexander Hackett* and others, of *Colchester*; also, of *Joseph Hurssell* and others, of *Cayuga*; also, of *John W. Hazen* and others, of *Walsingham*; also, of *A. J. Nelles* and others, of *Caledonia*; also, of *Benjamin Patient* and others, of *Lynedoch*; also, of *Anson Owen* and others, of *Lynedoch*; also, of *John M. Hutt* and others, of *Gosfield*; also, of *Thomas McKee* and others, of *Sandwich*; also, of *Francis McClosky* and others, of *Maidstone*; *Henry McAfee* and others, of *Sandwich*; also, of *Duncan McAlister* and others, of *Tilbury West*; also, of *James McKay* and others, of *Walsingham*; also, of *Malcolm MacKenzie* and others, of *Walsingham*; also, of *Henry Dales* and others, of *Norfolk*; also, of *Walter Gowan* and others, of *Mersea*; also, of *William Caldwell* and others, of *Amherstburgh*; also, of *John Chambers* and others, of *Maidstone*; also, of *H. D. Cunningham* and others, of *Oxford*; also, of *Charles Bayley* and others, of *Sandwich*; also, of *James Deerham* and others, of *Maidstone*; also, of *Albert Conover* and others, of *Mersea*; also, of *Alexander Coutts* and others, of *East Tilbury*; also, of *John B. Crow* and others, of *Pelham*; also, of *James Craig* and others, of *Harwick*; also, of *L. Carpenter* and others, of *Aldborough*; also, of *Abraham Brown* and others, of *Gosfield*; also, of *A. Brownson* and others, of *Dunnville*; also, of *John Brown* and others, of *East Tilbury*; also, of *Samuel Bentley* and others, of *Harwick*; also, of *J. W. Branan* and others, of *Brooke*; also, of *George Arnold* and others, of *Harwick*; also, of *William Bent* and others, of *Charlottetown*; also, of *J. H. Grier* and others, of *Aldborough*; also, of *Alfred Fletcher* and others, of *Petrolia*; also, of *James Fraser* and others, of *Windsor*; also, of *Thomas Fry* and others, of *Walsingham*; also, of *John R. Fick* and others, of *Walsingham*; also, of *John Fletcher* and others, of *Tilbury East*; also, of *Thomas M. Fox* and others, of *Mersea*; also, of *Charles McLaren* and others, of *Howard*; also, of *J. B. McLachlin* and others, of *Howard*; also, of *Thomas Morgan* and others, of *Maidstone*; also, of *Theodore Mulcett* and others, of *Mersea*; also, of *William Morris* and others, of *Tilbury East*; also, of *S. P. Mabey* and others, of *Walsingham*; also, of *Henry Morgan* and others, of *Woodhouse*; also, of *David Lee* and others, of *Aldborough*; also, of the *Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company*, severally praying that no charter be granted for the construction of a railway from *Glencoe* to *Niagara River*.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Railways, presented their Third Report, which was read as follows:—

Your Committee have had under consideration:—

Bill (No. 36), To amend the *Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company*, and to change its name to the *Canada Southern Railway Company*, and find that the preamble thereof has not been proven; inasmuch as,—

1st. The promoters of the Bill are a Company which has failed to carry into effect the powers conferred by the Charter sought to be amended.

2nd. That in the opinion of your Committee, the evidence submitted failed to establish that the Company was in a position to carry the work into effect.

3rd. That the Company having failed to carry into effect the powers of its own Charter, it would be inexpedient to grant it additional powers, or to extend the time for the commencement of the work, under the present Charter, without the most satisfactory proof of the Company's ability to accomplish the work empowered to be constructed, and that such proof was not furnished.

The following Bills were severally introduced, and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 101), intituled, "An Act to amend 32 Vic., cap. 30, of the Statutes of Ontario, intituled, 'An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages, and Deaths.'"—Mr. *Pardee*.

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

Bill (No. 102), intituled, "An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the Act, chapter 30, Con. Stat., U.C., respecting Interpleading."—Mr. *Lauder*.

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

Bill (No. 103), intituled, "An Act to amend an Act, passed in the 32nd year of the reign of Her Majesty, intituled, 'An Act to amend Chapter 15 of the Con. Stat., U.C., intituled, 'An Act respecting County Courts.'"—The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*.

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

Bill (No. 104), intituled, "An Act to amend 26 Vic., Chap. 40"—Mr. *Paxton*.

Referred to the Committee on Private Bills.

On motion of Mr. *Grahame* (*York*), seconded by Mr. *Wigle*,—

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Governments of *Canada* and *Ontario*, and between the Governments of *Quebec* and *Ontario*, with reference to the survey of the lands to the north and west of Lakes Nipissing, Huron and Superior, for the purpose of settlement; also, with reference to the facilities for the construction of a line of Railway through that section.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. *Richards*, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,—

Ordered, That it be an instruction to the Standing Committee on Railways to report to this House To-morrow the evidence taken before said Committee, which has moved the said Committee to report that the preamble of the Bill, No. 36, intituled, "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company*, and to change its name to the *Canada Southern Railway Company*," has not been proven.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 13), To amend the Law of Evidence in Civil Causes.

(*In the Committee.*)

Page 1, line 16, strike out "in any civil proceeding."

" " " 19, after "repealed," add "as to civil matters."

" " " 24, strike out the first "or," and insert "in."

" " " 39, strike out "other."

" " " 40, strike out "of Justice," and after "any," insert "Judge, Jury, Sheriff, Coroner, Magistrate or."

Page 2, line 4, after "behalf," insert "of themselves or."

Page 2, line 5, after "to," strike out "the said," and insert "such."

" " " 16, strike out "the marriage," and insert "coverture."

" " " 18, strike out "the marriage," and insert "coverture."

" " " 30, strike out "of."

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* moved to insert, as Clause 6, the following :—

"That this Act shall continue in force for two years, and to the end of the next Session of the Legislature thereafter, and no longer."

And the motion, having been put, was lost.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Pardee* reported the Bill (with Amendments). The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting the payment of Justices of the Peace.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That the sum of one dollar be paid to each Justice of the Peace, summoned and attending the drafting of Panels of Jurors; such sum to be paid by the Treasurers out of the funds of their respective Counties.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Coyne* reported the Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 92), To amend the 25th sec., cap. 21, and 32 *Vic.*, intituled "An Act respecting the Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly."

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 10), To make better provision for the realization of the Debts of Deceased Persons out of their Lands.

Referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows:—The Honourable Messrs. *Cameron* and *Wood*, Messrs. *Coyne*, *Lount*, *Pardee*, *Lauder* and *Blake*.

Bill (No. 26), Respecting the Primitive Methodist Connection.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No 37), To authorize the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church, in the Township of *Finch*, in the County of *Stormont*, in connexion with the Church of *Scotland*, to sell Lot Number Fourteen, in the Fifth Concession of the said Township.

Referred to a Committee of the whole house To-morrow.

Bill (No. 71), to notify the Owners of Lands sold for Taxes of the sale thereof.

Referred to the Select Committee, to which was referred Bill No. (17), To amend the Assessment Law.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 52), to consolidate the Mutual Fire Insurance Companies doing business in the Province of *Ontario*, having been read, and a Debate having arisen,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 29), To repeal An Act intituled, "An Act to define the Privileges, Powers, and Immunities of the Legislative Assembly, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of Sessional Papers" having been read,

Ordered, That the order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

Bill (No. 22), To incorporate the *Toronto* House Building Association, was read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 38), Respecting Law Fees and Trust Funds.

(*In the Committee.*)

Page 2, line 1, fill blank with "fourteen thousand five hundred dollars."

" " line 14, strike out from "Lands" to "shall" in the 17th line.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Pardee* reported the Bill, with Amendments. The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to. The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 74), Respecting the establishment of Public Fairs ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Lauder* reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 10 P.M.

Thursday, 9th December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By the Honourable Mr. *Carling*,—The Petition of the Board of Trade of *London*.

By Mr. *Lyon*,—The Petition of *E. Parent* and others, of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *McLeod*,—The Petition of *John Jackson* and others, also, the Petition of *David Armstrong* and others, also, the Petition of *John Williamson* and others, all of *Cavan* ; also, the Petition of *Henry Elliott* and others, all of *Darlington*.

By Mr. *Wigle*,—Two Petitions of the Township Council of *Tilbury West* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Colchester* ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of *Amherstburgh* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Anderdon* ; also, the Petition of *Francis Chorin* and others, of *Tilbury West* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Mersea* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Rochester* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Maidstone* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Sandwich West* ; also, the Petition of the Town Council of *Sandwich*.

By Mr. *Wilson*,—The Petition of *Joseph Lemon* and others, of *Townsend*.

By Mr. *Fraser*,—The Petition of *Allan Scott* and others, of *Cramahe*.

By Mr. *Beatty*,—The Petition of *William Appleford* and others, also, the Petition of *John Orchard* and others, all of *Drummondville* ; also the Petition of *Peter Benedict* and others, also, the Petition of *James Henderson* and others, also, the Petition of *William Buchner* and others, all of *Crowland* ; also, the Petition of *James Sweet* and others, of *Bertie* ; also, the Petition of *M. F. Heney* and others, of *Humberstone* ; also, the Petition of *George Lewis* and others, of *Fort Erie* ; also, the Petition of *A. B. Kinsman* and others, of *Font Hill* ; also, the Petition of *John England* and others, of *Stamford*.

By Mr. *Scott (Grey)*,—The Petition of *Samuel J. Lane* and others, of *Owen Sound* ; also the Petition of the Town Council of *Owen Sound* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Holland*.

By Mr. *Luton*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Vienna*.

By Mr. *Read*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Dummer*.

By Mr. *Lauder*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Bentinck*.

By Mr. *Tett*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *South Crosby*.

By Mr. *Williams* (*Durham*),—The Petition of the Township Council of the United Townships of *Orillia* and *Matchedash*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Cavan*; also, the Petition of *William McLean* and others, also, the Petition of *James C. McLean* and others, also, the Petition of *Francis Meadows* and others, all of *Clarke*.

By Mr. *Boyd*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Longueil*.

By Mr. *McDougall*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *McNab*.

By Mr. *McCall* (*Norfolk*),—The Petition of the Township Council of *Houghton*.

By Mr. *Hooper*,—The Petition of the County Council of the United Counties of *Lennox* and *Addington*.

By Mr. *McGill*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *East Whitby*.

By Mr. *Eyre*,—The Petition of *John Blacklock* and others, of *Percy*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Township Council of *Derby*, praying for participation in the Land Improvement Fund.

Of *J. W. Beemer* and others, of *Townsend*; also, of *Daniel Smith* and others, of *Townsend*, severally praying that the School Bill may not pass.

Of *C. M. Gould* and others, of *Cramahe*; also, of *Willis Jones* and others, of *Cramahe*; also, of *James Potts* and others, of *East Northumberland*; also, of *W. J. Sanderson* and others, of *Northumberland*; also, of *James R. Sanderson* and others, of *Northumberland*; also, of *John Toms* and others, of *Clarke*, severally praying that no Act may be passed to separate the Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*.

Of *Robert Blackwood* and others, of *Dunwich*; also, of *Abner O. Buchner* and others, of *Middlesex*; also, of *Luke Carvin* and others, of *Walpole*; also, of the Township Council of *Dunwich*; also, of *Patrick Doyle* and others, of *Middleton*; also, of *David Duncombe* and others, of *Townsend*; also, of *Perry Dean* and others, of *Middleton*; also, of *A. G. Gunn* and others, of *Dunwich*; also, of *William Glargon* and others, of *Elgin*; also, of *Elias Hawkins* and others, of *Tyrconnell*; also, of *John Hull* and others, of *Walpole*; also, of *J. W. Kumball* and others, of *Charlottetown*; also, of *Thomas Moore* and others, of *Tyrconnell*; also, of *W. S. Morden* and others, of *Tyrconnell*; also, of *John Mills* and others, of *Southwold*; also, of *E. J. Martin* and others, of *Houghton*; also, of *James C. MacDonald* and others, of *Oxford*; also, of *D. MacPherson* and others, of *Elgin*; also, of *John McKellop* and others, of *Dunwich*; also, of *John McAlphine* and others, of *Villa Nova*; also, of *James Phillpotts* and others, of *Dunwich*; also, of *Isaac Potts* and others, of *Townsend*; also, of *Thomas F. Routledge* and others, of *Oxford*; also, of *Thomas Robinson* and others, of *Townsend*; also, of *Joseph Scott* and others, of *Tyrconnell*; also, of *Alexander Sillers* and others, of *Aldborough*; also, of *John Sills* and others, of *Walpole*; also, of *J. H. Spencers* and others, of *Charlottetown*; also, of *Eliza Smith* and others, of *Rockford*; also, of *David White* and others, of *Houghton*; also, of *J. V. Watts* and others, of *Charlottetown*; also, of *James Wilson* and others, of *Middleton*; also, of *William Walker* and others, of *Townsend*, severally praying that no charter be granted for a Railway from *Glencoe* to *Niagara River*.

Mr. *Carnegie*, from the Committee to which was referred to inquire into and report upon the usefulness of Wooden Railways, presented their Report, which was read. (*Appendix No. 1*).

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, presented their Fourth Report, as to the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 50), Respecting the Fair Grounds of the County of *Oxford* (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 40), To amend the Act incorporating the President, Directors and Company of the *Port Credit Harbour* (with Amendments).

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* from the Committee on Railways, presented their Fourth Report which was read, as follows :—

Your Committee have had under consideration :—

The Order of Your Honourable House of yesterday instructing them to report

To-day, the evidence taken before said Committee, which has moved said Committee to report that the preamble of the Bill (No. 36), "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company*, and to change its name to the *Canada Southern Railway Company*" has not been proven, and respectfully communicate the fact that they cannot transmit the evidence to your Honourable House, inasmuch as the promoters and opponents, together with the witnesses for each, respectively, were heard before your Committee *vivâ voce*, and that no record of their statements was kept by your Committee.

Your Committee also report the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 34), To amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto and Nipissing Railway Company* (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 48), To incorporate the *Kingston and Madoc Railway Company* (with Amendments).

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that the Clerk of this House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, the following certificate :—

Province of Ontario.

This is to certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the fourth day of November last past, issued by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, and addressed to the High Sheriff of the County of *Renfrew*, (*James Morris*, Esquire) Returning Officer, *ex-officio*, for the North Riding of the County of *Renfrew*, for the election of a Member to represent the said North Riding of the County of *Renfrew*, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the room of *John Supple*, Esquire, resigned, *Thomas Murray* Esquire, has been returned as duly elected accordingly, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the sixth day of December last past, which is now lodged of record in my office.

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

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Toronto, 9th December, 1869.

To *Charles Todd Gillmor*, Esquire,
Clerk Legislative Assembly, *Toronto*.

Mr. *Murray*, Member for the North Riding of the County of *Renfrew*, having previously taken the oath and signed the roll, took his seat.

The Honourable Mr. *Richards* moved, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,—

That Bill (No. 36), To amend the Act incorporating the *Erie and Niagara Railway Company*, and to change its name to 'The *Canada Southern Railway Company*,' be placed upon the Orders of the day following the passing of this Resolution, among the Private and Local Bills, for a second reading of the said Bill, in its proper order, next after Bills referred to a Committee of the whole House.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Rykert*,—

That all the words after "That" be omitted, and the following words be substituted :—"the said Bill be re-committed to the Standing Committee on Railways to re-consider and report thereon ; and that it be an instruction to the said Committee to take the evidence in writing, and report the same to this House."

And a Debate having arisen,

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

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* then moved, in amendment to the original motion, seconded by Mr. *Blake*,

That all the words after "Company" be left out, and the following substituted ;—"be re-committed to the Committee on Railways, with an instruction to consider the "preamble thereof as proven, and to proceed to the consideration of the several clauses "of the said Bill on their merits."

And the Amendment, having been put, was carried.

The original Motion, as amended, was then put and carried,

Ordered,—That Bill (No. 36), To amend the Act incorporating the *Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company*, and to change its name to the *Canada Southern Railway Company*, be re-committed to the Committee on Railways, with an instruction to consider the Preamble thereof as proven, and to proceed to the consideration of the several clauses of the said Bill, on their merits.

The following Bill was introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 105), intituled, “An Act to extend the time for the Registration of Conveyances to Religious Institutions in *Ontario*.”—Mr. *Evans*.

Ordered,—That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Lyon*, seconded by Mr. *Lount*.

Ordered,—That the Petition, presented to this House To-day, of *E. Parent* and others, officers and members of the Civil Service of the Dominion of *Canada*, praying that their salaries may not be made subject to municipal taxation, be now read, and that it be printed (for distribution only).

Bill (No. 13), To amend the Law of Evidence in Civil Causes, was read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Blake*, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*, the Bill was amended by adding at page 2, line 26 of the Bill (as amended by Select Committee and reprinted) after the word “party ;” the following words, “as to any matter occurring before the death of such deceased person.”

The Bill was then passed, on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Graham (York),</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton).</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Wilson.—34.</i>
<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>		

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Cook,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Oliver.</i>	<i>Wallis.—26.</i>
<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>		

The Report of the Committee, to which was referred, on Wednesday, a certain Resolution respecting the payment of Justices of the Peace, was received ; and the Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to, and referred to the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 18), Respecting Jurors and Juries.

Bill (No. 26), Respecting the Primitive Methodist Connexion, was considered in Committee of the whole House, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Ferguson* reported the Bill (without Admendment).

Ordered,—That the Bill be read the third time on Monday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 37), To authorize the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church in the Township of *Finch*, in the County of *Stormont*, in connexion with the Church of *Scotland*, to sell Lot number fourteen, in the fifth concession of the said Township ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Eyre* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 92), To amend the 25th sec., cap. 21, and 32 *Victoria*, intituled, "An Act respecting the Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly ;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Lyon* reported that the Committee had made some progress and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

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

The following Bills were severally read the second time :—

Bill (No. 91), To amend the Municipal Institutions Act of the late Province of *Canada*, 29 and 30 *Victoria*, cap. 51, sec. 355, sub-sec. 9 and 12.

Referred to the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 17), To amend the Assessment Law.

Bill (No. 25), To amend chapter 31 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*.

Referred to the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 18), Respecting Jurors and Juries.

Bill (No. 52), To consolidate the Mutual Fire Insurance Companies doing business in the Province of *Ontario*.

Referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows :—The Honourable Mr. *Cameron*, and Messrs. *Pardee*, *Oliver*, *Monteith*, *Springer*, *Rykert*, *Trow*, *Perry*, *Code*, *Christie*, *Greeley*, *Baxter*, *Lyon*, *Currie*, *McMurrich*, *Clemens*.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 97), To amend the *Ontario* Medical Act, having been read,

And a Debate having arisen, and objection having been taken by Mr. *Rykert* that the Bill was of the nature of a Private Bill, and required notices, Mr. Speaker, having been appealed to, reserved his decision.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 10 o'clock, P. M.

Friday, 10th December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *McLeod*—The Petition of *John Davey* and others ; also, the Petition of *Alexander Beith* and others ; also, the Petition of *Richard Brown* and others ; also, the Petition of *William Moffatt* and others, all of *Clarke* ; also, the Petition of the County Council of the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*.

By Mr. *Swinarton*—The Petition of *William Duncan* and others, of *Cramahe*.

By Mr. *Fraser*—The Petition of *Edward Cochrane* and others, of *East Northumberland*.

- By Mr. *Barber*—The Petition of the Township Council of *Nassagaweya*.
 By Mr. *Currie*—The Petition of the Township Council of *Caradoc*.
 By Mr. *McDougall*—The Petition of the Township Council of *Sebastopol*.
 By Mr. *Finlayson*—The Petition of the Township Council of *South Dumfries*.
 By Mr. *Christie*—The Petition of *John F. Flat* and others, of *Wentworth*.
 By Mr. *Smith (Leeds)*—The Petition of the Township Council of *Kitley*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *South Gower*.
 By Mr. *McColl (Elgin)*—The Petition of *Duncan McIntyre* and others, of *Aldbrough*.
 By Mr. *Eyre*—The Petition of *William Pollock* and others, of *Northumberland*.
 By Mr. *Scott (Grey)*—The Petition of *Hugh Reid* and others, of *Sydenham*.
 By Mr. *Lauder*—The Petition of the Township Council of *Artemesia*; also, the Petition of *Robert Thompson* and others, of *Artemesia*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Melancthon*.
 By Mr. *Sexton*—The Petition of *James F. Wilson* and others, of *Wentworth*.
 By Mr. *Hays*—The Petition of the Township Council of *Colborne*.
 By Mr. *Smith (Kent)*—The Petition of the Township Council of *Harwich*.
 By Mr. *Graham, (Hastings)*—The Petition of the Town Council of *Belleville*.
 By Mr. *Lount*—Two Petitions of the Township Council of *Sunnidale*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Tiny*.
 By Mr. *Baxter*—The Petition of *David Wyllie* and others, of *Oneida*; also, the Petition of *John Wilson*, and others of *Cayuga*; also, the Petition of *Jerome Farr* and others, of *Canboro*.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of *William Easten*, and others, of *Cramahe*, praying that no Act may pass to separate the Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*.

Of *G. F. Preston*, and others, of *Ottawa*, praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Act.

Of *Henry Wakefield* and others, of *Egremont*; also, of the Township Council of *Bedford*, severally praying for participation in the Land Improvement Fund.

Of *John Ostrander*, and others, of *Middleton*; also, of *Henry Burke*, and others of *Townsend*, severally praying that the School Bill may not pass.

Of *James Cowan* and others, of *Middleton*; also, of *Cyrus B. Lambert* and others, of *Raleigh*; also, of *Horatio Mills* and others, of *Romney*; also, of *William H. Meyer* and others, of *Walsingham*; also, of *William Russell* and others, of *Tilbury East*; also, of *Peter Steinhoff* and others, of *Woodhouse*; also, of *D. Sutherland* and others, of *Orwell*, severally praying that no Charter be granted for the construction of a Railway from *Glencoe* to *Niagara River*.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, presented their Fifth Report, as to the following Bills:—

Bill (No. 57). To legalize, confirm and establish the re-survey of the Town of *Chatham*, in the Province of *Ontario*, (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 58). To enable the Corporation of the Town of *Chatham*, to dispose of certain lands, (without Amendment).

Bill (No. 62). To exempt from Municipal taxation, for a certain period therein mentioned, a Sugar Refinery proposed to be erected in the City of *Toronto*, (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 54). To consolidate the Debt of the Town of *Peterborough*, and to authorize the issue of Debentures, on the security of Town property, and for other purposes (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 42). To provide for the conveyance of land, sold by the late *Z. S. M. Hersey*, and to authorize the sale of certain Village lots, belonging to his estate, (with Amendments).

Mr. *Pardee*, from the Committee to which was referred the Petitions, presented to

the House on the subject of the Land Improvement Fund, presented their Report, which was read.—(*Appendix No. 2*).

On motion of Mr. *McCall* (*Norfolk*), seconded by Mr. *Lount*,—

Ordered, That leave of absence for eight days be granted to *W. T. Hays*, Esquire, Member for the North Riding of *Huron*, on account of illness.

The following Bill was introduced, and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 106), intituled, “An Act to make further provision for carrying out the Law Reform Act of 1868, and to regulate proceedings on Writs of Error and Certiorari.”—The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*.

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

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 15), The *Ontario Drainage Act*, having been read,

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*).

Page 3, line 35, strike out “six per cent.,” and insert “seven sixty-one-hundredths per cent. per annum.”

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Pardee* reported the Bill, with Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* then moved, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,—

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. *McKellar* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Blake*,—

That all the words after “That” be omitted and the following substituted, “on the 15th December, 1868, the Honourable the Provincial Treasurer, in his Financial Statement, assured this House that, before it was asked to expend any considerable sum in “drainage, Government would be prepared with plans and specifications, and would show “precisely what the work will cost; and that on the 23rd January, 1869, an Act was “passed, whereby it is provided that the Commissioner of Public Works may cause surveys “and reports to be made as to drainage works, and shall submit to the Lieutenant-Governor, in the Annual Report to be laid before the Legislature, a statement of the result of “the examinations, surveys and levels, and an estimate of the cost of reclaiming the lands, “with his recommendation respecting the same; and that the Bill be not now read the “third time, but be forthwith re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for the “purpose of amending the same, so as to provide, in accordance with the said assurance, “and the said Act, that before the expenditure of the moneys by the said Bill granted, “plans and specifications, and estimates of the cost of the works shall be laid before the “Legislature.”

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

Barber,
Baxter,
Blake,
Boyd,
Christie,

Crosby,
Evans,
Fraser,
Galbraith,
McDougall,

McKellar,
McLeod,
McMurrich,
Oliver,
Pardee,

Perry,
Sexton,
Sinclair,
Smith (*Middlesex*),
Springer.—20.

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Bouiter,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Cook,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>	<i>Wood.—43.</i>
<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>	

Mr. *McLeod* then moved in amendment to the original Motion, seconded by Mr. *Oliver*,—

That all the words after “That” be omitted and the following substituted, “the said Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for the purpose of providing that, except in the case of Crown Lands, the moneys may be advanced to, and the works shall be executed by the local municipality or municipalities, which shall be taxed, and made to pay for the same.”

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

Mr. *Boyd* then moved in amendment to the original Motion, seconded by Mr. *Galbraith*,

That all the words after “That” be omitted and the following substituted, “the said Bill be not now read a third time, but that it be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, with instructions to amend the same, so as to provide that no drainage shall be undertaken, on other than Crown, Clergy, or School Lands, unless a majority in number of the resident or other owners, or a majority of all the owners of the lands, or the local municipality interested, shall petition for such drainage.”

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

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 for the second reading of Bill (No. 100), To remunerate certain members of the Court of Error and Appeal having been read,

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* moved, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,—

That the Bill be now read the second time ;

Mr. *Boyd* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *McMurrich*,—

That all the words after “That” be omitted, and the following words be substituted, “the Chief Justice of the Court of Error and Appeal is appointed and paid by *Canada* ; and the Judges of the Courts of Queen’s Bench, Chancery and Common Pleas are *ex officio* members of the said Court of Error and Appeal, which is a Superior Court of *Ontario*, within the meaning of the *British North America Act* (1867) ; that the Province is not entitled to pay, or to be burdened with the charge of paying salaries to the Judges or the said Court, the same being payable by *Canada* ; and it is inexpedient that this Province should interfere therewith : and that the said Bill be not now read a second time but that it be read the second time this day six months.”

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McKellar)</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Springer.—17.</i>
<i>Cook,</i>			

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Wood.—31.</i>
<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	

The Bill was then read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Annual Report of the Council of University College.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 44.*)

First Annual Report, on Immigration, of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works for the Province of *Ontario* for the year 1869.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 45.*)

The Order of the Day for Committee of Supply having been read,
And a Debate having arisen,
And the House having continued to sit till twelve of the clock, midnight.

SATURDAY, 11th December, 1869.

The House resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

The Message of His Excellency, and the Estimates read.

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1870, the following sums :—

1. To defray the expenses of Government House, *Toronto*, as follows :—

Rent, for three months.....	\$300 00
Water, including hydrants on grounds.....	250 00
Gas	400 00
Fuel.....	350 00
Gardener.....	400 00
Caretaker	365 00
Incidentals.....	350 00

Total..... \$2,415 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*, reported a Resolution ; also, that the Committee had directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Monday next.

Resolved, That this House will, on Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House then adjourned at 12.40 A.M.

Monday, 13th December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. Hooper,—Two Petitions of the Township Council of *Kalador*; also, the Petition of the County Council of the United Counties of *Lennox* and *Addington*.

By Mr. Greeley,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Picton*.

By Mr. Luton,—The Petition of *A. Burns* and others, also, the Petition of *James Hannan* and others, all of *St. Thomas*; also, the Petition of *Angus McIntosh* and others, of *Yarmouth*.

By Mr. Lount,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Tay*.

By Mr. Gow,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Guelph*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Fuslinch*.

By Mr. Calvin,—The Petition of *S. Carruthers* and others, of *Kingston*.

By Mr. Scott (Grey),—The Petition of the Township Council of *Holland*; also, the Petition of *William Buchanan*, the elder, and others, of *Holland*.

By Mr. Boulter,—Two Petitions of the Township Council of the United Townships of *Tudor*, *Wollaston* and *Limerick*.

By Mr. Corby,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Tyendinaga*.

The following Petitions were received and read:—

Of the Board of Trade of *London*, praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Act.

Of *Joseph Lemon* and others, of *Townsend*, praying that the School Bill may not pass.

Of the Township Council of *Bentinck*, praying for participation in the Land Improvement Fund.

Of *Allan Scott* and others, of *Cramahc*, praying that no Act may be passed to erect the East Riding of *Northumberland* into a separate County.

Of the Town Council of *Owen Sound*; also, of *Samuel G. Lane* and others, of *Owen Sound*, severally praying for the re-establishment of the Land Improvement Fund.

Of *John Jackson* and others, of *Cavan*; also, of *Henry Elliott* and others, of *Darlington*; also, of *David Armstrong* and others, of *Cavan*; also, of *John Williams* and others, of *Cavan*, severally praying that no Act may be passed to separate the Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*.

Of the Town Council of *Sandwich*; also, of the Township Council of *Tilbury West*; also, of the Township Council of *Rochester*; also, of the Township Council of *Mersea*; also, of the Township Council of *Maidstone*; also, of the Township Council of *Sandwich*; also, of the Township Council of *Colchester*; also, of the Township Council of *Amherstburgh*; also, of the Township Council of *Anderdon*, severally praying that no Act may be passed to change the location of the County Town of *Essex*.

Of *Francis Rose* and others, of *Fort Erie*; also, of *John A. Orchard* and others, of *Drummondville*; also, of *A. B. Kinsman* and others, of *Fonthill*; also, of *James Sweet* and others, of *Bertie*; also, of *John England* and others, of *Stamford*; also, of *M. F. Haney* and others, of *Humbertstone*; also, of *James Henderson* and others, of *Crowland*; also, of *Peter Benedict* and others, of *Crowland*; also, of *Francis Chorm* and others, of *Tilbury West*; also, of *William Buchner* and others, of *Crowland*; also, of *William Appleford* and others, of *Drummondville*, severally praying that no charter be granted for a railway from *Glencoe* to *Niagara River*.

Mr. Greeley, from the Committee on Printing, presented their Fifth Report, recommending that the following documents be printed:—

Return to an Address relative to the Disallowance of Acts.—(*Sessional Papers No. 16.*)

Report of the Select Committee on Wooden Railways.—(*Appendix No. 1.*)

Report of the Select Committee on the Land Improvement Fund.—(*Appendix No. 2.*)

Also, an issue of three hundred copies of the Routine Proceedings, in lieu of two hundred and fifty as formerly ordered.

On motion of Mr. *Greeley*, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,

Resolved, That the Fifth Report of the Committee on Printing be concurred in.

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

Bill (No. 37), To authorize the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church, in the Township of *Finch*, in the County of *Stormont*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, to sell Lot Number Fourteen in the Fifth Concession of the said Township.

Bill (No. 26), Respecting the Primitive Methodist Connexion.

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,

Resolved, That during the remainder of this Session, when the House adjourns on Fridays, it do stand adjourned till eleven o'clock A.M. on Saturdays, and that the sittings of this House on Saturdays shall not continue later than four o'clock P.M.

On motion of Mr. *Scott*, (*Grey*), seconded by Mr. *Sinclair*,

Resolved, That this House will, on Wednesday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution with reference to Tolls to be levied at *Collingwood*.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 92), To amend An Act passed in the Session held in the thirty-second year of the reign of Her Majesty, intituled, "An Act respecting Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly."

(*In the Committee.*)

Page 1, line 7, before "village," insert "or incorporated."

" " omit the first "word" and insert "words."

Insert as clause 2. "From and after the passing of this Act, no qualification in real estate shall be required of any candidate for a seat in the Legislative Assembly of *Ontario*, any Statute or Law to the contrary notwithstanding, and every such last mentioned Statute and Law is hereby repealed."

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Strange* reported the Bill, with Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow :—

Bill (No. 34), To amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto* and *Nipissing* Railway Company.

Bill (No. 40), To amend the Act incorporating the President, Directors and Company of the *Port Credit* Harbour.

Bill (No. 50), Respecting the Fair Ground of the County of *Oxford*.

Bill (No. 48), To incorporate the *Kingston* and *Madoc* Railway Company.

Bill (No. 42), To provide for the conveyance of land sold by the late *Z. S. M. Hersey*, and to authorize the sale of certain village lots belonging to his estate.

Bill (No. 54), To consolidate the Debt of the Town of *Peterborough*, and to authorize the issue of debentures on the security of Town Property, and for other purposes.

Bill (No. 57), To legalize, confirm and establish the re-survey of the Town of *Chatham*, in the Province of *Ontario*.

Bill (No. 58), To enable the Corporation of the Town of *Chatham* to dispose of certain lands.

Bill (No. 62), To exempt from Municipal Taxation, for a certain period therein mentioned, a Sugar Refinery proposed to be erected in the City of *Toronto*.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 32), To repeal section six of chapter one, passed in the thirty-second year of Her Majesty's Reign, having been read,

Mr. *Boyd* moved, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,—

That the Bill be now read the second time.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Richards*,—

That all the words after "That" be omitted, and the following substituted, "the Bill be not now read the second time, but that it be read the second time this day three months."

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wood.—43.</i>
<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>	

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Cook,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>			

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time this day three months.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 72), In relation to Weights and Marks on Casks and Packages containing Butter, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Order of the Day to resume the adjourned Debate on the motion for the second reading of Bill (No. 97), To amend the *Ontario* Medical Act, having been read,

Mr. Speaker decided, with reference to the objection raised on the third of December, That the Bill is a Public Bill.

Mr. *McGill* moved in amendment to the motion for the second reading, seconded by Mr. *Boulter*,—

That the Bill be not now read the second time, but that it be read the second time 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 to a select Committee, composed as follows :—The Honourable Mr. Cameron, Messrs. McGill, Boulter, Baxter, Fraser, Beatty, Boyd, Williams (Hamilton), Sinclair, and McMurrich.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 3), To amend the Common School Act of *Upper Canada (Ontario)*.

(*In the Committee.*)

Page 1, line 36, after "shall," insert "hold office for the term of three years and shall."
 " " " 38, after "him," strike out to "and" in line 6 of page 2.
 " 2 " 31, after "authority," insert "upon petition, signed by at least one-third of
 " " " "the rate-payers resident in said section."
 " " " 35, strike out "six," and insert "twelve."
 " " " 41, strike out "Chief Superintendent of Education," and insert "County
 " " " "Judge."
 " " " 45, Strike out "two" and insert "one or more."
 Strike out Clauses 10, 11 and 12.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Lauder* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 12 of the clock, midnight.

Tuesday, 14th December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Beatty*,—The Petition of *D. N. Moore* and others, of *St. Johns*; also, the Petition of *A. Bender* and others, also, the Petition of *Hugh Clarke* and others, all of *Crowland*; also, the Petition of *W. H. Robinson* and others, of *Welland*; also, the Petition of *Arthur Murray* and others, of *Stamford*; also, the Petition of *Charles Treble* and others, also the Petition of *W. Treble* and others, all of *Fort Erie*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Bertie*; also, the Petition of *Christopher Zintel* and others, of *Fort Erie*.

By Mr. *Wilson*,—The Petition of *Lewis Beemer* and others, of *Waterford*; also, the Petition of the County Council of *Norfolk*; also the Petition of the Township Council of *Townsend*; also, the Petition of *A. Skinner* and others, also, the Petition of *Aaron Slaght* and others, also, the Petition of *S. Lundy* and others, also, the Petition of *D. V. Lucas* and others, also, the Petition of *Wilfred Eddy* and others, all of *Townsend*.

By Mr. *Luton*.—The Petition of the Town Council of *St. Thomas*; also, the Petition of *John Farley* and others, of *St. Thomas*; also, the Petition of *Joseph Harper* and others, also, the Petition of *A. F. Butler* and others, all of *Malahide*; also, the Petition of *Jacob Wismer* the elder, and others; also, the Petition of *E. Horton* and others, all of *Yarmouth*.

By Mr. *McColl* (*Elgin*).—The Petition of *John McKillop* and others, of *Elgin*.

By Mr. *Currie*.—The Petition of *Charles Roules* and others, of *Caradoc*.

By Mr. *Evans*.—The Petition of the County Council of *Middlesex*.

By Mr. *Baxter*.—The Petition of the County Council of *Haldimand*.

By Mr. *Rykert*.—The Petition of *J. T. Chadwick* and others, also, the Petition of *John Buners* and others, also, the Petition of *S. F. Lovell* and others, all of *Norfolk*.

By Mr. *McDougall*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Stafford*.

By Mr. *Coyne*,—The Petition of the Northern Railway Company of *Canada*.

By Mr. *McMurrich*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Holland Landing*.

By Mr. *Gow*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Guelph*.

By Mr. *Ferrier*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Nicholl*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Eramosa*; also, three Petitions of the County Council of *Wellington*.

By Mr. *Fraser*,—The Petition of the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Hamilton*; also, the Petition of *William Drope* and others, also, the Petition of *John Thackeray* and others, all of *Alnwick*.

By Mr. *Hays*,—the Petition of the County Council of *Huron*.

By Mr. *McLeod*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Cartwright*; also, the Petition of the Village Council of *Newcastle*; also the Petition of the Township Council of *Darlington*; also, the Petition of *John Simpson* and others, of *Darlington*; also, the Petition of *John Hughes* and others, of *Cartwright*; also, the Petition of *David Fisher* and others, of *Bowmanville*; also, the Petition of *John J. Robson* and others, of *Newcastle*; also, the Petition of *Robert Magill* and others, of *Manvers*; also, the Petition of *Henry Munro* and others, of *Clarke*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *John F. Flat* and others, of *Wentworth*; also, of *James F. Wilson* and others, of *Wentworth*, severally praying for certain amendments to the several Joint Stock Road Companies.

Of *William Duncan* and others, of *Cramahe*; also, of *Edward Cochrane* and others, of *Northumberland*, severally praying that no Act may be passed to erect the East Riding of *Northumberland* into a separate County.

Of *John Wilson* and others, of *Cayuga*; also, of *David Wyllie* and others, of *Oneida*; also, of *Duncan McIntyre* and others, of *Aldborough*; also, of *Jerome Farr* and others, of *Canboro'*, severally praying that no charter be granted for the construction of a Railway from *Glencoe* to *Niagara River*.

Of the County Council of the United Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*; also, of *William Moffatt* and others, of *Clarke*; also, of *John Davey* and others, of *Clarke*; also, of *Richard Brown* and others, of *Clarke*; also, of *Alexander Beith* and others, of *Clarke*, severally praying that no Act may pass to separate the Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*.

Of *Robert Thompson*, sen., and others, of *Artemesia*; also, of the Township Council of *Tiny*; also, of the Township Council of *Sunnidale*; also, of the Township Council of *Sebastopol*; also, of *Hugh Reid* and others, of *Sydenham*; also, of the Township Council of *Melancthon*; also, of the Township Council of *Harwich*; also, of the Township Council of *Caradoc*; also of the Township Council of *Artemesia*, severally praying for participation in the Land Improvement Fund.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Railways, presented their Fifth Report as to the following Bill :—

Bill (No. 35), To legalize the amalgamation of the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company, and the *Marmora* Iron Company, (with Amendments).

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, presented their Sixth Report, as to the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 67), To empower the *Ottawa* Mechanics Institute and Athenæum, and the *Ottawa* Natural History Society, to amalgamate into one corporate body, under the name of "The *Ottawa* Literary and Scientific Society," (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 70), to facilitate the withdrawal of the Town of *Perth*, in the County of *Lanark*, from the jurisdiction of the Council of the County of *Lanark*; and to provide for the liability of the Town for its share of the County debt, (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 78), To confirm and legalize a sale and conveyance by the Church Society

of the Diocese of *Huron*, of certain premises in the Town of *Galt*, to the Reverend *Michael Boomer*, D.D., (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 79), To authorize the Church Society of the Diocese of *Huron*, to sell certain Church Lands in the Township of *Goderich*, (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 83), To incorporate the *Weston Church School*, (without Amendment).

Bill (No. 59), To incorporate the *Ottawa Ladies College*, (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 60), To incorporate the *Ontario Peat Company*, (with Amendments.)

Bill (No. 65), To authorize the closing of certain streets in *Elora*, in conformity with a By-law of said Village (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 64), To amend the Act incorporating the Wesleyan Female College of *Hamilton* (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 76), To authorize the *St. Catharines, Thorold* and Suspension Bridge Road Company to collect tolls upon their road in the Town of *Clifton*, with a recommendation that this Bill be referred to the Committee on Bill (No. 23), respecting Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*.

Also:—That the Committee recommend that the fees, except actual expenses, be remitted upon said Bills (No. 67), (No. 83) and (No. 59) respectively.

Also:—That the fees on Bill (No. 22), To incorporate the *Toronto House Building Association* be remitted, as fees were paid on the same Bill last Session, and no progress was made therein.

The Order of the Day for the House again to resolve itself into a Committee, to consider Bill (No. 3), To amend the Common School Act of *Upper Canada (Ontario)*, having been read,

Ordered,—That the Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, to consider Bill (No. 2), To amend the Grammar School Law of the Province of *Ontario*, having been read,

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* moved, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,

That the Order be discharged,

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

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Barber</i> ,	<i>Craig (Russell)</i> ,	<i>Lauder</i> ,	<i>Scott (Ottawa)</i> ,
<i>Baxter</i> ,	<i>Crosby</i> ,	<i>Lount</i> ,	<i>Secord</i> ,
<i>Beatty</i> ,	<i>Cumberland</i> ,	<i>Luton</i> ,	<i>Sexton</i> ,
<i>Blake</i> ,	<i>Currie</i> ,	<i>Macdonald</i> ,	<i>Sinclair</i> ,
<i>Calvin</i> ,	<i>Evans</i> ,	<i>Matchett</i> ,	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.)</i> ,
<i>Cameron</i> ,	<i>Eyre</i> ,	<i>Monteith</i> ,	<i>Strange</i> ,
<i>Carling (London)</i> ,	<i>Ferguson</i> ,	<i>Murray</i> ,	<i>Springer</i> ,
<i>Christie</i> ,	<i>Ferrier</i> ,	<i>McCall (Norfolk)</i> ,	<i>Tett</i> ,
<i>Clemens</i> ,	<i>Finlayson</i> ,	<i>McColl (Elgin)</i> ,	<i>Trow</i> ,
<i>Cockburn</i> ,	<i>Fraser</i> ,	<i>McGill</i> ,	<i>Wallis</i> ,
<i>Code</i> ,	<i>Galbraith</i> ,	<i>Oliver</i> ,	<i>Wigle</i> ,
<i>Colquhoun</i> ,	<i>Graham (York)</i> ,	<i>Perry</i> ,	<i>Williams (Durham)</i> ,
<i>Corby</i> ,	<i>Greeley</i> ,	<i>Richards</i> ,	<i>Williams (Hamilton)</i> ,
<i>Coyne</i> ,	<i>Hays</i> ,	<i>Rykert</i> ,	<i>Wilson</i> .—59.
<i>Craig (Glengarry)</i> ,	<i>Hooper</i> ,	<i>Scott (Grey)</i> ,	

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Boulter</i> ,	<i>Carnegie</i> ,	<i>Graham (Hastings)</i> ,	<i>McKellar</i> .—7.
<i>Boyd</i> ,	<i>Fitzsimmons</i> ,	<i>McDougall</i> ,	

Ordered,—That the Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the whole House on Bill (No. 16), An Act concerning Sheriff's Sales for Taxes, having been read,

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* moved, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill be re-committed forthwith to a Committee of the whole House with an instruction to consider the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee*).

Page 2, line 15, before the word "Provided" insert "And that improvements commenced after the commencement and during the pending of any suit or action at law or in equity, to dispute the validity of, or set aside such sale, shall not be included in the valuation of such improvements under this Act; and provided also, that where the property sold has been subdivided into lots before such sale, occupation and improvement of any lot or lots, according to such subdivision, shall only make valid the sale as to the lot or lots so occupied and improved."

Page 4, line 2, after "proportions" strike out "payable in such manner," and insert in lieu thereof, "regarding the various estates and interests of the parties and payable out of."

Page 4, line 44, after the first "and" strike out to "be" in the 48th line, and insert in lieu thereof, "the second, fourth and sixth sections of the Statute passed in the thirty-second year of the reign of King Henry the eighth, chapter nine."

Page 5, line 13, before "purchaser" insert "tax," and strike out from "purchaser" to "is."

Page 5, line 14, before "purchaser" insert "tax."

Page 5, line 15, before "purchaser" strike out to "has" in 16th line.

Page 5, line 16, strike out "*bona fide*" twice.

Page 5, line 19, before "purchaser" insert "tax" and strike out "or person."

Page 5, line 26, before "purchaser" insert "tax," and strike out from "purchaser" to the first "and" in line 27.

Page 5, line 56, strike out "and on hearing such parties."

Page 6, line 33, strike out "on hearing such parties."

Page 7, strike out the 13th clause, and substitute as follows:—

"No valid contract entered into between any tax purchaser and original owner in regard to any lands sold or assumed to have been sold for arrears of taxes as to purchase, lease, or otherwise, shall be annulled or interfered with by this Act, but such contract shall remain in force, and all consequences thereof at law or in equity, as to admission of title or otherwise, as if this Act had not been passed."

