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L. LETELLIER.

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

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Quebec*
and Our Citizens and Burgesses elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our
said Province and to all whom it may concern—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS that by and in Our Proclamation dated the seventh day of the month of *MAY* last, it has pleased Us to convoke the Legislature of Our Province of *Quebec* for the *ELEVENTH* day of the month of *APRIL* next, and whereas We have thought fit, by and with the advice and consent of Our Executive Council of Our Province of *Quebec*, to dissolve the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province. Now Know Ye, that by this Our Royal Proclamation, We dissolve the said Legislative Assembly, accordingly We exempt the Legislative Councillors, and the Citizens and Burgesses of the Legislative Assembly of the obligation and meeting and attendance on the said *ELEVENTH* day of *APRIL* next.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal, of Our said Province of *Quebec* to be hereunto affixed : WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well Beloved the Honorable *LUC LETELLIER DE SAINT JUST*, Lieutenant Governor of Our Province of *Quebec*.

At Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, this
 TWENTY SECOND day of MARCH, in the year of Our Lord, one
 thousand eight hundred and seventy eight and in the forty first
 year of Our Reign.

By Command,
 L. H. HUOT,
 Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

CANADA,
 Province of *Quebec*.



CANADA,
 Province of *Quebec*. }
 [L. S.]

L. LETELLIER.

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

To all to whom these presents shall come—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our
 People of Our Province of *Quebec*, and to have their advice in Parliament ;
 Now KNOW YE, We do make known Our Royal Will and Pleasure to call the
 Legislature of Our said Province, and do further declare that by and with the
 advice of the Executive Council of Our said Province of *Quebec*, We have this day
 given orders for issuing Out Writs, in due form, for calling the Legislative
 Assembly of Our said Province, which writs are to bear date on the TWENTY THIRD
 day of MARCH instant, and to be returnable on the SIXTEENTH day of MAY next, the
 nominations of the candidates at the different elections in all the electoral districts
 of this Province shall take place and be held the TWENTY FOURTH day of APRIL
 next, except however the Writs for the Electoral Division of Gaspé, and for the
 Electoral Division of Chicoutimi and Saguenay, which Writs will be returnable
 on the TWENTY NINTH day of MAY next.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent,
 and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec* to be hereunto
 affixed : WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well Beloved the
 Honorable LUC LETELLIER DE SAINT JUST, Lieutenant-Governor of
 Our said Province of *Quebec*.

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 TWENTY SECOND day of MARCH, in the year of Our Lord, one
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CANADA,
 Province of *Quebec*. }
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L. LETELLIER.

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

To all to whom these presents shall come—

GREETING .

A PROCLAMATION.

KNOW YE, that We being desirous and resolved as soon as may be, to meet
 Our People of the Province of Quebec and to have their advice in Parliament
 do hereby, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of Our said Province,
 summon and call together the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, to
 meet at Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, on SATURDAY, the FIRST day of
 JUNE, then and there to have conference and treaty with Great Men and Legis-
 lative Council of Our said Province.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent,
 and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec* to be hereunto
 affixed : WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well Beloved the
 Honorable LUC LETELLIER DE SAINT JUST, Lieutenant Governor of
 Our said Province of *Quebec*.

At Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, this
 TWENTY SECOND day of MARCH, in the year of Our Lord, one
 thousand eight hundred and seventy eight and in the forty first
 year of Our Reign.

By Command,
 L. H. HUOT,
 Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
 QUEBEC.

CANADA,
Province of Quebec.



CANADA,
Province of Quebec. }
[L. S.]

L. LETELLIER.

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

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Quebec*, and the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, summoned and called to a Meeting of the Legislature of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, on the FIRST day of the month of JUNE, one thousand eight hundred and seventy eight, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, the Meeting of the Legislature of the Province of *Quebec*, stands prorogued to the FIRST day of the month of JUNE next, NEVERTHELESS, for certain causes and considerations, We have thought fit further to prorogue the same to TUESDAY, the FOURTH day of the month of JUNE next, so that neither you nor any of you, on the FIRST day of JUNE next, at Our City of *Quebec*, 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 TUESDAY, the FOURTH day of the month of JUNE next, at Our City of *Quebec*, personally you be and appear for the DESPATCH OF BUSINESS to treat, do, act and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislative of the Province of *Quebec*, by the Common Council of Our said Province, may, by the favor of GOD, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec*, to be hereunto affixed : WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well Beloved the Honorable LUC LETELLIER DE SAINT JUST, Lieutenant Governor of Our said Province of *Quebec*.

At Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, this FOURTH day of MAY, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy eight, and in the forty first year of Our Reign.

By Command,
L. H. HUOT,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
QUEBEC.

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PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

Tuesday, 4th June, 1878.

TUESDAY, the FOURTH day of the month of JUNE, in the forty first year of the reign of Our Sovereign Lady Victoria, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, being the First Session of the Fourth Parliament or Legislature of the Province of Quebec, as continued by several prorogations to this day.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened, were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

Bcaudry,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn,
LaBruère, de

Lavolette,
Le Maire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Roy,
Savage,
Webb,
Wood.