Page 8, strike out the 14th clause and substitute the 15th clause therefore.

Page 8, line 19, before "purchaser" insert "tax," and strike out from "purchaser" to the first "is" in line 21.

Page 8, line 22, before "purchaser" insert "tax," and strike out from "purchaser" to "shall" in line 23.

Page 8, strike out clause 16, and substitute the following as clause 15:—

"In the construction of this Act, occupation by a tenant shall be deemed the occupation of the reversioner, and the words tax purchaser shall apply to any person who purchased heretofore at any sale under colour of any Statute authorizing sales of lands for taxes in arrear, and include and extend to all persons claiming through or under him; and the words 'original owner' shall include and extend to any person who at the time of such sale was legally interested in or entitled to the lands sold or assumed to be sold, and all persons claiming through or under him."

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Coyne* reported the Bill with Amendments. The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 89), Respecting proceedings in Judges' Chambers at Common Law

(*In the Committee.*)

Page 1, line 39, strike out "courts," and insert "Court of Queen's Bench."

Page 2, line 5, strike out "respectively."

Page 2, line 6, strike out "courts," and insert "Court of Queen's Bench."

Page 2, line 11, before "courts" insert "respective."

Page 2, line 32, after "by" add "the said."

Page 2, line 37, after the first "the" insert "said."

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Lount* reported the Bill with, Amendments. The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 90), To amend the Act respecting Tavern and Shop Licenses, having been read,—

And debate having arisen,—

Ordered, That the debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

Bill (No. 92), To amend the 25th sec., cap. 21 and 32 *Vie.*, intituled, "An Act respecting the Election of Members of the Legislative Assembly," was read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 100), To remunerate certain Members of the Court of Error and Appeal,

(*In the Committee.*)

Line 15. Leave out from "The" to "Chancery" inclusive, and insert in line 18, "The Chief Justice of Appeal and the Judges of the Court of Error and Appeal, being Commissioners as aforesaid."

Line 21. Fill blank with "one thousand," and after "dollars" insert "each."

Line 24. Leave out all after "period" to end of Act.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Hays* reported the Bill, with Amendments. The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 50), Respecting the Fair Ground of the County of *Oxford* ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Gow* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 48), To incorporate the *Kingston* and *Madoc* Railway Company ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Rykert* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 42), To provide for the conveyance of land sold by the late *Z. S. M. Hersey*, and to authorize the sale of certain village lots belonging to his estate ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Ferguson* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 54), To consolidate the debt of the Town of *Peterborough* and to authorize the issue of debentures on the security of Town Property and for other purposes ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Rykert* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 57), To legalize, confirm and establish the re-survey of the Town of *Chatham*, in the Province of *Ontario*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Eyre* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 58), To enable the Corporation of the Town of *Chatham* to dispose of certain lands; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Baxter* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered,—That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 62), To exempt from Municipal Taxation, for a certain period therein mentioned, a Sugar Refinery proposed to be erected in the City of *Toronto*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Boyd* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1870, the following sums:—

2. To defray the expenses of Lieutenant-Governor's Office, as follows:—

Private Secretary, Salary.....	\$800 00
Chief Clerk, do	1,200 00
Messenger, do	400 00
Contingencies	300 00

Total..... \$2,700 00

3. To defray the expenses of the Executive Council Office, as follows:—

Clerk, Salary	\$400 00
Caretaker, Salary.....	365 00
Messenger, part Salary.....	250 00
Rent, \$200; fuel, \$100; gas, \$50; water, \$15; incidentals, including repairs, \$50.....	415 00
Contingencies	600 00

Total..... \$2,030 00

4. To defray the expenses of the Attorney-General's Office, as follows:—

Attorney-General (as Premier), Salary.....	\$4,000 00
Chief Clerk, do	1,200 00
Second do do	700 00
Messenger, part do	250 00
Towards establishing a Law Library.....	1,000 00
Rent, \$200; fuel, \$100; gas, \$50; water, \$15; incidentals, including repairs, \$50.....	415 00
Contingencies	600 00

Total..... \$8,165 00

5. To defray the expenses of the Treasury Department, as follows:—

Treasurer, Salary.....	3,200 00
Chief Clerk, Audit Branch, Salary.....	1,200 00
Accountant do	1,200 00
Book-keeper, Audit Branch do	900 00

Law Stamp and Junior Audit Clerk, Salary.....	\$700 00
Recording and Correspondence Clerk do	500 00
Messenger do	365 00
One-third of the carpenter's work, tinsmithing, plumbing, gas-fitting, painting, glazing, bricklayer's and plas- terer's work, fuel, water, cleaning, incidentals, and salaries of housekeeper (\$400), and fireman (\$365) for east wing.....	1,075 00
Contingencies.....	2,000 00
Total	\$11,140 00

6. To defray the expenses of the Secretary and Registrar's Office, as follows :—

Secretary and Registrar, Salary.....	3,200 00
Assistant Secretary and Deputy Registrar, Salary.....	2,000 00
First Clerk, Salary	900 00
Clerk do	900 00
Do do	730 00
Do do	500 00
Do do	400 00
Messenger, do	365 00
One-third of the Carpenter's Work, Tinsmithing, Plum- bing, Gas-fitting, Painting, Glazing, Bricklayer's and Plasterers' Work, Fuel, Water, Cleaning, Incidentals, and Salaries of House Keeper (\$400), and Fireman (\$365), for east wing.....	1,075 00
Contingencies.....	1,700 00
Total	\$11,770 00

7. To defray the expenses of the Department of Agriculture and Public Works, as follows :—

Commissioner, Salary	3,200 00
Architect and Engineer, Salary, \$2,200 (\$400 to be paid out of Provincial Lunatic Asylum Estimate).....	1,800 90
Assistant Engineer, Salary	1,600 00
Secretary of Public Works, Salary.....	1,200 00
Secretary of Agriculture and Arts, Salary.....	800 00
Accountant, Salary	1,000 00
Messenger, do	365 00
One-third of the carpenters' work, tinsmithing, plumbing, gasfitting, painting and glazing, bricklayers' and plas- terers' work, fuel, water, cleaning, incidentals and salaries of Housekeeper (\$400) and Fireman (\$365) for east wing.....	1,075 00
Contingencies	2,500 00
Total	\$13,540 00

8. To defray the expenses of the Crown Lands Department, as follows :—

Commissioner, Salary	\$3,200 00
Assistant Commissioner, Salary.....	2,600 00
Clerk, Salary	1,400 00
Free Grants and Sales Branch :—	
Chief Clerk, Salary	\$1,800 00
Clerk do	1,500 00
do do	1,200 00
do do	1,100 00
do do	500 00
	6,100 00

Surveys, Patent and Roads Branch :—

Chief Clerk, Salary	\$1,800 00	
Clerk, do	1,280 00	
do do	800 00	
do do	1,400 00	
do do	900 00	
do do	730 00	
		6,910 00

Woods and Forests Branch :—

Chief Clerk, Salary	\$1,600 00	
Clerk, do	1,240 00	
do do	500 00	
do do	365 00	
		3,705 00

Accounts Branch :—

Accountant, Salary	\$1,800 00	
Clerk and Book-keeper, Salary	900 00	
Two Clerks, at \$800 each do	1,600 00	
		4,300 00

Registrar	1,400 00
Caretaker	500 00
Messenger	450 00
Contingencies	8,000 00
Repairs to Buildings, viz : carpenter's work, \$200 ; tinsmithing and hardware, \$60 ; plumbing and gas-fitting, \$100 ; painting and glazing, \$60 ; bricklayers and plasterers' work, \$60 ; fuel, \$1,000 ; water, \$100 ; incidentals, \$100	1,680 00

Total\$40,245 00

9. To defray Miscellaneous expenses, as follows :—

To cover gratuities to public officers whose services may be dispensed with.....	7,000 00
Inspector of Prisons, Salary.....	2,000 00
Do travelling expenses and contingencies.....	650 00
Do for Salary of Copying Clerk.....	400 00
Auditor, Salary.....	2,000 00
Do Contingencies	50 00
Inspector of Registry Offices, Salary.....	2,000 00
Queen's Printer, Salary.....	800 00
Do Contingencies	75 00
Cost of <i>Official Gazette</i>	3,990 00
Expenses of Arbitration.....	10,000 00

Total\$28,965 00

10. To defray the expenses of Legislation, as follows :—

Mr. Speaker's Salary.....	1,000 00
Clerk of the House, Salary.....	1,400 00
Assistant Clerk and Accountant, Salary.....	\$1,200 00
Clerk of Private Bills, do	1,200 00
Law Clerk, do	1,000 00
Office Clerk, do	800 00
Clerk of Routine and Records, do	600 00
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, do	400 00
Sergeant-at-Arms, do	400 00
Junior Clerk, do	500 00

Housekeeper and Chief Messenger, Salary.....	500 00
Three Messengers at \$1 per diem each.....	1,095 00
Fireman.....	365 00
Night Watchman.....	365 00
Sessional Writers, Messengers and Pages.....	2,000 00
Postages, and cost of House Post Office.....	2,500 00
Stationery, including Printing Paper, Printing and Binding.....	10,000 00
Printing, Binding and Distributing the Statutes.....	2,800 00
Expenses of Elections.....	1,000 00
Increase of Library.....	1,000 00
Indemnity to Members, including mileage.....	38,900 00
Contingencies.....	2,000 00
Repairs to Parliament Buildings.—Carpenter's work, \$400 ; Tinsmithing and Hardware, \$80 ; Smith's Work, in- cluding Vault in Clerk's Office, \$200 ; Plumbing and Gas Fitting, \$100 ; Reflector and Ventilator in Post Office and Wardrobe Room, \$400 ; Painting and Glazing, \$80 ; Bricklayers' and Plasterers' Work, \$80 ; Fuel, \$1,100 ; Gas and other lighting, \$1,500 ; Water, \$350 ; Levelling grounds, \$200 ; Incidentals, \$100...	4,590 00
Total	\$75,615 00

11. To defray the expenses of the construction and repairs of
Colonization Roads.....\$50,000 00

12. To defray the expenses of the Court of Chancery, as follows :—

Master's Salary.....	2,240 00
Taxing Officer.....	1,600 00
Senior Clerk, Master's Office, Salary	1,000 00
Junior do do do do	900 00
Registrar.....	1,840 00
Clerk, Registrar's Office, Salary	1,000 00
Do do do do	1,000 00
Do do do do	1,000 00
Entering Clerk do do	600 00
Do do do	500 00
Surrogate Court Clerk, do	1,600 00
Usher and House Keeper	450 00
Messenger.....	365 00
Contingencies (and extra Clerk hire)	1,664 00
Total	\$15,759 00

13. To defray the expenses of the Court of Queen's Bench, as follows :—

Clerk, Salary.....	1,840 00
Senior Clerk, Salary	1,200 00
Junior do do	1,000 00
Clerk of Process, Salary.....	1,400 00
House Keeper and Messenger, do	500 00
Usher and Crier, do	160 00
Assistant Messenger do	160 00
Contingencies	690 00
Total.....	\$6,950 00

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14. To defray the expenses of the Court of Common Pleas, as follows :—
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| Clerk, Salary..... | 1,840 00 |
| Senior Clerk, Salary..... | 1,200 00 |
| Junior do do | 1,000 00 |
| Usher and Crier, Salary..... | 160 00 |
| Contingencies..... | 450 00 |
| Total..... | \$4,650 00 |
15. To defray the expenses of Criminal Justice, as follows :—
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| Crown Counsel Prosecutions..... | 10,000 00 |
| Administration of Criminal Justice..... | 110,000 00 |
| Special Services..... | 2,000 00 |
| Total | \$122,000 00 |
16. To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Justice, as follows :—
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| Deputy Clerks of the Crown and Pleas, Salaries..... | 12,100 00 |
| To meet the expenditure on account of the Administration
of Justice in the Districts of Algoma, Nipissing and
Muskoka, and other services | 17,900 00 |
| Repairs to Osgoode Hall..... | 500 00 |
| Seals and other Contingencies | 200 00 |
| To the Chief Justice and each of the other Judges of the
Court of Error and Appeal for services therein, and as
Heir and Devisee Commissioners—ten at \$1,000 each. | 10,000 00 |
| For certain special services..... | |
| To Recorders for the loss of their offices, \$1,000 each | 4,000 00 |
| Total | \$44,700 00 |
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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*, reported the Resolutions ; also, That he was directed to move that the Committee have leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That this House will again resolve itself into the said Committee To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 11.40 P.M.

Wednesday, 15th December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Fraser*—The Petition of *Josias Gillard* and others, of *Haldimand*.

By Mr. *Luton*—The Petition of *George Laing* and others ; also, the Petition of *Sylvester Cook* and others, all of *Bayham* ; also, the Petition of *D. Sutherland* and others, of *Orwell*.

By Mr. *McColl (Elgin)*—The Petition of *J. W. Stewart* and others, of *Elgin*.

By Mr. *Smith (Kent)*—The Petition of the County Council of *Kent* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Tilbury East* ; also, the Petition of the Township Council of *Romney*.

By Mr. *Ferrier*—The Petition of the Township Council of *Erin*.

By Mr. *Cockburn*—The Petition of the Township Council of *Eldon*.

By Mr. *McLeod*—The Petition of *Thomas Peters* and others ; also, the Petition of *William Eyre*, the younger, and others, all of *Cavan* ; also, the Petition of *Francis Stewart* and others, of *Manvers* ; also, the Petition of *Ira Davidson* and others, of *Clarke*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *John Carruthers* and others, of *Kingston* ; also, of the County Council of the United Counties of *Lennox* and *Addington*, severally praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Law.

Of the Township Council of *Kaladar* ; also, of the Township Council of *Tay* ; also, of the Township Council of the united Townships of *Tudor* and *Wollaston* ; also, of *William Buchanan*, sen., and others, of *Holland* ; also, of the Township Council of *Holland*, severally praying for participation in the Land Improvement Fund.

The Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Railways, presented their Sixth Report as to the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the *Canada Air Line Railway Company* (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 36), To amend the Act incorporating the *Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company*, and to change its name to the *Canada Southern Railway Company* (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 44), To incorporate the *Canada South-Western Air Line Railway Company* (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 45), To enable *Donald Alexander Macdonald* to construct a canal in the Township of *Kenyon* (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 69), To amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway Company* (with Amendments).

Also ; That the Committee recommend that the time for the consideration of Bills now before the Committee, be extended until Monday next.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, presented their Seventh Report as to the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 95), To amend the Act of incorporation of the *Cobourg Cemetery Company* ; and to extend to said Company the provisions of Chapter 67, Con. Stat. of *Upper Canada* (without Amendment).

Bill (No. 68), To confirm certain Side Roads in the Township of *Tilbury East*, and to provide for the defining of other road allowances and lines in the said Township (without Amendment) .

Bill (No. 88), For the relief of the representatives of the late *David B. Ogden Ford* (with Amendments).

Also ; That the Committee recommend that the time for the consideration of Bills now before the Committee, be extended until Monday next.

Bill (No. 107), intituled, “An Act to provide for the organization of the Territorial District of *Parry Sound*,” was introduced and read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Wood*,—

Ordered, That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee on Private Bills, and of the Committee on Railways, the time for receiving Reports from the said Committees be extended till Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Ferguson*, seconded by Mr. *Lount*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a Statement shewing the several amounts, or approximate amounts, received by the Crown Lands Department from the sale or disposal of timber, lying, growing or being on the several road allowances in the several municipal corporations of, or in *Ontario*, during the past three years ; the corporations from which the said timber was, or is being taken, and the names of the several parties to whom the same was sold.

On motion of Mr. *Carnegie*, seconded by Mr. *Read*,—

Ordered, That Mr. *Calvin* be added to the Select Committee on Bill (No. 8), Law Reform Amendment Act.

On motion of Mr. *Beatty*, seconded by Mr. *Lauder*,—

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House copies of all Orders in Council affecting certain lands known as the *Dorchester* Glebes, and also all correspondence relating to the same.

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

Bill (No. 50), Respecting the Fair Ground of the County of *Oxford*.

Bill (No. 48), To incorporate the *Kingston* and *Madoc* Railway Company.

Bill (No. 42), To provide for the conveyance of land sold by the late *Z. S. M. Hersey*, and to authorize the sale of certain village lots belonging to his estate.

Bill (No. 54), To consolidate the Debt of the Town of *Peterborough*, and to authorize the issue of debentures on the security of Town Property, and for other purposes.

Bill (No. 57), To legalize, confirm and establish the re-survey of the Town of *Chatham*, in the Province of *Ontario*.

Bill (No. 58), To enable the Corporation of the Town of *Chatham* to dispose of certain lands.

Bill (No. 62), To exempt from Municipal Taxation for a certain period therein mentioned a Sugar Refinery proposed to be erected in the City of *Toronto*.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 100), To remunerate certain members of the Court of Error and Appeal, having been read,—

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,—

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and that the Bill be re-committed forthwith to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to amend the same.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Page 1, line 1, omit from “Whereas” to “Therefore” in line 7, inclusive.

Omit clause 2, and insert the following :—

2. “The Chief Justice of Appeal and the other members of the Court of Error and Appeal, being also Commissioners under the Heir, Devisee and Assignee Commission for the time being, shall be paid for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy, and for every year thereafter, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, the sum of one thousand dollars each, to be paid quarterly on the last days of each of the months of March, June, September and December, in each year, free and clear from all taxes and deductions whatever, and so in proportion for any broken period.”

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Greeley* reported the Bill, with Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

The Hon. Attorney-General *Macdonald* moved, seconded by the Hon. Mr. *Cameron*,—That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. *Boyd* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *McDougall*,—

That all the words after “That,” be omitted, and the following substituted, “it is inexpedient for this Province to charge the Revenue with the proposed payment of ten thousand dollars to the Judges.”

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Cook.</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Springer.—24.</i>

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>	<i>Wood.—45.</i>
<i>Currie,</i>			

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

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

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution with reference to Tolls to be levied at *Collingwood*, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 41), To amend the Law relating to Bills of Lading.

(*In the Committee.*)

Line 36, after "board," insert, "or unless the said Bill of Lading has a stipulation "to the contrary."

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Greeley* reported the Bill, with an Amendment.

The Amendment, having been read the second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 34), To amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto* and *Nipissing* Railway Company; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Coyne* reported the Bill, with Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into Committee to consider Bill (No. 40), To amend the Act incorporating the President, Directors and Company of the *Port Credit* Harbour; and,

after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Hays* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 6), To prohibit the sale or gift of Intoxicating Liquors to persons in their minority, and others, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 90), To amend the Act respecting Tavern and Shop Licenses, having been read,

Mr. *Ferguson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Coyne*,

That the Bill be now read the second time.

Mr. *Oliver* moved in amendment, that all the words after "That" be left out, and the following substituted, "the said Bill be not now read, but that it be read the second time "this day six months."

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

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McKellar)</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>McCull (Elgin),</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Wilson.—29.</i>
<i>Currie,</i>			

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Cook,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wood.—42.</i>
<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Hays,</i>		

The original Motion, having been then put, was carried, and the Bill read the second time.

Referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows:—The Honourable Mr. *Wood*, Messrs. *Cumberland*, *Springer*, *Corby*, *Ferrier*, *Matchett*, *Finlayson*, *Perry*, and *Ferguson*,

The following Bills were severally read the second time:—

Bill (No. 99), To amend the Act chapter sixty-nine of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, relating to the holding and conveying of real estate by the Religious Bodies mentioned therein.

Referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows:—The Honourable Mr. *Cameron*, Messrs. *Scott (Ottawa)*, *Boyd*, *Coyne*, *Beatty* and *Lauder*.

Bill (No. 101), To amend 31 *Vic.*, cap. 30, of the Statutes of *Ontario*, intituled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths."

Referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows :—The Honourable Mr. *Cameron*, Messrs. *Scott (Ottawa)*, *Lount*, *Pardee*, *McDougall*, *Fraser* and *Boyd*.

Bill (No. 102), To amend and extend the provisions of the Act cap. 30, Con. Stat. *U. C.*, respecting Interpleading.

Referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows :—The Honourable Messrs. *Richards* and *Cameron*, Messrs. *Lount*, *Lauder* and *Clarke*.

Bill (No. 27), To permit Solemn Declarations to be substituted for Oaths in certain cases.

Referred to a Select Committee, composed as follows :—The Honourable Mr. *Richards*, Messrs. *Blake*, *Galbraith*, *Oliver* and *Greeley*.

Bill (No. 35), To legalize the amalgamation of the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company, and the *Marmora* Iron Company.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 59), To incorporate the *Ottawa* Ladies' College.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 60), To incorporate the *Ontario* Peat Company.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 64), To amend the Act incorporating the Wesleyan Female College of *Hamilton*.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 65), To authorize the closing of certain Streets in *Elora*, in conformity with a By-law of the said Village.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 67), To empower the *Ottawa* Mechanics' Institute and Athenæum, and the *Ottawa* Natural History Society, to amalgamate into one corporate body, under the name of "The *Ottawa* Literary and Scientific Society."

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 70), To facilitate the withdrawal of the Town of *Perth*, in the County of *Lanark*, from the jurisdiction of the Council of the County of *Lanark*, and to provide for the liability of the Town for its share of the County debt.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 78), To confirm and legalize a sale and conveyance by the Church Society of the Diocese of *Huron*, of certain premises in the Town of *Galt*, to the Reverend *Michael Boomer*, D.D.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 79), To authorize the Church Society of the Diocese of *Huron*, to sell certain Church Land in the Township of *Goderich*

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 83), To incorporate the *Weston* Church School.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 105), To extend the time for the Registration of Conveyances to Religious Institutions in *Ontario*.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 106), To make further provision for carrying out the Law Reform Act of 1868, and to regulate proceedings on Writs of Error and *Certiorari*.

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Bill (No. 103), To amend an Act passed in the 32nd year of the reign of Her Majesty, intituled, "An Act to amend chap. 15 of the Con. Stat., *U. C.*, intituled An Act respecting County Courts."

Referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 10.30 P.M.

Thursday, 16th December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Blake*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Carrick*

By Mr. *Rykert*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Grantham*.

By Mr. *Wilson*,—The Petition of *James Houghton* and others, of *Waterford*.

By Mr. *Beatty*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Fort Erie*.

By Mr. *Strange*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Portsmouth*.

By Mr. *Sexton*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Saltfleet*.

By Mr. *Lauder*,—The Petition of *Samuel McArdle* and others, of *Proton*.

By Mr. *Luton*,—The Petition of *Thomas Arkell* and others, also, the Petition of *Alexander F. Hanvey* and others, also, the Petition of *James Carrie* and others, also, the Petition of *John Coyne* and others, all of *St. Thomas* ; also, the Petition of *Fernando D. Van Patter* and others, of *Aylmer* ; also, The Petition of *Amasa Lewis* and others, of *Malahide*.

By Mr. *Hays*,—Three Petitions of the County Council of *Huron*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Northern Railway Company, praying that no Act may pass to incorporate the *Port Hope, Beaverton and Lindsay Railway Company*.

Of the County Council of *Wellington*, praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Law.

Of the County Council of *Wellington*, praying for participation in the Land Improvement Fund.

Of the County Council of *Huron* ; also, of the Township Council of *Stafford*, severally praying for the re-establishment of the Land Improvement Fund.

Of *D. N. Moore* and others, of *St. John's* ; also, of *Arthur Murray* and others, of *Stamford* ; also, of *John McKillop* and others, of *Elgin* ; also, of *W. H. Robinson* and others, of *Welland* ; also, of *Charles Rowles* and others, of *Caradoc* ; also, of *W. Treble* and others, of *Fort Erie* ; also, of *Christopher Zuitel* and others, of *Fort Erie* ; also, of *A. Bender* and others, of *Crowland* ; also, of *Hugh Clarke* and others of *Crowland*, severally praying that no charter be granted for the construction of a Railway from *Glencoe* to *Niagara River*.

Of *Henry Munro* and others, of *Clarke* ; also, of the Honourable *John Simpson* and others, of *Darlington* ; also of *John Hughes* and others, of *Cartwright* ; also, of *William Draper* and others, of *Alnwick* ; also, of the Township Council of *Darlington* ; also, of the Township Council of *Cartwright* ; also, of *John F. Robson* and others, of *Newcastle* ; also, of the Village Council of *Newcastle* ; also, of *Robert Magill* and others, of *Manvers* ; also, of the Town Council of *Hamilton* ; also, of *John Thackeray* and others, of *Alnwick* ; also, of *David Fisher* and others, of *Bowmanville*, severally praying that no Act may pass to separate the Counties of *Northumberland and Durham*.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, presented their Eighth Report as to the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 77), To incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Toronto Wharf and Warehousing Company* (with Amendments.)

Bill (No. 55), To appoint Trustees for certain lands belonging to the Presbyterian Church, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, in the Township of *Asphodel* and *Dummer*, in the County of *Peterborough* (with Amendments.)

Also :—That the Committee recommend that the fees, except actual expenses, be remitted upon said Bill (No. 55.)

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Railways, presented a Report supplementary to their Report No. 6, as to the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 98) To revive, for a limited purpose, the charter of the *Hamilton and Port Dover* Railway Company (without Amendments.)

Bill (No. 108), intituled, "Act to amend the Act for the further improvement of Grammar Schools in *Upper Canada* (now *Ontario*)," was introduced, and read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Carnegie*, seconded by Mr. *Christie*,—

Ordered, That the evidence taken before the Select Committee on *Upper Canada* College, and the Returns laid before the same, be printed for the use of the Committee, and that Rule 30 be suspended.

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

Bill (No. 34), To amend the Act incorporating the *Toronto and Nipissing* Railway Company.

Bill (No. 40), To amend the Act incorporating the President, Directors and Company of the *Port Credit* Harbour.

Bill (No. 41), To amend the Law relating to Bills of Lading.

Bill (No. 89), Respecting Proceedings in Judges' Chambers at Common Law.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself again into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 74), Respecting the establishment of Public Fairs, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 105), To extend the time for the Registration of Conveyances to Religious Institutions in *Ontario*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Lauder* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 35), To legalize the amalgamation of the *Cobourg and Peterborough* Railway Company, and the *Mormora* Iron Company; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hays* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 59), To incorporate the *Ottawa Ladies' College*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Rykert* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 60), To incorporate the *Ontario* Peat Company; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Beatty* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 64), To amend the Act incorporating the Wesleyan Female College of *Hamilton*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Boyd* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 65), To authorize the closing of certain Streets in *Elora*, in conformity with a By-law of the said Village; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Lauder* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 67), To empower the *Ottawa Mechanics' Institute* and *Athenæum*, and the *Ottawa Natural History Society*, to amalgamate into one corporate body, under the name of "The *Ottawa Literary and Scientific Society*;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Ferguson* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 70), To facilitate the withdrawal of the Town of *Perth*, in the County of *Lanark*, from the jurisdiction of the Council of the County of *Lanark*, and to provide for the liability of the Town for its share of the county debt; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Gow* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 78), To confirm and legalize a sale and conveyance by the Church Society of the Diocese of *Huron*, of certain premises in the Town of *Galt*, to the Reverend *Michael Boomer*, D.D.; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Rykert* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 79), To authorize the Church Society of the Diocese of *Huron* to sell certain Church Land in the Township of *Goderich*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Rykert* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 83), To incorporate the *Weston Church School*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Cockburn* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 103), To amend an Act passed in the 32nd year of the Reign of Her Majesty, intituled "An Act to amend chap. 15 of the Con. Stat., U.C., intituled 'An Act respecting County Courts';" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Coyne* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 106), To make further provision for carrying out the Law Reform Act of 1868, and to regulate proceedings on Writs of Error and *Certiorari*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Eyre* reported the Bill, without Amendments.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow:—

Bill (No. 36), To amend the Act incorporating the *Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company*, and to change its name to the *Canada Southern Railway Company*.

Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the *Canada Air Line Railway Company*.

Bill (No. 44), To incorporate the *Canada South-Western Air Line Company*.

Bill (No. 45), To enable *Donald Alexander Macdonald* to construct a canal in the Township of *Kenyon*.

Bill (No. 68), To confirm certain side roads in the Township of *Tilbury East*, and to provide for the defining of other road allowances and lines in the said Township.

Bill (No. 69), To amend the Act 31 Vic., cap. 40, intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway Company*," and the Act 32 Vic., cap. 82, amending the same.

Bill (No. 88), To amend an Act, intituled "An Act for the relief of the representatives of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*."

Bill (No. 95), To amend the Act of incorporation of the *Cobourg Cemetery Company*, and to extend to said Company the provisions of chapter sixty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes.

Bill (No. 107), To provide for the organization of the Territorial District of *Parry Sound*.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 80), To make the Benchers of the Law Society elective by the Bar thereof, having been read, and objection having been taken to the Bill, as being of the nature of a Private Bill, and requiring notices,

Mr. Speaker, having been appealed to, decided—

That the Bill was of a private nature, and could not be otherwise entertained.

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there be granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1870, the the following sums :—

17. To defray the expenses of Works at the Lunatic Asylum, *London*, as follows :—

Re-vote, unexpended balance of 1869	25,205 92
New appropriation for building.....	150,000 00
Furniture.....	15,000 00

Total.....\$190,205 92

18. To defray the expenses of works at the Lunatic Asylum, *Toronto*, as follows :—

Re-vote, unexpended balance, building.....	\$12,147 94
do Furniture.....	8,985 00
New appropriations—Walls across corridors in main building.....	2,000 00
Wood and coal sheds	2,000 00
Tramway and waggon from wood and coal sheds to building.....	500 00
Fitting up present wood sheds as amusement halls, and removing old coal sheds	500 00

Total.....\$26,132 94

19. To defray the expenses of works at the Deaf and Dumb Institution, *Belleville*, as follows :—

Re-vote, unexpended balance, building	\$34,219 98
New appropriation—furniture.....	6,500 00

Total.....\$40,719 98

20. To defray the expenses of the construction of an Asylum for the Blind, and purchase of the necessary land.....\$75,000 00

21. To defray the expenses of works at the Government House, *Toronto*.
(Re-vote, unexpended balance).....\$33,001 83

22. To defray the expenses of works at the Reformatory, <i>Penetanguishene</i> , as follows :—		
Re-vote, workshops and water supply.....	5,000	00
New appropriation, dormitories.....	3,000	00
Total.....	\$8,000	00
23. To defray the expenses of drains, alteration of iron doors, furniture, &c., in Court House and Gaol, <i>Sault Ste. Marie</i>		
	\$2,500	00
24. To defray the expenses of the construction of a Lock on Rosseau River, <i>Muskoka</i> (Re-vote, unexpended balance).....		
	\$28,046	14
25. To defray the expenses of the construction of a Lock at <i>Young's Point</i> (Re-vote, unexpended balance).....		
	\$19,244	55
26. To defray the expenses of the construction of a Lock between <i>Balsam</i> and <i>Cameron</i> Lakes ; (re-vote, unexpended balance)		
	\$19,670	45
27. To defray the expenses of works for the improvement of navigation, <i>Scugog</i> River, as follows :—		
Re-building wooden lock, <i>Lindsay</i>	13,500	00
Dredging River <i>Scugog</i>	5,000	00
Swing bridge.....	2,500	00
Total.....	\$21,000	00
28. To defray the expenses of the Cut between Lakes <i>Joseph</i> and <i>Rosseau</i>		
	\$10,000	00
29. To defray the expenses of a new road between <i>Washago</i> and <i>Gravenhurst</i>		
	\$25,000	00
30. To defray the expenses of surveys and drainage of swamp lands.....		
	\$200,000	00
31. To defray the expenses of surveys, inspections, arbitrations and awards, and charges not otherwise provided for.....		
	\$4,000	00
32. To defray the expenses of repairs to, and maintenance of <i>Brock's</i> Monument and grounds adjacent.....		
	\$1,000	00
	\$5,000	00
33. To defray the expenses of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum, <i>Toronto</i> , as follows :—		
Medicines and medical comforts.....	260	00
Beer, Wine, and Spirits.....	2,940	00
Food	32,670	00
Bedding and Clothing.....	6,000	00
Fuel, Light, and Scrubbing.....	14,220	00
Laundry.....	837	00
Repairs, ordinary.....	2,000	00
Furniture, Stationery, and other contingencies.....	5,000	00
Salaries and Wages, viz :—		
Medical Superintendent.....	2,000	00
Bursar.....	1,200	00
Assistant Medical Superintendent.....	1,000	00
Clinical Assistant.....	\$300	00
Architect.....	400	00
Steward.....	600	00
Matron.....	300	00
Engineer.....	740	00
Assistant Engineer.....	432	00
Two Carpenters, employed by the day.....	1,000	00
Tailor.....	264	00
Fireman.....	264	00

Porter.....	240 00
Baker	240 00
Gardener and Gatekeeper.....	216 00
Do	192 00
Farmer.....	216 00
Do	192 00
Two Night Watchmen.....	432 00
Two Supervisors.....	480 00
Two do	432 00
Three Keepers, at \$18 per month.....	648 00
Five do \$16 do	960 00
Four do \$14 do	672 00
Cook.....	192 00
Seamstress.....	96 00
Two Night Nurses.....	192 00
Two Female Cooks.....	168 00
One do	72 00
Two Servants to Cook.....	144 00
Assistant Matron.....	144 00
One Laundress, Head.....	84 00
Five Laundresses, at \$72 each.....	360 00
Four Female Keepers, at \$84 each.....	336 00
Ten do do \$72 do	720 00
Three Housemaids, \$72 do	216 00
One Kitchen Maid.....	72 00
Matron (to be 2nd Assistant Matron).....	160 00
Two Keepers, at \$16 per month.....	384 00
Four Female Keepers, at \$72 per annum.....	288 00
Cook, \$84 ; Housemaid, \$72.....	156 00
Assistant Fireman.....	216 00
do Steward.....	300 00
Male Supervisor	240 00
Female "	84 00
Eight Keepers, at \$192 per annum each, for six months.....	768 00
Laundry, Kitchen and other domestics.....	438 00
Total.....	\$83,177 00

34. To defray the expenses of *Malden Asylum*, as follows :—

Medicines and medical comforts.....	150 00
Beer, wine, and spirits.....	800 00
Food	10,840 00
Bedding, clothing, boots and shoes.....	4,050 00
Farm, stock, feed and implements.....	700 00
Fuel, light and cleaning	2,200 00
Repairs, ordinary.....	300 00
Furniture and household goods	725 00
Printing, stationery, freight, instruction and amusement, postages, travelling expenses, removal of patients, &c., &c.....	\$1,580 00
Laundry.....	150 00
Salaries and Wages, viz:—	
Medical Superintendent.....	1,400 00
Steward.....	300 00
Book-keeper.....	450 00
Carpenter, at \$1.50 per day.....	298 00
Baker	216 00

Engineer.....	216 00
Gardener.....	192 00
Farmer.....	192 00
Matron.....	240 00
Seamstress.....	120 00
Head male keeper.....	240 00
Night Watchman (without board)	336 00
Nine Male Keepers, at \$192 each.....	1,728 00
One do	168 00
One Female Night Watch.....	120 00
One do Head Keeper.....	144 00
Ten do Keepers, at \$72 each.....	720 00
One do do	60 00
One do Servant.....	48 00
One do do.....	48 00
Laundress.....	120 00
Three Laundry Maids, at \$72 each....	216 00
Cook.....	120 00
Three Assistant Cooks and Kitchen Girls, at \$72 each.....	216 00
To meet contingencies of temporary employment...	92 00
Total	\$29,495 00

35. To defray the expenses of *Orillia* Asylum, as follows :—

Food	7,580 00
Beer, wine and spirits.....	925 00
Medicines and medical comforts.....	50 00
Clothing, bedding, boots and shoes.....	1,525 00
Fuel and light.....	1,050 00
Farm, feed and implements.....	260 00
Repairs, ordinary.....	200 00
Steam-pump, rent, water supply, postages, stationery, and other incidentals.....	708 00

Salaries and Wages, *viz* :—

Medical Superintendent.....	1,400 00
Clerk.....	300 00
Stewart.....	360 00
Engineer.....	600 00
Matron.....	160 00
Night Watchman.....	216 00
Supervisor.....	204 00
Farmer.....	204 00
Three Keepers, at \$192 each.....	576 00
Night Nurse.....	96 00
Cook.....	84 00
Supervisor, female	\$84 00
Laundress.....	84 00
Five Nurses and attendants, at \$72 each.....	360 00

Total \$17,026 00

36. To defray the expenses of *Rockwood* Asylum (average of 200 patients, at \$143 each).....\$28,600 00

37. To defray the expenses of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum from 1st September, to the end of the year, for Salaries and maintenance... \$5,000 00

38. To defray the expenses of the Reformatory at *Penetanguishene*, as follows:—

Rations.....	5,548 00
Clothing and bedding, boots and shoes.....	3,820 00
Farm account.....	1,080 00
Soap, light and cleaning.....	200 00
Hospital Account.....	200 00
Discharged Convicts travelling allowance.....	320 00
Stationery, postage, freight and charges.....	400 00
Repairs, ordinary.....	500 00
Chapel and school-house.....	250 00
Furniture, rent, tools, shop fixtures, &c.....	790 00

Salaries and Wages, *viz*:—

Warden's Salary.....	1,600 00
Two Chaplains, at \$800 each.....	1,600 00
Deputy warden, clerk and storekeeper.....	720 00
Surgeon.....	400 00
Steward.....	400 00
Eight Keepers, at \$360 each.....	2,880 00
Stable keeper.....	260 00
Two guards, at \$260 each.....	520 00
Two night guards, at \$260 each.....	520 00
Farmer.....	360 00
Temporary assistance.....	110 00

Total\$22,478 00

39. To defray miscellaneous expenses of the Department of Agriculture and Arts, as follows:—

Electoral Division Societies, 73 at \$700	51,100 00
Do do 1 at \$550	550 00
Do do 7 at \$350.....	2,450 00
Fruit Growers' Association.....	350 00
Agricultural Association.....	10,000 00
Mechanics' Institutes.....	5,000 00

Total.....\$69,450 00

40. To defray expenses of Immigration service \$24,700 00

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Scott* (*Ottawa*) reported the Resolutions; also, That the Committee directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Resolved, That this House will again resolve itself into the said Committee To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 11.50 P.M.

Friday, 17th December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Fitzsimmons*,—The Petition of *Joshua Adams* and others, of *Sarnia*.

By Mr. *Sinclair*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Bruce*.

By Mr. *Greeley*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Marysburgh*.

By Mr. *Luton*,—The Petition of *M. L. Aldridge* and others, of *Aylmer*; also, the Petition of *R. J. McNaughton* and others, of *Straffordville*.

By Mr. *Hooper*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Olden*.

By Mr. *Perry*,—The Petition of the County Council of *Oxford*.

By Mr. *Lauder*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Artemesia*.

By Mr. *McKim*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Mount Forest*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *Charles Treble* and others, of *Fort Erie*; also, of *J. W. Stuart* and others, of *Elgin*, severally praying that no charter be granted for the construction of a Railway from *Glencoe* to *Niagara River*.

Of *Ira Davidson* and others, of *Clarke*; also, of *William Eyre, jun.*, and others, of *Cavan*; also, of *Josias Gillard* and others, of *Haldimand*; also, of *Thomas Peters* and others, of *Cavan*; also, of *Francis Stewart* and others, of *Manvers*, praying that no Act may pass to separate the Counties of *Northumberland* and *Durham*.

The Honourable Mr. *McMurrich*, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 97), To amend the *Ontario Medical Act*, reported the Bill (without Amendment).

Mr. *Boyd*, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 12), Registration of Co-Partnerships Act, 1869; and Bill (No. 14), Respecting Public Notice and Registration of Trading Partnerships, reported Bill (No. 12) (with Amendments).

Mr. *Lauder*, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 99), To amend the Act, chapter sixty-nine, of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, relating to the holding and conveying of real estate by the Religious bodies mentioned therein, reported the Bill (with Amendments).

Mr. *Lauder*, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 102), To amend and extend the provisions of the Act, chapter 30, Con. Stats. *U. C.*, respecting Interpleading, reported the Bill, (with Amendments).

Mr. *Clarke*, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 28), To amend the law respecting the powers of Executors and Administrators, reported the Bill, (with Amendments).

Mr. *Trow*, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 17), To amend the Assessment Law; and Bill No. (71), To notify the owners of Lands sold for Taxes of the sale thereof, reported Bill (No. 17), (with Amendments).

Mr. *Trow*, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 23), Respecting Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*, reported the Bill, (with Amendments). Also: Bill (No. 39), To establish Municipal Institutions in the District of *Algoma*, (with Amendments).

Mr. *Carnegie*, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 8), To amend sub-sections 2 and 3 of section 9 of the Law Reform Act of 1868, and to repeal section 2 of cap. 128 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada* (now *Ontario*), reported the Bill, (with Amendments).

The Honourable Mr. *Wood*, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 90), To amend the Act respecting Tavern and Shop Licenses, reported the Bill (with Amendments).

Mr. *McGill*, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 11), To regulate the sale of Poisons, and respecting Chemists, Druggists and Apothecaries, reported the Bill, (with Amendments.)

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Railways, presented their Seventh Report, as to the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 31), To authorize the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton* Railway Company to change the name of their Company, and to extend their line of Railway, and for other purposes (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 46), To incorporate the Mississippi Navigation Company (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 63), To authorize the construction of a Railway from the City of *Hamilton* to *Caledonia*, (with Amendments).

Bill (No. 53), To amend the Act to incorporate the *Peterborough* and *Haliburton* Railway Company (without Amendment).

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, presented their Ninth Report, as to the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 47), To legalize and confirm the survey made by *F. F. Passmore*, Esquire, Provincial Land Surveyor, of the First, Second, Third and Fourth Concessions (old survey) of the Township of *Melancthon*, in the County of *Grey* (without Amendment).

Bill (No. 104), To amend an Act passed in the Session held in the twenty-sixth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, and chapter forty (without Amendment).

Also, That the Committee recommend that the fees, except actual expenses, be remitted upon Bill (No. 76), To authorize the *St. Catharines, Thorold* and Suspension Bridge Road Company to collect tolls upon their road in the Town of *Clifton*, as the Bill has been withdrawn.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Commissioner of Public Works for the Province of *Ontario* for the year 1869.—(*Sessional Papers* No. 6).

Also, Report of the University of *Toronto*, and the Bursar's Statement of cash transactions, &c., for the years ending respectively, the 30th June, 1868, and the 30th June, 1869.—(*Sessional Papers* No. 46).

Also, Report of the *Upper Canada* College, and the Bursar's Statement of cash transactions, &c.; for the years ending respectively, the 30th June, 1868, and the 30th June, 1869.—(*Sessional Papers* No. 47.)

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

Bill (No. 78), To confirm and legalize a sale and conveyance by the Church Society of the Diocese of *Huron*, of certain premises in the Town of *Galt*, to the Reverend *Michael Boomer*, D.D.

Bill (No. 79), To authorize the Church Society of the Diocese of *Huron*, to sell certain Church Land in the Township of *Goderich*.

Bill (No. 106), To make further provision for carrying out the Law Reform Act of 1868, and to regulate proceedings on Writs of Error and *Certiorari*.

Bill (No. 105), To extend the time for the Registration of Conveyances to Religious Institutions in *Ontario*.

Bill (No. 35), To legalize the amalgamation of the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company, and the *Marmora* Iron Company.

Bill (No. 59), To incorporate the *Ottawa* Ladies' College.

Bill (No. 60), To incorporate the *Ontario* Peat Company.

Bill (No. 64), To amend the Act incorporating the Wesleyan Female College of *Hamilton*.

Bill (No. 67), To empower the *Ottawa* Mechanics' Institute and Athenæum, and the

Ottawa Natural History Society, to amalgamate into one corporate body, under the name of "The *Ottawa Literary and Scientific Society*."

Bill (No. 70), To facilitate the withdrawal of the Town of *Perth*, in the County of *Lanark*, from the jurisdiction of the Council of the County of *Lanark*, and to provide for the liability of the Town for its share of the County debt.

Bill (No. 83), To incorporate the *Weston Church School*.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 103), To amend an Act passed in the 32nd year of the reign of Her Majesty, intituled, "An Act to amend chap. 15 of the Con. Stat., *U. C.*, intituled an Act respecting County Courts," having been read,

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* moved, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. *Blake* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,—

That all the words after "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the said Bill be not now read the third time, but be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to amend the same by repealing the Act therein mentioned,"

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

The Bill was then read the third time and passed, on the following division:—

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Lount,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Cook,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Wilson.—70.</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>		

NAYS:—None.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 65), To authorize the closing of certain Streets in *Elora*, in conformity with a By-law of the said Village, having been read,—

Mr. *Ferrier* moved, seconded by Mr. *Colquhoun*,—

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. *Boyd* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Pardee*,—

That all the words after "That" be omitted, and the following substituted:—"it is inexpedient to confirm sales of lands for taxes by a Private Bill affecting only an individual case, in advance of the time now provided by law; as also wrong in principle, on

"the mere ground of individual inconvenience to deprive the owners of such lands of such remedies as the provisions of existing laws confer."

The Amendment, having been put, was lost on a division.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the whole House, on Bill (No. 16), Respecting Sheriffs' Sales for Taxes, having been read,—

The Amendments made in Committee, on Tuesday last, were read the second time, and agreed to.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* moved, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,—

That the Report be adopted.

Mr. *Blake* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,—

That all the words after "Report" be omitted, and the following substituted :—"be not now received, but that the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to amend the second section thereof, by providing that the same shall apply only in case the owner shall not, within one year after the passing of this Act, pay to the Treasurer of the County, for the benefit of the tax purchaser in the said section mentioned, the amount paid at the tax sale, and the subsequent taxes, with interest at ten per cent. per annum, together with compensation for any improvements, if any, made by the tax purchaser."

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Read,</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Springer.—24.</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),—</i>
<i>Cook,</i>			[37.

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wood.—42.</i>
<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Lount,</i>		

The original Motion having been then put,—

Mr. *Pardee* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Fraser*,—

That all the words after "That" be omitted, and the following substituted :—"it is inexpedient to disturb cases already decided and disposed of by the Courts, or to give, by Act of Parliament, claims for compensation in respect of past transactions, and that the Report be not now received, but that the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to strike out the fifth clause thereof,"



And the Amendment, having been put, was carried unanimously.
The House, accordingly, resolved itself into a Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Strike out the 5th clause.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Boyd* reported the Bill, with an Amendment.

The Amendment, having been read the second time, was agreed to.
The original Motion having been then put,—

Mr. *Blake* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,—

That all the words after “Report,” be omitted, and the following substituted: “be not now received, but that the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to amend the same by striking out the word ‘occupation,’ at the end of the first clause, and inserting the word ‘possession’ in lieu thereof.”

And the Amendment, having been put, was carried unanimously.
The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Strike out the word “occupation,” at the end of the first clause, and insert “possession.”

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Boyd* reported the Bill, with an Amendment.

The Amendment, having been read the second time, was agreed to.
The original Motion having been then put,

Mr. *Blake* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,—

That all the words after “Report,” be omitted, and the following substituted:—“be not now received, but that the Bill be referred back to the Committee of the whole House, with instructions:”—

“1. To amend the first clause thereof so as to provide that the tax purchaser therein mentioned shall be entitled to compensation for the amount paid at the tax sale, and the subsequent taxes and interest at ten per cent., and the value of all improvements made by him; and that the title to the land shall not be transferred by Act of the Legislature, from the owner to the tax purchaser, unless default be made in such payment.”

“2. To amend the Bill so that it may not affect the rights of infant owners.”

And the Amendments, having been put, were lost on a division.

The Report was then adopted.

Ordered,—That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

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

The House resolved itself into a Committee, to consider Bill (No. 107), To provide for the organization of the Territorial District of *Parry Sound*.

(In the Committee.)

Page 1, line 39, insert after “islands” “opposite to and.”

Page 1, line 39, strike out “said bay,” and insert “the said District.”

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Monteith* reported the Bill, with Amendments.
The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into Committee to consider Bill

(No. 45), To enable *Donald Alexander Macdonald* to construct a Canal in the Township of *Kenyon*, having been read,—

Mr. *Ferguson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Coyne*,—

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Mr. *Craig* (*Glengarry*), moved, seconded by Mr. *Craig* (*Russell*)—

That all the words after “That” be omitted, and the following substituted, “the House do not now go into Committee, but that it go into Committee to consider said Bill this day three months,”

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

The original Motion having been put, was carried.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McLeod* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 68), To confirm certain side roads in the Township of *Tilbury East*, and to provide for the defining of other road allowances and lines in the said Township; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Grahame* (*York*), reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 88). To amend an Act intituled, “An Act for the relief of the representatives of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Craig* (*Russell*), reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 95), To amend the Act of incorporation of the *Cobourg Cemetery Company*, and to extend to said Company the provisions of chapter sixty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Sexton* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 69), To amend the Act 31 Vic., cap. 40, intituled “An Act to incorporate the *Toronto, Grey and Bruce Railway Company*,” and the Act 32 Vic., cap. 82, amending the same; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McColl* (*Elgin*), reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered,—That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow :—

Bill (No. 55), To appoint Trustees for certain lands belonging to the Presbyterian Church, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, in the Townships of *Asphodel* and *Dummer*, in the County of *Peterborough*.

Bill (No. 77), To incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Toronto Wharf and Warehousing Company*.

Bill (No. 98), To revive for a limited purpose the charter of the *Hamilton and Port Dover Railway Company*.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself again into Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee).

Resolved,—That there be granted to Her Majesty for the service of the year 1870, the following sums :—

41. To defray the expenses of a grant in aid of Hospitals and Charities, as follows:—
(Upon condition that each Institution shall have returned to the Provincial Secretary such particulars for the year 1869, as may be required in the form furnished by him; and be inspected and reported on by the Prison Inspector).

<i>Toronto</i> Hospital	\$6,400 00
<i>Toronto</i> Hospital, for County Patients.....	4,800 00
House of Industry, <i>Toronto</i>	2,900 00
Protestant Orphans' Home and Female Aid Society, <i>Toronto</i>	640 00
Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, <i>Toronto</i>	640 00
Lying-in-Hospital, <i>Toronto</i>	480 00
Magdalen Asylum, <i>Toronto</i>	480 00
House of Providence, <i>Toronto</i>	320 00
Girls' Home and Public Nursery, <i>Toronto</i>	320 00
Boys' Home, <i>Toronto</i>	320 00
Eye and Ear Infirmary, <i>Toronto</i>	1,000 00
General Hospital, <i>Kingston</i>	4,800 00
House of Industry and Refuge for Indigent Sick, <i>Kingston</i>	2,400 00
Orphans' Home, <i>Kingston</i>	640 00
Hotel-Dieu Hospital, <i>Kingston</i>	800 00
General Hospital, <i>London</i>	2,400 00
City Hospital, <i>Hamilton</i>	4,800 00
Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, <i>Hamilton</i>	640 00
Orphan Asylum and Ladies' Benevolent Society, <i>Hamilton</i>	640 00
Protestant Hospital, <i>Ottawa</i>	1,200 00
Roman Catholic Hospital, <i>Ottawa</i>	1,200 00
<i>St. Patrick's</i> Orphan Asylum, <i>Ottawa</i>	480 00
Protestant Orphan Asylum, <i>Ottawa</i>	480 00
<i>St. Joseph's</i> Orphan Asylum, <i>Ottawa</i>	480 00
Deaf and Dumb, nine months.....	2,250 00
General Hospital, <i>St. Catharines</i>	1,000 00

Total.....\$42,510 00

42. To defray the expenses of a grant in aid of Literary and Scientific Institutions, as follows:—

Canadian Institute, <i>Toronto</i>	\$750 00
Institute Canadien, <i>Ottawa</i>	300 00
Literary and Scientific Society, <i>Ottawa</i>	300 00

Total.....\$1,350 00

43. To defray the expenses of Education, as follows:—

Common and Separate Schools	\$170,000 00
Poor Schools	\$6,000 00

Normal and Model Schools, viz.:—

Salaries, viz.:—

Head Master.....	\$2,000 00
Second Master.....	1,500 00
Writing Master.....	700 00
Drawing Master.....	240 00
Music Master.....	400 00
Gymnastic Master.....	300 00
Master, Boys' Model School.....	1,000 00

1st Assistant Master, Boys' Model School.....	700 00
2nd do do	600 00
Mistress, Girls' Model School.....	700 00
1st Assistant Mistress, Girls' Model School....	500 00
2nd do do	400 00
Janitor, \$300; cleaning, \$60.....	360 00
Gardener.....	360 00
Engineer.....	336 00
Furnace-men, \$350; cleaning, \$60.....	410 00
Assistant Gardener, \$300; clearing, \$36.....	336 00

Total.....\$10,842 00

Contingencies :—

Carpenter's Work.....	\$100 00
Tinsmithing and Hardware.....	100 00
Smith's Work, Heating Apparatus.....	200 00
Plumbing and Gas Fitting.....	200 00
Painting and Glazing.....	800 00
Bricklayer's and Plasterer's Work.....	200 00
Gravelling Yard	400 00
Printing and Binding	250 00
Books, Stationery, and Apparatus	1,800 00
Expenses of Grounds	200 00
Fuel	1,000 00
Water.....	400 00
Petty Furnishings and Repairs.....	200 00

Total.....\$5,850 00

Grammar Schools.....\$57,500 00

Libraries, Apparatus and Prizes.....\$32,500 00

Salaries of the Depository:—

Clerk of Libraries.....	\$1,200 00
Assistant Clerk of Libraries	550 00
Salesman	450 00
Assistant Salesman.....	150 00
Junior Salesman.....	120 00
Packer and Messenger	340 00
Labourer.....	280 00

Total.....\$3,090 00

Contingencies of the Depository:—

Fuel.....	\$350 00
Printing, Forms, &c.....	200 00
Petty Furnishings and Repairs.....	269 00

Total.....\$819 00

Superannuated Teachers \$6,500 00 |

Museum (including Fuel).....\$3,778 43

Journal of Education:—Expenses of Editing, \$400 00; Printing
and mailing 5,000 copies per month, \$1,400 00.....\$1,800 00

Grammar School Inspection.....\$2,000 00

Education Office (Salaries):—

Chief Superintendent of Education	\$4,000 00
Deputy Superintendent of Education ..	2,200 00

Senior Clerk, Accountant and Registrar	1,600 00
Clerk of Statistics	1,200 00
Clerk of Correspondence	900 00
Assistant Clerk of Statistics	900 00
Assistant Clerk of Correspondence	600 00
Messenger	365 00
Messenger, cleaning	48 00

Total..... \$11,813 00

Contingencies of Education Office :—

Postage	\$880 00
Printing	300 00
Fuel	350 00
Stationery and Books	250 00
Newspapers and Advertising	100 00
Law Reports	15 00
Incidentals	88 00

Total \$1,983 00

Grant total for Education..... \$337,475 43

44. To defray unforeseen and unprovided expenses..... \$20,000 00

45. To defray the expenses of meeting the amount expended by the Dominion Government on account of the Province of *Ontario* from 1st January, 1868, to 30th September, 1869..... \$43,683 02

46. To defray the expenses of the Municipalities' Fund, as follows :

Collections from Sales of Clergy Reserves in 1869.....\$98,716 05
Less—20 per cent. for cost of management..... 19,743 21

\$78,972 84

* 47. To defray the expenses of Charges on Revenue, as follows :—

Collecting Revenue arising from the sale of Statutes ...	250 00
Collecting the Revenue of the <i>Gazette</i>	200 00
Twelve new Plates and Law Stamps.....	5,000 00
Printing and Postage, Municipalities' Fund.....	200 00
Printing and Postage, Tavern Licenses.....	200 00
Marriage Licenses.....	1,000 00
Municipal Loan Fund	1,500 00
Collecting <i>Algoma</i> Taxes	400 00

Total..... \$8,750 00

Crown Lands Expenditure :—

Board of Surveyors.....	400 00
Salaries, commissions and disbursements of Agents, Mining Inspectors, and Travelling Agents.....	35,000 00
Refunds	15,000 00
Surveys.....	50,000 00
To meet claims for lands twice sold or disposed, of &c	5,000 00

\$105,400 00.

Expenditure on Boundary Survey to ascertain and determine the North-Western Boundary of the Province 4,000 00

Total.....\$118,150 00

48. To defray the expenses necessary in order to complete the Services of 1868 and 1869, as follows :—

To cover amounts expended in 1868 in excess of Appropriations, as follows :—

Crown Lands Expenditure—Refunds.....	3,229 39
Legislation—Salaries	2,006 01
Administration of Justice—Deputy Clerks of the Crown and Pleas.....	400 00
Public Works and Buildings—Building, Repair- ing, &c.....	523 81
Lunatic Asylums—Malden Asylum	748 69

Total, 1868..... \$6,907 90

To cover amounts expended in 1869 in excess of appropriation, as follows:—

Crown Lands refunds—Excess of payments over estimate. \$3,065 70

Legislation, viz. :

Increase in indemnity to Members, including mileage.	8,900 00
For expenditure in excess of appropriation for Post- ages and cost of House Post Office to 30th Sept., 1869, \$203.48, and additional for remainder of 1869, \$1,250	1,453 48
For expenditure in excess of appropriation for Sta- tionery, Printing, &c., to 30th Sept. \$5,109.60, and additional for remainder of 1869, \$5,390.40.....	10,500 00

Total..... \$20,853 48

Expenditures in excess of appropriation for Immigration, viz.:

Postages, telegrams, cleaning sheds, &c.....	388 22
Posters, pamphlets, agricultural journals, circulars, schedules, &c., for distribution in <i>Europe and Canada</i>	13,937 56
Railway, steamboat and express freight.....	294 01
Remuneration and expenses of Emigration Commis- sioners to <i>Europe</i>	3,000 00
Provisions for indigent immigrants at the <i>Toronto</i> , <i>Hamilton, Ottawa and Kingston</i> agencies	2,493 74
Medical and undertakers' expenses.....	134 67
Transport, including railway, steamboat and land conveyance.....	3,653 80
Extra clerk and messenger hire, and service of sub- agents	398 00
Required to complete the service of the year.....	1,000 00

Amount of appropriation..... 25,300 00
10,000 00

Total..... \$15,300 00

To cover the distribution of the Municipalities' Fund, during the year:—

Amounts collected during the half-year of 1867 and the year 1868	171,831 74
Less—Refunds and 20 per cent. cost of management.	34,949 78
	\$136,881 96

Total for Services 1868 and 1869,..... \$183,009 04

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*, reported the Resolutions, *Ordered*, That the Report be received to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *McDougall*, seconded by Mr. *Galbraith*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid before this House a detailed statement of expenditure made during the current year, under the head of Immigration.

The House then adjourned at 11 P.M.

Saturday, 18th December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Strange*,—The Petition of the City Council of *Kingston*.

By Mr. *Sinclair*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Southampton*.

By Mr. *Hays*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Hullett*.

By Mr. *Matchett*,—The Petition of the County Council of *Victoria*.

By Mr. *Barber*,—The Petition of the County Council of *Halton*.

By Mr. *Beatty*,—The Petition of *John Rannie* and others, of *Allenburgh*; also, the Petition of *A. G. Hill* and others; also the Petition of *James McKay* and others; also the Petition of *George Vandersburgh* and others, all of *Welland*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the County Council of *Huron*, praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Act, so far as it relates to the salary of Warden.

Of the County Council of *Huron*, praying that all County Accounts be audited by the County Council, or a committee thereof.

Of the Village Council of *Portsmouth*, praying that no amendments may be made to the Assessment Law, so far as relates to sub-section 2 of section 7.

Of *Joseph McArdle* and others, of *Proton*, praying for participation in the Land Improvement Fund.

Mr. *Trow*, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 24), To amend Chap. 12 of the Statutes of *Ontario*, intituled "An Act for the Protection of Game, in the Province of *Ontario*," reported the Bill (with Amendments).

Mr. *Trow*, from the Select Committee to which was referred several Bills relating to the Jury Laws, reported :—

Bill (No. 25), To amend Chap. 31, of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*" (with Amendments).

Also ; Bill (No. 18), To amend Chap. 31 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, intituled, "An Act respecting Jurors and Juries," (with Amendments).

Also ; Bill (No. 30), To repeal Sub-section one of Section one hundred and fifty-five, of cap. thirty-one, Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, respecting Jurors and Juries, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof, (without Amendment).

Mr. *Pardee*, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No. 101), To amend 32 *Vic.*, Cap. 30, of the Statutes of *Ontario*, intituled, "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths," reported the Bill (with Amendments).

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills presented their Tenth Report, as to the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 66), To incorporate the *Nazrey* Institute (without Amendment).

Also : That the Committee recommend that the fees, less actual expenses, be remitted on the said Bill (No. 66) ; also, on Bill (No. 86), To incorporate the *Brockville* Chemical and Superphosphate Company ; also, on Bill (No. 96), To erect certain Townships in the District of *Muskoka* into Municipalities, and to organize the County of *Muskoka* for municipal and other purposes ; also, on Bill (No. 82), To empower and confirm certain sales of land made by the West *Middlesex* Agricultural Society ; also, on Bill (No. 64), To amend the Act for incorporation of the Wesleyan Female College, of *Hamilton*.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Railways, presented their Eighth Report, as to the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 84), Amending the Acts relating to the *Port Whitby* and *Port Perry* Railway Company.

Bill (No. 85), To incorporate the Inland Water Transportation and Navigation Improvement Company.

Also : That the Committee recommend that the fees, less actual expenses, be remitted on Bill (No. 87), To authorize the *Brockville* and *Ottawa* Railway Company to sell a part of their line to the *Canada* Central Railway Company.

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

Bill (No. 45), To enable *Donald Alexander Macdonald* to construct a canal in the Township of *Kenyon*.

Bill (No. 68), To confirm certain side roads in the Township of *Tilbury East*, and to provide for the defining of other road allowances and lines in the said Township.

Bill (No. 69), To amend the Act 31 *Vic.*, Cap. 40, intituled, “ An Act to incorporate the *Toronto*, *Grey* and *Bruce* Railway Company,” and the Act 32 *Vic.*, Cap. 82, amending the same.

Bill (No. 88), To amend an Act, intituled, “ An Act for the relief of the representatives of the late *David B. Ogden Ford*.

Bill (No. 95), To amend the Act of incorporation of the *Cobourg* Cemetery Company, and to extend to said Company the provisions of chapter sixty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes.

Bill (No. 107), To provide for the organization of the Territorial District of *Parry Sound*.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next :—

Bill (No. 53), To amend the Act to incorporate the *Peterborough* and *Haliburton* Railway Company.

Bill (No. 47), To legalize and confirm the survey made by *F. F. Passmore*, Esquire, Provincial Land Surveyor, of the First, Second, Third and Fourth Concessions (old survey) of the Township of *Melancthon*, in the County of *Grey*.

Bill (No. 104), To amend An Act passed in the Session held in the Twenty-sixth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, and chaptered forty.

Bill (No. 46), To incorporate the *Mississippi* Navigation Company.

Bill (No. 31), To authorize the *Port Hope*, *Lindsay* and *Beaverton* Railway Company to change the name of their Company, and to extend their line of Railway, and for other purposes.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 55), To appoint

Trustees for certain lands belonging to the Presbyterian Church, in connexion with the Church of *Scotland*, in the Townships of *Asphodel* and *Dummer*, in the County of *Peterborough*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Torw* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

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 for the third reading of Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the *Canada Air Line Railway Company*, having been read,

Mr. *Rykert* moved, seconded by Mr. *Grahame* (*York*),

That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

Mr. *McKellar* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Richards*,

That all the words after "that," be omitted and the following substituted:—"This House do not now resolve itself into the said Committee, but that the Order be discharged, and the Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 36), To amend the Act incorporating the *Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company*, and to change its name to the *Canada Southern Railway Company*, be substituted therefor."

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Blake</i> ,	<i>Cumberland</i> ,	<i>McColl</i> (<i>Elgin</i>),	<i>Sinclair</i> ,
<i>Boyd</i> ,	<i>Evans</i> ,	<i>McDougall</i> ,	<i>Smith</i> , (<i>Kent</i>),
<i>Calvin</i> ,	<i>Fraser</i> ,	<i>McKellar</i> ,	<i>Smith</i> (<i>Leeds</i> , &c.),
<i>Carnegie</i> ,	<i>Galbraith</i> ,	<i>McMurrich</i> ,	<i>Smith</i> (<i>Middlesex</i>),
<i>Christie</i> ,	<i>Greeley</i> ,	<i>Pardee</i> ,	<i>Strange</i> ,
<i>Clarke</i> ,	<i>Hays</i> ,	<i>Read</i> ,	<i>Springer</i> ,
<i>Cockburn</i> ,	<i>Monteith</i> ,	<i>Richards</i> ,	<i>Tett</i> ,
<i>Code</i> ,	<i>Murray</i> ,	<i>Scott</i> (<i>Ottawa</i>),	<i>Wigle</i> .—34.
<i>Cook</i> ,	<i>McCall</i> (<i>Norfolk</i>),		

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber</i> ,	<i>Craig</i> (<i>Glengarry</i>),	<i>Grahame</i> (<i>York</i>),	<i>Perry</i> ,
<i>Baxter</i> ,	<i>Craig</i> (<i>Russell</i>),	<i>Hooper</i> ,	<i>Rykert</i> ,
<i>Beatty</i> ,	<i>Crosby</i> ,	<i>Lauder</i> ,	<i>Scott</i> (<i>Grey</i>),
<i>Boulter</i> ,	<i>Currie</i> ,	<i>Luton</i> ,	<i>Secord</i> ,
<i>Cameron</i> ,	<i>Eyre</i> ,	<i>Macdonald</i> ,	<i>Sexton</i> ,
<i>Carling</i> (<i>London</i>),	<i>Ferrier</i> ,	<i>Matchett</i> ,	<i>Swinarton</i> ,
<i>Carling</i> (<i>Huron</i>),	<i>Finlayson</i> ,	<i>McGill</i> ,	<i>Wallis</i> ,
<i>Clemens</i> ,	<i>Fitzsimmons</i> ,	<i>McKim</i> ,	<i>Williams</i> (<i>Durham</i>),
<i>Colquhoun</i> ,	<i>Gow</i> ,	<i>Oliver</i> ,	<i>Williams</i> (<i>Hamilton</i>),
<i>Corby</i> ,	<i>Graham</i> (<i>Hastings</i>),	<i>Paxton</i> ,	<i>Wilson</i> .—40.

The original Motion, having been then put, was carried.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Clarke* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to ask for leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will again resolve itself into the said Committee on Monday next.

And it being four of the clock in the afternoon, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House until 11 o'clock A.M. on Monday next.

Monday, 20th December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*,—The Petition of *John McNamara* and others, of *Moore*.

By Mr. *McKellar*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Bothwell*.

By Mr. *Pardee*,—The Petition of the County Council of *Lambton*.

By Mr. *Swinarton*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Albion*.

By Mr. *Luton*,—The Petition of *G. A. Down* and others, of *Bayham*.

By Mr. *Wilson*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Townsend*; also, the Petition of *John Machon* and others, also, the Petition of *W.P. Tisdale* and others, all of *Norfolk*.

The following Petition was received and read :—

Of *Joshua Adams* and others, of *Sarnia*, praying for certain amendments to the Municipal Law.

Mr. *Greeley*, from the Select Committee to which was referred Bill (No.27), To allow certain persons to make a Solemn Affirmation and Declaration, instead of an Oath, reported the Bill (with Amendments).

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, from the Committee on Private Bills, presented their Eleventh and Twelfth Reports as to the following Bills :—

Bill (No. 49), To authorize the Trustees of the *McNabb Street Church*, in the City of *Hamilton*, to sell and convey certain real estate vested in them, and to apply the proceeds in payment for another Church (without Amendment).

Bill (No. 81), To authorize the Corporation of the Township of *Collingwood*, in the County of *Grey*, to construct certain works, and to acquire certain lands at the mouth of *Beaver River*, in the said Township (with amendments).

Bill (No. 94), To divide the Township of *Marysburg*] into two Municipalities (with Amendments).

Also:—That the Committee recommend that the fees, less actual expenses, be remitted on the said Bill (No. 49); also, on Bill (No. 51), To incorporate the *Pelee Island Game Association*; also, on Bill (No. 78), and Bill (No. 79), Relative to the Church Society of *Huron*; also, on Bill (No. 67), Respecting the *Ottawa Literary and Scientific Society*.

The following Bill was introduced, and read the first time:—

Bill (No. 109), intituled “An Act to repeal an Act passed in the thirty-second year of Her Majesty’s Reign, and chaptered thirty, intituled ‘An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths.’”

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time To-morrow.

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald* delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And the Message was read by Mr. Speaker, and is as follows :—

W. P. Howland.

The Lieutenant-Governor, in conformity with the provisions of the *British North America Act* of 1867, transmits for the information of the Legislative Assembly, a copy of a minute of the Honourable the Privy Council of the Dominion of *Canada*, together with a copy of the certificate of the Governor General, of the date of the receipt by him of the Act therein referred to, in relation of the disallowance of the said Act of the

Legislature of this Province, 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.

Government House,

Toronto, December 18th, 1869.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, OTTAWA,
26th day of November, 1869.

PRESENT :

His Excellency the Governor General in Council.

Honourable Sir *John A. Macdonald*,

Mr. *Tilley*,

Mr. *Mitchell*,

Mr. *Howe*,

Sir *Francis Hincks*.

Whereas, the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Ontario*, with the Legislative Assembly of that Province, did, on the 19th day of December, 1868, pass an Act which has been transmitted, intituled as follows, viz : "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."

And whereas the said Act has been laid before the Governor General in Council, together with a Report from the Minister of Justice, setting forth that he is of opinion that it was not competent for the Legislature of the Province of *Ontario* to pass such Act, and therefore recommending that the said Act should not receive the confirmation of the Governor General.

His Excellency the Governor General has thereupon this day been pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to declare his disallowance of the said Act, and the same is hereby disallowed accordingly.

Whereof the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Ontario*, and all other persons whom it may concern, are to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

(Signed), WM. H. LEE,
Clerk, Privy Council.

I, *John Young*, Baronet, Governor General of *Canada*, do hereby certify that the Act passed by the Legislature of the Province of *Ontario*, on the 19th day of December, 1868, 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," was received by me on the 26th day of January, 1869.

Given under my hand and seal this 25th day of November, 1869.

{ L. S. }

(Signed,) JOHN YOUNG.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 53), To amend the Act to incorporate the *Peterborough* and *Haliburton* Railway Company, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *McLeod* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 47), To legalize and

confirm the Survey made by *F. F. Passmore*, Esquire, Provincial Land Surveyor, of the First, Second, Third and Fourth Concessions (old survey) of the Township of *Melancthon*, in the County of *Grey*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Lyon* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 104), To amend an Act passed in the Session held in the Twenty-sixth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria*, and chaptered forty; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Beatty* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the *Canada Air Line Railway Company*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Clarke* reported the Bill, with Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Wednesday next.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 36), To amend the Act incorporating the *Erie and Niagara Railway Company*, and to change its name to the *Canada Southern Railway Company*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Williams (Durham)* reported the Bill, with Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 77), To incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Toronto Wharf and Warehousing Company*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Strange* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 46), To incorporate the *Mississippi Navigation Company*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Code* reported the Bill, with an Amendment.

The Amendment, having been read the second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

The following Bills were severally read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow:—

Bill (No. 66), To incorporate the *Nazrey Institute*.

Bill (No. 84), Amending the Acts relating to the *Port Whitby* and *Port Perry Railway Company*.

Bill (No. 85), To incorporate the *Inland Water Transportation and Navigation Improvement Company*.

Bill (No. 63), To authorize the construction of a railway from the City of *Hamilton* to *Caledonia*.

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Richards*,—

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution with respect to fees to Sheriffs, Clerks of the Peace, and County Attorneys, under the Act of *Canada*, 32 and 33 Vic., Cap 35.

On motion of Mr. *Boyd*, seconded by Mr. *McLeod*,—

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution as to fees to Registrars.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Wood*,—

Resolved, That there shall be two distinct Sittings of this House, To-morrow ; the first Sitting to be from 3 o'clock P.M. till 6 o'clock P. M., and the second Sitting from half-past 7 o'clock P.M. till the adjournment of the House.

Resolved, That on Wednesday next, and on each day following, until the close of the Session, there shall be three distinct Sittings of this House ; the first Sitting to be from 10 o'clock A. M. till 1 o'clock P. M. ; the second Sitting from 3 o'clock P. M. till 6 o'clock P. M., and the third Sitting from 7½ o'clock P. M. till the adjournment of the House.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. *Wood*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Cameron*,—

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron* presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Report of the Inspector of Registry Offices for the year 1869. (*Sessional Papers*, No. 48).

The House then adjourned at 12 o'clock midnight.

Tuesday, 21st December, 1869.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Baxter*,—The Petition of *Mathew Smith* and others, also, the Petition of *Martin Tosney* and others, all of *Canboro'* ; also, the Petition of *Jacob Young* and others, of *York* ; also, the Petition of *John McAlpine* and others, also, the Petition of *John Heasman* and others, all of *Walpole* ; also, the Petition of *James Apton* and others, of *Seneca* ; also, the Petition of *John Murray* and others, of *North Cayuga*.

By Mr. *Smith (Leeds)*,—The Petition of *Peter Stickler* and others, of *Christie*.

By Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*,—The Petition of the City Council of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Williams (Durham)*,—The Petition of the Town Council of *Port Hope*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the City Council of *Kingston*, praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Law.

Of *A. G. Hill* and others, of *Welland* ; also, of *James McKay* and others, of *Welland* ; also, of *John Rannie* and others, of *Allenburg* ; also, of *George Vanderburgh*, and others, of *Welland*, severally praying that no charter be granted for the construction of a Railway from *Glencoe* to *Niagara River*.

Mr. Speaker, from the Committee on the Library of Parliament, presented its First Report, which was read as follows :—

Your Committee have learned with surprise and regret that a number of valuable volumes belonging to the Library (of which a list appears in the Librarian's Report, pre-

sented at the commencement of the Session) are still missing. For these volumes no acknowledgment stands in the Receipt book, so that it may be difficult to trace in whose hands they are; but as in all probability they are in the hands of Members—none but such having a right to borrow books from the Library—your Committee recommend that all Members having books belonging to the Library in their possession, be called on to return the same immediately to the Librarian.

Your Committee have learned further that some books, borrowed by Members *on receipt* during last Session, have not yet been returned. They have directed the Librarian to call for the return of these without delay, and they recommend that in future it shall be considered contrary to the regulations to remove any book from the building, and that on no account shall any Member carry away books to the country.

There was submitted to your Committee, a letter from Mr. *Edward G. Allen*, of Covent Garden, *London*, regarding the series of publications issued by the British Patent Office. Your Committee find that there is now in the Library attached to the Department of Agriculture and Public Works, a series of these publications extending from the year 1851 downwards; and consider that it would be desirable to keep up the series on the liberal terms allowed by the British Government. They consider also that it would be to the public advantage to have the said Departmental Library incorporated with the Parliamentary Library, and recommend that as soon as arrangements can be made for that purpose, the books in the former should be removed to the Parliamentary Library, and there taken over on catalogue.

Your Committee had under their consideration offers that had been tendered for sale to the Library of files of the *Toronto Globe* from 1844 downwards, and of the *Toronto Leader*, from July, 1852, downwards; and being of opinion that it would be exceedingly desirable to have files of these papers (embracing, as they do, a vast mass of materials valuable for the political history of the Province) preserved in the Library for reference, and the prices demanded not being considered unreasonable, recommend that the Librarian be authorized to conclude a bargain with the parties respectively, upon the most favourable terms he can obtain.

Your Committee have further considered that it would be desirable if an annual interchange of Statutes and Parliamentary papers could be arranged, for the benefit of the Library, between this Province and the Government of the *United States*, and of the several States of the Union; and would therefore recommend that the Provincial Secretary be requested to place himself in communication with the proper authorities with a view to the attainment of this end.

A list of books having been submitted which it was thought desirable that the Library should acquire, the same was approved of, and the Librarian was instructed to procure the same on the best terms he could effect. He was also instructed to procure a good set of Provincial maps to be hung up in the Library, and to open a Requisition book, to lie on the table, in which Members might recommend for the consideration of the Committee the purchase of any work they might consider likely to be an acquisition to the Library.

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Wood*,

Resolved,—That the First Report of the Committee on the Library of Parliament be concurred in.

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

Bill (No. 77), To incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Toronto Wharf and Warehousing Company*.

Bill (No. 46), To incorporate the Mississippi Navigation Company.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 66), To incorporate the *Nazrey Institute*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Oliver* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 84), Amending the Acts relating to the *Port Whitby and Port Perry Railway Company*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Eyre* reported the Bill without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 63), To authorize the construction of a Railway from the City of *Hamilton* to *Caledonia*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Pardee* reported the Bill, with an Amendment.

The Amendment, having been read the second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the second Sitting of this House To-day.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain proposed Resolution concerning fees to Sheriffs, having been read,

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, acquainted the House that His Excellency, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved,—That it is expedient that the following fees and charges shall be paid and allowed to Sheriffs, Clerks of the Peace, and County Attorneys respectively, for services in the “County Judges’ Criminal Court,” under the Act of *Canada*, 32 and 33 *Vic.*, chap. 32.

To Sheriffs.

Notification to Judge, and bringing up prisoner under Judge’s warrant, including attendance at Court—in all, for each prisoner.....	\$1 00
Bringing up prisoner for arraignment on trial, and for sentence, including attendances at Court—in all, for each prisoner, whether convicted or acquitted.....	2 00

The Sheriff to be allowed the fees for serving subpoenas, arrest under warrant, travel to serve or execute a process, and conveying prisoner to Penitentiary or Reformatory—the like sums as are provided for in the Act of *Ontario*, 32 *Vic.*, cap. 11.

To Clerks of the Peace.

Attending and service in Court, and making all necessary entries for each prisoner brought before the Judge, and not consenting to be tried—in all.....	\$0 50
For attendance in Court, and services rendered at trial, making necessary record of proceedings and all necessary entries, including calendar of conviction for each prisoner.....	2 00
Preparing Judge’s warrant to bring up the body of prisoner, and delivering same to Sheriff—for each prisoner.....	50
Issuing Writ of Summons to witness when necessary.....	40
Copy of Summons, each.....	20
Warrant of remand, when issued and delivered to Sheriff.....	50

For warrant to arrest, taking and estreating recognizances and proceedings to enforce same, same fees as allowed for like services at the General Sessions of the Peace.

To County Attorneys.

To be entitled, as by Statute, to the same fees as for like services at the Courts of General Sessions of the Peace.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Clarke* reported the Resolution. The Resolution having been read the second time, was agreed to.

The following Bill, founded on the above Resolution, was then introduced and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 111), intituled, “An Act to remunerate Sheriffs, Clerks of the Peace and County Attorneys.”

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time at the second Sitting of this House To-day.

The following Bills were severally read the second time ; and referred to a Committee of the whole House at the second Sitting of the House To-day :—

Bill (No. 49), To vest certain real estate in the Trustees of the *McNab* Street Wesleyan Methodist Church, *Hamilton*, with power to sell and convey the same, and to apply the proceeds to the erection of a new church.

Bill (No. 81), To authorize the corporation of the Township of *Collingwood*, in the County of *Grey*, to construct certain works, and to acquire certain lands at the mouth of Beaver River, in the said Township.

Bill (No. 94), To divide the Township of *Marysburg* into two Municipalities.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 97), To amend the *Ontario* Medical Act, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

Mr. *Scott* (*Ottawa*), from the Committee of Supply, reported the following Resolutions :

Resolved—That there be granted to Her Majesty, for the year 1870, the following sums :—

1. To defray the expenses of Government House, *Toronto*, as follows :—

Rent for three months	\$300 00
Water, including hydrants on grounds.....	250 00
Gas.....	400 00
Fuel	350 00
Gardener	400 00
Caretaker	365 00
Incidentals	350 00

Total..... \$2,415 00

2. To defray the expenses of Lieutenant-Governor's Office, as follows :—

Private Secretary, Salary.....	\$800 00
Chief Clerk, do	1,200 00
Messenger, do	400 00
Contingencies.....	300 00

Total..... \$2,700 00

3. To defray the expenses of the Executive Council Office, as follows :—

Clerk, Salary	\$400 00
Caretaker, Salary.....	365 00
Messenger, part Salary.....	250 00
Rent, \$200 ; fuel, \$100 ; gas, \$50 ; water, \$15 ; incidentals, including repairs, \$50.....	415 00
Contingencies	600 00

Total..... \$2,030 00

4. To defray the expenses of the Attorney-General's Office, as follows :—

Attorney-General (as Premier), Salary.....	\$4,000 00
Chief Clerk, do	1,200 00
Second do do	700 00
Messenger, part do	250 00
Towards establishing a Law Library.....	1,000 00
Rent, \$200 ; fuel, \$100 ; gas, \$50 ; water, \$15 ; incidentals, including repairs, \$50.....	415 00
Contingencies	600 00
Total.....	\$8,165 00

5. To defray the expenses of the Treasury Department, as follows :—

Treasurer, Salary.....	3,200 00
Chief Clerk, Audit Branch, Salary.....	1,200 00
Accountant do	1,200 00
Book-keeper, Audit Branch do	900 00
Law Stamp and Junior Audit Clerk, Salary.....	\$700 00
Recording and Correspondence Clerk do	500 00
Messenger do	365 00
One-third of the carpenter's work, tinsmithing, plumbing, gas-fitting, painting, glazing, bricklayer's and plasterer's work, fuel, water, cleaning, incidentals, and salaries of housekeeper (\$400), and fireman (\$365) for east wing.....	1,075 00
Contingencies	2,000 00
Total	\$11,140 00

6. To defray the expenses of the Secretary and Registrar's Office, as follows :—

Secretary and Registrar, Salary.....	3,200 00
Assistant Secretary and Deputy Registrar, Salary.....	2,000 00
First Clerk, Salary	900 00
Clerk do	900 00
Do do	730 00
Do do	500 00
Do do	400 00
Messenger, do	365 00
One-third of the Carpenter's Work, Tinsmithing, Plumbing, Gas-fitting, Painting, Glazing, Bricklayer's and Plasterers' Work, Fuel, Water, Cleaning, Incidentals, and Salaries of House Keeper (\$400), and Fireman (\$365), for east wing.....	1,075 00
Contingencies.....	1,700 00
Total	\$11,770 00

7. To defray the expenses of the Department of Agriculture and Public Works, as follows :—

Commissioner, Salary	3,200 00
Architect and Engineer, Salary, \$2,200 (\$400 to be paid out of Provincial Lunatic Asylum Estimate).....	1,800 00
Assistant Engineer, Salary	1,600 00
Secretary of Public Works, Salary.....	1,200 00
Secretary of Agriculture and Arts, Salary.....	800 00
Accountant, Salary	1,000 00
Messenger, do	365 00

One-third of the carpenters' work, tinsmithing, plumbing, gasfitting, painting and glazing, bricklayers' and plasterers' work, fuel, water, cleaning, incidentals and salaries of Housekeeper (\$400) and Fireman (\$365) for east wing.....	1,075 00
Contingencies	2,500 00

Total\$13,540 00

8. To defray the expenses of the Crown Lands Department, as follows :—

Commissioner, Salary	\$3,200 00
Assistant Commissioner, Salary.....	2,600 00
Clerk, Salary	1,400 00

Free Grants and Sales Branch :—

Chief Clerk, Salary	\$1,800 00
Clerk do	1,500 00
do do	1,200 00
do do	1,100 00
do do	500 00
	6,100 00

Surveys, Patent and Roads Branch :—

Chief Clerk, Salary.....	\$1,800 00
Clerk, do	1,280 00
do do	800 00
do do	1,400 00
do do	900 00
do do	730 00
	6,910 00

Woods and Forests Branch :—

Chief Clerk, Salary.....	\$1,600 00
Clerk, do	1,240 00
do do	500 00
do do	365 00
	3,705 00

Accounts Branch :—

Accountant, Salary	\$1,800 00
Clerk and Book-keeper, Salary.....	900 00
Two Clerks, at \$800 each do	1,600 00

Registrar	4,600 00
Caretaker	1,400 00
Messenger.....	500 00
Contingencies.....	450 00
	8,000 00

Repairs to Buildings, viz. : carpenter's work, \$200 ; tinsmithing and hardware, \$60 ; plumbing and gas-fitting, \$100 ; painting and glazing, \$60 ; bricklayers and plasterers' work, \$60 ; fuel, \$1,000 ; water, \$100 ; Incidentals, \$100.....	1,680 00
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Total.....\$40,245 00

9. To defray Miscellaneous expenses, as follows :—

To cover gratuities to public officers whose services may be dispensed with.....	7,000 00
Inspector of Prisons, Salary.....	2,000 00
Do travelling expenses and contingencies.....	650 00
Do for Salary of Copying Clerk.....	400 00

Auditor, Salary.....	2,000 00
Do Contingencies.....	50 00
Inspector of Registry Offices, Salary.....	2,000 00
Queen's Printer, Salary.....	800 00
Do Contingencies.....	75 00
Cost of <i>Official Gazette</i>	3,990 00
Expenses of Arbitration.....	10,000 00
Total	\$28,965 00

10. To defray the expenses of Legislation, as follows :—

Mr. Speaker's Salary.....	1,000 00
Clerk of the House, Salary.....	1,400 00
Assistant Clerk and Accountant, Salary.....	\$1,200 00
Clerk of Private Bills, do	1,200 00
Law Clerk, do	1,000 00
Office Clerk, do	800 00
Clerk of Routine and Records, do	600 00
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, do	400 00
Sergeant-at-Arms, do	400 00
Junior Clerk, do	500 00
Housekeeper and Chief Messenger, Salary.....	500 00
Three Messengers at \$1 per diem each.....	1,095 00
Fireman.....	365 00
Night Watchman.....	365 00
Sessional Writers, Messengers and Pages.....	2,000 00
Postages, and cost of House Post Office.....	2,500 00
Stationery, including Printing Paper, Printing and Binding.....	10,000 00
Printing, Binding and Distributing the Statutes.....	2,800 00
Expenses of Elections.....	1,000 00
Increase of Library.....	1,000 00
Indemnity to Members, including mileage.....	38,900 00
Contingencies.....	2,000 00
Repairs to Parliament Buildings.—Carpenter's work, \$400 ; Tinsmithing and Hardware, \$80 ; Smith's Work, in- cluding Vault in Clerk's Office, \$200 ; Plumbing and Gas Fitting, \$100 ; Reflector and Ventilator in Post Office and Wardrobe Room, \$400 ; Painting and Glazing, \$80 ; Bricklayers' and Plasterers' Work, \$80 ; Fuel, \$1,100 ; Gas and other lighting, \$1,500 ; Water, \$350 ; Levelling grounds, \$200 ; Incidentals, \$100...	4,590 00
Total	\$75,615 00

11. To defray the expenses of the construction and repairs of
Colonization Roads.....\$50,000 00

12. To defray the expenses of the Court of Chancery, as follows :—

Master's Salary.....	2,240 00
Taxing Officer.....	1,600 00
Senior Clerk, Master's Office, Salary	1,000 00
Junior do do do do	900 00
Registrar.....	1,840 00
Clerk, Registrar's Office, Salary	1,000 00
Do do do do	1,000 00
Do do do do	1,000 00
Entering Clerk do do	600 00

Entering Clerk, Registrar's Office, Salary.....	500 00
Surrogate Court Clerk, do	1,600 00
Usher and House Keeper	450 00
Messenger.....	365 00
Contingencies (and extra Clerk hire)	1,664 00

Total\$15,759 00

13. To defray the expenses of the Court of Queen's Bench, as follows :—

Clerk, Salary.....	1,840 00
Senior Clerk, Salary.....	1,200 00
Junior do do	1,000 00
Clerk of Process, Salary.....	1,400 00
House Keeper and Messenger, do	500 00
Usher and Crier, do	160 00
Assistant Messenger do	160 00
Contingencies.....	690 00

Total.....\$6,950 00

14. To defray the expenses of the Court of Common Pleas, as follows :—

Clerk, Salary.....	1,840 00
Senior Clerk, Salary.....	1,200 00
Junior do do	1,000 00
Usher and Crier, Salary.....	160 00
Contingencies.....	450 00

Total.....\$4,650 00

15. To defray the expenses of Criminal Justice, as follows :—

Crown Counsel Prosecutions.....	10,000 00
Administration of Criminal Justice.....	110,000 00
Special Services.....	2,000 00

Total\$122,000 00

16. To defray the expenses of Miscellaneous Justice, as follows :—

Deputy Clerks of the Crown and Pleas, Salaries.....	12,100 00
To meet the expenditure on account of the Administration of Justice in the Districts of Algoma, Nipissing and Muskoka, and other services	17,900 00
Repairs to Osgoode Hall.....	500 00
Seals and other Contingencies	200 00
To the Chief Justice and each of the other Judges of the Court of Error and Appeal for services therein, and as Heir and Devisee Commissioners—ten at \$1,000 each.	10,000 00
To Recorders for the loss of their offices, \$1,000 each	4,000 00

Total\$44,700 00

17. To defray the expenses of works at the Lunatic Asylum, *London*, as follows :—

Re-vote, unexpended balance of 1869	25,205 92
New appropriation for building.....	150,000 00
Furniture.....	15,000 00

Total.....\$190,205 92

18. To defray the expenses of works at the Lunatic Asylum, <i>Toronto</i> , as follows :—	
Re-vote, unexpended balance, building.....	\$12,147 94
do Furniture.....	8,985 00
New appropriations—Walls across corridors in main building.....	2,000 00
Wood and coal sheds	2,000 00
Tramway and waggon from wood and coal sheds to building.....	500 00
Fitting up present wood sheds as amusement halls, and removing old coal sheds	500 00
Total.....	\$26,132 94
19. To defray the expenses of works at the Deaf and Dumb Institution, <i>Belleville</i> , as follows :—	
Re-vote, unexpended balance, building	\$34,219 98
New appropriation—furniture.....	6,500 00
Total.....	\$40,719 98
20. To defray the expenses of the construction of an Asylum for the Blind, and the purchase of the necessary land	\$75,000 00
21. To defray the expenses of works at the Government House, <i>Toronto</i> . (Re-vote, unexpended balance).....	\$33,001 83
22. To defray the expenses of works at the Reformatory, <i>Penetanguishene</i> , as follows :—	
Re-vote, workshops and water supply.....	5,000 00
New appropriation, dormitories.....	3,000 00
Total.....	\$8,000 00
23. To defray the expenses of drains, alteration of iron doors, furniture, &c., in Court House and Gaol, <i>Sault Ste. Marie</i>	\$2,500 00
24. To defray the expenses of the construction of a Lock on Rosseau River, <i>Muskoka</i> (re-vote, unexpended balance)	\$28,046 14
25. To defray the expenses of the construction of a Lock at <i>Young's Point</i> (re-vote, unexpended balance)	\$19,244 55
26. To defray the expenses of the construction of a Lock between <i>Balsam</i> and <i>Cameron Lakes</i> ; (re-vote, unexpended balance)	\$19,670 45
27. To defray the expenses of works for the improvement of navigation, <i>Scugog River</i> , as follows :—	
Re-building wooden lock, <i>Lindsay</i>	13,500 00
Dredging River <i>Scugog</i>	5,000 00
Swing bridge.....	2,500 00
Total.....	\$21,000 00
28. To defray the expenses of the cut between Lakes <i>Joseph</i> and <i>Rosseau</i>	\$10,000 00
29. To defray the expenses of a new road between <i>Washago</i> and <i>Gravenhurst</i>	\$25,000 00
30. To defray the expenses of surveys and drainage of swamp lands.....	\$200,000 00
31. To defray the expenses of surveys, inspections, arbitrations and awards, and charges not otherwise provided for.....	\$4,000 00
32. To defray the expenses of repairs to, and maintenance of Brock's Monument and grounds adjacent.....	\$1,000 00

33. To defray the expenses of the Provincial Lunatic Asylum, *Toronto*, as follows :—

Medicines and medical comforts.....	260 00
Beer, Wine, and Spirits.....	2,940 00
Food.....	32,670 00
Bedding and Clothing.....	6,000 00
Fuel, Light, and Scrubbing.....	14,220 00
Laundry.....	837 00
Repairs, ordinary.....	2,000 00
Furniture, Stationery, and other contingencies.....	5,000 00

Salaries and Wages, *viz* :—

Medical Superintendent.....	2,000 00
Bursar.....	1,200 00
Assistant Medical Superintendent.....	1,000 00
Clinical Assistant.....	300 00
Architect.....	400 00
Steward.....	600 00
Matron.....	300 00
Engineer.....	740 00
Assistant Engineer.....	432 00
Two Carpenters, employed by the day.....	1,000 00
Tailor.....	264 00
Fireman.....	264 00
Porter.....	240 00
Baker.....	240 00
Gardener and Gatekeeper.....	216 00
Do.....	192 00
Farmer.....	216 00
Do.....	192 00
Two Night Watchmen.....	432 00
Two Supervisors.....	480 00
Two do.....	432 00
Three Keepers, at \$18 per month.....	648 00
Five do \$16 do.....	960 00
Four do \$14 do.....	672 00
Cook.....	192 00
Seamstress.....	96 00
Two Night Nurses.....	192 00
Two Female Cooks.....	168 00
One do.....	72 00
Two Servants to Cook.....	144 00
Assistant Matron.....	144 00
One Laundress, Head.....	84 00
Five Laundresses, at \$72 each.....	360 00
Four Female Keepers, at \$84 each.....	336 00
Ten do do \$72 do.....	720 00
Three Housemaids, \$72 do.....	216 00
One Kitchen Maid.....	72 00
Second Assistant Matron.....	160 00
Two Keepers, at \$16 per month.....	384 00
Four Female Keepers, at \$72 per annum.....	288 00
Cook, \$84 ; Housemaid, \$72.....	156 00
Assistant Fireman.....	216 00
do Steward.....	300 00
Male Supervisor.....	240 00
Female ".....	84 00
Eight Keepers, at \$192 per annum each, for six months.....	768 00

Laundry, Kitchen and other domestics.....	\$438 00
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Total.....	\$83,177 00
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34. To defray the expenses of *Malden* Asylum, as follows :—

Medicines and medical comforts.....	150 00
Beer, wine, and spirits.....	800 00
Food.....	10,840 00
Bedding, clothing, boots and shoes.....	4,050 00
Farm, stock, feed and implements.....	700 00
Fuel, light and cleaning.....	2,200 00
Repairs, ordinary.....	300 00
Furniture and household goods.....	725 00
Printing, stationery, freight, instruction and amusement, postages, travelling expenses, removal of patients, &c., &c.....	1,580 00
Laundry.....	150 00

Salaries and Wages, viz:—

Medical Superintendent.....	1,400 00
Steward.....	300 00
Book-keeper.....	450 00
Carpenter, at \$1.50 per day.....	298 00
Baker.....	216 00
Engineer.....	216 00
Gardener.....	192 00
Farmer.....	192 00
Matron.....	240 00
Seamstress.....	120 00
Head male keeper.....	240 00
Night Watchman (without board).....	336 00
Nine Male Keepers, at \$192 each.....	1,728 00
One do.....	168 00
One Female Night Watch.....	120 00
One do Head Keeper.....	144 00
Ten do Keepers, at \$72 each.....	720 00
One do do.....	60 00
One do Servant.....	48 00
One do do.....	48 00
Laundress.....	120 00
Three Laundry Maids, at \$72 each.....	216 00
Cook.....	120 00
Three Assistant Cooks and Kitchen Girls, at \$72 each.....	216 00
To meet contingencies of temporary employment...	92 00

Total	\$29,495 00
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35. To defray the expenses of *Orillia* Asylum, as follows :—

Food.....	7,580 00
Beer, wine and spirits.....	925 00
Medicines and medical comforts.....	50 00
Clothing, bedding, boots and shoes.....	1,525 00
Fuel and light.....	1,050 00
Farm, feed and implements.....	260 00
Repairs, ordinary.....	200 00
Steam-pump, rent, water supply, postages, stationery, and other incidentals.....	708 00

Salaries and Wages, viz :—

Medical Superintendent.....	1,400 00
Clerk.....	300 00
Stewart.....	360 00
Engineer.....	600 00
Matron.....	160 00
Night Watchman.....	216 00
Supervisor.....	204 00
Farmer.....	204 00
Three Keepers, at \$192 each.....	576 00
Night Nurse.....	96 00
Cook.....	84 00
Supervisor, female	\$84 00
Laundress.....	84 00
Five Nurses and attendants, at \$72 each.....	360 00

Total\$17,026 00

36. To defray the expenses of *Rockwood* Asylum (average of 200 patients, at \$143 each).....\$28,600 00

37. To defray the expenses of the Deaf and Dumb Asylum from 1st September, to the end of the year, for Salaries and maintenance... \$5,000 00

38. To defray the expenses of the Reformatory at *Penetanguishene*, as follows :—

Rations.....	5,548 00
Clothing and bedding, boots and shoes.....	3,820 00
Farm account.....	1,080 00
Soap, light and cleaning.....	200 00
Hospital Account.....	200 00
Discharged Convicts travelling allowance.....	320 00
Stationery, postage, freight and charges.....	400 00
Repairs, ordinary.....	500 00
Chapel and school-house	250 00
Furniture, rent, tools, shop fixtures, &c.....	790 00

Salaries and Wages, viz :—

Warden's Salary.....	1,600 00
Two Chaplains, at \$800 each.....	1,600 00
Deputy warden, clerk and storekeeper.....	720 00
Surgeon.....	400 00
Steward.....	400 00
Eight Keepers, at \$360 each.....	2,880 00
Stable keeper.....	260 00
Two guards, at \$260 each.....	520 00
Two night guards, at \$260 each.....	520 00
Farmer.....	360 00
Temporary assistance.....	110 00

Total\$22,478 00

39. To defray miscellaneous expenses of the Department of Agriculture and Arts, as follows :—

Electoral Division Societies, 73 at \$700	51,100 00
Do do 1 at \$550	550 00
Do do 7 at \$350.....	2,450 00
Fruit Growers' Association.....	350 00
Agricultural Association.....	10,000 00
Mechanics' Institutes.....	5,000 00

Total.....\$69,450 00

40. To defray the expenses of Immigration service..... \$24,700 00

41. To defray the expenses of a grant in aid of Hospitals and Charities, as follows:—
(Upon condition that each Institution shall have returned to the Provincial Secretary such particulars for the year 1869, as may be required in the form furnished by him; and be inspected and reported on by the Prison Inspector).

<i>Toronto</i> Hospital	\$6,400 00
<i>Toronto</i> Hospital, for County Patients.....	4,800 00
House of Industry, <i>Toronto</i>	2,900 00
Protestant Orphans' Home and Female Aid Society, <i>Toronto</i>	640 00
Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, <i>Toronto</i>	640 00
Lying-in-Hospital, <i>Toronto</i>	480 00
Magdalen Asylum, <i>Toronto</i>	480 00
House of Providence, <i>Toronto</i>	320 00
Girls' Home and Public Nursery, <i>Toronto</i>	320 00
Boys' Home, <i>Toronto</i>	320 00
Eye and Ear Infirmary, <i>Toronto</i>	1,000 00
General Hospital, <i>Kingston</i>	4,800 00
House of Industry and Refuge for Indigent Sick, <i>Kingston</i>	2,400 00
Orphans' Home, <i>Kingston</i>	640 00
Hotel-Dieu Hospital, <i>Kingston</i>	800 00
General Hospital, <i>London</i>	2,400 00
City Hospital, <i>Hamilton</i>	4,800 00
Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, <i>Hamilton</i>	640 00
Orphan Asylum and Ladies' Benevolent Society, <i>Hamilton</i>	640 00
Protestant Hospital, <i>Ottawa</i>	1,200 00
Roman Catholic Hospital, <i>Ottawa</i>	1,200 00
<i>St. Patrick's</i> Orphan Asylum, <i>Ottawa</i>	480 00
Protestant Orphan Asylum, <i>Ottawa</i>	480 00
<i>St. Joseph's</i> Orphan Asylum, <i>Ottawa</i>	480 00
Deaf and Dumb, nine months.....	2,250 00
General Hospital, <i>St. Catharines</i>	1,000 00

Total.....\$42,510 00

42. To defray the expenses of a grant in aid of Literary and Scientific Institutions, as follows:—

Canadian Institute, <i>Toronto</i>	\$750 00
Institute Canadien, <i>Ottawa</i>	300 00
Literary and Scientific Society, <i>Ottawa</i>	300 00

Total.....\$1,350 00

43. To defray the expenses of Education, as follows:—

Common and Separate Schools	\$170,000 00
Poor Schools.....	\$6,000 00

Normal and Model Schools, viz.:—

Salaries:—

Head Master.....	\$2,000 00
Second Master.....	1,500 00
Writing Master.....	700 00
Drawing Master.....	240 00
Music Master.....	400 00
Gymnastic Master.....	300 00

Master, Boys' Model School.....	1,000 00
1st Assistant Master, Boys' Model School.....	700 00
2nd do do	600 00
Mistress, Girls' Model School.....	700 00
1st Assistant Mistress, Girls' Model School.....	500 00
2nd do do	400 00
Janitor, \$300; cleaning, \$60.....	360 00
Gardener.....	360 00
Engineer.....	336 00
Furnace-man, \$350; cleaning, \$60.....	410 00
Assistant Gardener, \$300; clearing, \$36.....	336 00

Contingencies:—

Carpenter's Work.....	\$100 00
Tinsmithing and Hardware.....	100 00
Smith's Work, Heating Apparatus.....	200 00
Plumbing and Gas Fitting.....	200 00
Painting and Glazing.....	800 00
Bricklayer's and Plasterer's Work.....	200 00
Gravelling Yard.....	400 00
Printing and Binding	250 00
Books, Stationery, and Apparatus	1,800 00
Expenses of Grounds	200 00
Fuel	1,000 00
Water.....	400 00
Petty Furnishings and Repairs.....	200 00

Total..... \$5,850 00

Grammar Schools..... \$57,500 00

Libraries, Apparatus and Prizes..... \$32,500 00

Salaries of the Depository:—

Clerk of Libraries.....	\$1,200 00
Assistant Clerk of Libraries	550 00
Salesman	450 00
Assistant Salesman.....	150 00
Junior Salesman.....	120 00
Packer and Messenger	340 00
Labourer.....	280 00

Total..... \$3,090 00

Contingencies of the Depository:—

Fuel.....	\$350 00
Printing, Forms, &c.....	200 00
Petty Furnishings and Repairs.....	269 00

Total..... \$819 00

Superannuated Teachers \$6,500 00 |

Museum (including Fuel)..... \$3,778 43

Journal of Education:—Expenses of Editing, \$400 00; Printing
and mailing 5,000 copies per month, \$1,400 00..... \$1,800 00

Grammar School Inspection..... \$2,000 00

Education Office (Salaries), as follows:—

Chief Superintendent of Education	\$4,000 00
Deputy Superintendent of Education	2,200 00
Senior Clerk, Accountant and Registrar	1,600 00

Clerk of Statistics	1,200 00
Clerk of Correspondence	900 00
Assistant Clerk of Statistics	900 00
Assistant Clerk of Correspondence	600 00
Messenger	365 00
Messenger, cleaning	48 00

Total..... \$11,813 00

Contingencies of Education Office, as follows :—

Postage	\$880 00
Printing	300 00
Fuel	350 00
Stationery and Books	250 00
Newspapers and Advertising	100 00
Law Reports	15 00
Incidentals	88 00

\$1,983 00

Grant total for Education..... \$314,475 43

The several Resolutions, from One to Ten, inclusive, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

The Eleventh Resolution, respecting Colonization Roads, having been read the second time,—

Mr. *McDougall* moved, seconded by Mr. *Oliver*,—

That the Eleventh Resolution, respecting Colonization Roads, be not agreed to, but that it be referred back to the Committee of Supply, with instructions to amend the same by naming the particular roads on which the expenditure is to be made,—

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Springer,</i> [25.
<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton)—</i>
<i>Evans,</i>			

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Swinarton.</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wood.—42.</i>
<i>Coyne,</i>			

The Eleventh Resolution was then agreed to.

The several Resolutions, from Twelve to Nineteen, inclusive, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

The Twentieth Resolution, respecting an Asylum for the Blind, having been read the second time,—

Mr. *Boyd* moved, seconded by Mr. *Oliver*,—

That this House, while willing and anxious to make suitable provision for the relief of the indigent blind, is of opinion that estimates of the probable cost of the proposed Asylum, according to approved plans, should be submitted to this House before it is called upon to vote \$75,000 in respect thereof,

The Motion, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Trow,</i> [23.
<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),—</i>
<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>	

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>	<i>Wood.—49.</i>
<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>			

Mr. *Boyd* then again moved, seconded by Mr. *Oliver*,—

That this House ought to have an opportunity of expressing its opinion as to the place to be selected for the Blind Asylum, before any expenditure of money be made in respect thereof ;

And Mr. *Sinclair* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Clemens*,—

That all the words after “that” be omitted and the following substituted: “in the opinion of this House it is expedient to erect the Asylum for the Blind at *Hamilton*.”

The Amendment having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Springer,</i> [—22.
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>		

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Smith, (Kent),</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>	<i>Wood.—53.</i>
<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>			

The original Motion, having been then put, was lost on a similar division.

The Twentieth Resolution was then agreed to.

The several Resolutions, from Twenty-one to Twenty-nine, inclusive, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

The Thirtieth Resolution, respecting Surveys and Drainage of Swamp Lands, having been read the second time,

Mr. *McLeod* moved, seconded by Mr. *Baxter*,

That in the opinion of this House no works should be undertaken on granted lands, unless a majority of the owners interested, or the local municipality, shall petition for such works.

The Motion, having been put, was lost on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex), [17.</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),—</i>
<i>Evans,</i>			

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wood.—54.</i>
<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>		

Mr. *Boyd* then moved, seconded by Mr. *Oliver*,—

That the said Resolution be referred back to the Committee of Supply, for the purpose of specifying certain localities and improvements to which, or some of which, the sum of \$200,000 mentioned therein will be applied, so as not to leave so large a sum of money to be expended at the mere will of the Executive, without a previous vote appropriating the same, as far as possible, to particular works.

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Trow,</i> [—24.
<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Tett,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>	<i>Wood.</i> —49.
<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>			

The Thirtieth Resolution was then agreed to.

The several Resolutions, from Thirty-one to Forty-three inclusive, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

And it being six of the clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker till half-past Seven o'clock P.M. To-day.

7.30 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Evans*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Westminster*.

By Mr. *Galbraith*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Lanark*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of *John McNamara* and others, of *Moore*, praying that no charter be granted for the construction of a Railway from *Glencoe* to *Niagara River*.

Of the Town Council of *Bothwell*, praying for the appointment of certain persons to act as Magistrates.

Mr. *Rykert*, from the Select Committee, to which was referred Bill (No 56), To amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, intituled, "An Act to secure to Wives and Children the benefit of Assurances on the lives of their Husbands and Parents," reported the Bill with Amendments.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House a detailed statement of expenditure made during the current year, under the head of Immigration.—(*Sessional Papers No. 49*).

Also :—Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before the House a statement of the various expenditures made and contracted for in connexion with the Lieutenant-Governor's residence, and of any reports and estimates made for the Public Works Department in respect thereof.—(*Sessional Papers No. 50*).

Bill (No. 63), To authorize the construction of a Railway from the City of *Hamilton* to *Caledonia*, was read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 85), To incorporate the Inland Water Transportation and Navigation Improvement Company; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Coyne* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 49), To vest certain real estate in the Trustees of the *McNab* Street Wesleyan Methodist Church, *Hamilton*, with power to sell and convey the same, and to apply the proceeds to the erection of a new church; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Trow* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 81), To authorize the Corporation of the Township of *Collingwood*, in the County of *Grey*, to construct a harbour at the mouth of Beaver River, in the said Township, to impose and collect harbour dues, and for other purposes; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Lyon* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 94), To divide the Township of *Marysburg* into two Municipalities; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Beatty* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

Bill (No. 111), To remunerate Sheriffs, Clerks of the Peace and County Attornies, was read the second time, and referred to a Committee of the whole House To-morrow.

Mr. *Scott* (*Ottawa*), from the Committee of Supply, reported several Resolutions, which were read as follow :—

44. To defray unforeseen and unprovided expenses.....	\$20,000 00
45. To defray the expenses of meeting the amount expended by the Dominion Government on account of the Province of <i>Ontario</i> from 1st January, 1868, to 30th September, 1869.....	\$43,683 02
46. To defray the expenses of the Municipalities' Fund, as follows :—	
Collections from Sales of Clergy Reserves in 1869.....	\$98,716 05
Less—20 per cent. for cost of management.....	19,743 21
	\$78,972 84

47. To defray the expenses of charges on Revenue, as follows :—

Collecting the Revenue arising from the sale of Statutes	250 00	
Collecting the Revenue of the <i>Gazette</i>	200 00	
Twelve new Plates and Law Stamps.....	5,000 00	
Printing and Postage, Municipalities' Fund.....	200 00	
Printing and Postage, Tavern Licenses.....	200 00	
Marriage Licenses.....	1,000 00	
Municipal Loan Fund	1,500 00	
Collecting <i>Algoma</i> Taxes	400 00	
Total.....		\$8,750 00

Crown Lands Expenditure :—

Board of Surveyors.....	400 00	
Salaries, commissions and disbursements of Agents, Mining Inspectors, and Travelling Agents.....	35,000 00	
Refunds	15,000 00	
Surveys.....	50,000 00	
To meet claims for lands twice sold or disposed, of &c	5,000 00	
		\$105,400 00

Expenditure on Boundary Survey to ascertain and determine the North-Western Boundary of the Province	4,000 00
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Total Charges on Revenue\$118,150 00

48. To defray the expenses necessary in order to complete the Services of 1868 and 1869.

To cover amounts expended in 1868 in excess of Appropriations, as per Public Accounts, 1868 :—

Crown Lands Expenditure—Refunds.....	3,229 39	
Legislation—Salaries	2,006 01	
Administration of Justice—Deputy Clerks of the Crown and Pleas.....	400 00	
Public Works and Buildings—Building, Repairing, &c.....	523 81	
Lunatic Asylums—Malden Asylum	748 69	
Total, 1868.....		\$6,907 90

Service of 1869 :—

Crown Lands expenditure—Refunds—Excess of payments over estimate.....	\$3,065 70
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Legislation :—

Increase in indemnity to Members, including mileage.	8,900 00
For expenditure in excess of appropriation for Postages and cost of House Post Office to 30th Sept., 1869, \$203.48, and additional for remainder of 1869, \$1,250	1,453 48
For expenditure in excess of appropriation for Stationery, Printing, &c., to 30th Sept. \$5,109.60, and additional for remainder of 1869, \$5,390.40.....	10,500 00

Total.....\$20,853 45

Expenditures in excess of appropriation for Immigration, viz.:

Postages, telegrams, cleaning sheds, &c.....	388 22
Posters, pamphlets, agricultural journals, circulars, schedules, &c., for distribution in <i>Europe</i> and <i>Canada</i>	13,937 56
Railway, steamboat and express freight.....	294 01
Remuneration and expenses of Emigration Commissioners to <i>Europe</i>	3,000 00
Provisions for indigent immigrants at the <i>Toronto, Hamilton, Ottawa</i> and <i>Kingston</i> agencies.....	2,493 74
Medical and undertakers' expenses.....	134 67
Transport, including railway, steamboat and land conveyance.....	3,653 80
Extra clerk and messenger hire, and service of sub-agents.....	398 00
Required to complete the service of the year.....	1,000 00
	25,300 00
Amount of appropriation.....	10,000 00

Total..... \$15,300 00

To cover the distribution of the Municipalities' Fund, during the year 1869, as follows :

Amounts collected during the half-year of 1867 and the year 1868	171,831 74
Less—Refunds and 20 per cent. cost of management.....	34,949 78
	\$136,881 96

Total for Services 1868 and 1869,..... \$183,009 04

The Resolutions, from Forty-four to Forty-seven inclusive, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved, That there shall and may be paid and applied, out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, the sum of \$1,999,550.08 for defraying the several charges and expenses of the Civil Government of this Province, and for other purposes, for the year 1870.

Resolved, That there shall be charged to the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province the sum of \$183,009.04 to make good certain payments and expenditures made and expended by the Treasurer in 1868 and 1869, connected with the Government of this Province, and to cover the payments made by him during the year 1869, in respect of the Municipalities Fund.

Resolved, That there shall be charged to the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province, the further sum of \$43,680.02, to make good certain payments and expenditures made and expended by the Government of *Canada*, on account of the Province of *Ontario*, during the years 1867 and 1868, and to the 30th September, 1869.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*, reported the Resolutions. The Resolutions, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

The following Bill was then introduced, and read the first time :—

Bill (No. 110), intituled, “An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying the expenses of Civil Government for the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy, for making good certain sums expended for the Public Service in

"the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight and one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and for other purposes." The Honorable Mr. *Wood*.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the second time, at the first sitting of this House To-morrow.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 28), To amend the law respecting the powers of Executors and Administrators.

(*In the Committee.*)

Page 1, line 39, after "will" insert "or codicil."

Page 2, line 25, after the first "person" insert "and such person has given or shall hereinafter give the additional security before mentioned (which additional security the Judge of the Surrogate Court is authorized to receive.)"

Page 2, line 25, strike out "or persons" in two places.

Page 2, line 30, strike out "or persons."

Page 2, line 38, strike out "have been," and insert "be."

Page 2, line 41, strike out "or persons."

Page 2, line 49, strike out "conferred on," and insert "vested in" in lieu thereof.

Page 3, line 2, strike out "of equity or any Judge thereof," and insert "or Judge of competent jurisdiction" in lieu thereof.

Page 3, line 4, strike out "are" and substitute "shall be."

Page 1, line 1, strike out from "whereas" to "therefore," in line 17, and substitute "it is expedient to amend the law respecting the powers of Executors and Administrators by vesting in them additional power to deal with the real estate of the testator or intestate."

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Lount* reported the Bill, with Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

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

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 17), To amend the Assessment Laws.

(*In the Committee.*)

Add to Clause 3, after "assessed," the following:—"And so much of the personal property as is invested in any company incorporated for the purpose of lending money on the security of real estate: Provided that this shall not exempt the interest or dividends from such investments."

Strike out Clause 4, and substitute as follows:—4. "That sub-section 22 of 32 Vic., chap 36, be repealed, and the following substituted:—The stipend of any clergyman or minister of religion, while in actual connection with any church, and doing duty as such clergyman or minister to the extent of one thousand dollars, and the parsonage or dwelling house occupied by him, with the land thereto attached, to the extent of two acres, and not exceeding two thousand dollars in value, and that subsection 28 of section 9 be repealed."

And the House having continued to sit in Committee till Twelve of the clock, midnight.

WEDNESDAY, 22nd December, 1869.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Gow* reported the Bill, with Amendments. *Ordered*, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House then adjourned at 12.20 A. M.

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Wednesday, 22nd December, 1869.

10 o'CLOCK, A.M.

The following Petition was brought up and laid upon the Table:—

By Mr. *Trow*,— the Petition of the Township Council of *Easthope*.

On motion of the Honourable Mr. *Wood*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Carling*,—
Resolved, That this House will, at the next sitting To-day, resolve itself into a Committee, to Consider the following Resolution:—

That over and above the sum which may be imposed by Municipalities, as provided in "*The Tavern and Shop License Act of 1869*," there shall be paid to and for the use of Her Majesty (and forming part of the Revenue Fund of this Province), for each shop license, entitling the licensee to sell by wholesale and by retail, in quantities not less than one quart, spirituous, fermented, or other manufactured liquors within this Province, twelve dollars: Provided always, that from the operation of this resolution, shall be exempted brewers and distillers who have obtained a license from the Government of *Canada*, and who shall be at liberty to sell spirituous, fermented, or other manufactured liquors by wholesale only, in casks and vessels containing not less than five gallons each.

On motion of Mr. *Currie*, seconded by Mr. *McColl (Elgin)*,—

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency, to cause to be laid before this House copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Education Office, on the subject of attaching the Education Office to one of the Departments of the Government.

Mr. *Scott (Grey)*, moved, seconded by Mr. *Lauder*,—

1. "That in many parts of this Province, there are settled, upon Crown lands of an inferior class, many industrious but poor and struggling settlers, who from the inferior nature of their lands, or circumstances of unavoidable misfortune, have been unable to pay for such lands the moneys due therefor to the Government, and, in many such cases the arrears of principal and accumulated interest exceed in amount the value of the land, and the ability of the settlers to pay.

2. "That the embarrassed condition of such settlers, in consequence of such indebtedness, operates injuriously to and retards the improvement of the country.

3. "That it is desirous, in the interest of the country, that settlers so situated should be granted some measure of relief.

4. "That in all cases where the Commissioner of Crown Lands is furnished with satisfactory evidence of the inability of the settler to pay, either by reason of the high price originally agreed upon for the land, or from the inferior quality of the land, he shall have the power of making such reduction as in his opinion will be just and meet."

And, a debate having arisen, the Motion was, with the leave of the House, withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Boulter*, seconded by Mr. *Graham (Hastings)*,—

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a Return, shewing the number of acres of land drowned and rendered unfit for agricultural purposes by the Government dam across the River *Trent*, at *Chisholm's Rapids*.

On motion of Mr. *McLeod*, seconded by Mr. *Boyd*,—

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House copies of and correspondence between any members of the Government of *Canada* and *Ontario*, touching the payment, in advance, of moneys to accrue from *Canada* to *Ontario*, and the terms of such payments.

The Honourable Mr. Cameron presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor :—

Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, copies of all Orders in Council affecting certain lands known as the *Dorchester* Glebes, and also all correspondence relating to the same. (*Sessional Papers No. 51*).

And, it being one of the clock in the afternoon, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House till three o'clock P.M. To-day.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

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

By Mr. *Rykert*,—The Petition of the Village Council of *Port Dalhousie*.

By Mr. *Lyon*,—The Petition of the County Council of *Carleton*.

Mr. *Lount*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Petitions relating to the *Huron* and *Ontario* Ship Canal, presented its Report which was read.

On motion of Mr. *Currie*, seconded by Mr. *McColl* (*Elgin*),

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a Return of the amount it has cost each County for advertising the sale of lands for taxes each year, in the *Ontario Gazette*, since July, 1867.

Bill (No. 110), Supply, was read the second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 111), To remunerate Sheriffs, Clerks of the Peace and County Attorneys for services rendered in the County Judges' Criminal Court; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Boyd* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

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 for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider a certain Resolution proposed at the First Sitting of this House To-day, relative to Shop Licenses, having been read,—

The Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, acquainted the House that His Excellency, having been informed of the subject matter of the proposed Resolution, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

The House then resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Resolved. That over and above the sum which may be imposed by Municipalities, as provided in "*The Tavern and Shop License Act of 1869*," there shall be paid, to and for the use of Her Majesty (and forming part of the Revenue Fund of this Province), for each shop license, entitling the licensee to sell by wholesale and by retail, in quantities not less than one quart, spirituous, fermented, or other manufactured liquors within this Province, twelve dollars: Provided always, that from the operation of this resolution, shall be exempted, brewers and distillers who have obtained a license from the Government of *Canada*, and who shall be at liberty to sell spirituous, fermented, or other manufactured liquors by wholesale only, in casks and vessels containing not less than five gallons each.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair : and Mr. *Lyon* reported the Resolution.

The Resolution having been read the second time was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Resolution be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Bill (No. 90).

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 90) To amend the Act intituled "An Act respecting Tavern and Shop Licenses"; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Pardee* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the Third Sitting of this House To-day.

The Order of the Day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the whole House on Bill (No. 17), To amend the Assessment Law, having been read.

Mr. *Rykert* moved, seconded by Mr. *Swinarton*, that the Report be agreed to.

Mr. *Carnegie* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Boulter*,

That all the words after "That" be omitted, and the following substituted, "the Report be not now received, but that the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with instructions to amend the same by expunging the words 'twenty-five of Section nine,' in the first line of clause four."

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

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Wood.</i> —36.

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wallis.</i> —34.
<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McCull (Norfolk),</i>		

Notice having been taken by Mr. *Blake*, that the names of the Honourable Messrs. *Macdonald*, *Cameron* and *Wood*, were recorded on the Division List, and that inasmuch as they had a direct pecuniary interest in the matter before the House, they were not entitled to vote.

Mr. Speaker, having been appealed to, decided that the Bill before the House was of a public nature, and not such as was contemplated by Rule 16 of this House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause 4, line 1, omit the words "twenty-five of section nine."

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Gow* reported the Bill, with an Amendment. The Amendment, having been read the second time, was agreed to on the following division:—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Cumberlaud,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.).</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Richards</i>	<i>Wood.—37.</i>
<i>Corby,</i>			

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Wallis.—36.</i>

Mr. *Sinclair* then moved in amendment to the original Motion, seconded by Mr. *Ferguson*,

That all the words after "That" be omitted, and the following substituted, "the Report be not now received, but that the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to re-insert the clause respecting sub-section 25 of "Section 9 of the Assessment Act of last Session."

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Wallis.—24.</i>

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Wood.—54.</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>		

Mr. *Ferguson* then moved in amendment to the original Motion, seconded by Mr. *Grahame (York)*,—

That all the words after “That” be omitted and the following substituted: “the Report be not now received, but that the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to amend the same by striking out sub-section or clause 2 of section 71 of the Assessment Act of last Session.”

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Wilson.—15.</i>
<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Read,</i>	

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Rykerl,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>	<i>Wood.—56.</i>

Mr. *Ferguson* then again moved in amendment to the original Motion, seconded by Mr. *Grahame (York)*,—

That all the words after “That” be omitted, and the following substituted: “the Report be not now received, but that the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to amend the same by striking out all after the word ‘within,’ in the 6th line of sub-section three, of section seventy-one of the Assessment Act of last Session, and inserting the following in lieu thereof:—six days after the

"close of the session of the county council at which such decision was made, by giving to such Judge and 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 six days from the receipt of such notice of the appeal, and may at such court proceed to hear and determine the matter of appeal, or adjourn the hearing thereof from time to time, and the said judge shall have the same power in respect of the hearing and determining such appeal as are conferred upon him by sections sixty-five, sixty-six, sixty-seven and sixty-eight of the said recited act in respect of the subjects therein named; Provided that the time for hearing and determining of such appeal be not adjourned or judgment deferred beyond the twelfth day of August next after the notice of the appeal, and such judge shall equalize the whole assessment of the county."

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>	<i>Wilson.—17.</i>
<i>Grahame (York),</i>			

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell)</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Wood.—45.</i>
<i>Corby,</i>			

Mr. Wood then moved in amendment to the original Motion, seconded by Mr. Finlayson,—

That all the words after "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Report be not now received, but that the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with instructions to amend section 122 of the Assessment Act of last Session, by striking out the words 'twenty-nine,' and inserting instead thereof, 'twenty-eight' between words 'and' and 'of' in the second and third lines of the said section."

And the Amendment, having been put, was carried.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Insert as clause 11:—

"11. That section one hundred and thirty-two of the said recited Act be hereby amended by striking out the words 'twenty-nine' between the words 'and' and 'if' in the second and third lines thereof, and inserting instead thereof the words 'twenty-eight.'"

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Gow reported the Bill, with an Amendment.

The Amendment, having been read the second time, was agreed to.

Mr. *Trow* then moved in amendment to the original Motion, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,—

That all the words after “That” be omitted, and the following substituted: “the Report be not now received, but that the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with instructions to amend sub-section two of section seventy-one of the Assessment Act of last Session, by inserting after the word ‘shall’ in the second line, the following words: ‘after having so increased or decreased as aforesaid.’”

And the Amendment, having been put, was carried.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(*In the Committee.*)

Insert as clause 12:—

“12. That sub-section two of section seventy-one be amended by inserting the following words after the word “shall,” in the second line: ‘after having so increased or decreased as aforesaid.’”

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Gow* reported the Bill, with an Amendment. The Amendment, having been read the second time, was agreed to.

Mr. *Lyon* then moved in amendment to the original Motion, seconded by Mr. *McCall* (*Norfolk*),—

That all the words after “That” be omitted, and the following substituted:—“the Report be not now received, but that the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to amend sub-section twenty-one of section nine of the Assessment Act of last Session by striking out the words ‘provided the same does not exceed four hundred dollars.’”

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost.

Mr. *McCall* (*Norfolk*) then moved in amendment to the original Motion, seconded by Mr. *Currie*,

That all the words after “That” be omitted, and the following substituted:—“the Report be not now received, but that the Bill be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to amend the Assessment Act of last Session by striking out sub-section three of section seventy-one of the said Act.”

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

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Wilson.—12.</i>

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Pardoe,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>	<i>Wood.—56.</i>

The Report was then adopted.

Mr. *Rykert* then moved, seconded by Mr. *Swinarton*,
That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. *Lyon* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *McCall* (*Norfolk*), that all the words after "That" be omitted, and the following substituted:—"the Bill be not now read a "third time, but that the same be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with "instructions to amend the same by inserting in the fourth clause before the words 'be "repealed,' the words 'twenty-five of section nine.'"

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Currte,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McCall</i> (<i>Norfolk</i>),	<i>Scott</i> (<i>Ottawa</i>),
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McColl</i> (<i>Elgin</i>),	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Sindair,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Smith</i> (<i>Middlesex</i>),
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Wallis</i> .—32.

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Craig</i> (<i>Glengarry</i>),	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Craig</i> (<i>Russell</i>),	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Smith</i> (<i>Leeds, &c.</i>),
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling</i> (<i>London</i>),	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Carling</i> (<i>Huron</i>),	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Graham</i> (<i>Hastings</i>),	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Williams</i> (<i>Durham</i>),
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Grahame</i> (<i>York</i>),	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Williams</i> (<i>Hamilton</i>),
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Hooper,</i>	<i>Scott</i> (<i>Grey</i>),	<i>Wood</i> .—38.
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>		

And it being six of the clock in the afternoon, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House till half-past seven o'clock To-day.

7.30 O'CLOCK P.M.

Bill (No. 90), To amend the Act intituled, "An Act respecting Tavern and Shop Licenses," was read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 43), To incorporate the *Canada Air Line Railway Company*, having been read,

Mr. *Rykert* moved, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Wood*,—
That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. *Beatty* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Secord*,

That all the words after "That" be omitted, and the following substituted:—"the "Bill be not now read the third time but that it be referred back to a Committee of the "whole House, with instructions to amend the same by striking out the seventeenth "clause."

Mr. *Scott* (*Ottawa*), made objection to the Amendment being entertained, as no previous notice had been given of it.

And Mr. Speaker, having been appealed to, decided that so important an Amendment could not be entertained without previous notice given.

Mr. *Beatty* then moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Secord*,

That all the words after "That" be omitted, and the following be substituted: "the said Bill be not now read the third time, but that it be read the third time this day 'six months.'"

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost.

Mr. *McMurrich* then moved in amendment to the original motion, seconded by Mr. *Boyd*,—

That all the words after "That" be omitted, and the following substituted: "the Bill be not now read a third time, but be referred back to a Committee of the whole House to add the following proviso to the second section; 'Provided always that the powers hereby granted shall not be exercised until the first day of March next, and unless the "Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company shall by that time have made default in organizing their said Company or in commencing their said Railway.'"

Mr. *Rykert* made objection to the Amendment being entertained without notice first given.

And Mr. Speaker, having been appealed to, decided that the Amendment was not in order, for want of notice.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the whole House on Bill (No. 36), To amend the Act incorporating the *Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company*, and to change its name to the *Canada Southern Railway Company*, having been read,

Upon the second reading of the Amendment, inserted as clause four of the Bill,

Mr. *Scott (Ottawa)*, moved, seconded by Mr. *Coyne*,

That the said Amendment be not concurred in, but that the said Bill be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with instructions to strike out the fourth clause.

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>	<i>Wood.</i> —28.

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Secord,</i>	<i>Wigle.</i> —33.
<i>Currie,</i>			

The Honourable Mr. *Wood* moved, seconded by Mr. *Graham (Hastings)*,—

That the Report be not now received, but referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to amend the same by the introduction of a clause, as follows :—

“ Provided always and it is hereby declared and enacted, that if at any time within twelve months after the passing of this Act, the said *Erie* and *Niagara* Extension Railway Company shall by any agreement made with the Grand Trunk Railway Company, or the *Buffalo* and *Lake Huron* Railway Company, or with both of the said companies, or by any terms settled by any arbitration between all or any of the said railway companies, arrange for the passenger and freight trains of the said *Erie* and *Niagara* Extension Railway Company passing over the said *Buffalo* and *Lake Huron* Railway to its eastern terminus, then and in such case, the eastern terminus of the said railway of the said *Erie* and *Niagara* Extension Railway Company authorized to be constructed by this Act, shall be at such point on the said *Buffalo* and *Lake Huron* Railway as may be agreed upon by the said companies, or by arbitration between them as aforesaid, and not at the point in this Act mentioned as the eastern terminus, unless such last mentioned point be agreed upon or settled by arbitration as aforesaid, and in the event of such arbitration being agreed upon, one of such arbitrators shall be chosen by the said *Erie* and *Niagara* Extension Railway Company, and another of the said arbitrators by the said Grand Trunk Railway Company, or the *Buffalo* and *Lake Huron* Railway Company, as the case may be, and the said two arbitrators shall, within one month thereafter choose a third arbitrator, and a decision of a majority of the said arbitrators shall be final, both upon the point where the eastern terminus of the said railway shall be, and also upon terms of arrangement for the passenger and freight trains of the said *Erie* and *Niagara* Extension Railway Company over the *Buffalo* and *Lake Huron* Railway, and the works to be provided to insure the transport of the said trains ; Provided always, that if the said Grand Trunk Railway Company or the *Buffalo* and *Lake Huron* Railway, as the case may be, appoint an arbitrator within the said period of twelve months aforesaid, and notify the said appointment in writing to the said *Erie* and *Niagara* Extension Railway Company, and the said *Erie* and *Niagara* Extension Railway Company neglect or refuse to appoint an arbitrator within one month after such notice, then and in such case, the said Grand Trunk Railway Company or the *Buffalo* and *Lake Huron* Company, as the case may be, may appoint both of the arbitrators, who shall, within one month thereafter appoint a third, and in the case of disagreement between the said upon the appointment of a third arbitrator, then the third shall be appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council upon application by either party, one month's notice being given to the other party of such application, and the decision of the majority of the said arbitrators shall be final ; Provided always, that the award of the arbitrators shall be in writing under their hands and seals, and be made within three months after they shall have been so appointed as aforesaid : Provided that any award to be made by the said arbitrators, or a majority of them, so far as the same shall determine the terms of arrangement for the passenger and freight trains of the *Erie* and *Niagara* Extension Railway Company, passing over the *Buffalo* and *Lake Huron* Railway, and the payment of tolls for such right, and the works to be provided to insure the transport of the said trains, shall be open to reconsideration and re-arbitration and re-determination at the expiration of five years, and so on from time to time, for the period of five years only, at any one time, so long as the said powers are required, and until such new award shall be made, the award preceeding it shall be the rule and guide between the parties.”

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

Bouller,
Cameron,
Carling (London),
Carling (Huron),
Clemens,
Colquhoun,
Corby,

Coyne,
Craig (Glengarry),
Ferguson,
Finlayson,
Fitzsimmons,
Lauder,

Macdonald,
Murray,
McGill,
McKim,
Perry,
Rykert,

Scott (Grey),
Scott (Ottawa),
Swinarton,
Wallis,
Wilson,
Wood.—25.

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Smith (Kent),</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Smith (Middlesex),</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Read,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Clarke,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>	<i>Wigle,</i>
<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Secord,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),—</i>
<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>	

[39.]

The Report was then agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 44), To incorporate the *Canada South Western Air Line Company*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McLeod* reported the Bill, with Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report be received at the First Sitting of this House To-morrow.

And it being twelve of the clock, midnight,—

THURSDAY, 23rd December, 1869.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 98), To revive for a limited purpose, the Charter of the *Hamilton and Port Dover Railway Company*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Carnegie* reported the Bill, with Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time, and passed, on the following division :—

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>McGill,</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Cumberland,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Wood.—21.</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>			

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Smith, (Kent),</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),—</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>			

[17.]

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 31), To authorize the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton Railway Company* to change the name of their

Company, and to extend their line of Railway, and for other purposes; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Boyd* reported the Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report be received at the First Sitting of this House To-day.

The House then adjourned at 1.45 A.M.

Thursday, 23rd December, 1869.

10 O'CLOCK A.M.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid upon the Table :—

By Mr. *Lyon*,—The Petition of the Township Council of *Nepean*.

The following Petitions were received and read :—

Of the Town Council of *Port Hope*, praying for certain amendments to the Assessment Law.

Of *John Heaseman* and others, of *Walpole*; also, of *Jacob Young* and others, of *York*; also, of *John McAlpine* and others, of *Walpole*; also, of *James Upton* and others, of *Seneca*; also, of *John Murray* and others, of *North Cayuga*, severally praying that no charter be granted for the construction of a Railway from *Glencoe* to *Niagara River*.

Of *James Breckinbridge* and others, of *Madoc*, praying for the payment of pensions to Superannuated School Teachers.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 17), To amend the Assessment Law, having been read,

Mr. *Trow* moved, seconded by Mr. *Perry*,—

That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. *Ferguson* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Coyne*,—

That all the words after “That” be omitted, and the following substituted:—“the Bill “be not now read the third time, but that it be read the third time this day six months.”

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

YEAS:

Messieurs

<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Ferguson,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk).—6.</i>
<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>		

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Colquhoun,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Swinarton.</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Trow,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Wood.—55.</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Greeley</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	

Mr. *Sinclair* then moved in amendment to the original Motion, seconded by Mr. *Finlayson*,—

That all the words after “That” be omitted, and the following substituted: “the Bill be not now read the third time, but be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with instructions to amend the same by repealing so much of the exemption in favour of ministers of religion as relieves their dwelling-houses or parsonage from taxation.”

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Scott (Grey),</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McKim,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Galbraith,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Hays,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	<i>Trou.—22.</i>
<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>		

NAYS :

Messieurs

<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Corby,</i>	<i>Lauder,</i>	<i>Richards,</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Craig (Glengarry),</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Craig (Russell),</i>	<i>Macdonald,</i>	<i>Scott (Ottawa),</i>
<i>Calvin,¹</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Secord,</i>
<i>Cameron,</i>	<i>Evans,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Carling (London),</i>	<i>Eyre,</i>	<i>Murray,</i>	<i>Strange,</i>
<i>Carling (Huron),</i>	<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>McCall (Norfolk),</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>McGill,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Wilson,</i>
<i>Code,</i>	<i>Greeley,</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Wood.—41.</i>
<i>Colquhoun,</i>			

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the whole House on Bill (No. 31), To authorize the *Port Hope, Lindsay, and Beaverton* Railway Company to change the name of their Company, and to extend their line of Railway, and for other purposes, having been read.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the second Sitting of this House To-day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting fees to Registrars.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved.—1. That it is expedient, for the purposes of carrying out the “Registration of Co-Partnerships Act, 1869,” to authorize the collection of certain fees under the said Act.

2. That for filing declarations of Co-Partnership, Registrars shall be authorised to receive the sum of fifty cents, if such declarations do not contain more than two hundred words; and at the rate of ten cents per hundred words for all above that number.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Ferguson* reported the Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Resolutions be referred to the Committee of the whole House on Bill (No. 12.)

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 12), Registration of Co-Partnerships Act, 1869; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitzsimmons* reported the Bill, with Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

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

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 27), To allow certain persons to make a solemn Affirmation and Declaration instead of an Oath; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *McDougall* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 102), To amend and extend the provisions of the Act, chapter thirty, of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, respecting Interpleading; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Boulter* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

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 for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 99), To amend the Act, chapter sixty-nine, of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, relating to the holding and conveying of real estate by the Religious Bodies mentioned therein, having been read,—

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 23), To amend cap 51, 29 and 30 *Victoria*, intituled, an "Act respecting Municipal Institutions."

(*In the Committee.*)

Strike out clause eleven.

Page 3, line 40, fill blank with "five."

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Pardee* reported the Bill, with Amendments.

The Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time at the second Sitting of this House to-day.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 39), To establish Municipal Institutions in the District of *Algoma*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hays* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 8), To amend subsections 2 and 3, of section 9, of the "Law Reform Act of 1868," and to repeal section 2 of cap. 121 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada* (now *Ontario*); and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fraser* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

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 for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider Bill

(No. 11), To regulate the sale of Poisons, and respecting Chemists, Druggists and Apothecaries, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 24), To amend chapter 12 of the Statutes of *Ontario*, intituled, "An Act for the better Protection of Game in the Province of *Ontario*, having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

And, it being one of the clock in the afternoon, Mr. Speaker adjourned the House till three o'clock P.M. To-day.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. *Greeley*, from the Committee on Printing, presented their Sixth Report, recommending that the following documents be printed :—

Annual Report on Immigration.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 45.)

Return to an Address for a statement of expenditure on account of Immigration.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 49.)

Also :—That the following documents be not printed :—

Report of the Beaver Mutual Fire Insurance Company.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 8.)

Report of the *Toronto* Mutual Fire Insurance Company.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 9.)

Return from Hospitals and Charities receiving Government grants from 1862 to 1868.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 10.)

Return from the Queen's Bench and Common Pleas, shewing a detailed statement of moneys received and expended.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 11.)

Return of all dues received on Timber cut in the Counties of *Peterborough* and *Victoria* on Crown and Clergy Lands.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 13.)

Return of Crown Patents in the Township of *Chandos*.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 14.)

Return of all correspondence in the Crown Lands Department, touching lots 9 and 10 in the 9th Concession of *Marmora*.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 15.)

Return of all correspondence between the Governments of *Canada* and *Ontario*, touching Immigration.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 17.)

Return of the Orphan's Home of the City of *Ottawa*.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 20.)

Return of the Mutual Fire Insurance Company of the County of *Wellington*.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 21.)

Index to Municipal Law.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 23.)

Return, shewing all Provincial moneys invested by Government during the current year.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 24.)

Return of Expenditure on the Colonization Roads.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 25.)

Return of all moneys paid for Official Advertisements.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 27.)

Return of Orders in Council and Departmental Orders touching the Crown Lands, Mines, and Forests.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 30.)

Statement of the *Ottawa* Unity Protestant Benefit Society for 1868.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 32.)

Return as to the Petition of *W. J. Nichols*, concerning certain lands in *Muskoka*.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 33.)

Return of the Canadian Institute, *Toronto*.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 34.)

Return as to correspondence between the Chief Superintendent of Education and the Government.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 35.)

Return as to moneys under the control of the Court of Chancery.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 36.)

Statement of the *Gore* District Mutual Fire Insurance Company, 1869.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 37.)

Return of all Plans, Estimates, &c., of the *London* Lunatic Asylum and the *Belleville* Deaf and Dumb Asylum respectively.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 39.)

Report of the Senate of the University of *Toronto* for 1868 and 1869.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 40.)

Return as to Free Grants.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 42.)

Report of the Council of the University College.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 44.)

Report of the University of *Toronto*, and Bursar's Cash Transactions.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 46.)

Report of *Upper Canada* College and Bursar's Cash Transactions.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 47.)

Report of the Inspector of Registry Offices for 1869.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 48.)

Return of the expenditures on the Lieutenant-Governor's Residence.—(*Sessional Papers*, No. 50.)

On motion of Mr. *Greeley*, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,—

Resolved, That the Sixth Report of the Committee on Printing be concurred in.

Mr. *Cumberland*, from the Committee on Public Accounts, presented their First Report, which was read as follows :—

1. Your Committee met on Monday, the 15th of November.

Present : Messrs. *Wood*, *McMurrich*, *McDougall*, *Smith*, *Beatty* and *Cumberland*.

Absent : Messrs. *Blake*, *McLeod* and *Carnegie*.

Mr. *Cumberland* was appointed Chairman.

A general discussion and explanation was engaged in, relating to the manner in which the Public Accounts are kept, and the Committee adjourned to the following day.

2. Your Committee met pursuant to adjournment, on the 16th of November.

Present : The Chairman, Messrs. *Wood*, *McMurrich*, *Smith*, *Beatty* and *Carnegie*.

Absent : Messrs. *Blake*, *McDougall* and *McLeod*.

The Honourable the Treasurer submitted copies of all minutes of council relating to his department and the departmental regulations, in conformity with which the business of the office is conducted in detail, including also the regulations and system pertaining to the audit branch, and the same were examined and disposed of. On the suggestion of the Honourable the Treasurer, all the books of the department, and the balance sheets for the three fiscal periods, (namely, for the half year ending the 31st of December, 1867, for the year ending 31st December, 1868, and for the nine months ending 30th September, 1869,) were examined, and the Committee found the balances of the several accounts under the various heads of services to correspond with the balance sheets presented for the above periods respectively. The Committee also found the monthly balances in the cash book of the Treasurer to correspond with the monthly balances of the bank book.

Your Committee adjourned *sine die*.

3. Your Committee again met on the 22nd of December,

Present : The Chairman, Messrs. *Wood*, *McMurrich*, *Blake*, *McDougall*, *McLeod*, *Smith* and *Carnegie*.

Absent : Mr. *Beatty*.

The following Resolution was adopted on a division :—

"That the Committee was not summoned to meet between the 16th of November and "this day, when they met at 9-30 A. M., the House meeting at 10 A. M., and being about "within two days to be prorogued, and that under these circumstances it is impossible "for the Committee to report on the matters referred to them."

Yeas : Messrs. *Blake*, *McMurrich*, *McDougall*, and *McLeod*.

Nays : Messrs. *Wood*, *Smith* and *Carnegie*.

(The Chairman declining to vote.)

4. Your Committee recommend that the matters referred to them, including the resolutions by Mr. *Blake* relating to the Provincial Auditor, be referred to the Public Accounts Committee of next Session.

The Honorable Mr. *Cameron* presented to the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor:—

Return to an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he will cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Government and the Education Office on the subject of attaching the Education Office to one of the Departments of the Government.—(*Sessional Papers, No. 52.*)

Bill (No. 31), To authorize the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton* Railway Company to change the name of their Company, and to extend their line of Railway, and for other purposes, was read the third time and passed.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of Bill (No. 23), To amend cap. 51, 29 and 30 *Vic.*, intituled, an “Act respecting Municipal Institutions,” having been read, Mr. *Fitzsimmons* moved, seconded by Mr. *Trow*,—
That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. *Rykert* moved in Amendment, seconded by Mr. *Currie*,—

That all the words after “That” be omitted, and the following substituted,—“the said Bill be not now read a third time, but that the same be referred back to a Committee of the whole House, with instructions to amend the same, by adding the following,—

“Section 11. That section three hundred and thirty-eight, of chapter 51, 29 and 30 *Vic.* be amended, by adding thereto, the following subsection:—

“Provided always, that in all cases where the road of any joint stock company, or other road which, by authority of law, may be vested in individuals, shall have been embraced within the corporate limits of any town or incorporated village, by the incorporation of any such town or village, or by the extension of the limits thereof; then and in that case, the corporation of such town or village shall compensate such joint stock company or individuals, for such purpose of said road as may have been embraced within the limit of such town or village; and such compensation shall be determined by arbitrators chosen in the same manner as is provided by sections eighteen and nineteen of chapter 49, of Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*.”

And the Amendment, having been put, was lost.

The Bill was then read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Scott*, seconded by Mr. *Coyne*, the following Amendment was made to the Bill:—

Insert as clause 18:—“This Act shall not come in force, or take effect till after the first day of February, in the year 1870.”

The Bill was then passed.

The Order of the Day, for receiving the Report of the Committee of the whole House on Bill (No. 44), To incorporate the *Canada* South-Western Air Line Company, having been read,

Mr. *Oliver* moved, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*,—

That the Report be now received.

The Honourable Mr. *Cameron* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Carling*,—

That all the words after “That” be omitted, and the following substituted:—“the Report be not now received, but that it be received this day six months.”

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

YEAS :

Messieurs

Cameron,

Carling (*London*),

Smith (*Kent*),

Wood.—4.

NAYS:

Messieurs

<i>Barber,</i>	<i>Coyne,</i>	<i>Matchett,</i>	<i>Rykert,</i>
<i>Baxter,</i>	<i>Crosby,</i>	<i>Monteith,</i>	<i>Sexton,</i>
<i>Beatty,</i>	<i>Currie,</i>	<i>McColl (Elgin),</i>	<i>Sinclair,</i>
<i>Blake,</i>	<i>Finlayson,</i>	<i>McDougall,</i>	<i>Smith (Leeds, &c.),</i>
<i>Boulter,</i>	<i>Fitzsimmons,</i>	<i>McKellar,</i>	<i>Springer,</i>
<i>Boyd,</i>	<i>Fraser,</i>	<i>McLeod,</i>	<i>Swinarton,</i>
<i>Calvin,</i>	<i>Gow,</i>	<i>McMurrich,</i>	<i>Wallis,</i>
<i>Carnegie,</i>	<i>Graham (Hastings),</i>	<i>Oliver,</i>	<i>Williams (Durham),</i>
<i>Christie,</i>	<i>Grahame (York),</i>	<i>Pardee,</i>	<i>Williams (Hamilton),</i>
<i>Clemens,</i>	<i>Luton,</i>	<i>Paxton,</i>	<i>Wilson.—43.</i>
<i>Cockburn,</i>	<i>Lyon,</i>	<i>Perry,</i>	

The Report was then received, and the Amendments, having been read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 25), To amend section seventy-eight of chapter thirty-one of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Baxter* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 56), To amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, passed in the 29th year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act to secure to wives and children the benefit of Assurances on the lives of their husbands and parents; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Graham (Hastings)*, reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 30), To repeal subsection one of section one hundred and fifty-five of cap. 31, Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, respecting Jurors and Juries, and to make other provision in lieu thereof; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Beatty* reported the Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time forthwith.

The Bill was then read the third time and passed.

The House resolved itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 101), To amend an Act passed in the thirty-second year of Her Majesty's reign, chaptered thirty, of the Statutes of *Ontario*, intituled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths;" and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Grahame (York)*, reported the Bill, without Amendment.

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 for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider Bill (No. 18), To amend Chapter 31 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, intituled "An Act respecting Jurors and Juries," having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 108), To amend the Act

for the further improvement of Grammar Schools in *Upper Canada* (now *Ontario*), having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of Bill (No. 109); To repeal an Act passed in the thirty-second year of the Reign of Her Majesty, and chaptered thirty, intituled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages, and Deaths," having been read,

Ordered, That the Order be discharged, and the Bill withdrawn.

On motion of the Honourable Attorney-General *Macdonald*, seconded by the Honourable Mr. *Wood*,—

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned till To-morrow at one o'clock, P. M.

The House then adjourned at 5 o'clock P.M.

Friday, 24th December, 1869.

1 O'CLOCK P.M.

Mr. *Greeley*, from the Committee on Printing, presented their Seventh Report, which was read.—(*Appendix*, No. 3).

On motion of Mr. *Greeley*, seconded by Mr. *McKellar*, the Seventh Report of the Printing Committee was concurred in.

3 O'CLOCK P.M.

His Excellency WILLIAM PEARCE HOWLAND, C.B., Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Ontario*, being seated on the Throne,

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the titles of the several Bills to be assented to, as follows :—

An Act to enable the Corporation of the Town of *Chatham* to dispose of certain lands.

An Act to amend the Act passed in the Session, held in the thirty-second year of the reign of Her Majesty, intituled "An Act respecting Elections of Members of the Legislative Assembly."

An Act to amend an Act passed in the Session held in the thirty-second year of the reign of Her Majesty, intituled "An Act to amend chapter fifteen of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, intituled 'An Act respecting County Courts.'"

An Act further to extend the time for the Registration of Conveyances to Religious Institutions in *Ontario*.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Wesleyan Female College of *Hamilton*.

An Act respecting the Fair Ground of the County of *Oxford*.

An Act to exempt from Municipal Taxation, for a certain period therein mentioned, a Sugar Refinery proposed to be erected in the City of *Toronto*.

An Act to remunerate certain members of the Court of Error and Appeal.

An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church, in the Township of *Finch*, in the County of *Stormont*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, to sell Lot Number Fourteen, in the Fifth Concession of the said Township.

An Act to legalize, confirm and establish the re-survey of the Town of *Chatham*, in the Province of *Ontario*.

An Act to make further provision for carrying out the Act, intituled the "Law Reform Act of 1868," and to regulate proceedings on Writs of Error and *Certiorari*.

An Act to provide for the conveyance of land sold by the late *Zephaniah Swift More Hersey*, and to authorize the sale of certain Village Lots belonging to his estate.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the President, Directors and Company of the *Port Credit* Harbour.

An Act respecting Law Fees and Trust Funds.

An Act respecting the appointment of Notaries Public.

An Act to authorize the advance of Public Money, to a limited amount, to promote the improvement of Lands in *Ontario* by works of Drainage.

An Act respecting the Primitive Methodist Connexion.

An Act to incorporate the *Toronto, Simcoe* and *Muskoka* Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate the *Kingston* and *Madoc* Railway Company.

An Act to amend the Law relating to Bills of Lading.

An Act respecting proceedings in Judges' Chambers at Common Law.

An Act to amend an Act passed in the Session, held in the twenty-fourth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled "An Act to consolidate the debt of the Town of *Peterborough*, and to authorize the issue of debentures on the security of Town Property, and for other purposes."

An Act to incorporate the *Toronto* House Building Association.

An Act to legalize and confirm the survey made by *F. F. Passmore*, Esquire, Provincial Land Surveyor, of the First, Second, Third and Fourth Concessions (old survey) of the Township of *Melancthon*, in the County of *Grey*.

An Act to confirm certain side Roads in the Township of *Tilbury* East, and to provide for the defining of other Road allowances and lines in the said Township.

An Act to amend the Act, passed in the Session held in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's reign, chaptered forty, intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto, Grey* and *Bruce* Railway Company," and the Act passed in the Session, held in the thirty-second year of Her Majesty's reign, chaptered eighty-two, amending the same.

An Act to amend an Act, intituled "An Act for the relief of the representatives of the late *David B. Odgen Ford*."

An Act to authorize the closing of certain Streets in *Elora*, in conformity with a By-law of said Village.

An Act to legalize the amalgamation of the *Cobourg* and *Peterborough* Railway Company, and *Marmora* Iron Company, and for other purposes.

An Act to incorporate the *Ontario* Peat Company.

An Act to provide for the organization of the Territorial District of *Parry Sound*.

An Act to incorporate the *Ottawa* Ladies' College.

An Act concerning Sheriffs' Sales for Taxes.

An Act to incorporate the *Weston* Church School.

An Act to confirm and legalize a sale and conveyance by the Church Society of the Diocese of *Huron*, of certain premises in the Town of *Gal*, to the Reverend *Michael Boomer*, D.D.

An Act to empower the *Ottawa* Mechanics' Institute and Athenæum, and the *Ottawa* Natural History Society, to amalgamate into one corporate body under the name of the *Ottawa* Literary and Scientific Society.

An Act to amend an Act, passed in the Session held in the twenty-sixth year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen *Victoria* and chaptered forty.

An Act to appoint Trustees for certain lands belonging to the Presbyterian Church, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*, in the Townships of *Dummer* and *Asphodel*, in the County of *Peterborough*.

An Act to enable *Donald Alexander Macdonald* to construct a Canal in the Township of *Kenyon*.

An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the *Cobourg* Cemetery Company, and

to extend to said Company the provisions of chapter sixty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Upper Canada*, and for other purposes.

An Act to amend the Act passed in the thirty-first year of the reign of Her Majesty, chaptered forty-one, intituled "An Act to incorporate the *Toronto and Nipissing Railway Company*," and the Act amending the same, passed in the thirty-second year of the reign of Her Majesty, chaptered eighty-three.

An Act to authorize the Church Society of the Diocese of *Huron* to sell certain Church Lands in the Township of *Goderich*.

An Act to facilitate the withdrawal of the Town of *Perth*, in the County of *Lanark*, from the jurisdiction of the Council of the County of *Lanark*, and to provide for the liability of the town for its share of the county debt.

An Act relating to the Indemnity of Members, and the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

An Act to amend the Law of Evidence in Civil Causes.

An Act amending the Acts relating to the *Port Whitby* and *Port Perry Railway Company*.

An Act to incorporate certain persons under the name of the *Toronto Wharf and Warehousing Company*.

An Act to authorize the Trustees of the *McNab Street Wesleyan Methodist Church*, in the City of *Hamilton*, to sell and convey certain real estate vested in them, and to apply the proceeds in payment for another Church.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Peterborough and Haliburton Railway Company*.

An Act to incorporate the *Nazrey Institute*.

An Act to divide the Township of *Marysburg* into two Municipalities.

An Act to authorize the Corporation of the Township of *Collingwood*, in the County of *Grey*, to construct certain works, and acquire certain lands at the mouth of Beaver River, in the said Township.

An Act to authorize the construction of a Railway from some point in the City of *Hamilton* to *Caledonia*.

An Act to incorporate the Inland Water Transportation Company.

An Act to incorporate the *Mississippi Navigation Company*.

An Act to amend the law respecting the powers of Executors and Administrators.

An Act to amend the Act, intituled "An Act respecting Tavern and Shop Licenses."

An Act to amend sub-sections two and three of section nine of the Law Reform Act of 1868, and to repeal section two of chapter one hundred and twenty-eight of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada* (now *Ontario*).

Registration of Co-Partnership Act, 1869.

An Act to amend the Assessment Law.

An Act respecting Municipal Institutions of *Upper Canada*.

An Act to amend Chapter thirty-one of the Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*.

An Act to permit solemn Declarations to be substituted for Oaths in certain cases.

An Act to repeal sub-section one of section one hundred and fifty-five, of Chapter thirty-one, Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, respecting Jurors and Juries, and to make other provisions in lieu thereof.

An Act to authorize the *Port Hope, Lindsay and Beaverton Railway Company*, to change the name of the Company, and to extend their line of Railway, and for other purposes.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company*, and to change its name.

An Act to establish Municipal Institutions in the District of *Algoma*.

An Act to incorporate the *Canada Air Line Railway Company*.

An Act to incorporate the *Canada Western Air Line Railway Company*.

An Act to amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, intituled "An Act to secure to wives and children the benefit of Assurances on the lives of their husbands and parents."

An Act to revive, for a limited purpose, the Charter of the *Hamilton and Port Dover* Railway Company.

An Act to amend thirty-second *Victoria*, Chapter thirty, of the Statutes of *Ontario*, intituled "An Act to provide for the Registration of Births, Marriages and Deaths."

An Act to amend and extend the provisions of the Act, Chapter thirty, Consolidated Statutes of *Upper Canada*, respecting Interpleading.

An Act to remunerate Sheriffs, Clerks of the Peace, and County Attorneys.

To these Bills, the Royal Assent was severally announced by the Clerk of the House as follows:—

"In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor doth assent to "this Bill."

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 1870, for making good certain sums expended for the Public Service in 1868 and 1869, 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 Clerk of the House, by His Excellency's command, did say:—

"His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor doth thank Her Majesty's dutiful and "loyal subjects, accept their benevolence, and assent to this Bill, in Her Majesty's name."

The LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR was then pleased to deliver the following Speech:—

The state of the public business now enables me to release you from further attendance in this Assembly.

I feel persuaded that your respective constituents and the public at large will join with me in recognizing the zeal and assiduity with which you have applied yourselves to the performance of your arduous duties during the Session now brought to a close.

I thank you for the liberal supplies you have granted to Her Majesty for the service of the incoming year, and you may rely on these being administered, as heretofore, with the most vigilant regard to economy in every department of the Public Service.

I have given my ready assent to a variety of measures of public utility, the result of your labours during the present Session, believing them to be well calculated to further the ends of justice, and to promote the well-being and prosperity of the Province.

I rejoice that you are enabled to return to your respective homes, at a season of the year when it is peculiarly agreeable for friends to be reunited, and relatives to meet in the domestic circle. I sincerely wish to each and all of you a happy meeting with your families and constituents, and I pray that the Divine blessing may rest upon the labours which you have now brought to a happy conclusion.

The Honourable Mr. RICHARDS 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 third day of February next, to be then here holden; And this Provincial Legislative Assembly is accordingly prorogued until Thursday, the third day of February next.

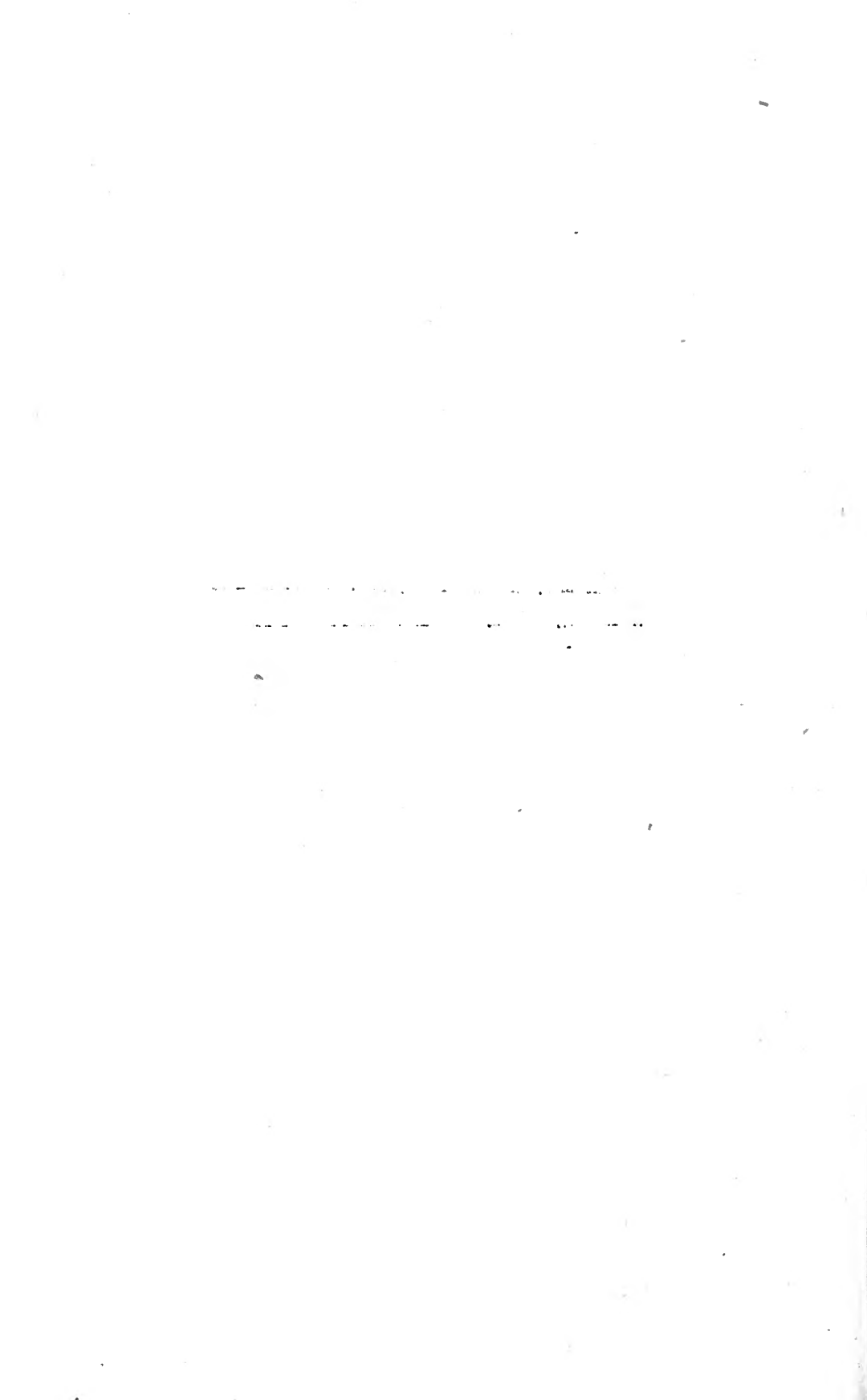
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REPORT

OF THE

SELECT COMMITTEE

WOODEN RAILWAYS.

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of Ontario.

The Select Committee "appointed to enquire into and report upon the usefulness, and cost of Wooden Railways as a means of furthering the settlement of the country," beg leave to report,—

That they have examined Mr. J. B. Hulburt, contractor of the Quebec and Gosford Wooden Railway—a gentleman, whose whole time for the past ten years, has been devoted to building and working railways of this description. Mr. John Foster, C.E., of Montreal, and patentee of a wooden rail, and Mr. Kivas Tully, Architect and Engineer of the Public Works Department of this Province.

Your Committee also obtained from Mr. C. W. Moberly, Chief Engineer of the Northern Railway of Canada, and Mr. T. N. Molesworth, C.E. of the Public Works Department, written opinions upon the systems of Messrs. Hulburt and Foster.

Besides the information thus obtained, your Committee had brought under their notice certain documents published in England, relative to experiments made with "Prosser's patent guide wheels on either iron or wooden rails."

The evidence, and other information thus obtained, will be found in the Appendix to this Report, and to which the Committee desire to direct particular attention.

Upon a careful perusal of the information thus obtained, your Committee believe that it must become evident to the most casual observer, that railways of this description are destined to play an important part in the future development of this Province.

With regard to the usefulness of wooden railways, your Committee have no hesitation in expressing the opinion, that such roads are eminently calculated to supply a want long felt in this Province, and will prove most valuable in opening up and developing the resources of the new townships.

At the present time all the natural wealth of the newer portions of the country (with the exception of a part of the pine) is useless, in fact a nuisance, or positive loss to the settler from the additional labour it necessitates in clearing up his land, over the prairie land of the west. Without railway or water transportation to give it a money value, these heavy, bulky articles cannot be profitably taken to market a distance of from thirty to a hundred miles. Neither will pot ashes, obtained at a heavy cost, pay for the time and expense of making and transporting over a long rough road to market; on the other hand, with the cheap wooden railways in operation, the whole position is reversed by practically bringing the points of supply within reach of a market. The new set-

tlar at once obtains a proper remuneration for the labour of felling the timber (his first crop), and in this manner maintains his family during the time the clearing is in progress, soon rendering his land fit for cultivation, and self-supporting ; and the market and the money thus brought to his door, will in a few years place him in comfortable circumstances. While without a railway and its attendant advantages, the backwoods settler has but a life long struggle with poverty and toil, in which he frequently succumbs at an early age, or leaves the country in disgust for the prairie land of the west.

A railway of this kind will tend *more than any other means* which can be adopted, to the rapid settlement of our wild lands, and so both keep the native population in the country and incite immigration.

Referring to the evidence of Mr. Hulburt, and the estimates of Messrs. Moberly and Molesworth, it will be observed that railways of this description can be built for one-third of the cost of the iron road. The importance of such a reduction in the first cost of railways in a country like our own, where capital is scarce, where for a time at least, the traffic must be small, where, at the outset the benefits derivable from such undertakings consist of the development of the country served by them ; and when this reduction in their first cost does not entail any loss when the increase of traffic requires an iron rail, can hardly be over estimated.

That these roads are possessed of the advantages of cheapness of construction, combined with a capacity equal to, if not surpassing that of several railways now in operation in this Province, your Committee believe to be beyond doubt. Coupling this with the fact that the speedy settlement of the country, and the development of its resources, are of paramount importance to our future welfare as a Province ; and remembering the trifling success attending the large expenditure which has been made in building long lines of colonization roads.

Your Committee are convinced that no more important subject has been brought under the consideration of the Legislature of this Province, than that of wooden railways. And would earnestly commend them to your favourable consideration, as by far the best and cheapest means yet devised for developing the resources of the country, and securing its speedy settlement with an industrious and happy population.

JOHN CARNEGIE,
Chairman.

APPENDIX.

TORONTO, Dec. 3rd, 1869.

To the Chairman of Committee on Wooden Railways.

SIR,—In accordance with the request of your Committee, I have examined the systems of wooden rail track, introduced respectively by Messrs. Foster and Hulburt, and beg to submit the following observations thereon:—

Mr. Hulburt's system is the longitudinal maple rail, the grain of the wood running with the track. The rails are supported on cross ties laid two feet apart. These ties are notched out, and the rails are fastened into the notches with wooden wedges. He submits two modifications of his principal:—

1st. A plain longitudinal rail 4 inches $\times$ 7 inches, in 14 feet lengths, with square end joints, and simply held in place in the ties by the wedges.

2nd. A longitudinal rail 4 inches $\times$ 7 inches, two thicknesses in depth, breaking joint with square ends, each joint being fastened together with two $\frac{1}{2}$ in. bolts through from top to bottom of rail, and wedged in the ties in a similar manner to No. 1.

Mr. Foster claims an improvement on Hulburt's system, inasmuch as he opposes the end grain of the wood to the action of the trains. He places maple blocks $3\frac{1}{4}$ in. $\times$ 7 in. on end to form the rail. These blocks are held together between two longitudinal stringers, slightly notched out to give a seat for the blocks to rest on—the stringers break joint, thus forming a continuous rail. The cross ties are notched out, and the stringers wedged in the same manner as in Mr. Hulburt's rail. A hardwood pin is driven through the stringers between each joint of the blocks, in order to keep the blocks from shifting out of place.

The following is a comparative estimate of the cost of each system of wooden rail, and of an iron T rail 56 lbs. to the yard. I do not include the earthwork, ballast or fencing, as I assume the grades and curves to be common to each. The estimate is based on a 5 ft. 6 in. gauge, and the cost of cross ties is included.

Iron Rail (56 lbs.).....	\$5,000 per mile.
Foster's Wood Rail.....	2,100 “
Hulburt's do (No. 1).....	1,290 “
“ “ (No. 2).....	1,420 “

An iron rail, of say 56 lbs. to the yard, should last, in this climate, with a fair traffic (such as is done by the Northern Railway of Canada) about ten years, and the best hardwood rail, with a similar traffic, could not last over two years. A well-constructed hardwood rail if properly maintained, would probably last five years, with a small traffic and light engines not running over a speed of from 10 to 12 miles an hour.

The main points to be considered, in comparing the different systems of wooden rail, are simplicity in the number of parts, and convenience in construction and repair, because the greater the number of parts, the greater is the liability to get out of repair, particularly in such a climate as Canada, where the sudden thaws and extreme frosts throw the rails out of line and out of level.

As to the comparative merits of the different systems under consideration, I am of opinion that Mr. Hulburt's single rail, No. 1 (with an addition of a wood fish-plate, notched and bolted at each point), is the most practicable, as it is the simplest and cheapest in construction, and can most easily be kept in repair.

I consider the wooden railway to be best adapted for colonization roads through new tracts of country, where sufficient money cannot be obtained to build an iron road. A

wooden railway would serve the purpose, until a sufficient traffic could be established to warrant a more substantial track.

I have the honour to be

Your obedient servant,

J. W. MOBERLY,
C. E.

TORONTO, 6th December, 1869.

The Chairman of Committee on Wooden Railways, House of Assembly, Ontario.

SIR,—I have examined the models in connection with the system of wooden railway construction, and find three different classes of rails presented for inspection.

1st. Mr. Foster's compound wooden rail, formed of blocks of hardwood, bolted between longitudinal pieces of timber, so as to form an endless rail, having the cross-sections of the grain of the timber in the blocks presented as a bearing surface to the wheels.

2nd. Mr. Hulbert's plain wooden rail, consisting of longitudinal pieces of hard-wood, 14 feet in length, laid on, and notched into the cross-ties, and fastened thereto by wooden wedges.

3rd. Mr. Hulbert's compound wooden rail, where a longitudinal strip of timber is placed underneath the rails, breaking points with them, and having iron bolts, fastening each end of each rail to the longitudinal pieces underneath.

In the construction of wooden railways in a new tract of country, that system of rail which combines the greatest simplicity of construction with economy in first cost, is the one which should be selected for use, provided this is not more than counterbalanced by any advantages which may be derived from the adoption of a more complicated and costly system, but in the comparison of the construction of these rails, I do not see that such an advantage is to be gained, and, therefore, I prefer Mr. Hulbert's wooden rail.

In comparing the advantages of a light iron track with a wooden one on a railway for use in opening up a new district, I have made the following estimate of cost and maintenance of rails for 15 years, presuming that the traffic would be of such a light nature that a road laid with iron rails of 56 lbs. to the yard would stand 15 years without renewal and allowing three years as the period of renewal for the wooden rails.

RAILWAY WITH LIGHT IRON RAILS.

Iron rails for one mile, 56 lbs. to lineal yard, 88 tons, at \$50....	\$4,400 00
Fish plates, at \$1 per pair.....	500 00
Spikes.....	200 00
Ties, 2,112, at 20 cents.....	422 40
Track laying	250 00
Total cost.....	\$5,772 40

RAILWAY WITH PLAIN WOODEN RAILS.

2,640 ties, notched, at 20 cents	\$528 00
25,000 feet B. M. hard-wood rails, at \$10.....	250 00
1,510 wedges.....	50 00
Track laying.....	250 00
Total cost....	\$1,078 00

The difference in first cost being \$4,694 per mile.

Allowing one man per mile for maintenance work on each road, and the duration of the ties, ballast and other things being equal on both systems, the comparison of difference of cost in maintenance for that period will be between the cost of renewal of the iron rails,

fish plates and spikes on the one, and the wooden rails and wedges on the other, with the addition of the extra labour for more frequent renewals, and may be stated thus :—

IRON RAILS, RENEWAL ON 1 MILE IN 15 YEARS.

88 tons (less cost of old iron), at \$28.....	\$2,464 00
Fish plates and spikes, half amount renewal.....	350 00
Cost per mile.....	\$2,814 00

WOODEN RAILWAY RENEWAL.

Hard-wood rails and wedges, costing \$300 per mile, renewed once in each three years.....	\$1,500 00
Extra labour required for renewal.....	750 00
Cost per mile for 15 years	\$2,250 00

The difference in cost of renewal being in favour of the wooden rail.

The difference in first cost in favour of the wooden rail amounts to \$4,694, or say \$4,600, the interest on which, at 6 per cent., amounts to \$276 per annum, or \$4,140 in the period of 15 years, for which the renewals of each rail are given ; and I think that there can be no doubt that, taking these facts into consideration, the wooden railway supplies a desirable means of opening up the resources of a new district, with a light traffic, which would not yield a proper return for the more costly iron track ; but in the construction of such a railway through a fertile district, the works should be constructed with a view to the wooden rail being replaced by an iron one at a future period, when the increased traffic should render such a change desirable.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

T. N. MOLESWORTH,

Civil Engineer.

Evidence taken before the Committee, Nov. 30th. 1869.

Mr. FOSTER was called to explain his system of wooden block railway track. He said the advantages to be derived from the placing of the blocks with ends upwards was, that the rail resisted the wear and tear of the engine. The rail was also covered with pitch, which, when ground into the rail, would help to make it more durable, and to fill up interstices. The dry wood pins driven through the end of each block would compress the blocks, so that even though there was a possibility of the wood shrinking afterwards, it would not affect the durability of the rail. The resistance of wood endways was superior to iron, or any other material used in railway tracks. He had proved this by experiment. The cost of a railway, constructed in this way, would exceed that of a wooden railway made in any other way ; but it would be well worth the extra cost to secure a durable track. The covering of the rail with pitch would render it impervious to the action of the weather.

Hon. Mr. McMURRICH suggested that there might be a danger of shaking the rail by the passage over it of heavily laden trains.

Mr. FOSTER said no such result had attended the experiments so far made. The blocks remained perfectly solid, and were not crushed by the pressure of trains.

Dr. BOULTER asked if this system of railways had been adopted anywhere yet.

Mr. FOSTER said it had been tried in the Province of Quebec on a small scale.

The CHAIRMAN wished to know what would be the comparative cost between this block rail and the straight wooden rail.

Mr. FOSTER said he had never made an estimate; but the cost of the block rail was \$1 per yard, or \$1,760 per mile. Of course, it would cost more than a simple straight rail. There was a decided gain over the iron rails in ascending grades. On the Clifton line, there were grades of over 300 feet to the mile. The adhesion of a block wooden rail was twenty-five per cent. greater than that of the horizontal rail, that was to say, if the same piece of maple were laid horizontally, the adhesion would not be 1-5th as great as if it had been placed endways, and therefore the block rail would carry 1-5th more.

Dr. BOULTER wished to know if the wooden road in Quebec was perfectly level.

Mr. FOSTER said it had never been touched since it was laid down, and never had ballast laid under it. In fact, it was almost laid down in the mud. Of course there were soft places in the road the same as in iron rails. The dampness in the atmosphere seemed to be sufficient to keep the blocks from opening.

Hon. Mr. McMURRICH wished to know if the blocks should all be of the same kind of wood.

Mr. FOSTER said one piece was maple, another oak, another elm or some other kind of wood; it was difficult to get all maple.

Hon. Mr. McMURRICH said his reason for asking this question was, that it might be possible that if the blocks were of different kinds of wood, one would wear out much faster than another. It would be well to bring out this point clearly.

Mr. FOSTER, in reply to Mr. Cumberland, said he would not mix woods if he could avoid it. He considered maple best. Rock elm was also good; so was beech, but it did not last long.

Mr. CALVIN—Red beech will last as long as oak.

Mr. FOSTER continued—The wooden railway near Montreal had proved very durable. About thirty trains passed over it every day, and he was satisfied that the experiment had proved a complete success.

Mr. CUMBERLAND supposed that the blocks would depreciate in the same per centage as iron rails. He meant to say that, whilst perhaps three or four blocks might last three years, the next block might not last one year.

Mr. FOSTER—The wood might be chosen, so as to make the track as uniform as iron.

Mr. CUMBERLAND said, even in iron rails, from the same rolling mill, there was a difference. It was impossible to get a track perfectly uniform. In the system of Mr. Foster, the blocks were united so as to form a continuous line, and were kept firm by pins. If it were found necessary to remove an unsound block, and replace it with a sound one, he wished to know if it would not be an expensive operation?

Mr. FOSTER said there was very little expense attending such an operation. The pin could be bored out. In fact, in many instances it would be found necessary to bore it out, as he had found it to be the case in repairing the Industry and Lanora Road. The pins were found to be as solid as the wood itself.

The CHAIRMAN—You have seen the Clifton Railway. What is your opinion of the results of that line?

Mr. FOSTER replied that the results were most extraordinary. The grades on that line were the steepest in the world, and yet no difficulty had been found in ascending them. The system which he now submitted would produce even greater results, for it was obvious that his line was more adhesive than the horizontal line. The gain would be about one-fourth more. He did not believe it was necessary to have the blocks cut a great length of time before laying them, because even though they should shrink, the pitch would work into the interstices, and keep the blocks close. He thought a line, constructed on the system now submitted, would last about six years. The cost per mile per annum for keeping it in repair would not be much, because the men employed on the line could manage it. A carpenter could make all the repairs needed. He did not consider it any disadvantage to have the blocks narrow. It added very little to the cost of laying them, the boring being done by machinery. The curvatures and longitudinals were cut before laying them. The points were made of flat steel. All the work, excepting the points, was laid on wood. There was no doubt that an iron rail was better. The object of the wooden railway was simply to give a cheap line where an iron rail could not be laid. Not only was the wooden rail cheaper than the iron, but the grading cost less. That should be borne in mind, for the grading was the great item in constructing a road.

Mr. CUMBERLAND wished to know if the cost of a strap rail of iron on the horizontal wooden rail would greatly exceed the cost of the block wooden rail.

Mr. FOSTER said that experiment had been tried, and it was found that the iron strip alone cost within a trifle of \$1 per yard, or nearly the same as the entire cost of his system. The strip rail in the case mentioned was an inch thick, and two and a half in breadth. It was found that a thinner strip would not stand the traffic. It curved up and broke in a short time, and was found to be useless.

The CHAIRMAN wished to refer to a pamphlet issued in 1845 on this question, in which it was stated that the "bite" of the wooden rail (Crozier's system) was double that of the iron rail.

Mr. J. B. HULBERT, who is now building the Quebec and Gosford Railway, was next called. He produced the models,—one of a simple straight rail, fastened at the ends like the ordinary iron rail; the other was a compound rail, with the end of each rail overlapping the next. The wood was hard maple, and the cost of the superstructure and ballast per mile would amount to about \$1,200. The cost of the manufacture of the rails, ties and wedges was about \$600 per mile. The ties which he found best were tamarack and hemlock. The gauge he spoke of was four feet eight and-a-half inches. To increase the gauge to five feet six inches would add about twenty per cent. to the cost. He did not approve of a narrow-gauge, for the embankment was not likely to stand. He found the four feet eight inches in all cases the best suited to this country. Taking the average of the whole road he believed a wooden rail would last for about five years. The average speed on such a road was about ten miles per hour, but it could be increased to thirty miles. He had used an engine of 23 tons weight on such a road. He did not believe a wooden rail was equal to an iron rail. The Gosford wooden railway now in course of construction would be completed in the spring. The highest grade on the Clifton Railway was 330 feet. The whole secret of keeping those railway was to keep them in a good state of preservation, but if the repairs were not promptly attended to they would soon become as bad as the Grand Trunk Railway. (Laughter). The cost of keeping up the road was about \$250 per year. A good sound maple rail would stand any ordinary traffic for four years. The ties were laid about sixteen inches apart, and the flat on the side touching the ground, and round on the upper side. The advantage of the compound rail prevented them from wearing at the ends. He found too it kept the rails more smooth. The additional cost of the compound rail was about two hundred dollars, which was principally caused by the iron bolts used in joining. A wooden road had an equal capacity for trains with an iron road. He offered to construct one in Missouri, which would carry 2,000 tons per day. He found some difficulty from snow and ice in winter, but no greater than if the rails were iron. He believed there was no great difference between the five ton car and the ten ton car, in fact the advantage lay with the latter in carrying lumber, for the weight was distributed over a greater space. He calculated the average load to a train at two tons to two and a half per pair of wheels. After the road was built, he considered that, running eight trains over it per day, it required one man per two miles. On the Clifton road it required one man per mile, but the road was constructed at the beginning for a ten ton engine; but they are now using engines weighing twenty tons. The country through which the Gosford road was to run was smoother than the country through which the Clifton road runs. The Gosford line would cost about \$4,000 per mile. This including the grading track, water tanks, turn-tables and switches. He did not consider the wooden road any more liable to accidents than the iron. He had never seen an accident on one. He generally loaded a train heavier with lumber than with ore, for it was not such a dead weight. He did not consider it advisable to use an iron strap on the rail. Where the experiment had been tried on ordinary grades it had not proved successful. At curves it might be an advantage, but at such places he believed it would be better to lay the rails oftener. The Wooden Railways with which he had been connected had paid the companies to which he belonged. He related his experience of the Clifton Railway, with which he had been connected. When he constructed that line, the shares sold at \$2; and when he left they had sold at \$14. Since he had left it, however, it had been handed over to inexperienced persons, and it was not paying so well. Another Wooden Railway was in course of construction from Carthage, to intersect the Clifton line. His experience in building car wheels was to make them large. When he commenced he

made small wheels, weighing 125 pounds, but experience proved to him that larger wheels were better, and he now used wheels three feet in diameter, weighing 450 pounds, and he found they could carry twenty per cent. more freight. The rolling stock of the Wooden Railway could be made available for an iron track. He did not find the curves cut by the running of the trains. He had improved the wheel by placing a piece of rubber in the flange. The largest locomotive on the Clifton road cost \$9,500, American currency, in Erie. The 18 feet, platform, four-wheeled car, cost \$225; the same car with eight wheels would cost about \$600.—Adjourned.

Mr. TULLY (Architect and Engineer of the Department of Public Works)—Said he had examined the models of Mr. Foster and Mr. Hulburt, and the plans accompanying them. As far as his opinion went, the compound rail of Mr. Hulburt was the cheapest and best. The plan of Mr. Foster was too complicated. The blocks were liable to wear and become uneven, and a great deal of expense would be attached to keeping it in repair. Of the two rails of Mr. Hulburt, the compound rail was the better, but the more difficult to repair. If the other simple horizontal rail were bolted down instead of being wedged, he would be inclined to consider it the best system of all, it would be more cheaply and easily repaired. A dowel to join the ends of the rails would be likely to weaken the timber. He had read descriptions of wooden railways, and had descriptions of them from persons who had inspected them personally, and he was inclined to believe they would yet become a most important system of roads for the opening up of the back countries. He believed that like the Narrow Gauge Railways, they would be superseded by a better class of railways. He believed if these railways could be constructed entirely of wood, without using iron in any shape, it would be better, for there would be no difficulty, and very little expense involved in repairs. If the compound rails could be kept in place by bolts at the ends, that system was the best. Of course, if bolts were required at the middle of the rail as well, it would greatly increase the cost of constructing the line. The cost of placing half-inch bolts at the ends of the rails was estimated at \$200 per mile; and if bolts were placed at the middle of the rails as well, it would nearly double the cost. He had read the evidence of Mr. Hulburt as reported in the *Globe*, and he was satisfied that the statements and estimates of that gentleman were reliable. If a line could be constructed for \$4,000 per mile, it was a very low rate indeed. He understood, of course, that sum included grading, and everything but the stations and rolling stock. The cost of grading must be very little, for according to the statements made by Mr. Hulburt, the line could almost follow the surface of the ground. He approved of the 4 feet 8½ inch gauge, and considered it unfortunate that it was not the gauge universally adopted. It was the gauge mostly used in the United States—although some gauges were as broad as six feet.

Mr. CUMBERLAND objected to the bolts being driven into the top of the rail. He wished Mr. Hulbert to give his opinion of placing a sub-sill under the rail. He believed there was danger of dilapidation in the compound rail.

Mr. HULBERT said there was no danger of dilapidation. The cost of the bolts was obviated in a measure by the saving of the timber in the sawing of the compound rail. He considered the single rail the stronger, but it would give way sooner, as the joints were not so firmly fixed as in the compound rail, which was fastened by bolts driven through the rail, and secured by a nut beneath. There was no danger of the top of the bolt being broken off. It would be driven down by the weight of the trains passing over it. Of course, they might become loose, but the men on the line could tighten the nuts on the screw, and keep the rail tight as easily as by wedges. However, there was very little danger of the bolts becoming loose.

Mr. CUMBERLAND suggested putting wooden fish plates at the sides of the joints, and driving the bolts through the sides, instead of the top of the rail. That would remove the danger of injury to the bolts.

Mr. HULBERT said it would increase the cost.

Mr. CUMBERLAND said things might be cheapened.

Mr. BARBER said it might interfere with the flanges of the wheels. Besides, the wet remaining between the fish plates and the rails would rot the wood. He believed the single rail was the best, as well as the cheapest.

Mr. CUMBERLAND believed there was a danger of the under rail, in the overlapping track, rotting at the joints of the upper rails.

Mr. HULBERT said he could speak from actual experience that there no such danger existed. He had tried the single and the double rail, and he believed the latter was much the better. He had tried different ways of splicing rails, and found they did not answer.

Mr. TULLY suggested placing fish-plates at the joints, and instead of fastening them with bolts, to fasten them with wedges.

Mr. HULBERT said he had tried that plan also, but found it impracticable. The wedges in the double rail never became loose. They were placed on the outside, in order to form an even gauge. The wedges were sawed. The rails were made of hard maple, and lasted about five years. He found it lasted better as a rail than any other timber, especially when the sap was laid upwards. He believed it was possible to curve as short with wood as with iron, while there was a decided advantage in descending grades. A grade of over 300 feet in the mile could be descended with perfect ease, while on an iron track, the wheel would be likely to slip. If the curves were properly laid, a truer curve could be made. He always took pains to place the best wood on the outside of the curve, and found that they did not wear out any sooner than the other parts of the track. He made the embankments sixteen feet wide. His contract for the Gosford and Quebec Railway was twelve feet broad, but he made it sixteen feet. He placed the price of making embankments at 10 cents per yard, and grading 10 cents. He spoke of the line which he was now constructing, where sand could be easily obtained, and there were no rock cuttings. The highest grade on the Gosford line was fifty feet per mile against the load. The following was an estimate of the stock for a road 60 miles long, to run 200 tons per day :—

3 Locomotives (at \$7,600 in gold).....	\$22,800
60 four-wheeled platform cars (\$225).....	13,500
3 eight-wheeled box cars (\$800).....	2,400
3 passenger cars (\$1,500).....	4,500
10 gravel and repair cars (\$200).....	2,000
10 rubble cars (\$60).....	600
4 hand-cars (\$125).....	600
Total.....	\$46,400

The above will run two trains per day, of 100 tons each, leaving an extra locomotive for repairs, &c. The cost of running one train, of 100 tons, the round trip will be,—

1 engineer.....	\$3.00
1 fireman.....	1.50
2 brakemen (at \$1).....	2.00
4 cords of 3 feet wood (at \$1.25).....	5.00
Oil.....	1.00
Total.....	\$12.50

Or 12½ cents per ton.

Cost of building a wooden railway on a fair route, timber at medium price, and no large bridges, \$4,000 per mile. Rolling stock and incidentals, \$1,000—say \$5,000 per mile for a road complete with rolling stock ; which I consider a fair and safe estimate for the general run of the country, and prices of timber in Canada.

(Signed)

J. B. HULBERT.

Mr. MOBERLY being called on, said he had not had time to look into this matter ; but if the Committee would allow him to confer with Messrs. Hulbert and Foster respecting their schemes he would be better prepared to give his opinion. He supposed what was required was an estimate of the comparative cost of the iron and wooden railways above grade.

The CHAIRMAN said the object was to ascertain if it were practicable to lay wooden rails which would answer for the present, and in future should give way to iron rails.

Mr. MOBERLY said it would be desirable to grade the roads with the object in view of afterwards laying iron.

The CHAIRMAN said the grades could be lowered when the iron track was being laid.

Mr. MOBERLY believed the great objection to the wooden railway was the effect of the frost on the line. It would be no easy matter to repair it in spring. However, he would give his opinion on the subject after conferring with Mr. Hulbert and Mr. Foster.

Mr. FOSTER was next called on. He said there appeared to be a slight misapprehension respecting the number of iron bolts required in his rail. When the rails ran a straight line no iron bolts were used at all. The bolts were only used in joints at the curves. There was not a bit of iron anywhere except at the curves where the bolts were put to prevent the joints from spreading.

The Committee then adjourned.

Extracts from a pamphlet published in 1845, on "Prosser's Patent Railway Guide Wheels, on either Iron or Wooden Rails."

The length of the experimental line laid down near Vauxhall bridge was 174 yards, with gradients of 1 in 95, 1 in 22, and 1 in 9, and a curve of 720 feet radius.

The speed attainable on so short a line was of course limited, but the power given to the engineer by the bite of the wheel on the wood, (for this line was laid with wooden rails) enabled him to drive it at the rate of 24 miles an hour, and to stop the carriage in a distance of 24 yards. In the presence of several engineers the carriage laden with passengers, ascended an incline of 1 in 9, the rails being in a very bad state at the time from wet.

Since the introduction of wood paving, it may be calculated that a saving of one-half has been effected in the wear and tear of carriages, horses and harness, in those districts where it has been adopted; a saving equally great can be made in the construction of railroads by the substitution of wood for iron rails.

The rails may be made of beech or other hard English timber, six or eight inches square, let into wooden sleepers, and secured by wooden wedges, forming one great frame, or wooden grating of longitudinal and cross sleepers."

An engine weighing 10 tons running on wood will have more tractive power than one weighing 18 tons running on iron; and as the concussion and abrasion on wood is so trifling, carriages built to weigh one and a half tons will be as strong as those having to run on iron weighing three tons.

An important question connected with this subject is the durability of the material of which the rails are composed.

The engine employed for the experiment weighed about six tons: it passed over the rails during the two months it ran 8,000 times in every variety of weather, which is equal to nearly seven years' traffic of 12 engines per day. The rails consisted of Scotch fir, about nine feet long and six inches square; and yet upon examining them after the severe test to which they had been subjected, they exhibited no appearance of wear from the friction of the wheels on the upper surface, as the saw marks were not effaced.

The capability of wood to sustain the strain to which it must necessarily be exposed, especially when moving over it at high velocities, has been satisfactorily proved by the experience of the Great Western, and other railways, where continuous longitudinal sleepers of wood have been employed, and experience has shewn that the solidity of the road is much greater than when the iron rails were attached either to stone blocks or transverse wooden sleepers. In proof that wooden rails cut from beech will bear the wear and tear of trains passing over it, it is well known that beech cogs have been known to last 18 to 20 years when working in gear with an iron wheel.

The rails on the Vauxhall line were prepared by Payne's patented process for preventing dry-rot and decay of timber.

Scotch fir, if subjected to pressure, will crush at 10 tons, while beech (the wood recommended for railways) will bear a pressure of 82 tons before it begins to yield.

Experience having confirmed the capability of Scotch fir to withstand the traffic

of 12 engines per day for seven years, without any visible wear ; it would be difficult to say how long rails cut from beech, sustaining 82 tons pressure, would last.

Some of the impediments with which railroads have to contend, are, the undulations of the country, and the necessity of diverging from a right line, in order to obtain the traffic of important towns.

These obstacles can only be overcome by an enormous outlay of capital, in making the required excavations and embankments, or by the oftentimes ruinous system of tunnelling, and, after all, inclines of greater or less gradients are unavoidable, and prevent the line working economically. Curves on iron railroads are highly prejudicial, especially if the radius be small, as the wear and tear becomes proportionably increased.

Now, by the introduction of the proposed plan, the evils arising from the obstacles alluded to would be very materially diminished ; for in the first place, the surface resistance obtained by the elastic character of wooden rails, enables a train to be propelled up inclines, with much greater facility and ease than on rails constructed of iron.

The advantages of wooden railways thus constructed in point of economy, comfort, durability, and as feeders to the great and central lines already formed, must be apparent to every one who has given the subject any consideration.

The result of a series of experiments, made to ascertain the proportionate power of the bite of wood over iron, has fully borne out the assertion of the patentee, that the bite of the driving wheel on wood, is nearly double that on iron.

On the surface of an iron wheel four feet diameter, a lever eight feet long was placed with a weight of seven pounds attached to the lever three feet from the centre of the axis of the wheel ; the surface of the lever being iron at the tangent of the wheel, it required a weight of 28 pounds attached to the crank to make it revolve. On substituting a wood surface for the iron one, it required a weight of 42 pounds.

Another experiment confirmed the result with the iron surface : a weight of 28 pounds attached to the spoke of the wheel, at a distance of six and three-quarter inches from the centre, made it revolve ; whilst with a wood surface, it required the same weight to be attached to the spoke at a distance of eleven and a half inches from its centre, thus clearly demonstrating the power obtained by the bite of the wood is nearly double the bite of iron.

And speaking of these experiments, Herepath's journal, says, "The rails just laid down, soured by a heavy rain, were in a most wretched state of level, such that we believe no ordinary train—we mean constructed in the common mode—could have traversed at scarcely a walking speed, much less at that which the model obtained on Wednesday. At the left-hand sharp curve, turning into the circle where the gradient was as heavy as 1 in a 100, the worst portion of the rails occurred : yet the engine and train ran up this incline, and worked the curve with the undiminished speed of 20 to 25 miles an hour. That was a pretty good test of the capabilities of the system.

Mr. J. M. Mason, (of *Trent* notoriety) when in England, devoted some attention to Prosser's system of wooden rails, with a view to their use in the Southern States during the war, and in a letter to Mr. C. J. Blomfield, he writes, "I was most strongly impressed with their *feasibility* and *durability*."

of 12 engines, and the total power of the plant was 1,200 horsepower. The engines were of the vertical type, and the water was raised by a system of pumps. The water was then distributed to the various engines, and the power was used for the operation of the mill. The mill was built in 1850, and it was one of the first of its kind in the country. It was built by a man named John Smith, and it was one of the most important buildings in the town at that time. The mill was used for the production of flour, and it was one of the main sources of income for the town. The mill was built on a hill, and the water was raised by a system of pumps. The water was then distributed to the various engines, and the power was used for the operation of the mill. The mill was built in 1850, and it was one of the first of its kind in the country. It was built by a man named John Smith, and it was one of the most important buildings in the town at that time. The mill was used for the production of flour, and it was one of the main sources of income for the town.

REPORT

OF THE

SELECT COMMITTEE

ON THE

LAND IMPROVEMENT FUND.

To the Honourable the Legislative Assembly of Ontario :—

The Select Committee to whom was referred the petitions relating to the Land Improvement Fund, beg leave to report as follows :—

The Committee have held many meetings, and examined numerous witnesses and papers, and carefully considered the matter referred to them, and they find unanimously :

1. That on the 7th July, 1852, the Government of the day passed an Order in Council in the words following :—“ Upon the memorandum submitted by the Commissioner of Crown Lands relative to the School Lands in the Counties of Grey and Bruce. The Committee of Council recommend that the reduction in price from 12s. 6d. to 10s. an acre, as suggested, be approved, and that the Regulations laid down in the said Report be adopted, and further that a measure be submitted to Parliament to authorize the expenditure of a sum equal to 2s. 6d. an acre of the purchase money on the improvement of the roads and harbors within the said Counties, and the Committee further recommend that not more than 200 acres be sold to any one individual, except upon special recommendation of the Commissioner of Crown Lands approved by His Excellency in Council.”

2. That by the Land Act of 1853, it was enacted that it should be lawful for the Governor in Council to reserve out of the proceeds of the School Lands in any County a sum not exceeding one fourth of such proceeds as a fund for public improvements within the county, to be expended under the direction of the Governor in Council, and also to reserve out of the proceeds of unappropriated Crown Lands in any county, a sum not exceeding one fifth as a fund for public improvements within the County, to be also expended under the direction of the Governor in Council.

3. That at this period there were large tracts of Crown and School Lands in various Counties unsettled, and it was the policy of the country to encourage the settlement thereof as much as possible.

4. That one of the greatest obstacles to settlement was the want of roads and bridges, and it was in order to induce the speedy settlement of the country by providing means for the construction of such works that the said Order and Act were passed.

5. That shortly after the passing of the said Act, large numbers of persons purchased and settled on the vacant Crown and School Lands, and within a very few years they were well settled, four-fifths of the School Lands having been settled in 1853, 1854 and 1855.

6. That the general belief and opinion of the settlers was that they would be entitled to have one-fourth of the price of School Lands, and one-fifth of the price Crown Lands expended within the Municipalities in the construction of roads and bridges.

7. That this belief and opinion was entertained by several of the Crown Lands Agents who sold the lands.

8. That several of such agents stated to the intending settlers, that if they became settlers, one-fourth of the price of School Lands and one-fifth of the price of Crown Lands would be so expended as aforesaid, and that thus the price of their lands was practically less than the stated price by these amounts which would otherwise have to be raised by local taxation for the same purposes.

9. That large numbers of settlers purchased on the understanding with the agent stated in the preceding paragraph, especially in the County of Bruce where the population increased from 2837 in 1852, to 27,494 in 1861.

10. That the Government of the day, in an Order in Council, dated on 27th February, A.D. 1855, referred to the Improvement Fund as being established by the Land Act of 1853, and ordered certain expenditure thereout; and in another Order in Council dated on 27th March, A.D. 1855, further assumed the existence and availability of the fund.

11. That on the 7th December, 1855, the Government of the day in an Order in Council referred to the said fund in the words following:—"The Minister of Agriculture also brings under your Excellency's notice that numerous applications have been made for aid from the Improvement Fund, created by the 14th Section of the Land Act, 16th Vic., Cap. 159, which authorizes one-fourth of the proceeds of the sale of School Lands and one-fifth of those of Crown Lands, to be expended in the several Counties in which the sales are effected. That none of this fund has, as yet, been set apart from the sales hitherto made, although an Order in Council has been passed for the expenditure of £25,000 thereout. That it appears requisite that the Crown Lands Department should be directed to apprise the Inspector General of the amount at the credit of each County for proceeds of sale of both Crown and School Lands, that the proportions accruing to the Improvement Fund may be set apart by the Receiver-General for that purpose. Out of the Improvement Fund referred to, he recommends that the following sums be appropriated for the objects hereafter stated, viz.:—(Stating several applications.)"

12. That on the 28th day of July, A.D. 1856, the Government of the day passed an Order in Council in the following words:—"In reference to the Fund for Public Improvements, formed under the 14th Section of the Act, 16 Vic., Cap. 159. The Committee recommend that the funds derived from the sales of lands in each particular Township or other Municipality, and applicable to the purposes of this fund and not already apportioned, be applied to the making, maintaining, altering, or improving the roads or bridges in each of those Townships or other Municipalities, respectively, and be for this purpose distributed and disposed of by and through the Municipal Council of each such Township or other Municipality; each such Council to report to the Bureau of Agriculture the manner of expenditure of all such monies, on the first days of January and July in each year, and at any intermediate time within ten days after having been called upon so to do by that Department."

13. That on several occasions during the years 1857, 1858, 1859 and 1860, the Government of the day, by Orders in Council, appropriated to purposes of local improvement, moneys arising out of the Improvement Fund.

14. That books were opened in the Crown Lands Department, labelled, "Road Improvement Fund," with a heading to each page in the words, "Statements of the amounts available for public improvements on sales of Crown Lands, Grammar School Lands and Common School Lands, under 16 Vic., Cap. 159, Sec. 14 in each Township in the County of _____," in which books the accounts of the fund were kept.

15. That on the 6th March, A.D. 1861, the Government of the day made an Order in Council in the following words:—"On the recommendation of the Honourable the Commissioner of Crown Lands, the Committee advise that the Order in Council of 7th December, 1855, authorizing the payment of the Improvement Fund created by the Land Act, 16 Vic., Cap. 159, be rescinded,"—but no order has been made rescinding that of 28th July, 1856.

16. That no part of the Improvement Fund accruing since the 6th March, 1861, has been applied to the purposes of the fund.

17. That large sums of money have since 6th March, 1861, been received by the Government of the late Province of Canada, from the sales of Crown and School Lands made between the date of the passing of the Land Act and the 6th March, 1861.

18. That further, large sums have been received on account of such sales by the Government of Ontario, and further, large sums remain due on account of such sales.

19. That large sums have been expended, and large debts incurred by the various Municipalities for the construction of roads and bridges, which would otherwise have been in whole or part constructed by means of the Improvement Fund.

20. The Committee beg leave further to report that they have appended to this their Report, the evidence of the witnesses, all of whom were persons of credit, and the material papers produced.

21. The Committee beg leave, lastly, to report that they abstain from stating any opinion or making any recommendation, because they understand the order of reference to confine them to the ascertainment of the facts for the information of the Legislature.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

T. B. PARDEE,
Chairman.

APPENDIX.

Moved that Mr. Sinclair attend the Committee.

Represents and resides in North Riding, amongst the early settlers settled in Township of Arran. Had an interview with Crown Lands Agent when my father was purchasing or making payment. This was in 1853 or 1854. Crown Lands Agent was Alex. McNabb. Statement was made on improvement fund. McNabb said the land does not really cost you \$2, as the Government is to restore 50 cents per acre to make improvements; and if the Government did not make such improvements, settlers would require to make them, so that lands really cost only \$1.50. Large numbers of settlers were coming in then. Had good means of knowing what the understanding with all the settlers on the subject was. It was that the 50 cents per acre was to be restored and expended in improvements; this has always been their views on the subject. County of Bruce has made very large improvements in building roads and bridges, and incurred large debt in this way and in advances to railroad and harbour improvements. The amount of gravel road debt is \$280,000. The county has recently voted upon a By-law, giving \$250,000 for further railway improvements, which will make total debt of County about \$600,000.

By Mr. RICHARDS—My father purchased in 1852, I think.

The signatures to Petitions shown are the names of *bona-fide* settlers. Petitions of different Townships are all genuine. Petitions put in and shown are from Saugeen, Eldersley, Bruce, Arran. I am not so well acquainted with the Petition from Brant, but I believe the signatures to be genuine, as I know several of them.

Mr. HAYES—I am acquainted with the County of Huron, and I believe the settlers had the same belief and understanding as the settlers of Bruce on the improvement fund. I form this opinion from conversations with Mr. Dixon and members of County Council in 1863.

DONALD SINCLAIR.

Mr. JACKSON, M.P., examined—I represent the South Riding of Grey in Commons. I represented that County in the Parliament of Canada since 1854, except as to two years. I was formerly Crown Lands Agent, appointed in 1848, and resigned in 1854. There was a large increase of settlers in 1853, and subsequent years. I account for this on account of school lands being open for sale in 1851. I was aware of the passage of an Act called the "establishment of the Land Improvement Fund." Knew of it immediately after passing. It was pretty generally understood among the settlers that there was a provision in the Act appropriating part of the price of the lands to public improvements. It was a new county, and was in need of roads and bridges. It was very important that such should be made. Large improvements were subsequently made by the county; they were necessary. A large debt has been contracted in making such improvements. In 1857 and '58 a debt of \$260,000 was so contracted; no other debt has been contracted by the county. By-laws were voted by the people of some of the townships for railway aid, but they were inoperative on account of the failure of the project. Railway accommodation is a necessity to the county; it cannot be obtained without incurring further indebtedness by the municipalities to a very considerable amount. Grey and Bruce is now the most destitute of railway accommodation of any settled section in the Province. I have had continued communication with the people since 1853, as Crown Lands Agent, Member of Parliament, Reeve and Warden; my position enables me to know public sentiment as well as any other man. The understanding as to this fund by the people since 1853 was, in calling them to incur the debt required to build gravel roads, they were told a portion of the Land Improvement Fund, coming annually to them, would

relieve the burthen. We had no doubt but this fund would be forthcoming, as I considered Order in Council equal to legislation on this subject. The people were influenced by this view. The existence of this Land Improvement Fund was well known through the county from the year 1853. The land was at first, in 1851, put into the market at 12s. 6d. ; in 1852 it was reduced to 10s. ; and in 1853 the understanding was that one-fourth should be available for public improvements of the county. That understanding continued up to 1861. During that time very large sales of Crown and school lands were made. The settlers, in buying and paying 10s. per acre, supposed they were to have the benefit of the Land Improvement Fund. As representative of the county, I applied on one or two occasions, and obtained appropriations from the Land Improvement Fund for the county, as shown by Orders in Council. It was generally known that the Government was going to avail themselves of the Act. Although I had no official authority to state to the people the fund would be applied, it was so generally understood by officials and all others that such was the law. I did tell the settlers they would have the advantage of it.

Mr. RICHARDS—The improvements I speak of, for which the debt of \$260,000 was contracted, was gravel roads through the county. The roads were constructed, I think, in 1857 or 1858. In inducing the people to vote for the by-law I made representations to them that they would get the benefit of the Land Improvement Fund. I knew that the continuation of the fund depended upon Order in Council. I had no directions in writing from the Crown Lands Department to hold out such representations to the people. I never made any official representation to the people, but when purchasers came to buy I told them of the existence of the law, and the advantage of it. I told them of it as a citizen and as Reeve, which I was at the same time I was agent.

Mr. BLAKE—When I held out this inducement to purchasers, I did not tell them or warn them that I was so telling them as citizen and Reeve, and not as Crown Lands Agent.

Mr. RICHARDS—I think the purchasers would have bought at 10s. per acre without the representation as to the fund, but I did tell them of the fund.

GEORGE JACKSON.

JOHN GILLIES, Warden of Bruce—I am Warden, have been in County Council of Huron and Bruce, and of Bruce since 1857, continuously. I am a resident of Eldersley, in which township I originally settled. I first came to the county in October, 1853; I went to Mr. McNabb, Crown Lands Agent, for the purpose of purchasing land for myself and two brothers for actual settlement. Mr. McNabb gave me a list of lands for sale. I picked out a block and returned to the office. I offered the agent money on six lots in Eldersley for myself and brothers; the agent wanted to know if I was going to settle immediately. I told him we could not settle before February, 1854. He said he would not accept money on the land until we became actual settlers, and stated further that when we became actual settlers one-fourth of the purchase money, as they were school lands, would be expended in improvements. He said it was not money particularly the Government wanted, but the county settled, and as soon as we settled on the land money would be accepted. We did shortly afterwards settle on the block. At that time the township was destitute of roads and bridges. It was absolutely necessary that such should be provided. The other townships were also new, and generally unprovided with roads and bridges. I have since then had a large acquaintance with the county. The public generally understood, and it was really the impression of the county as a whole, that the Land Improvement Fund was to be returned to the municipalities for improvements. It was a matter of common talk amongst the settlers. From my conversation with the Reeves of Huron, who were settlers in Huron, the people of that county were under the same belief as to the people of Bruce in respect to this fund.

Mr. RICHARDS—The price we were to pay was 10s. per acre. I offered the money to agent without making the fund a condition. I would have bought even without the fund. I first heard of the fund in Esquesing, before I went up, and I considered it to be a great advantage.

JOHN GILLIES.

JOHN GILLIES, recalled—I procured a large number of the signatures to the certificates put in. The way so many signatures were obtained was the assembling of the people of the municipality to vote on the recent railway By-laws. I have personally spoken to a great many of the settlers on the subject of the Land Improvement Fund, and they told me that they understood that they were to have the benefit of the Fund. Many of them told me they were so informed by the Crown Lands Agent when they purchased. I would have had no difficulty in bringing down hundreds who could prove this. It was upon the understanding that there would be a return of the fund that I made my purchase. Mr. Richards, the agent, did not make this a condition of the sale, nor did I make it a condition of the purchase, but the agent told me at the time I purchased that the fund would be returned, and I believed it would.

JOHN GILLIES.

JOHN ECKFORD—I am a resident of the County of Bruce, and Superintendent of Schools for six townships. Have been Superintendent since the first school was established in said townships. The names of the townships are Brant, Carrick, Culross, Greenock, Eldersley and Saugeen. I settled in the county in 1851, in the township of Brant, where I have since resided. In and after the year 1853 the county settled up very rapidly. When I settled in 1851, I was alone, the only house between what is now Paisley and the town that is now Walkerton, a distance of sixteen miles. I heard of the passage of the Land Improvement Fund when it passed. When the Act was passed there were few settlers. I moved into the county as a pioneer for several families, but I could not induce them to follow me until after the passing of the Act; then, upon representing to them the advantages of the same, and the good quality of the land, &c., they moved into the county. I came direct from Scotland. Some of the settlers for whom I was pioneer came from Lower Canada, and some from the States, where they had gone to get employment. By 1861 the townships of which I speak were well settled, and settlers still coming in rapidly. The township of Brant was settled up at this time. I had peculiar facilities for knowing what the understanding and belief of the people as to this fund was. Many of them stayed in my house when looking for lands, and at the sale of 1854 as many as thirty or forty were in my house. It was the general understanding and belief of the people who came in those years, that they were to get one-fourth return for improvements on school lands, and one-fifth on Crown lands.

MR. BLAKE—Did any of the settlers state to you that they derived their impressions from the Crown Land Agent, and also the nature of their conversations with the agent?

Answer—They did. They stated they had the information and got their convictions that this fund would be returned from the agent, Mr. Richards. I purchased in 1851. They would not have bought at \$2 per acre without this fund being returned. I paid for my land \$2.50 per acre. The general saying of the people coming in was if they got the land for nothing it would be dear in consequence of the difficulties of the situation—selling at the lowest price and buying everything at the highest rates. The general character of the land in the County of Bruce is excellent.

JOHN ECKFORD.

SAMUEL T. ROWE—I settled in the Township of Eldersley in the spring of 1851, but did not buy until 1854. There were only two settlers in the township at that time. There were very few settlers in the adjoining townships at that time. The price of land when I purchased was \$2 per acre. I built the first house in the village of Paisley. The settlement of the county went on tolerably rapidly after 1853. I had peculiar facilities of becoming acquainted with the settlers as I kept a tavern at Paisley, the only tavern between what is now Walkerton and Southampton, a distance of 31 miles. I heard of the passage of the Land Improvement Act of 1853. I heard of it shortly after the passage of the Act, being in Southampton. Mr. McNabb, the Crown Lands Agent, informed me of it. We were 12 miles from the nearest road, and no bridge across the river. We were suffering much for the want of roads and bridges. The agent told me that half a dollar of the two dollars per acre was to be returned to the settlers to make roads and bridges.

The settlers thought the price paid for the lands was high, but the return of the half dollar modified this view. The universal belief of the settlers was that they were to get the half dollar per acre returned to make improvements, having been informed by the agent that such would be the case. This was also corroborated by Mr. Gibson, who was the Government Superintendent for making roads and bridges under this fund. Under Mr. Gibson's supervision considerable sums were expended out of the fund. I was a contractor under him, doing some of the work. I heard of the stoppage of the fund by the Government in 1861. The feeling of the people on hearing of the stoppage of the fund was that an injustice had been done them, and the feeling has not yet subsided. A contract was taken by a brother-in-law of mine, Mr. Orchard, in 1851, from Mr. Gibson and McNabb, for making a road in Brant. Since the abolition of the fund, Mr. McNabb has stated that he considered it to be the right of the people that they should have the benefit of it, and hoped it would be restored.

SAMUEL T. ROWE.

Mr. ROWE, recalled—Prior to my purchasing, I had a conversation with Mr. McNabb as to the fund. He told me that it would not be long before we would have roads and bridges, as the half dollar per acre for that purpose would be returned,

Mr. RICHARDS—It was not made a condition of the purchase merely talked of, but it was the understanding with which I purchased. I did not go to the township on the faith of the understanding. I had made large improvements before the passing of the Act.

SAMUEL T. ROWE.

HENRY BROWN—I purchased in March or April, 1854, in Eldersley. The township had only about seven families in it at that time. The whole north of the county only contained a few families. I heard of the Land Improvement Fund from Mr. McNabb. Mr. McNabb advised me to buy 200 acres instead of 100, as I was about to buy, saying that the effects of the Land Improvement Fund would rapidly settle up the county, and that I would not then have a chance to purchase. He told me one-fifth of the price of Crown lands and one-fourth of school lands would be returned to be expended in local improvements. I said I was afraid I would not be able to pay the price of ten shillings per acre. He said that seven shillings and sixpence of the money went to the school fund, and two shillings and sixpence would be returned to the settlers, so that virtually we were only paying seven shillings and sixpence per acre for the land. These statements had an influence to induce me to purchase 200 acres. There were several conditions of settlement against us, and we looked upon the Land Improvement Fund as a favourable condition of settlement. I spent a great deal of time in shewing new settlers lands. Most of the lands were settled in this township in 1854. The settlers that conversed with me, all told me that they got the impression from the agent, that one-fourth of the price of the land would be returned for local improvements. I think hundreds of the settlers could be brought down here to verify these statements. I have heard the former witnesses this morning, and can corroborate their statements. The general opinion among the settlers is that the Government broke faith with them. I am President of the Agricultural Society of the North Riding. I signed no written application to purchase that I know of, nor signed any conditions. We got verbal conditions of settlements from the agent, and were at the same time told of the Land Improvement Fund, as before stated.

HENRY BROWN.

JAMES RAE—I settled in Eldersley in 1853, and purchased in 1854, from Mr. McNabb. I heard of the Land Improvement Fund before I purchased from Mr. McNabb. He told me the price of the school lands was two dollars, and of the Crown lands one dollar and a half per acre, and of the price of the School lands half a dollar per acre was to be returned for improvements of roads and bridges, and of the Crown lands one-fifth was to be returned for the same purpose, and virtually, he said, the price of the school lands would be only one dollar and a half per acre. This conversation occurred

before I purchased. I have also heard him talk with intending settlers, making the same representations to them that he did to me. I was the means of getting a good many settlers to come in, and the existence of this fund induced many settlers to come in. These statements of the agent had a great effect in procuring the settlement of the county. The return of this money was the understanding upon which I purchased; also upon which other settlers purchased. This statement about the fund was made at the same time by the agent that the settlement duties were explained; it was all one bargain. We all knew we would have to expend money in making roads and bridges, and depended upon this fund for that purpose. I believe there was not one man in the county but what understood this statement; many of the settlers got their information from Mr. McNabb. I can corroborate the statements of the former witnesses. Many of the settlers were ferried across the river by myself and boys, and I got their statements from them at that time.

JAMES RAE.

The Committee adjourns until to-morrow morning at ten o'clock, and in the event of there not being a quorum present, a sub-committee consisting of Hon. Mr. Richards, Blake and Boulter was appointed to go on and take evidence.

G. H. BOULTER,
Chairman, pro. tem.

THOMAS ADAIR—I settled in the Township of Saugeen in the year 1853 or 1854. I was amongst the first in Saugeen. I purchased from McNabb, the agent. I had been through the county and saw there was a great want of roads, and that it would be a long time before they would be supplied. I told this to McNabb, and said the land being 10s. per acre, with so little prospect of the roads, would hardly be an inducement to purchase. He said I was mistaken about the ten shillings an acre; that although that would be the price I would have to pay, yet one-fourth would go back for the purpose I was desirous should be accomplished. I asked is this improvement on the roads to be done by the Government. He said yes. I replied it would be a long time before they would do it. He then answered, if men like myself would come in and purchase, as soon as there was money enough to make it an object, the Government would proceed with the work. Upon this I purchased and settled 200 acres. The Township settled up rapidly after this, so that in two years it was nearly all settled. The understanding of the other people was, as they stated to me, the same as with me as to the fund.

Mr. RICHARDS—My lot is, I think, 19 and 20 west range of Elora road, in Saugeen. I am not aware of McNabb showing me a Government notice as regards these lands. I can't say whether I signed any paper referring to the sale. I do not think I would have bought the land if it had not been for this fund. I wrote to some of my old neighbours in Peterboro' County, and tried to induce them to come up and settle, on account of the advantages of this fund to be expended for roads. I sold out about the year 1857.

THOMAS ADAIR.

JAMES SOMMERVILLE—I reside in the Township of Wawanosh, in the County of Huron, on the borders of Huron and Bruce. I settled upon the lot on which I now live in 1858. I also had a lot in the township of Kinloss, just across the line, which I purchased in 1858. I heard of the passage of the Land Act of 1853. I was a member of the Council of Wawanosh at the time. I heard of it the year it passed. The township was suffering for want of roads, and the people urged upon us to apply to the Government for this fund instead of taxing the people. This was in 1854. The township of Turnberry was sold in 1853 and subsequent years. It settled up very rapidly after 1853. The Crown Land Agent was John Clark. He is now dead. I had conversations with Mr. Clark touching this fund at the date of the receipt produced—13th October, 1854. I told him that as Councillor I was bothered by the people about the Land Improvement Fund, and asked him what he had said to the settlers about it. He told me that he had informed the settlers.

that the price of the land was ten shillings per acre, but that one-fourth of the school land money would be paid back for the improvement of the roads. On getting this information I communicated it to the Council, and a petition was based upon it to the Government, asking a portion of the fund to be applied for the purpose of roads. A petition was also sent from the township of Kinloss for the same purpose. I had the only mill in the township of Wawanosh at the time, and had an extensive acquaintance with the people. They came from Ashfield, Wawanosh, Turnberry, and a part of Morris, and also from the village of Walkerton, in the county of Bruce. I talked with many of them about this fund—we seldom met without talking about it. They all stated that Mr. Clark had told them that a half dollar per acre would be returned back to them. That was the general understanding of all the settlers who purchased after 1853. The county was in a very bad condition for the want of roads. Large sums have been expended by the county in making roads and for railways since. A sum of \$500,000 has been expended by the old Huron District, composed of Huron, Perth and Bruce, for railway accommodation alone. The Government did appropriate £500 of the fund on a side line in the township of Kinloss, and this strengthened the opinion of the settlers that faith would be kept with them as to the fund.

Mr. RICHARDS—The lots I bought in Kinloss are the south halves of 57, 58, 59 and 60. I bought from Mr. Stauffer, in 1858. The lot I first settled on, in the township of Wawanosh, I bought in 1851.

JAMES SOMERVILLE.

ALEX. McNABB—I am Crown Lands Agent for the County of Bruce, appointed in 1851. The county commenced to settle up rapidly in 1854, and continued to do so for the next five or six years. The lands, except as to three townships, were school lands. I had personal applications from vast numbers of the settlers at my office to purchase. On looking at the signatures to the petitions already put in, I recognize a great many of the names as being the original purchasers, and many of them as the assignees of the original purchasers. The bulk of them are original purchasers. I know many of the signatures to be genuine. I know Mr. Gillies, and the other gentlemen who have been summoned as witnesses. Messrs. Gillies, Brown, Adair, Rowe, Eckford, and Rae, witnesses, were all original purchasers. I heard the evidence of all the witnesses except Adair's. When I was appointed in 1851, Mr. Price was the Commissioner of Crown Lands, I asked for instructions, he said I would not require any as I had been for some time in the Crown Lands office, and knew myself what was required. I then said the first thing to be done to facilitate settlement was to build roads through the county, the difficulty arose with regard to funds. It was then decided that a fee should be levied of thirty shillings on every 200 acres sold, and twenty shillings on every 100 acres sold in the Township of Brant. A sum of \$1,500 was advanced, to be repaid from the fund so raised, and I was instructed to act in conjunction with Mr. Jackson, who was then the agent in Grey, he taking charge of that portion of the road from the Durham road to the town plot of Paisley, and I taking charge of the balance of the road to the Saugeen River; this now forms part of the present Elora road. Another road was opened, with the assistance of Mr. Jackson, from the Garafraxa road to the Township of Arran. I continued the road through Arran until it intersected the Elora road above referred to. In September, 1852, I received a letter from the Department, informing me that the fee chargeable on lands in the Township of Brant was to be discontinued. This notice is signed by Mr. Rolph. In August, 1852, I received a notice from the Department to stop all sales of Crown lands, (both notices put in and marked). On the 22nd July, 1852, I received a letter from the Department, instructing me to allow any purchaser to proceed in the selection of a lot. (Letter put in and marked). In September, 1852, I received instructions to open the sales in certain townships. (Letter put in). In the letter was enclosed, (the printed notice also put in). On the tenth of February, 1857, I received instructions, in making my returns, to keep each township by itself, under the special services of Crown, Clergy and School. (Letter put in). The roads above referred to were completed by Mr. Jackson and myself at an expenditure of £1,800, Mr. Rolph having advanced a further sum of £300 for the purpose. Notice

of sales, dated 24th June, 1851, put in and proved to have been received by Mr. McNabb, as the notice under which the lands were first sold. In 1852 or 1853, I received a letter from Malcolm Cameron, then a member of the Government. I have lost the letter. The contents of the letter were that Dr. Rolph was about to reduce the price of the land from twelve shillings and sixpence to ten shillings per acre, and in addition to allow two and sixpence an acre out of the ten shillings to create a fund for road and harbour improvements, with the view of encouraging settlement. I understood that letter to be for the information of the settlers. I heard of the passage of the Land Act shortly after its passage. I was aware of the clause creating the Improvement Fund. I did not get any other instructions from the Government in regard to this fund, other than the letter of Mr. Cameron. I came to the conclusion on hearing of the passing of the Act that the fund would be applied to the making of roads and bridges. Shortly after the passing of the Act, Mr. David Gibson, Government Superintendent of Colonization Roads, came into the county for the purpose of surveying lines to open up roads. I had frequent conversations with Mr. Gibson as to the fund, and he led me to believe that the roads would be opened up through the county and paid for out of the fund. When I was selling to the settlers this subject of the fund frequently came up. I explained to them that under Dr. Rolph's Act, that is, the Land Act of 1853, the Government had power to appropriate towards opening roads in the county one-fourth of the proceeds of the purchase of school lands, and one-fifth of the Crown Lands. I always gave them to understand that they would have the benefit of the fund—that is, one-fourth of school and one-fifth of Crown lands, in making improvements in the county. I stated to the purchasers that although the price of the land was ten shillings per acre, is was virtually only seven shillings and sixpence an acre, as two shillings and sixpence per acre would expended in improvements by the Government, for which they would otherwise be taxed for by the municipality. This was my own belief on the subject. When I was making sales the want of road communication generally came up in conversation whenever I referred to this fund, and to the fact of Mr. Gibson being in the county, laying out the roads. I can't say whether the statements had any effect in increasing the settlement of the county. Some parties proposed to purchase but went away without doing so. The want of roads was the subject of complaint. I sold to Mr. Adair. I do not recollect my conversation with him. On hearing his evidence read on the subject of the fund I believe it to be correct, I made thousands of sales, and my memory does not serve me to recollect the specific conversations with individuals. I do not question the conversations said to have been had with me by the other witnesses on the question of the fund. I have no recollection of it, but from the character and standing of the men, I have no doubt it did take place. I had many conversations of a similar character to that mentioned by the witnesses, with other purchasers. It was the general run of my conversation with intending purchasers, as they all seemed very much interested in the fund. I never led them to believe that any less sum than one fourth "and one fifth" of school and Crown lands respectively would be applied in improvements, as I was quite satisfied in my own mind that they would get the benefit of the full amount, and I spoke of it to them as strongly as I felt myself. The opinion prevailed generally with the settlers, that they would have the benefit of this one-fourth and one-fifth. I do not think the bulk of the settlement in the County of Bruce took place on the faith of this fund. I was agent of the Bank where purchasers deposited their payments, and when making payments I told them of this fund. When the clause securing this fund was omitted in the Act of 1859, I thought there was a breach of faith with the settlers by the Government. This was also the opinion of the settlers. We all thought the faith of the Government was pledged to give us this one-fourth and one-fifth. The settlers have never given up hope that the fund would be restored. Letter put in, written by me to Mr. Gillies, who wrote me officially on the subject. The statements in it are true, it bears date 26th November, 1869. Paper put in, which was spread broadcast over the country, signed by Malcolm Cameron. It was distributed in the election between McQueen and Cayley in 1854. I considered the Act of 1853 applied to the whole Province.

A. McNABB.

ROBERT CLELAND—I am Reeve of the Township of Elma. I settled in the township in 1858. I purchased 100 acres of land in third Concession of Elma. The roads were very bad. The neighbours told me there was an Act which provided that one-fourth of the purchase money of the school lands would be returned to make roads and bridges. I did not buy from the Crown. I am an assignee of the purchaser of the Crown. Almost all the people spoke of getting this fund, saying they understood they purchased the land upon the condition that this fund would be applied in making improvements; and that although the roads were bad, they would soon be made better under the operation of the fund. The county has expended a very large sum in building gravel roads. The Township of Elma is very low and swampy, and expended \$40,000 on a road that was indispensable, in order to get to market. It was commenced in 1856, and finished some time after. There was a quantity of Government land in the township which did not bear its proportion of the cost of the road. The making of the road has increased the value of the Government land, so much so, that a large quantity of it has been resumed by the Government, and sold for four times its original value. The land was worthless without this road. The Township Council frequently applied to the County Council for a grant to improve the roads, and the County Council always refused, alleging that we would get the improvement fund from the Government for the purpose. The matter has been kept prominently before the people since I went into the township, the Council frequently having petitioned the Government to apply the fund. The paper I produce shows that Mr. Sherman, the Crown Land Agent, gave the purchasers to understand that they would get the benefit of the fund when they purchased. The signatures are genuine, and the parties are old settlers and original purchasers.

ROBERT CLELAND.

JAMES TROW—I am Member for the South Riding of Perth. I have resided in the county since 1847. Have had a great deal to do with the people in connection with the purchase of their lands from the Government. I attended the sale of lands in the township of Elma, also the sale in Wallace in 1854 and 1856 respectively. At the sale in Elma there were at least 200 people. I aided many of them by advancing money for the first payment, and the general conversation that day in Mr. Sherman's—the Agent's—office, was that they would get one-fourth of the purchase money back for improvements. I think Mr. Sherman then told the purchasers such would be the case. This is to the best of my recollection. The lands were low, and I said to them it would be some time before they would be valuable. They always used the argument that this fund would be expended by the Government in making roads and bridges, which would soon make the land more valuable. I have been connected with municipal matters in the county for the last twenty years, and the obtaining of this fund from the Government has frequently been the subject of consideration by the Council. The several municipalities always thought they were entitled to it, and were frequently asking for it. I had facilities for knowing this, being Chairman of the Committee of Finance. I had no conversation with the agent on the subject, but the universal opinion and expression of the people was, and is, that they purchased with the understanding and condition that this fund would be applied by the Government in making improvements. There are fourteen townships in the county, but only three out of the fourteen were Crown or school lands, and whenever these three townships applied to the county for aid to make roads they were refused, and told they would get this fund from the Government for the purpose. As Chairman of the Finance Committee, I told them this. The township of Elma has expended over \$25,000 in making a gravel road. The making of the road has advanced the value of the Crown Lands in the township very much. This is the road spoken of by Mr. Cleland. Many of these Government lands were forfeited to the Crown after they had received the first payment from the settlers.

JAMES TROW.

GEORGE JACKSON, recalled—I always took from the purchaser an application in the form of application put in and marked. I forwarded the applications to the Department, and they were the applications upon which the sales were carried out.

Mr. BLAKE—The purchasers were told they were to sign an application which contained the conditions of sale and purchase. I cannot say what proportion of the purchasers were illiterate men, but a large proportion were such.

GEORGE JACKSON.

JOHN McDERMOTT—I reside in the Township of Wallace, in the County of Perth. Settled there in 1854, about the month of March. The township was settled in one corner, but a great portion was unsettled. It settled very rapidly afterwards, so much so that it was all settled in the next two years. I purchased from Mr. Sherman, the Crown Land Agent. I had no talk with the agent as to the fund when I bought, but I was aware of the Act. I went into the County of Perth through Wellington. I saw the Crown Land Agent of Wellington, Mr. Geddis, now dead, as to lands for sale in Wellington. He gave me a list of the lands in the Township of Minto, which were Crown and school, and he also gave me a list of lands in Maryboro', which he said were clergy lands, and that the terms were not the same as the Crown and school lands. He said the terms of the school lands were that one-fourth would be returned for making roads and bridges, and that in effect the price was only 7s. 6d. instead of 10s. per acre, and that in the case of Crown lands, one-fifth would be returned for the same purpose, but there were no such conditions as to the clergy lands, and that there was no certainty of the Government returning anything on the clergy lands. He also told me that there were lands in the Township of Wallace, which was a new township, to be sold on the same conditions, but that I must apply to the agent at Stratford. I looked through Minto and Maryboro', and went on to Wallace, where I determined to purchase as soon as the land came into market. I then took up a lot which I intended to purchase. I afterwards applied to the agent, Mr. Sherman, in 1855, I think, and purchased in Wallace, in 1856. At the time of the land sale, in September, 1856, I heard Mr. Sherman say that the Government might deal with the people by allowing them the benefit of the fund, but I did not hear him say the Government would do so. When I went in the township was very badly off for roads. We had to cut a road in some eight or nine miles. I had considerable conversation with the settlers before the sale, at the sale, and after the sale, as to this fund, and I heard many of them say that they expected one-fourth of the school and one-fifth of the Crown lands returned to make roads and bridges. All thought that this would be so. I fully expected it, and, from what the other settlers said, they fully expected it. We had reason to expect it from what we were told. We received in the Township of Wallace a small portion of the fund. The Government have done nothing in the way of making roads in the township except as to the expenditure of the small portion of money referred to. The township is much in need of roads now, although the municipality have expended a good deal of money for this purpose. The township was obliged to apply to the County Council for aid to make roads to enable the settlers to get to market. The township got some four or five thousand dollars from the county for this purpose, which, if the fund had been paid to us as expected, would not have been required. The County Council frequently told us, when applying, that we would get the fund from the Government, and should not apply to them for aid.

JOHN McDERMOTT.

BENJAMIN BOTHWELL—I reside in the village of Listowel, in the county of Perth. In December, 1853, I went to the Crown Lands Agent, Mr. Sherman, at Stratford, enquiring for lands to buy. He recommended me to go into the Township of Elma. He said it was a new township unsold, and by going and settling on the land, we would get the chance of purchasing when the land came into market. I asked him the price of the land, he said it was ten shillings per acre for school lands, and that one-fourth of the price would be returned for improvements under the Land Act, that is, he said he expected such would be the case, and led me to believe the same. I then went into the township and took up land, and settled upon it in January, 1854. I afterwards purchased it at the sale which was, I think, in September, 1854. At the time I purchased the agent did not make any allusion to the fund, but from what he told me before, I fully expected the benefit of it. Being one of the first settlers, I was conversant with the people in the

township, and the general opinion with those who had bought lands was that the fund would be applied in making roads and bridges in the township. There were no roads in the township when I went in. The township has gone largely into debt in making roads since. For some years the fund, or a portion of it, was expended in the township; and when it was withheld, there was a general feeling that there had been a breach of faith on the part of the Government. The township settled up very rapidly in the years 1854 and 1855. The township is very badly off for roads now, many of them being impassable at certain seasons of the year.

BENJAMIN BOTHWELL.

JAMES STINSON—I reside in the Township of Wallace, in the County of Perth. I went into the township about the year 1853, and settled upon a lot, and have lived upon it since. At the sale in 1856, I purchased the lot. I purchased from the agent, Mr. Sherman, at Stratford, for ten shillings per acre. It was a Crown lot. The agent said he expected I, and the others who bought at the same time, would get back a half dollar an acre to make roads and bridges in the township. We were not willing to pay the ten shillings per acre, but when we were told that we would get back the portion mentioned for improvements, we were satisfied. We all bought, fully believing that the fund would be applied as represented by the agent. The roads were very bad at this time, in fact, no roads at all; and a great many of the roads are bad yet.

JAMES STINSON.

DUNCAN SAUNDERS—I reside in the Township of Luther, County of Wellington. Settled there in 1854. There were very few settlers there. The township settled up rapidly for two or three months, when an Order in Council dispensing with actual settlement, and adding to the price of the land was made, which retarded the settlement. When I was purchasing the land, Mr. Geddis, the agent, told me that a portion of the purchase money would be returned to make roads and bridges. I think he said two shillings and sixpence per acre would be so returned, but I am not positive as to the amount. I had no talk with the settlers about the fund, until after it was known that the Government was not going to pay it. When this was known, the general feeling of the people was that the Government had deceived them. The roads were very bad, so much so, that several parties left the township for want of road accommodation. The township has done a great deal towards making roads, and there is a great want of roads now. The township has expended over \$5,000 during the present year in making roads.

DUNCAN SAUNDERS.

JAMES CORMELL—I reside in the Township of Minto, in the County of Wellington. I bought my lot at the sale in 1854, and moved upon it soon after. When purchasing from Mr. Geddis, the agent, I, with all the others who were present, believed that a portion of the money would be returned for making roads and bridges in the township. I cannot say that the agent told me this, but the opinion and belief that such would be the case was general and freely talked about. The township settled up very rapidly the two first years after I went into it. The roads were very bad, and the Township Council applied for a portion of the money to improve them. Some of the money was received from the Government and expended on the roads. The township has expended a large amount of money and gone into debt for making roads. The county has also done the same. A great many of the roads in the township are not yet opened.

JAMES CORMELL.

NOAH BULLOCK—I reside in the Township of Minto, in the County of Wellington. Moved in in the year 1854 or 1855. Have lived there since. Settled upon lots 57 and 58, concession C, Crown lands. I bought from the Crown at the sale in Wellington, in 1855, I think. Mr. Geddis was the agent. There was nothing said by the agent to me about the improvement fund when I bought. There were many people present at the sale, and they were all talking about the fund. All seemed to believe that the township would

get the benefit of it by having roads and bridges built. This was a reason which induced me to buy. I formerly lived near Paris, in the County of Brant, and hearing that this fund would be applied in improvements, I was induced to move into the township. The roads were very bad when I moved in, but have since been improved. I am in a good position to know the opinion of the people as to this fund, having been in the Council for some years, and they all believed that a portion of the purchase money of the lands was to be expended in making roads and bridges. This was the general talk with the settlers.

Mr. WOOD—The impression about this fund was got by me from the papers before I moved into the township. I do not know from what papers. I took the *Paris Star* and the *Hamilton Spectator*, and, it may be, other papers.

NOAH BULLOCK.

ANDREW RUSSELL—Have been in the Crown Lands Departments since 1829, and Assistant Commissioner since 1857, up to a recent period. In 1852, Dr. Rolph reported a scheme to facilitate the settlement of Bruce and Grey, and recommended the reduction of the price of lands. The Report I now produce and put in is a copy of same, and the copy of Order attached to the Report is the copy of the Order in Council recommending the appropriation of a portion of the purchase money for the purpose of improvements. The Land Act passed in 1853, providing the fund above referred to. I produce the regulations under which the lands were sold, also the instructions that were given to the agents when the regulations of sale were forwarded to them. I produce a minute of Council by Mr. Morin, modifying the conditions of actual settlement. I produce a copy of the Order in Council fixing the price of Crown lands in the Township of Wallace. I produce copy of Report made by Mr. McDougall. There has been no Order in Council since the Order in Council based upon the recommendation of Mr. McDougall. Dr. Rolph's policy in respect to the public lands was to get them settled as rapidly as possible, and it was in this view that he proposed the reduction in price, the establishment of the fund and actual settlement. Mr. Vankoughnet said that the improvement fund was going into the townships already settled, and he preferred to have it expended in unsettled townships in opening up Colonization Roads, and that was his reason for the change of policy. At the time he proposed his policy in 1852 there were large tracts of unsettled lands in the country. The school land tract was altogether in the newer and western counties, and consisted of the best lands in those counties. There was a very large settlement in those counties after the policy, one-tenth having been sold before 1853, four-fifths of the land having been sold in 1853-4 and 5, and the balance since—all sold for actual settlement. The increase of actual settlement also extended to Crown lands. The increase of sales was, in my opinion, the result of the change of policy. My reasons of knowing this fact are good. The greatest obstacle in effecting a new settlement is the absence of roads and bridges. The existence, or assumed existence, of this improvement fund tended largely to increase the settlement of the country. It was the greatest inducement that has been held out to settlers. Mr. Gibson, who was Government Superintendent of Colonization Roads, said that he made the existence of the fund known as widely among the people as he could, as it was the best means to procure rapid settlement. Mr. Gibson was not told, so far as I know, that there was any uncertainty as to the application of this fund. There never was any doubt expressed in the Department, so far as I know, as to the continuance of the fund from the time of its establishment down to the period that Mr. Vankoughnet changed the policy. So certain was the fund that the Department prepared books with printed headings, as follows, "Improvement Fund, 16 Vic. Cap. 159," or to this effect.

ANDREW RUSSELL.

JOHN SHERMAN—I am Crown Lands Agent at Stratford; have been such agent since 1853, for the County of Perth. The county was nearly all wild lands, school and Crown. I was first made aware of the improvement fund about the time of sale which took place in September, 1854, of lands in the Township of Elma. In making sales of lands I did not hold out the fund as an inducement to purchasers. It was the general impression of the people at the time of the sale that they would get the benefit of the fund. Before the sale the people spoke to me about the fund. I said to them it might be they would get

it, but I was not certain as I had received no such instructions from the Crown Lands Department. I read the conditions of sale to the purchasers, as they seemed to feel sure that they would get the benefit of the fund, and as I was not certain about it, I made it a point to read the conditions.

J. SHERMAN.

On motion of Mr. BLAKE—The Books of the Crown Lands Department were ordered to be laid before the Committee. The books being produced, appear to be a set of books labelled "Road Improvement Fund. There is a printed heading to each page in the words following:—"Statements of the amounts available for public improvements on sales of Crown lands, Grammar School lands and Common School lands, under 16 Vic., cap. 159, sec. 14, in each township, in the county of." Then is added in manuscript, county, and the quarter for which the statement is made. These accounts are kept from the date of the passage of the Act, June 14th, 1853, up to 6th March, 1861.

On motion of Mr. BLAKE—The Orders in Council relative to the Land Improvement Fund, the same appearing in vol. 22 of the Sessional Papers of 1863, were laid before the Committee.

On motion of Mr. BLAKE—A statement of the amounts received and receivable, respecting the Land Improvement Fund, the same appearing in the Sessional Papers of the last Session of this House, was laid before the Committee.

It was then moved and carried that the evidence be closed, and that the Committee meet to-morrow at eleven o'clock for deliberation:—

1st. Another certificate from the settlers of Bruce, partly from the Township of Kincardine and partly from the Township of Greenock. Mr. McNabb says the same as to this certificate that he did as to the others spoken of by him.

Nineteen Resolutions moved and adopted.

Moved that the Chairman report to the House in accordance with the Resolutions adopted this day. Carried unanimously.

ORDERS IN COUNCIL TOUCHING THE LAND IMPROVEMENT FUND.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 27th February, 1855.

On a Memorandum, dated 26th inst., from the Secretary of Agriculture and Statistics, concurred in by the Honourable the Minister of Agriculture, containing a statement of the balances required to construct the various lines of road in Upper Canada, undertaken in view of the grant of £30,000 made in 1852-'53 for that purpose.

The total amount now under contract appears to be £65,589.

The Secretary recommends that, as the amount of the Parliamentary grants in 1852 and 1853 for opening up the waste lands in Upper Canada is only £30,000, the balance (£35,589) required to construct the roads enumerated in his memorandum be defrayed from the Improvement Fund, established by the 14th sec. of the Act, 16 Vic., cap. 159, as follows:—

From the Common School Lands Improvement Fund, the cost of the roads passing through the Common School Lands, viz., 205 miles at £100 per mile	£20,500 0 0
Cost of the Maitland Bridge	2,500 0 0
From the Crown Lands Improvement Fund the balance of	12,589 0 0
Which latter he states should be charged to the accounts of the roads under Mr. Gibson's Superintendence, through the Crown Lands, as the money would be much sooner received from their sale, than from the sale of those from the eastern section.	
	£35,589 0 0
Parliamentary Grant	30,000 0 0
	£65,589 0 0

The Committee recommend that the excess alluded to be charged on the Improvement Funds in the proportions suggested.

(Certified.)

W. H. LEE,
C. E. C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 27th March, 1855.

On an application from George Jackson, Esq., M.P.P., dated 28th ult., requesting that the Durham Road, east of the Toronto and Sydenham Road, may be opened through a part of the Township of Artemesia, and the whole of the Township of Osprey, in the County of Grey, to the easterly limit of the said county, so as to connect with the Ontario, Simcoe and Huron Railroad, and complete one of the leading roads of the Province.

The above application having been referred to David Gibson, Esq., Agent for the opening of roads in the western section of Upper Canada. He recommends that the same be complied with, and estimates the total cost thereof at £1,500, a portion to be taken from the School Land and the balance from the Crown Land Road Fund.

The Secretary of Agriculture and Statistics recommends, with the concurrence of the Honourable the Minister of Agriculture, that £1,000 be appropriated out of the proceeds of Crown lands in the Townships of Artemesia and Osprey, for the purposes above set forth, and that Mr. Gibson be instructed to open the road east of the Toronto and Sydenham Road first, and to apply the balance of that amount in cutting and grading on the Durham Road, west of the Toronto and Sydenham Road, above referred to.

He further states that the Crown lands in the Townships of Artemesia and Osprey are nearly all sold, and the amount now required for this great leading road is available out of that portion of the fund resulting from such sales. That the distance from the Owen Sound Road, at Durham, to the Ontario, Simcoe & Huron Railroad, by the route recommended, is 40 miles, whereas, by the present travelled road, by Sydenham, it is 88 miles.

The Committee humbly advise that the above recommendation be approved and acted on.

Certified.

(Signed,)

Wm. H. LEE,
C. E. C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 7th December, 1855.

On a Report dated 24th October, 1855, from the Honourable the Minister of Agriculture, stating that of the sum of £25,000, voted during the last session of the Legislature, for the improvement of the waste lands of the Crown, no part of the share accruing to Upper Canada has as yet been appropriated, although several applications have been made for aid from that fund.

That the Honourable W. B. Robinson and G. Jackson, Esquire, M.P.P., have applied for a sum of £1,500 towards the construction of a road from Collingwood to Meaford. This road the Minister of Agriculture states to be of the utmost consequence, and one requiring the immediate action of the Government; he, however, recommends that a sum of £1,250 only be granted from the above fund, leaving the deficiency, if any, to be made up by the Municipality.

That the sum hitherto granted for the Camden and Madawaska Road is now nearly expended, and has been found insufficient for its completion, and he recommends, for the reasons detailed in his Report, that a sum of £1,750 be appropriated for this road, in the following proportions, viz.: £1,000 to complete the south end of that road, an extent of sixteen miles; £500 for the northern portion, ten miles; and £250 for a bridge over the Madawaska, as suggested in Mr. Gibson's Report; which sum of £1,750, together with the grant of £1,250 to the Collingwood and Meaford Road, to be charged to the vote above alluded to.

The Minister of Agriculture also brings under Your Excellency's notice that numerous applications have been made for aid from the Improvement Fund created by the 14th section of the Land Act, 16 Vic., Cap. 159, which authorizes one-fourth of the proceeds of the sale of school lands, and one-fifth of those of Crown lands, to be expended in the several counties in which the sales are effected.

That none of this fund has yet been set apart from the sales hitherto made, although an Order in Council has passed for the expenditure of £25,000 thereout.

That it appears requisite that the Crown Land Department should be directed to appraise the Inspector-General of the amount at the credit of each county for proceeds of sale of both Crown and school lands, that the proportions accruing to the Improvement Fund may be set apart by the Receiver-General for that purpose.

Out of the Improvement Fund referred to, he recommends that the following sums be appropriated for the objects hereafter stated, viz. :

£1,000 for the construction of a bridge over the Saugeen, on the road leading to Sydenham, and from Elora to Southampton, and the leveling of a hill on the west side of such bridge.

£600 for the construction of two bridges on the Durham Road, over a branch of the Saugeen River, in the Township of Brant, according to Mr. Gibson's estimate accompanying the Report, one of the said bridges being at Walker's Mills and the other a few miles eastward.

£500 for the completion of a road already partially opened, and running north and south through the Township of Kinloss, and, with a few slight deviations, between lots 10 and 11 in that township ; and,

£500 in addition to a like sum granted on a former occasion, for the construction of a road from Zone Mills to the north-west corner of the Township of Enniskillen, but which latter sum has never been drawn from the Receiver-General for that purpose, on account of its supposed inadequacy to perfect the road as desired. The Minister of Agriculture states that, although the sum of £1,000 will not be sufficient probably to complete more than one-half of the road, the circumstance that the lands on the route are chiefly in the hands of absentees, would lead to the inference that the County Municipality have means at their disposal, from local taxes, to complete any portion that may be left incomplete after the expenditure of the £1,000 above alluded to.

The Committee concur in the several suggestions of the Honourable the Minister of Agriculture, and humbly advise that they be approved of and carried out.

Certified.

(Signed)

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

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 11th January, 1865.

On a supplementary Report from the Honourable the Minister of Agriculture, bearing date the 28th Dec., 1855, submitting several recommendations with respect to grants in favour of Colonization Roads, in addition to the sum of £3,000, granted under Order in Council of the 7th ult., viz. :

The Committee having given their most attentive consideration to the reasons assigned in the said supplementary report, in support of the several appropriations therein recommended to be made, concur in opinion with the Honourable the Minister of Agriculture, and submit for your Excellency's approval the following grants to be chargeable to the Colonization Fund and the Improvement Fund respectively, as follows :—

COLONIZATION FUND.

For Frontenac and Madawaska Road.....	£1,000 0 0
For Victoria and Peterboro' Roads.....	1,500 0 0

For a Road in the County of Perth, between Elma and Mornington on one side, and Logan and Ellice on the other. Conditionally that the Canada Company give a like sum.	500 0 0
A Road also in Perth, between Elma and Wallace on one side, and Mornington and Maryboro' on the other, being 26 miles.....	500 0 0
The Ottawa and Opeongo Road.....	1,000 0 0
The Madoc and Madawaska Road.....	350 0 0
Add amount appropriated under Order in Council of 7th Dec. 1855.....	3,000 0 0
Total granted out of this fund.....	£7,850 0 0
Leaving a balance unappropriated of.....	4,650 0 0
	£12,500 0 0

IMPROVEMENT FUND.

(Established by the 19th Section of the 16th Vic., Cap. 159), when the same shall be available.

For a road between Elma and Wallace on the one side, and Mornington and Maryboro' on the other, in the County of Perth, being 26 miles	£800 0 0
A Road between Bruce and Saugeen, in the County of Bruce.	800 0 0
A Road between Saugeen and Goderich.....	1,200 0 0
	£2,800 0 0

(Certified)

W. H. LEE,

C. E. C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 28th July, 1856.

In reference to the fund for Public Improvements, formed under the 14th Section of the Act 16 Vic., cap. 159.

The Committee recommend that the funds derived from the sales of lands in each particular township, or other municipality, and applicable to the purposes of this fund, and not already apportioned, be applied to the making, maintaining, altering or improving of the roads or bridges in each of those townships, or other municipalities, respectively; and be for this purpose distributed and disposed of by and through the Municipal Council of each such township or other municipality: each such Council to report to the Bureau of Agriculture the manner of expenditure of all such moneys, on the first days of January and July in each year, and at any intermediate time within ten days after having been called upon so to do by that department.

(Certified)

WM. H. LEE,

C. E. C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Administrator of the Government in Council, on the 20th August, 1857.

On a memorandum, dated 18th July, 1857, from the Secretary of Agriculture and Statistics, stating that it has been represented by W. S. Conger, Esq., M.P.P., that pre-

vious to the passing of the order in Council, of the 28th July last, applying that the Improvement Fund, under the 16th Vic., cap. 159, sec. 14, to be expended in the several counties whence it was derived, he (Mr. Conger) was led to believe, by the Honourable Attorney-General West, that the Improvement Fund of the County of Peterboro' would be applied to the construction of certain roads, and that the constructions of such roads was accordingly commenced, and some outlay of the said fund made thereon.

And that it appears that the following sums remain to the credit of the several townships in the said county, out of the Improvement Fund of 1856, viz. :—

	£	s.	d.
To the Township of Smith	7	7	9
“ “ Harvey	99	15	9
“ Cameron's Island	109	0	3

Making in all the sum of£216 3 9

Which he (the Secretary) recommends should be retained by the Receiver-General, subject to the special order of the Honourable the Minister of Agriculture, for the construction of roads hereinbefore named.

The Minister of Agriculture concurring in this recommendation, the Committee advise its adoption.

(Certified)

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

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 4th March, 1858.

On a reference from the Auditor of Public Accounts, the Committee respectfully advise that the reserve authorized by the 14th clause of the Act 16 Vic., Cap. 159, on the sales of school and unappropriated Crown Lands, be also made in the case of the sales of such lands on the Island of St. Joseph, and at the Sault Ste. Marie, and in other parts of the unorganized territories.

(Certified)

W. H. LEE,
C. E. C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 16th April, 1868.

On a memorandum, dated the 8th April, 1858, from the Honourable the Minister of Agriculture, stating that by Order in Council of 11th January, 1856, a sum of £800 was granted for the making of a road between Elma and Wallace on one side, and Mornington and Marysborough on the other, in the County of Perth, such amount to be paid out of the Improvement Fund (16 Vic., Cap. 159, Sec. 14), whenever funds might be available.

That the funds available up to the 31st of December, 1855, in all the County of Perth, amounted to £990 5s. 2d., all of which was accruing to the Township of Elma for sales of land therein, no other township having any Improvement Fund up to that date.

That out of this sum of £990 5s. 2d. there had been expended (before the passing of the order granting to each township its own share of the fund) the sum of £678 15s. 6d., leaving a balance of £311 9s. 8d. due to the said Township of Elma up to the 31st of December, 1855.

That Mr. Daly, M.P.P. for Perth, and the Reeves of Elma and Wallace now apply for the repeal of the order granting £800 from the fund for the road above mentioned, and that the fund be given by the Receiver-General to the townships to which it severally

belongs, as the balance of this £800 unexpended is not required for the performance of any existing contract.

The Minister therefore recommends that the balance being, £311 9s. 8d., remaining due to Elma on the 31st December, 1855, be paid by the Receiver-General to that Municipality upon receiving the required authority from the Treasurer thereof, and that the division of the fund for 1856 for the County of Perth be in no way affected by the said order of 11th of January, 1856.

The Committee submit the above suggestions to your Excellency's approval.

(Certified)

W. H. LEE,
C. E. C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 27th May, 1858.

On a petition from the Reeve of the Township of Minto, representing that the Improvement Fund of that municipality has been expended under the direction of the Superintendent of Roads in a very unsatisfactory manner, being laid out near the extreme end of the township. That he hears with alarm of the proposed opening of the boundary line between Minto and Howick, and praying that the Municipal Council be allowed to expend their share of the Improvement Fund on such roads as they may consider most beneficial to the township.

The Honourable the Minister of Agriculture reports that the first statement above made is incorrect, the money having been expended almost wholly on the Elora and Saugeen Road, running nearly in a straight line through the township. That the small sums laid out by Order in Council on lines between the Garafraxa Road and Minto, and between the latter place and Maryboro' were authorized so to be, and public notice of the same given prior to the sale of the Township of Minto.

That there is no ground for the alarm manifested by the applicant respecting the opening of the boundary line between Minto and Howick, and that the privilege granted by Order in Council, permitting the townships to expend the Improvement Fund on such land as they think most require it, will be extended to the municipality of the Township of Minto as soon as the works are completed which are now under contract, and which were undertaken prior to the Order referred to.

The Committee recommend that a copy of the above quoted Report be transmitted to the applicant as a reply to his application.

(Certified)

W. H. LEE,
C. E. C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 30th October, 1858.

On a Report dated 16th of April, 1857, from the Honourable the Minister of Agriculture, reporting that under the 14th sec. of the Act 16 Vic., Cap. 159, an Order in Council was passed appropriating one-fourth of the Grammar and Common School Funds for public improvements within the townships whence the fund is derived. That the fund derived from the sales of School Lands to 31st of December, 1855, has been appropriated.

That the amount arising from the sale of Common School Lands for 1856 is £5,883 11s. 5d., and that from Grammar School Lands for the same year only £766 14s. 9d. That the latter amount, when divided among the various townships from which it has been derived, will be of very inconsiderable value for public improvements; but would be of very great value in aiding Grammar Schools in various ways: for instance, in securing masters

for classical schools—many applications for additional Grammar Schools have been made—and recommending that in future none of the proceeds of the sales of the Grammar School Lands in Upper Canada be diverted from the purpose for which they were originally intended, save the proportion of the sales to the 31st of December, 1855, above alluded to.

The Committee recommend that the fund arising from Grammar School Lands be reserved as suggested by the Minister of Agriculture.

(Certified)

W. H. LEE,
C. E. C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 30th October, 1858.

On a memorandum, dated the 24th September, 1858, from the Honourable the Minister of Agriculture, submitting that the Improvement Fund, collected under the 14th sec- of the Act 16 Vic., Cap. 159, amounts, (exclusive of the Grammar School proportion of the same) to the sum of \$54,266.85, and that applications from municipalities entitled to a share of the same, under Order in Council of 28th July, 1856, have been very numerous and very pressing, many of them having given out contracts on the strength of that fund, now long over due.

The Committee recommend that the Improvement Fund for 1856 (less the amount arising from sale of Grammar School Lands) be disbursed to the municipalities in the manner provided by the Order of the 28th of July, 1856.

(Certified)

W. H. LEE,
C. E. C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 16th March, 1859.

On a petition from the Reeve of the Township of Turnberry, and the acting Reeve of the Township of Howick, representing that much distress and destitution must arise from the inability of farmers in these townships to procure seed wheat, and praying that advances be made to the extent of \$1,600 to Turnberry, and \$2,700 to Howick out of the Improvement Fund.

The Honourable the Inspector-General recommends that the advance prayed for be granted to the extent above mentioned, and that warrants do issue for the amounts on account of Improvement Fund.

The Committee advise that warrants issue accordingly.

(Certified)

W. H. LEE,
C. E. C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 9th June, 1859.

On an application of the Warden of the County of Grey representing that much destitution prevails amongst the farmers in that County, and requesting that debentures to

the amount of \$10,000 under the Seed Grain Act, be negotiated by the Government, or that the amount due to that County out of the Improvement Fund be paid at once for that purpose.

The Honourable the Minister of Finance recommends that the Receiver-General be authorized to pay to the proper officers of the several township municipalities in the County of Grey the amount of the Improvement Fund for 1857 due to them; and further to advance forthwith to the proper offices such portion of the Clergy Fund moneys as, in his opinion will be due to the said County on the 1st of July, and that warrants do issue accordingly; the expenditure of the said amounts to be in accordance with the Statutes regulating the same.

The Committee submit the above suggestions for your Excellency's approval.

(Certified)

W. H. LEE,
C. E. C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 8th July, 1859.

On a petition of certain inhabitants of the Township of Minto, representing that much distress prevails in that township, owing to the failure of the crops last Autumn, and praying that a sum of \$770.23, which appear by the returns furnished to the Legislature to be due to that township from the Improvement Fund for the years 1857 and 1858, be placed in the hands of the Township Council to alleviate the existing distress and enable farmers to purchase seed grain.

The Honourable the Commissioner of Crown Lands recommends that the petitioners be informed that there are no funds in the hands of the Government applicable to the Township of Minto, which can be appropriated as desired, the Improvement Fund referred to having been already allocated.

The Committee concur in the above recommendation.

(Certified)

W. H. LEE,
C. E. C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 8th July, 1859.

On a letter, dated the 9th instant, from the Reeve of the Townships of Verulam and Somerville, stating that it is the desire of that municipality to appropriate a portion of the Municipalities Fund, and the Improvement Fund, temporarily, to the relief of destitute settlers in the new townships on the Bobcaygeon Road, and requesting to be informed of the amount of each of those funds accruing to them, and the period when the same will be available.

The Deputy Receiver General states that the Clergy Reserve Fund has not yet been apportioned; the amount of the Improvement Fund accruing to Verulam is stated to be £43 18s. 7d., and to Somerville, £76 5s. 5d.

The Commissioner of Crown Lands recommends that the Township Council of Verulam and Somerville be called upon by the Bureau of Agriculture for an immediate return of the moneys expended by them, and the manner in which the same were so expended.

The Committee concur in the above recommendation.

(Certified)

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

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 8th July, 1859.

The Committee have had under consideration a memorial from the Reeves of the Townships of Bruce and Kinloss, praying that an advance of \$1,000 be made to each of those townships on account of the Improvement Fund, to enable each of those municipalities to relieve the distress now prevailing amongst the inhabitants of the said townships.

The Committee respectfully advise that the application be not entertained, inasmuch as the Improvement Fund has been exhausted and there is no other fund at the disposal of the Government out of which the advance could be made.

(Certified)

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

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 23rd November, 1859.

In reference to the Order in Council of the 8th July, 1859, requiring a statement of the manner in which moneys accruing to the Municipal Council of Verulam and Somerville, from the Improvement Fund, had been expended by that municipality, the Commissioner of Crown Lands, acting for the Honourable the Minister of Agriculture, reports that the fund accruing to the Township of Somerville for 1855 was \$3861.18, of which there has been accounted for by the Treasurer, as per return submitted \$3,117, leaving a balance for 1855 of \$744.18. Fund for 1856, \$329.90; fund for 1857, \$305.08, total fund available \$1,379.16. And he submits a letter from the treasurer of Verulam with which Somerville is united, praying that the balance for 1855—\$744.18—may be expended by them without restriction as to locality.

It is submitted in the said report, that inasmuch as this whole fund has been derived from sales of Somerville lands, it does not appear right that the request should be granted, but that the \$744.18 in their hands be expended wholly for the direct and special benefit of the Somerville settlers.

And it is further suggested that the Improvement Fund of the said Township of Somerville, for 1856 and 1857, amounting to \$634.98, be reserved by the Receiver-General, to be expended in such manner as may be deemed desirable by the Bureau of Agriculture.

The Committee submit the above suggestions for your Excellency's approval.

(Certified)

W. H. LEE,
C. E. C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 10th January, 1860.

The Committee have had under consideration a letter dated 5th January, 1860, from the Secretary to the Bureau of Agriculture, requesting the issue of a warrant for the sum of \$11,212 in favour of David Gibson, Esq., Chief Superintendent of Colonization Roads, such amount being the balance of the Improvement Fund accruing to the Counties of Huron and Bruce for the year 1857, less the sums belonging to Howick and Turnberry in the former county which have been otherwise appropriated; and also another warrant for the sum of \$20,000 in favour of the said David Gibson, and to be charged to the Coloniz-

ation Road Fund. The Secretary states that the above warrants, amounting to the sum of \$31,212, are to be applied by Mr. Gibson in the liquidation of an overdrawn balance at the Bank of Upper Canada, and in payments to contractors for works already completed, and that their issue is recommended by Mr. Langton in his Report of the 4th instant, accompanying the present application.

The Committee recommend the issue of the warrants for the above mentioned accounts.

(Certified)

W. H. LEE,
C. E. C.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 9th October, 1860.

On an application of Albert Pellow Salter and Honourable Colonel Prince, for an appropriation of \$500 out of the Improvement Fund of Sault Ste. Marie, for the completion of the street through the town plot of said village; also, on the Petition of sixteen of the inhabitants of St. Joseph's Island, and the recommendation of Mr. A. P. Salter, for the sum of \$400 for the construction of a road across said island, to facilitate the communication from the south side of the island to the Post Office at Bruce Mines.

The Report, dated 5th instant, from the Bureau of Agriculture, recommends that the \$500 be specially appropriated to making a road through the town plot of Sault Ste. Marie; and also that \$400 be granted for the construction of a road across St. Joseph's Island, provided the right of way be in each case secured therefor, and the appropriations expended under the directions of Mr. Salter.

The Committee advise that the appropriations suggested be made and charged to the Improvement Fund for the respective localities for the year 1857.

(Certified)

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

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 6th March, 1861.

On the recommendation of the Honourable the Commissioner of Crown Lands, the Committee advise that the Order in Council of 7th December, 1855, authorizing the payment of the Improvement Fund created by the Land Act, 16 Vic., chap. 159, be rescinded.

(Certified)

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

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.

By Command,

M. C. CAMERON,

Secretary.

TORONTO, 11th January, 1869.

RETURN of the Amounts received by the Crown in each year, since the abolition
the existence of that Fund, from 7th

MUNICIPALITIES.	1861.		1862.		1863.		1864.	
	Crown.	Common School.	Crown.	Common School.	Crown.	Common School.	Crown.	Common School.
	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
Bruce	10,436 33	23,243 48	25,756 70	44,332 45	28,053 83	39,786 91	27,518 54	30,412 40
Carleton	1,980 73		424 90		100 84		82 48	
Durham	359 00		94 51					
Elgin	287 30		147 92		281 44		425 46	
Essex	483 94		1,335 27		785 30		648 85	
Frontenac	3,950 79		4,039 41		2,514 57		2,745 72	
Grey	8,880 18	9,504 02	31,233 10	62,209 41	9,650 33	18,508 97	9,640 53	21,760 42
Grenville	86 59		57 10		222 62			
Hastings	383 54		922 15		4,498 90		518 56	
Halton							183 00	
Huron	5,303 33	12,478 13	18,855 39	36,292 11	14,443 37	27,867 78	8,548 93	16,169 67
Kent	1,304 32		3,282 76		1,870 40		1,654 71	
Lincoln	212 00		224 00				248 00	
Leeds	454 08		198 74		52 00		22 00	
Lanark	1,883 29		378 70		692 78		629 98	
Lennox and Ad- dington	279 20		317 42		302 35		540 94	
Lambton	2,624 54		3,326 48		1,686 45		1,954 64	
Middlesex	506 25		1,406 40		1,165 84		708 12	
Northumberland	302 55		736 64					
Ontario	441 92		412 63		877 83		616 80	
Peterborough	563 43		1,117 60		474 03		231 63	
Perth	2,468 74	4,454 54	12,709 64	21,176 86	6,807 23	17,696 57	7,724 68	18,160 65
Prescott	386 58		175 05				105 00	
Russell	673 22		503 66		360 25		594 87	
Renfrew	5,927 21		4,412 22		3,517 70		2,793 93	
Simcoe	3,333 95		8,131 97		5,138 05		6,965 48	
Victoria	2,436 14		3,406 72		5,874 16		3,333 62	
Wellington	9,758 41	699 40	32,723 65	1,574 90	19,504 53	1,503 08	13,286 69	942 04
Welland	500 00						21 00	
Wentworth			230 00					
York	1,000 83		100 00		534 10		664 11	
St. Joseph's Is- land	191 55		92 15					
Algoma	161 04		169 00		65 00		79 68	
	67,628 98	50,379 57	156,921 88	165,585 73	109,473 90	105,363 31	92,487 95	87,445 18

DEPARTMENT OF CROWN LANDS,
Toronto, 9th January, 1869.

of the Land Improvement Fund, for Crown and Common School Lands, sold during March, 1861, to 1st December, 1868.

1865.		1866.		1867.		1868.		TOTAL.	
Crown.	Common. School.	Crown.	Common School.	Crown.	Common School.	Crown.	Common School.	Crown.	Common School.
\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
13,945 66	22,642 37	21,450 00	38,960 53	33,768 82	27,193 10	17,599 25	27,190 00	178,529 13	253,761 24
246 78		154 30		123 70		88 34		3,202 07	
								453 51	
142 60		251 04		635 74		200 00		2,371 50	
1,974 29		768 41		211 14		111 40		6,318 60	
645 04		925 05		1,296 47		907 90		17,024 95	
9,129 51	12,562 73	10,672 48	28,195 20	12,363 60	25,332 55	7,132 87	22,704 46	98,702 60	200,777 76
								366 31	
293 61		939 50		4,103 22		751 55		12,411 03	
								183 00	
5,612 51	10,003 13	7,851 61	21,362 61	7,332 77	27,707 73	7,438 42	17,407 68	75,386 33	169,288 84
4,928 72		3,124 65		670 77		325 06		17,161 39	
236 00								920 00	
		134 90						861 72	
453 92		472 01		586 80		276 20		5,373 68	
63 94		304 00		565 79				2,373 64	
7,518 23		3,112 72		609 63		361 20		21,193 89	
2,647 28		1,097 22		529 89		1,211 39		9,272 39	
100 00				50 00		196 10		1,385 29	
226 10		444 38		66 83		418 25		3,504 74	
412 09		561 60		1,282 88		1,013 49		5,656 75	
6,677 47	10,646 30	7,022 19	9,160 09	4,851 11	9,553 40	10,007 85	16,639 16	58,268 91	107,487 57
110 00		319 05						1,095 68	
394 25		360 41		199 32				3,085 98	
3,050 47		2,807 94		4,599 16		2,126 33		29,234 96	
3,470 83		5,067 62		2,724 66		882 97		35,775 53	
2,715 04		5,303 87		5,819 64		4,514 38		33,403 57	
5,808 22	302 50	11,522 15	900 75	10,549 40	1,128 99	7,888 91	802 36	111,041 96	7,854 02
21 00		21 00		21 00				584 00	
		163 91		138 20				532 11	
495 00		200 00		319 98		404 20		3,726 22	
								283 70	
								474 72	
71,318 56	56,157 03	85,052 01	98,579 18	93,420 52	90,915 77	63,856 06	84,743 66	740,159 86	739,169 43

A. RUSSELL,
Assistant Commissioner.

RETURN, shewing the Sums which would, but for the abolition of the "Improvement Fund," be payable to each Municipality out of the amounts which have been received by the Crown, since the abolition of the Fund, for Crown and Common School Lands sold during the existence of that Fund, and out of the amounts which are still receivable by the Crown in respect of such sales.

MUNICIPALITIES.	Sums which would be payable out of the amounts received since the abolition of the Improvement Fund.		Sums which would be payable out of amounts which are still receivable in respect of such sales.		TOTAL.	
	Crown Lands.	Common School Lands.	Crown Lands.	Common School Lands.	Which would be payable out of the amounts received.	Which would be payable out of amounts which are still receivable.
	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
Bruce	35,705 83	59,633 89	41,234 85	118,195 83	95,339 72	159,430 68
Carleton	640 40		478 05		640 40	478 05
Durham	90 70		119 80		90 70	119 80
Elgin	474 30		381 10		474 30	381 10
Essex	1,263 72		616 41		1,263 72	616 41
Frontenac	3,405 00		3,644 43		3,405 00	3,644 43
Grey	19,740 52	47,182 77	11,411 47	91,402 02	66,923 29	102,813 49
Grenville	73 26		59 55		73 26	59 55
Hastings	2,482 20		4,058 55		2,482 20	4,058 55
Halton	36 60				36 60	
Huron	15,077 26	39,782 87	7,375 18	26,211 53	54,860 13	33,586 71
Kent	3,432 28		1,620 34		3,432 28	1,620 34
Lincoln	184 00				184 00	
Leeds	172 34		288 78		172 34	288 78
Lanark	1,074 73		1,826 66		1,074 73	1,826 66
Lennox and Addington	474 73		1,238 27		474 73	1,238 27
Lambton	4,238 78		560 81		4,238 78	560 81
Middlesex	1,854 47		228 16		1,854 47	228 16
Northumberland	277 00				277 00	
Ontario	700 95		2,259 41		700 95	2,259 41
Peterborough	1,131 35		940 61		1,131 35	940 61
Perth	11,653 78	25,259 58	8,233 73	11,710 14	36,913 36	19,943 87
Prescott	219 13		784 94		219 13	784 94
Russell	617 20		1,051 24		617 20	1,051 24
Renfrew	5,847 00		17,377 38		5,847 00	17,377 38
Simcoe	7,155 10		8,300 00		7,155 10	8,300 00
Victoria	6,680 71		7,557 23		6,680 71	7,557 23
Wellington	22,208 39	1,845 70	27,829 52	7,106 07	24,054 09	34,935 59
Welland	116 80				116 80	
Wentworth	106 42				106 42	
York	745 24		327 18		745 24	327 18
St. Joseph's Island	56 74				56 74	
Algoma	94 94				94 94	
	148,031 87	173,704 81	149,803 65	254,625 59	321,736 68	404,429 24
						321,736 68
Total						726,165 92

A. RUSSELL,
Assistant Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF CROWN LANDS,
Toronto, 9th January, 1869.

RETURN of the Amounts which are still receivable by the Crown for Crown and Common School Lands sold during the existence of the Land Improvement Fund—(Interest calculated to 31st December, 1868.)

M U N I C I P A L I T I E S .	CROWN LANDS.		COMMON SCHOOL LANDS.		TOTAL.	
	Principal.	Interest.	Principal.	Interest.	Crown Lands.	Common School Lands.
	\$ cts..	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.	\$ cts.
Bruce	112,137 25	94,036 99	282,360 00	220,601 08	206,174 24	502,961 08
Carleton	1,291 23	1,099 00			2,390 23	
Durham	343 04	256 00			599 04	
Elgin	1,148 00	757 50			1,905 50	
Essex	1,631 45	1,450 61			3,082 06	
Frontenac	12,651 11	5,571 07			18,222 18	
Grey	61,474 63	50,637 72	231,796 45	157,148 35	112,112 35	388,944 80
North Grenville	160 00	137 75			297 76	
Hastings	13,265 28	7,027 48			20,292 76	
Huron	20,622 50	16,253 42	61,207 90	50,332 08	36,875 93	111,540 58
Kent	4,777 10	3,324 51			8,101 61	
Leeds	1,029 23	414 69			1,443 92	
Lanark	5,589 56	3,543 77			9,133 33	
Lennox and Addington	4,602 07	1,589 30			6,191 37	
Lambton	2,373 85	430 22			2,804 07	
Middlesex	620 00	520 80			1,140 80	
Ontario	6,157 47	5,139 61			11,297 08	
Peterborough	2,897 68	1,805 40			4,703 08	
Perth	23,245 06	17,923 70	27,572 00	22,268 40	41,168 76	49,840 40
Prescott	2,148 62	1,776 09			3,924 71	
Russell	2,431 28	2,824 93			5,256 23	
Renfrew	55,997 27	30,889 63			86,886 90	
Simcoe	27,500 00	14,000 00			41,500 00	
Victoria	24,481 11	13,305 18			37,786 29	
Wellington	76,203 50	62,943 81	16,434 09	13,804 56	139,147 31	30,238 65
York	878 00	757 90			1,635 90	
	465,656 29	338,417 12	619,370 44	464,155 07	804,073 41	1,083,525 51

DEPARTMENT OF CROWN LANDS,
Toronto, 9th January, 1869.

A. RUSSELL,
Assistant Commissioner.

ORDER IN COUNCIL, 7th July, 1852.

Upon the memorandum submitted by the Commissioner of Crown Lands, relative to the School Lands in the Counties of Grey and Bruce. The Committee of Council recommend that the reduction in price from 12s. 6d. to 10s. an acre, as suggested, be approved, and that the regulations laid down in the said Report be adopted, and further, that a measure be submitted to Parliament to authorize the expenditure of a sum equal to 2s. 6d. an acre of the purchase money on the improvement of the roads and harbours within the said Counties; and the Committee further recommend that not more than 200 acres be sold to any one individual except upon special recommendation of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, approved by His Excellency in Council.

Certified.

(Signed,)

W. A. HIMSWORTH.

To the Honourable the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

MEMORANDUM.

The Commissioner of Crown Lands respectively submits that in order to facilitate the settlement of the Counties of Bruce and Grey, the School Lands be reduced from 12s. 6d. to 10s. currency per acre, payable by annual instalments in ten years with interest. That all future sales in the said Counties shall be on the following terms, viz.:—That there shall be actual and immediate, and continuous settlement during five years; that there shall be cleared annually within the first five years, five acres upon each and every lot of one hundred acres, (or fifty acre free grant, as the case may be,) with a dwelling house built eighteen feet by twenty-six feet upon each lot; that the occupant shall neither sell nor cut, nor permit any person whatsoever to sell or cut any of the growing wood upon the said parcel of land, excepting for the clearance of the land, for his fuel, and for the buildings and fences he may erect upon the same, until the said lot is paid for and patented; that until paid for and patented all wood cut for other objects on the said parcel of land shall be deemed to have been cut by the occupant, and may be taken and carried away by any person duly authorized by the Government to that effect without any formality whatever; that when the land has been paid for and patented, the timber, though owned by the patentee, shall be held liable without any claim for remuneration by the purchaser, or those claiming by or through him, to any dues the Legislature may please hereafter to impose on timber generally.

That on default of the occupant to fulfill and observe any of the conditions above specified, the Commissioner of Crown Lands, his successors in office, or any other officer duly authorized, may on behalf of the Crown, re-enter and take back the said parcel of land without institution of legal proceedings therefore, or otherwise eject therefrom the occupant, his heirs and assigns, or other persons in possession, and dispose of the same as to the competent authorities shall seem meet.

That the regulations necessary to carry out and ensure the details of such actual and *bona fide* be established and enforced by the Commissioner of Crown Lands for the time being.

That application be made to the Legislature to allow 2s. 6d. per acre of the purchase money to be expended on the local roads and harbours, and that no deed issue until the terms of settlement and payment are fulfilled.

(Signed,)

JOHN ROLPH.

3rd July, 1852.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT,
QUEBEC, 30th July, 1852.

Notice is hereby given that the School Lands in the Counties of Bruce, Grey, Wellington and Huron, are now open for sale to actual settlers on the following terms, viz.:—

The price to be ten shillings per acre, payable in ten equal annual instalments with interest: the first instalment to be paid on receiving authority to enter upon the land. Actual occupation to be immediate and continuous; the land to be cleared at the rate of five acres annually for each hundred acres during the first five years; a dwelling house, at least eighteen feet by twenty-six, to be erected; the timber to be reserved until the land has been paid for in full and patented, and to be subject to any general timber duty thereafter; a license of occupation, not assignable without permission, to be granted; the sale and license of occupation to become null and void in case of neglect or violation of any of the conditions; the settler to be entitled to obtain a patent upon complying with all the conditions; not more than two hundred acres to be sold to any one person on these terms.

CROWN LAND DEPARTMENT,
QUEBEC, 22nd July 1852.

SIR,—The terms upon which lands within your agency have been sold, having undergone revision by the Governor-General in Council, I have to advise you to forbear further sales till you receive (as you will shortly) particular instructions on the subject. As actual settlement will in all future cases be required, you can with that understanding, allow any purchaser to proceed in making his selection of a lot.

JOHN ROLPH.

Alexander McNabb, Esq.,
Southampton.

(Circular.)

CROWN LAND DEPARTMENT,
QUEBEC, 9th August, 1852.

SIR,—New regulations having been adopted by the Government with regard to the sale of Crown Lands throughout the Province, you will decline selling any Lots of that description at present advertised for sale until you receive further instructions.

JOHN ROLPH.

CROWN LAND DEPARTMENT,
QUEBEC, 21st September, 1852.

SIR,—Herewith are sent lists of the Lots in the Townships of Arran, Elderslie, Huron, and the more recently surveyed part of Saugeen, which may now be considered open for sale under the notice of the 30th July last.

JOHN ROLPH.

Alexander McNabb, Esq.,
&c., &c., &c.

(Copy.)

The undersigned has the honour to submit the following statement and recommendation with reference to the "Improvement Fund" for Canada West, authorized by 16 V., c. 159, s. 14, (1853.)

The said Fund was applied by Order in Council of the 26th July, 1856, which order had a retrospective action as far back as the date of the passing the above Act, August, 1853.

The said Fund has been regularly paid (with the exception of some few balances that remain to certain Municipalities) down to the end 1859, at which date the then Commis-

sioner of Crown Lands considered it expedient to stop further payments to the Fund. With this view he omitted on the amended Land Act of 1860, the clause authorizing the creation of the Fund, but in March, 1861, it was ascertained that the authority for the Fund existed at the date of the amended Land Act in the School Act, and not in the Land Act, as had been supposed. On the 6th March, 1861, an Order in Council was passed rescinding that of 26th July, 1856.

It appears to the undersigned that the Improvement Fund continued to accrue legally, and may be fairly claimed by the various Municipalities of Canada West, down to the above date of 6th March, 1861, and he therefore respectfully recommends that the distribution thereof be made to them accordingly.

(Signed,)

WILLIAM McDougall,
Commissioner.

Crown Land Department,
17th September, 1863.

CROWN LAND DEPARTMENT,
QUEBEC, 21st September, 1852.

SIR,—I have to inform you that by Order in Council of the 13th of last month the road fee chargeable on lands in the Township of Brant, under the notice published 27th June last year, is to be discontinued.

JOHN ROLPH.

Alexander McNabb, Esq.,
&c. &c. &c.

SCHOOL.

KINLOSS, 28th September, 1854.

To Alexander McNabb, Agent.

Herewith you will receive the sum of £7 : 10 as a deposit on account of Lots No. 14 and 15, 4th Concession, Township of Kinloss, which I hereby apply for permission to occupy and cultivate with a view of purchasing in conformity with the notice issued from the Crown Lands Department, and published in the *Official Gazette*, under date 31st July, 1852.

his
JOHN × ANDERSON.
mark.

(Witness) A. McNabb.

Application 1490.
School Sale 2320.

Whereas, Nathaniel Leeder, of Saugeen, yeoman, is desirous to occupy and cultivate Lot Number thirty in the A Concession, lake range, of the Township of Saugeen in the County of Bruce, with a view to purchase and obtain a Deed in Fee for the said Lot on the terms hereinafter mentioned :—

Know therefore, that the Commissioner of Crown Lands, by this Instrument grants full License and permission to the said Nathaniel Leeder to enter upon and clear and cultivate the said lot of Land for the term of ten years, subject to the following conditions, reservations, and restrictions, viz :—

First :—That he shall pay an instalment of one tenth of the purchase money at the rate of ten shillings per acre upon execution hereof, and an instalment of one tenth annually, with interest, until the whole shall be paid.

Second :—That he shall enter upon the said Lot immediately and occupy it continuously, and shall during the first five years, clear thereon at the rate of not less than five acres annually for every hundred acres, and build a dwelling house, not less than eighteen feet by twenty-six feet.

Third :—That he shall not cut any of the growing wood on the said Lot, except, for the clearing of the ground, for fuel, buildings, and fences thereon, nor dispose of it in any manner, until the land has been paid for in full and Patentèd, and any wood cut in violation of this condition shall be deemed to have been cut by the said Nathaniel Leeder, and be dealt with as by law provided in respect to timber cut upon Public Lands without authority.

Fourth :—That should the said Nathaniel Leeder violate or neglect to fulfill any of the foregoing conditions this Instrument shall become null and void, and the Commissioner of Crown Lands may revoke the same, and he or his Agent may enter upon and take back the said parcel of land without any formality whatever, and without any other proof than such as may be satisfactory to the Governor-General in Council.

Fifth :—That the said Nathaniel Leeder shall not transfer or assign this Instrument, unless with the written consent of the Commissioner of Crown Lands so to do.

Sixth :—That upon compliance with the foregoing conditions the said Nathaniel Leeder shall be entitled to receive a Deed in Fee for the said Lot, but the timber though owned thereafter by the Patentee, shall be held subject to any general duty the Legislature may hereafter impose upon timber. Sale bearing date second May, 1853.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this nineteenth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

A. W. MORIN.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT,
QUEBEC, 2nd May, 1853.

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Received from Nathaniel Leeder, of Saugeen, in conformity with the terms of the within Instrument the sum of three pounds fifteen shillings cy., being the first Instalment of one-tenth of the purchase money of the land therein specified.

WILLIAM FORD,
For the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

CIRCULAR TO ALL THE AGENTS.

CROWN LANDS OFFICE,
20th September, 1852.

SIR,—The enclosed printed form is the only one which will henceforth be used as a license or permission to enter upon and occupy any public land.

Every such license will hereafter issue under the signature of the Commissioner of Crown Lands. You will therefore transmit the first instalment with a written application from each intending purchaser, stating the number of the Lot he desires to occupy in conformity with the notice, (of 30th July or 6th August) and all such information as may be necessary to fill up the instrument, on receipt whereof, the license will be immediately forwarded to you for delivery.

You will in each case be furnished with a duplicate to be signed in every instance by the intending purchaser, whose signature or mark you must witness, and certify that the document has been read or explained to him, and that he has consented to the conditions, before delivery of the copy signed by the Commissioner, and such duplicate you will remit back duly executed to the Department.

(Signed,)

JOHN ROLPH.

P.S.—The receipt to be given by you in the first instance will be for a deposit on account of a certain Lot, and an official receipt will be endorsed on the license sent to you for delivery to the purchaser, when he executes the duplicate.

(Signed,)

JOHN ROLPH,
Commissioner.

CROWN LANDS OFFICE,
21st September, 1852.

SIR,—Herewith are sent lists of Lots in the more recently surveyed part of the Township of Egremont, which may now be considered open for sale under the notice of the 30th July last.

(Signed,) JOHN ROLPH.

George Jackson, Esq.,
Crown Land Agent.

CROWN LANDS OFFICE,
21st September, 1852.

SIR,—I have to inform you that by Order in Council of the 13th of last month, the Road Fee chargeable on lands in the Township of Brant, under notice published 27th June last year, is to be discontinued.

(Signed,) JOHN ROLPH.

Alexander McNabb, Esq.,
Crown Land Agent.

CROWN LANDS OFFICE,
21st September, 1852.

SIR,—I have to inform you that by Order in Council of the 13th of last month, the Road Fee, chargeable on lands in the Township of Derby, under the notice published on the 23rd May last year, is to be discontinued.

(Signed,) JOHN ROLPH.

George Jackson, Esq.,
Crown Land Agent.

CIRCULAR TO ALL THE CROWN LANDS AGENTS.

CROWN LANDS OFFICE,
10th November, 1852.

SIR,—In regard to sales of Crown Lands under the new regulations, you will forward to the Department at the end of each month, the applications to purchase with a separate Monthly Return.

(Signed,) JOHN ROLPH,

CROWN LANDS OFFICE,
11th July, 1854.

SIR,—I have to inform you that the Department has recently obtained the sanction of the Government for offering for sale the lands in the recently surveyed Townships.

The requisite advertisement is being prepared, and will be published with as little delay as possible.

(Signed,)

J. C. TARBUTT,

For the Commissioner.

John Clark, Esq.,
Crown Land Agent.

CROWN LANDS OFFICE,

29th July, 1854.

SIR,—Reverting to the letter of the 11th instant, I now send you for circulation copies of the notice opening for sale the Townships of Grey, Howick and Turnberry, with lists giving you exact contents of each lot, according to which the lots are to be sold, together with a list of the squatters as reported by the Surveyor. A plan of each Township is also sent.

(Signed,)

J. C. TARBUTT,

For the Commissioner.

P. S.—It is to be understood that any lands (School or Crown) remaining at your disposal are to be sold on the same conditions as these.

John Clark, Esquire,
Crown Land Agent.

CROWN LANDS OFFICE,

9th August, 1854.

SIR,—I send herewith for circulation, copies of an advertisement opening for sale the lands in the Township of Minto, a plan of the Township, and a list giving the precise contents of each lot, according to which the lots are to be disposed of.

It is to be understood that the same conditions of settlement are to be made applicable to any Crown or School Lands remaining at your disposal under former advertisements, the price of the former being seven shillings and sixpence and of the latter ten shillings per acre.

(Signed,)

J. C. TARBUTT,

For the Commissioner.

Andrew Geddes, Esquire,
Crown Land Agent,
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CROWN LANDS OFFICE,

9th August, 1854.

SIR,—I send herewith for circulation, copies of an advertisement opening for sale lands in the County of Bruce; a plan of each Township is also sent, with lists giving the precise contents of each lot, according to which they are to be disposed of.

It is to be understood that the same conditions of settlement are to be made applicable to any Crown or School Lands remaining at your disposal under former advertisements, the price of the former being seven shillings and sixpence and of the latter ten shillings per acre.

(Signed,)

J. C. TARBUTT,

For the Commissioner.

Alex. McNabb, Esquire,
Crown Land Agent,
Saugeen.

CROWN LANDS OFFICE,
9th August, 1854.

SIR,—Herewith are sent for circulation, copies of an advertisement opening the lands in the Township of Elma, a plan of the Township, and a list giving the precise contents of each lot, according to which they are to be sold. I also send a copy of a circular sent to all the Agents of the Department, after the new regulations for the disposal of Lands were adopted, in August, 1852, by which you will be guided for the present.

(Signed,) J. C. TARBUTT,
For the Commissioner.

John Sherman, Esquire,
Crown Land Agent,
Stratford.

CROWN LANDS OFFICE,
25th August, 1856.

SIR,—I herewith send a plan of the Township of Wallace, with a list giving the precise contents of each lot, and copies of the notice advertising the lands for sale on the 16th September next, which you will have the goodness to circulate in the Township to the utmost of your power.

JOSEPH CAUCHON,
Commissioner.

John Sherman, Esquire,
Crown Land Agent,
Stratford.

CROWN LAND OFFICE,
QUEBEC, 30th June, 1854.

In consequence of the Agent for the County of Huron, having brought under the notice of the Department that he has not any lands remaining at his disposal while he has incessant applications for purchase, the undersigned begs to submit for the consideration of the Government the propriety of opening for sale the recently surveyed lands in that County, consisting of the Townships of—

Grey, School Lands	52,448	acres.
“ Crown “	12,678	“
Howick, School “	3,000	“
“ Crown “	65,508	“
Turnberry, School “	36,493	“

and to suggest in the absence of any general regulations being yet adopted under the 2nd and 25th sections of the Land Act, that the School Lands at least in that County be open for sale, subject to actual settlement at ten shillings per acre, in conformity with the regulations adopted by the Minute in Council of the 7th July, 1852, but that the extent of improvements be limited to two acres annually (for five years) on each 100 acres, with a house (instead of 18 x 26 feet) 16 x 18 feet.

It would also be desirable that the School Lands in the Counties of Bruce, Perth and Grey, should be advertised for sale at the same time.

Upon reference to the accompanying list, it will be perceived that some of these Townships are composed partly of School, and partly of Crown Lands. The question whether the latter shall be offered for sale, and if so, upon what terms and conditions, is submitted for consideration.

The undersigned deems it his duty to bring under the notice of the Government that persons have been squatting to a considerable extent in the recently surveyed Township

of Minto, in the County of Wellington, consisting entirely of Crown Lands, which renders it very desirable that the lands should be placed at the disposal of the Agent with as little delay as possible, to obviate the embarrassment which is occasioned the Department by persons taking unauthorized possession of public lands.

It is presumed that whatever conditions may be attached to the sale of these lands, and the same will be made applicable to those remaining unsold at present at the disposal of the respective Agents for these Counties.

It being understood that notwithstanding the payment of the purchase money in full, no patents issue until after the land has been occupied for five years and the required extent of improvements made, the period of occupation as squatters and improvements made prior to purchasing, however, being taken into consideration.

(Signed,)

A. W. MORIN,
Commissioner.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, dated 30th June, 1854, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, on the 3rd July, 1854 :—

On a Report from the Commissioner of Crown Lands, dated 30th June, 1854, with reference to the opening for sale of certain School and Crown Lands in the Counties of Huron, Perth, Wellington, Bruce and Grey.

The Committee recommend that the said Report be approved and adopted, the upset price per acre for the School Lands to be ten shillings, and seven shillings and sixpence per acre for the Crown Lands.

(Certified.)

(Signed,)

WILLIAM H. LEE,
C. E. C.

(Copies.)

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honourable the Executive Council, dated 27th May, 1856, approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council on the following day.

On a communication of 8th May, 1856, from the Honourable Commissioner of Crown Lands, suggesting that instead of adhering to the diversity in the upset prices of School and Crown Lands as adopted by the Minute in Council of 3rd July, 1854, the whole of the Township of Wallace, which has not been brought into the market, be offered for sale at the uniform price of ten shillings per acre, subject to actual settlement, and that in advertising the lands for sale, notice be given that persons in possession of lots with improvements, (prior to that time) be required to notify the resident Agent of their claims, filing evidence in support thereof before the day fixed for the sale, so that the lots claimed may be withheld, while the remainder be disposed of by sale at auction.

The Committee recommend that the suggestion above set forth be approved and carried into effect.

(Certified.)

(Signed,)

W. H. LEE,
C. E. C.

To the Honourable the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

Circular.

CROWN LAND DEPARTMENT,
TORONTO, 10th February, 1857.

SIR,—I have to inform you that by Order in Council, dated 3rd February, 1857, all persons who have payments to make on account of Public Lands, must in future deposit the amount to the credit of the Receiver-General on account of the Crown Land Department, in the Bank of Upper Canada or its Agencies.

Each person will receive a certificate of deposit in triplicate from the Bank, one of which he will keep, the other two he will hand over to you, which you will transmit to this Department along with your Monthly Returns.

In making your returns you will keep each Township by itself under the special services of Crown, Clergy and School, in order to show the amount received from each Township.

Alexander McNabb, Esquire,
Crown Land Agent,
County of Bruce.

JOSEPH CAUCHOŃ,
Commissioner.

CROWN LANDS AGENCY,
SOUTHAMPTON, 26th Nov., 1869.

DEAR SIR,—I am in receipt of your letter of 25th ult., requesting information regarding the Land Improvement Fund. In reply to your communication permit me to refer to circumstances connected with the early history of the County of Bruce.

In the year 1851 I was appointed Crown Lands Agent for the County, with instructions from the Honourable Mr. Price, then Commissioner of Crown Lands, to act in conjunction with Mr. Geo. Jackson, Crown Lands Agent for the County of Grey, to open two leading roads through the County of Bruce. To provide for the outlay, I obtained an advance of £1,500, which was to be repaid by the purchasers of farm lands, who in addition the first instalment of one-tenth of the purchase money, were to pay a road fee of \$6 on 200 acres and \$4 on 100 acres.

In the fall of the year 1851, on the removal of the Government from Toronto to Quebec, the Hon. Mr. Price retired from the Commissionership of Crown Lands, and was succeeded by Dr. Rolph. Sometime in 1852 I received a letter from the Hon. Malcolm Cameron, then a Member of the Government, informing me it was the intention of the Government to reduce the price of the lands in Bruce from 12s. 6d. to 10s. an acre, do away with the road fee, and in lieu thereof, allow 2s. 6d. an acre out of the proceeds of the sales for public improvements within the County. Doctor Rolph subsequently had a Public Lands Act passed (16 Vic. Ch. 159,) which contained the following clause, Section 14: "The Governor in Council may reserve out of the proceeds of the School Lands in any County a sum not exceeding one-fourth of such proceeds, and out of the proceeds of unappropriated Crown Lands in any County a sum not exceeding one-fifth thereof, such sums to be funds for public improvements within the County, to be expended under the direction of the Governor in Council." The collections made under authority of the above Act were expended first towards the repayment of the balance due on the first advance of £1,500, and next in the opening up of new roads and improvements on the old lines.

In the year 1859 a new Land Act (Mr. Vankoughnet's, 22 Vict. Chap. 22,) was passed, from which the Improvement Fund clause was omitted. This was the first intimation I had of the intention of the Government with regard to it. I am, however, of opinion that, although left out of the above Act, it is still in force in another. I refer to the Public School Lands Fund, 22 Vict., Chap. 26, Sec. 7, which does not appear to have been rescinded, as I am informed the Province of Quebec claims a large portion of the proceeds arising from the above-quoted Act; of course the claim is subject to the rights of the settlers of Ontario to the Improvement Fund due thereon.

With regard to the sales of Farm lands under Doctor Rolph's Land Act, I may state they were made with the understanding that the settlers would have the benefit of the Improvement Fund in its entirety, and feeling, as I do, that the Crown is in honour bound faithfully to carry out the agreement first entered into, I do not doubt but upon proper representations being made to the Government of Ontario, they will at once assent to the restoration of the Fund to the County of Bruce.

A. McNABB,
Agent.

John Gillies, Esquire,
Warden of Bruce,
Paisley P. O.

In a conversation with Mr. Sherman, Crown Land Agent for the County of Perth, previous to the sale of the Township of Elma, he gave me to understand that half a dollar per acre of the cost price of the land would be refunded to said Township for the purpose of improvement. And, moreover, that under this impression, I and many of my neighbours purchased land in said Township.
November 29th, 1869.

BENJAMIN ROTHWELL.

And we, the undersigned, corroborate the above statement to be true, as having been given to understand the same thing as Mr. Rothwell, and from the same source:—

Arthur Gordon.

William Morrison, Reeve of Elma, in the year '57.

Andrew Paton.

Donald Gordon.

Robert Bingham.

Edward Boyd, Lot 24 and 25, 3rd Concession.

John Thompson.

William Rothwell.

TOWNSHIP OF ARRAN,

County of Bruce, October 25th, 1869.

WE, the undersigned early settlers of the County of Bruce, do hereby certify that when we first sought to locate in the County we applied at the Crown Lands Agency, at Southampton, for lands to purchase and settle upon; and that we were assured then by A. McNabb, Esq., the Crown Lands Agent at that place; and otherwise, that one-fourth of the proceeds of the School Lands, and one-fifth of the proceeds of the Crown Lands in the County were to form a fund to be termed the "Land Improvement Fund of Bruce;" that the same was to have been refunded and paid over to the County from time to time by the Crown Lands Department under the instruction of the Government for the purpose of making, improving and maintaining the roads in the County. We do further assert and set forth that the foregoing were the conditions and thorough understanding upon which we purchased our land and settled upon them in the County; and, therefore, hope that notwithstanding the perverse circumstances that led to the discontinuation of the appropriation referred to, the Government will do us the common justice of restoring a fund to which we are so fairly entitled.

James Stark and 274 others.

TOWNSHIP OF ELDERSLIE,

COUNTY OF BRUCE, October 25th, 1869.

We, the undersigned early settlers of the County of Bruce, do hereby certify that when we first sought to locate in the County we applied at the Crown Lands Agency, at Southampton, for lands to purchase and settle upon; and that we were assured then by A. McNabb, Esq., the Crown Lands Agent at that place, and otherwise, that one-fourth of the proceeds of the School Lands, and one-fifth of the proceeds of the Crown Lands in the County were to form a fund to be termed the "Land Improvement Fund of Bruce;" that the same was to have been refunded and paid over to the County from time to time by the Crown Lands Department under the instruction of Government for the purpose of making, improving and maintaining the roads in the County. We do further assert and set forth that the foregoing were the conditions and thorough understanding upon which we purchased our lands and settled upon them in the County; and, therefore, hope that notwithstanding the perverse circumstances that led to the discontinuation of the appropriation referred to, the Government will do us the common justice of restoring a fund to which we are so fairly entitled.

Thomas Sparrow and 174 others.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT,
QUEBEC, 30th July, 1852.

Notice is hereby given, that the School Lands in the Counties of Bruce, Grey, Wellington and Huron, are now open for sale to actual Settlers on the following terms, viz :

The price to be ten shillings per acre, payable in ten equal annual instalments, with interest : the first instalment to be paid upon receiving authority to enter upon the land. Actual occupation to be immediate and continuous ; the land to be cleared at the rate of five acres annually for each hundred acres during the first five years ; a dwelling house, at least eighteen feet by twenty-six, to be erected ; the timber to be reserved until the land has been paid for in full and patented, and to be subject to any general timber duty thereafter ; a License of occupation, not assignable without permission, to be granted ; the sale and license of occupation to become null and void in case of neglect or violation of any of the conditions ; the Settler to be entitled to obtain a Patent upon complying with all the conditions ; not more than two hundred acres to be sold to any one person on these terms.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT,
QUEBEC, 17th August, 1854.

Notice is hereby given that the undermentioned lands (set apart for School purposes under the Statute 12 Vic.. Ch. 200), in the County of Bruce, U. C., will be open for sale to actual settlers, upon application to Alexander McNabb, Esquire, at Southampton, in the Township of Saugeen, on and after the twenty-seventh of next month, on the following terms, viz. :

The price to be ten shillings per acre, payable in ten equal annual instalments, with interest : the first instalment to be paid upon receiving authority to enter upon the land. Actual occupation to be immediate and continuous ; the land to be cleared at the rate of two acres annually for each hundred acres. during the first five years ; a dwelling house, at least sixteen feet by eighteen, to be erected ; the timber to be reserved until the land has been paid for in full and patented, and to be subject to any general timber duty thereafter ; a License of Occupation, not assignable without permission ; the sale and License of Occupation to become null and void in case of neglect or violation of any of the conditions ; the settler to be entitled to obtain a Patent upon complying with all the conditions ; not more than two hundred acres to be paid to any one person on these terms.

TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE.
TOWNSHIP OF KINLOSS.

Also,—The undermentioned Crown Lands, subject to the same conditions of actual settlement and term of payment, at 7s. 6d. per acre.

TOWNSHIP OF CULROSS.
TOWNSHIP OF GREENOCK.
TOWNSHIP OF KINLOSS.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT,
QUEBEC, 4th August, 1854.

Notice is hereby given that the undermentioned lands (set apart for School purposes under the Statute 12 Vict., Ch. 200), in the Township of Elma in the County of Perth, U. C., will be open for sale to actual settlers, upon application to John Sharman, Esquire, of Stratford, on and after the tenth of next month, on the following terms, viz. :

The price to be ten shillings per acre, payable in ten equal annual instalments, with interest, the first instalment to be paid upon receiving authority to enter upon the land. Actual occupation to be immediate and continuous ; the land to be cleared at the rate of

two acres annually for each hundred acres during the first five years ; a dwelling house, at least sixteen feet by eighteen, to be erected ; the timber to be reserved until the land has been paid for in full and patented, and to be subject to any general timber duty thereafter ; a License of Occupation, not assignable without permission ; the sale and License of Occupation to become null and void in case of neglect or violation of any of the conditions ; the settler to be entitled to obtain a Patent upon complying with all the conditions ; not more than two hundred acres to be sold to any one person on these terms.

ALSO,—The undermentioned Crown Lands in the same Township, subject to the same conditions of actual settlement and term of payment, at 7s. 6d. per acre.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT,
TORONTO, 4th July, 1856.

Notice is hereby given, that the lands in the Township of Wallace in the County of Perth, U. C. will be open for sale to actual settlers, upon application to John Sherman, Esquire, at Stratford, on and after the Sixteenth of September next, on the following terms, viz :

The price to be Ten Shillings per acre, payable in ten equal annual instalments, with interest : the first instalment to be paid upon receiving authority to enter upon the land. Actual occupation to be immediate and continuous ; the land to be cleared at the rate of two acres annually for each hundred acres during the first five years ; a dwelling house, at least sixteen feet by eighteen, to be erected ; the timber to be reserved until the land has been paid for in full and patented, and to be subject to any general timber duty thereafter : a License of Occupation, not assignable without permission ; the sale and License of Occupation to become null and void in case of neglect or violation of any of the conditions ; the Settler to be entitled to obtain a Patent upon complying with all the conditions ; not more than two hundred acres to be sold to any one person on these terms.

Persons now in occupation of lots with improvements are required to notify the agent and to file evidence in support of their claims prior to the day of sale, in default of which no lot will be withheld from public competition.

And Notice is further given that persons taking possession of land after the date of this Notice will not be entitled to consideration.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT,
QUEBEC, 4th August, 1854.

Notice is hereby given that the undermentioned lands in the Township of Minto, in the County of Wellington, U. C., will be open for sale to actual settlers, upon application to Andrew Geddes, Esquire, at Elora, on and after the tenth of next month, on the following terms :

The price to be seven shillings and sixpence per acre, payable in ten equal annual instalments, with interest : the first instalment to be paid upon receiving authority to enter upon the land. Actual occupation to be immediate and continuous ; the land to be cleared at the rate of two acres annually for each hundred acres during the first five years ; a dwelling house, at least sixteen feet by eighteen, to be erected ; the timber to be reserved until the land has been paid for in full and patented, and to be subject to any general timber duty thereafter ; a License of Occupation, not assignable without permission ; the sale and License of Occupation to become null and void in case of neglect or violation of any of the conditions ; the settler to be entitled to obtain a Patent upon complying with all the conditions ; not more than two hundred acres to be sold to any one person on these terms.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT,
QUEBEC, 27th July, 1854.

Notice is hereby given, that the undermentioned land (set apart for School purposes under Statute 12 Vic. ch. 200) in the County of Huron, will be open for sale to actual settlers, upon application to the resident Agent, John Clarke, Esquire, at Goderich, on and after the thirty-first of next month, on the following terms, viz :

The price to be ten shillings per acre, payable in ten equal annual instalments with interest : the first instalment to be paid on receiving authority to enter upon the land. Actual occupation to be immediate and continuous ; the land to be cleared at the rate of two acres annually for each hundred acres during the first five years ; a dwelling house, at least sixteen feet by eighteen, to be erected ; the timber to be reserved until the land has been paid for in full and patented, and to be subject to any general timber duty thereafter ; a License of Occupation, not assignable without permission ; the sale and License of Occupation to become null and void in case of neglect or violation of any of the conditions ; the settler to be entitled to obtain a Patent upon complying with all the conditions ; not more than two hundred acres to be sold to any one person on these terms.

TOWNSHIP OF GREY,
TOWNSHIP OF TURNBERRY.
TOWNSHIP OF HOWICK.

ALSO,—The undermentioned Crown Lands subject to the same conditions of actual settlement and term of payment, at 7s. 6d. per acre.

TOWNSHIP OF GREY.

The Crown and Common School Lands in the Counties of Bruce, Grey, Huron, Perth and Wellington, were opened for sale to actual settlers under the conditions of the Order in Council of the 7th July, 1852, by public notices of the Department of Crown Lands, of the following dates, viz :—

In the County of Bruce—the Townships of Arran, Brant, Elderslie, Huron, Kincardine and Saugeen, by notice of the 30th July, 1852 ; and Bruce, Carrick, Culross, Greenock and Kinloss, by notice of the 17th of August, 1854.

In the County of Grey—the Townships of Bentwick, Derby, Egremont, Glenelg, Holland, Normanby, Sullivan and Sydenham, by notice of the 30th of July, 1852.

In the County of Perth—the Township of Elma, by notice of 4th of August, 1854 ; and Wallace of the 4th July, 1856.

In the County of Wellington—the Township of Arthur, by notice of 30th July, 1852 ; and Minto of the 4th of August, 1854.

In the County of Huron—the Townships of Morris, Ashfield and Wawanosh, by notice of the 30th July, 1852, and Grey, Howick and Turnberry of the 27th July, 1854.

TOWNSHIP OF BRANT,
COUNTY OF BRUCE, October 25th, 1869.

We, the undersigned early settlers of the County of Bruce, do hereby certify that when we first sought to locate in the County, we applied at the Crown Lands Agency, at Southampton, for lands to purchase and settle upon ; and that we were assured then by A. McNabb, Esq., the Crown Lands Agent at that place, and otherwise, that one-fourth of the proceeds of the School Lands, and one-fifth of the proceeds of the Crown Lands in the County were to form a fund to be termed the "Land Improvement Fund of Bruce;" that the same was to have been refunded and paid over to the County from time to time by the Crown Lands Department under the instruction of Government for the purpose of making, improving and maintaining the roads in the County. We do further assert and set forth that the foregoing were the conditions and thorough understanding upon which

we purchased our lands and settled upon them in the County ; and, therefore, hope that notwithstanding the perverse circumstances that led to the discontinuation of the appropriation referred to, the Government will do us the common justice of restoring a fund to which we are so fairly entitled.

James C. Eckford and 226 others.

SULLIVAN, October 29th, 1853.

To George Jackson, Esq., Agent :—

Herewith you will receive the sum of ten pounds as a deposit on account of Lot number seventeen, in the ninth Concession of the Township of Sullivan, which I hereby apply for permission to occupy and cultivate, with a view of purchasing, in conformity with the notice issued from the Crown Lands Department, and published in the *Official Gazette*, under date the 30th July, 1852.

HARVARD C. McMULLEN.

Witness : David S. Conger.

ARTHUR. 22nd November, 1853.

To George Jackson, Agent :—

Herewith you will receive the sum of five pounds on account of the South half of Lot number 7, in the 4th Concession of the Township of Arthur, which I hereby apply for permission to occupy and cultivate with a view of purchasing in conformity with the notice issued from the Crown Lands Department under the notice of the 30th July, 1852.

JAMES WALSH.

Witness : Michael Garvey.

Please direct to Arthur.

SCHOOL.

EGREMONT, 28th April, 1854.

To George Jackson, Agent :—

Herewith you will receive the sum of five pounds and one shilling as a deposit on account of Lot number 18, in the 4th Concession of the Township of Egremont in the County of Grey, which I hereby apply for permission to occupy and cultivate, with a view of purchasing, in conformity with the notice issued from the Crown Lands Department, and published in the *Official Gazette*, under date 31st July, 1852.

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DUNCAN × MCINTYRE.

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Witness : William Jackson.

“ REFORM ELECTORS OF HURON AND BRUCE.

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“ We have got a reduction in Postage and increased facilities ; a reduction in Newspaper postage and the expense of registration of Deeds ; reduction on the price of land from 12s 6d to 10s, and a reserve fund of two shillings and six pence per acre for public improvement.”

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So mote it be,
MALCOLM CAMERON.

CROWN LANDS DEPARTMENT,
TORONTO, 27th June, 1851.

Notice is hereby given that the undermentioned Lands, (appropriated for School purposes under the Statute 12th Vic. Cap. 200) in the County of Bruce, will be open for sale, upon application to the resident Agent, Alexander McNabb, Esquire, on and after the fifth of August.

The Lots in the Townships of Brant and Kincardine at, 12s. 6d. per acre. The purchase money to be paid in cash, one-tenth at the time of sale, the remainder in nine annual instalments, payable with interest from the date of sale.

In addition to which the sum of 30s. will be charged at the time of sale on 200 acres, and 20s. on 100 acres or less in Brant, to be applied towards opening a road through that Township to the River Saugeen.

For the Park and Village Lots of Penetangore (in the Township of Kincardine) and of Southampton (in the Township of Saugeen), the whole of the purchase money (at the prices stated) to be paid at the time of sale ; excepting the Park Lots containing more than 10 acres which may be paid by instalments.

The following conditions are attached to the sale of the Village Lots : That they be cleared and fenced within one month of the date of sale, in default thereof the lots will be again offered for sale and the money paid forfeited.

Mr. McNabb will attend at Penetangore on the 19th of August, to receive applications and to sell Lots in that Village, and in the Township of Kincardine.

KINCARDINE AND GRENVILLE,
COUNTY OF BRUCE, October, 25th, 1859.

We, the undersigned early settlers of the County of Bruce, do hereby certify that when we first sought to locate in the County we applied at the Crown Lands Agency, at Southampton, for lands to purchase and settle upon ; and that we were assured then by A. McNabb, Esq., the Crown Lands Agent at that place, and otherwise, that one-fourth of the proceeds of the School Lands, and one-fifth of the proceeds of the Crown Lands in the County were to form a fund to be termed the " Land Improvement Fund of Bruce ;" that the same was to have been refunded and paid over to the County from time to time by the Crown Lands Department under the instruction of Government for the purpose of making, improving and maintaining the roads in the County. We do further assert and set forth that the foregoing were the conditions and thorough understanding upon which we purchased our lands and settled upon them in the County ; and, therefore, hope that notwithstanding the perverse circumstances that led to the discontinuation of the appropriation referred to, the Government will do us the common justice of restoring a fund to which we are so fairly entitled.

Thomas Bradley, M.D. and 266 others.

TOWNSHIP OF SAUGEEN,
COUNTY OF BRUCE, October 25th, 1869.

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Donald Currie and 200 others.

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J. H. Coulthard and 264 others.

SEVENTH AND FINAL REPORT

OF THE

PRINTING COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM, LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
Toronto, 23rd December, 1869.

Your Committee would represent that under our old state of things the public printing was a vexed question, and it was, perhaps, one of the most doubtful departments of the public service. It was supposed to be synonymous with jobs and secret payments for services performed, and the Stationery Department, with which it was connected, became proverbial for pen knives and mucilage, and it was supposed that its precincts were haunted by spectres of departed political virtue. Be this as it may, it became very apparent that there was room for great improvement, and in the outset of this Legislature, the Printing Committee set about the task.

There were no models to be copied. The English system would be scarcely applicable here. There, the Members of the Commons receive no pay and no perquisites. No stationery clerk does out to the members a half dozen sheets of paper or a few envelopes at a time, but every member supplies himself with what he wants; and if he introduces a Bill, pays for the printing himself, and, in short, the Queen's Printing Department, as kept up here, is entirely unknown in the English Parliament. Our American neighbours had run the whole round of letting their printing by contract, and had so often failed, in consequence of the ruinous competition and exceedingly bad work done, in order that the contractors should not be ruined, that they finally settled down with a Government Printing office, which combined, not only the printing during the sessions of Congress, and which appertains more particularly to legislation, but also the printing for the departments and the whole public service, together with the debates, which were reported *verbatim*. Neither of these models would suit us, and, as was remarked, the old Canadian system was not to be entertained for a moment. As a temporary arrangement, the Printing Committee recommended that tenders should be invited for the Legislative printing for the first session, and Mr. Beaty's tender was accepted, at very low rates, and the expenses of printing for the first session were very small, the amount of printing not being large and the price paid for the work unprecedentedly low. As the Government had just been organized, there could be no Reports from the Departments to be printed, and, therefore, an element of expense did not then exist which now so largely swells the printing expenses. Before the session closed, the Printing Committee recommended that proprietors of newspapers should be excluded from the right to tender for the public printing, but that the service should be performed exclusively by those having no connection with the newspaper press. The Committee also recommended that the stationery should be purchased directly from the manufacturers, so that it might be got as cheaply as possible.

During the recess after the first session, tenders were invited, and the contracts were awarded to Messrs. Hunter, Rose & Co., at prices certainly considerably in advance of the prices paid to Mr. Beaty, but not too high to ensure a first-rate class of work, with a fair margin of profit to the contractors.

The *Ontario Gazette* was to be placed on an entirely different footing from the *Canada Gazette* of the old Government. The printer was to receive payment for the work done, the Queen's Printer being an officer having no interest whatever in the business, but receiving a fixed salary, and all the profits arising from the *Gazette* going into the revenues of the Government. The Committee expressed a hope that the printing business would be ultimately self-sustaining, and no charge on the public revenues. The printing of last session was done under this arrangement, and we may arrive now at some conclusions with reference to this matter.

Your Honourable House will find that the cost of printing for the second session was very much greater than the first, which is accounted for in this way—First of all, the contracts were higher. The Reports of Departments, which had no existence in the printing accounts of the first year, have cost fully as much as the Legislative printing, and the printing for the Education Office alone will amount to as much as the printing for this House. Add to this the cost of the forms and blanks, all of which items came into existence since the first session of this Legislature, and the cause for the increase will be very clearly perceived.

There is another element that enters largely into the expense, and which is under the control of the members of this House. Reference is made to the returns asked for by hon. members, and in respect to which a good deal of discretion should be used. A great number of returns were moved for last session, and there were perhaps too many of them ordered by the Printing Committee to be printed, and which largely swells the aggregate. A good deal more discretion has been used the present session.

The total cost of printing for the Legislative Assembly for the past Session amounts to \$13,656.93, which large amount is made up of the following items:—The Reports of Departments, which, as was remarked, had no existence the first Session, cost \$4,870.32: the Returns which were printed by order of the House, cost \$2,955.35, making by these two items, \$7,852.67. The Statutes cost \$2,676.06, making, in round numbers, \$10,500. This sum will include, not only the cost of printing the documents named, but also the value of the paper used. The balance of \$3,000 is made up with the cost of binding Statutes and Sessional Papers, about \$1,500, and miscellaneous printing, Votes, Bills, &c., and the paper for this purpose.

The Printing Committee held out the hope that this department would be self-sustaining, and a few observations on this head will show how far this is likely to be realized. The profits from the *Ontario Gazette* for the past year will somewhat exceed \$6,000; to this should be added what the Government advertising would cost at trade prices, but as the printing of the *Gazette* is paid out of an especial appropriation, and costs about \$40 per week, which cost would be fully covered by the Government advertising. It may be as well for our present purpose, namely, that of a comparative statement, to let the one offset the other. The fees for Private Bills will amount to over \$4,000, and the sale of the Statutes to \$2,000. This covers the cost of printing and binding, and more than half the printing paper used; and this Session, from the vigilance practised by your Committee, will, without doubt, be self-sustaining. The problem may fairly be said to be solved, and your Committee would congratulate the House and the country on the result.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. GREELEY,
Chairman,

Committee Room,
December 23rd, 1869.

REPORT
OF THE
CLERK OF THE PRINTING COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE ROOM,
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
16th November, 1869.

To the Chairman and Members of the Printing Committee:—

GENTLEMEN,—I beg now to present to the Committee, the Printing account annual balance sheet for 1868–9. The Dr. side of which shews the total amount charged against Printing, and the Cr. side the several services for which those moneys have been expended; the accounts for which are ready to be submitted to the Committee, as well as a complete fyle of every document printed, with the full cost of each in every detail, fairly written on the endorse—those vouchers are numbered from 1 to 605, inclusive.

I have the honour to be,
Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

HENRY JERVIS HARTNEY,
Clerk, Printing Committee, L. A.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, ONTARIO.

PRINTING ACCOUNT—ANNUAL BALANCE SHEET.—Session 1868-9.

PRINTING ACCOUNT—ANNUAL BALANCE SHEET.—SESSION 1868-9.				Cr.
Dr.			Vouchers.	
1869.	\$	cts.		\$ cts.
November	To Balance of paper on hand	\$36 72	1	By Printing, including Statutes, Hunter, Rose & Co.
	To amount charged in Treasury Depart. 16,724 39		"	By Binding Journals and Sessional Papers
		\$16,761 11	"	By Binding Statutes
	Deduct—Cost of Statutes, per contra. 2,676 06		2	By printing paper, J. Barber
				“ “ on hand from last Session. 36 72
				Less—Value of paper on hand.....
				\$5,400 57
				428 12
				Total cost of paper used
				4,972 45
				Total expenditure
				16,332 99
				Deduct—Cost of Statutes, printing, binding and paper
				2,676 06
				Total cost of printing, binding, and printing paper, Legislative Assembly
				13,656 93
				By value of paper on hand for next Session
				428 12
				\$14,085 05

1st November, 1869.—To balance of paper on hand :—
 179 reams, 16 quires, Royal, at \$3 12 \$160 97
 210 " 8 " Cap, at \$1 26½ 267 15
 \$428 12

Audited and found correct.

A. GREELY.
 JAMES TROW.

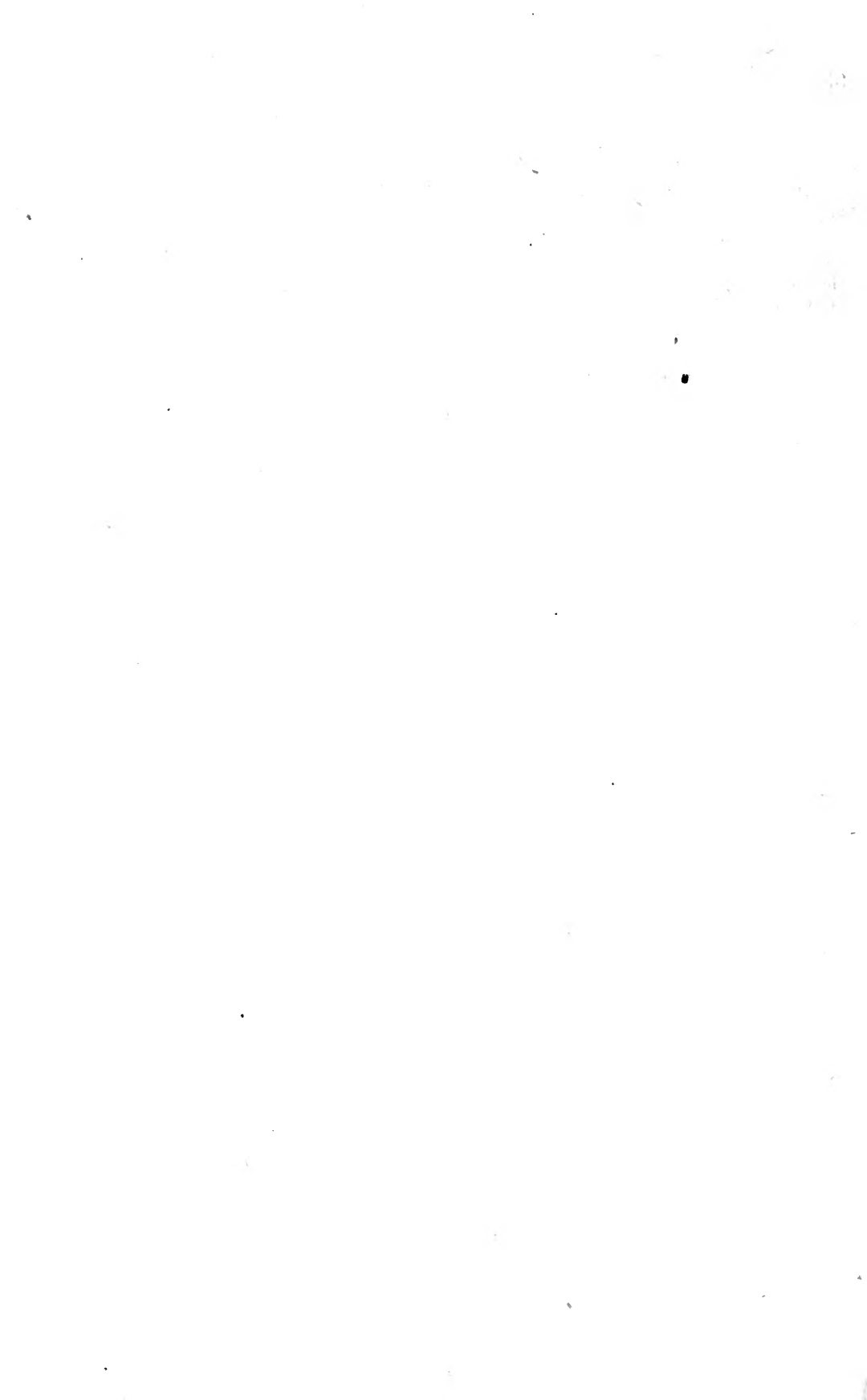
HENRY JERVIS HARTNEY,
 Clerk, Printing Committee, L. A.

Report of the Committee appointed to Audit the Printing Accounts.

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 1868 and 1869, 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. Hartney.

A. GREELEY.
JAMES TROW.



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