At three o'clock in the afternoon, His Excellency the Honorable Luc Letellier de St-Just, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Quebec, being seated in the Chair on the Throne, the Honorable the Speaker of this House commanded the gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the chamber of the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House, « It is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in the chamber of the Legislative Council. »

Who being come thereto.

The Honorable Speaker of the Legislative Council said :

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,
Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly.*

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, does not see fit to declare the causes of his summoning the present Legislature of the Province of Quebec until the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly shall have been chosen according to law, but to-morrow at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon, His Excellency will declare the causes of his calling this Legislature.

The Legislative Assembly then withdrew, and His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor was pleased to retire.

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

The Honorable *Edouard Remillard* presented himself at the Bar of the House and placed in the hands of the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, a commission under the Great Seal, summoning him to the Legislative Council of the Province of Quebec.

The Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod having placed his commission in the hands of the Honorable the Speaker he ordered : « that the Honorable Councillor be admitted. »

Then the said Honorable *Edouard Remillard*, accompanied by the Honorable Mr. *de Lery* and the Honorable Mr. *Savage* advanced to the Table and the Honorable the Speaker handed the Commission to the Clerk of this House, who read it as follows :

CANADA,
Province of *Quebec*.
(L. S.)

L. LETELIER.

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

To Our Trusty and Well Beloved the Honorable *Edouard Remillard*, member of the Legislative Council of the Province of Quebec.

GREETING :

KNOW YE, that as well for the special trust and confidence We have manifested in you as for the purpose of obtaining your advice and assistance in all weighty and arduous affairs which may the State and Defence of Our Province of Quebec concern. We have thought fit to summon you to the Legislative Council of Our said Province. and We do appoint you thereto for the Electoral Division of *Durantaye* in Our Province of *Quebec*, in the place of the Honorable Mr. *Beaubien* deceased and We do command you the Honorable *Edouard Remillard* that all difficulties and excuses whatsoever laying aside, you be and appear for the purposes aforesaid, in the Legislative Council of Our said Province at all times whensoever and wheresoever our Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province may be therein convoked and holden, and this you are in no wise to omit.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec* to be hereunto affixed : Witness, Our Trusty and Well Beloved the Honorable *Luc Letellier de St. Just*, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, at Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, this twenty seventh day of May, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and seventy eight, in the forty first year of Our Reign.

By Command,
 L. H. HUOT,
 Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
 QUEBEC.

Whereupon the said Honorable *Edouard Remillard*, before the Clerk of this Honorable House in his capacity as Commissioner *per dedimus p testatcm* took and subscribed the required oath, and signed his declaration of qualification, then advanced towards the Honorable the Speaker, who came down one step and shaking hands with him said :

« I congratulate you upon your appointment, please take a seat. »

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, the House adjourned until to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Wednesday, 5th June, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Beaudry,
Boucherville de,
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn,
LaBruère, de

Laviolette,
LeMaire,
Léry, de
Panel,
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Roy,
Savage,
Webb,
Wood.

At three o'clock in the afternoon, His Excellency the Honorable *Luc Letellier de St-Just*, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, being seated in the chair on the Throne, the Honorable the Speaker of this House commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the chamber of the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House: « It is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in the chamber of the Legislative Council. »

Who being come thereto,

The Honorable Arthur Turcotte said : « May it please Your Excellency, the Legislative Assembly have elected me to be their Speaker, though I do not feel very able to discharge the important duties assigned me. If, in the performance of those duties I should at any time fall into error, I pray that the fault be imputed to me and not to the Legislative Assembly, whose servant I am, and who through me the better to enable them to discharge their duty to the Queen and country, humbly claim all their undoubted rights and privileges, especially that they may have freedom of speech in their debates, access to Your Excellency's person at all seasonable times, and that their proceedings may receive from Your Excellency the most favorable interpretation. »

The Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Council said :

Mr. Speaker,

I am commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant Gouvernor to declare to you that he freely confides in the duty and attachment of the Legislative Assembly to Her Majesty's person and Government and not doubting that their proceedings will be conducted with wisdom, temper and prudence, he grants, and upon all occasions will recognise and allow their constitutional privileges.

« I am commanded also to assure you, that the Legislative Assembly shall have ready access to His Excellency upon all seasonable occasions, and that their proceedings, as well as your words and actions will constantly receive from him the most favorable construction. »

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor was then pleased to open the Session by a gracious speech from the Throne to both Houses.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly.

It is with pleasure that I see you met together this day for the despatch of the business of this Province.

Our financial condition is the most important of the subjects which you have to consider.

It behoves us to finish the railways already commenced so as to reap, with the least possible delay, the benefit of the sacrifices which we have made to build them.

To carry out these undertakings with success and to meet all our engagements it is indispensable that expenditure should be brought down as low as is consistent with the efficient administration of the public service.

I regret to have to announce that a comparison of our revenue with our expenditure for the eleven months dating from the first of July last, shows a considerable deficit.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

The estimates of the next financial year will be submitted to you ; they have been prepared with a view to the strictest economy in order to attain the result to which all our efforts should be directed, that of equalising our receipts and our expenditure without resorting to the levying of fresh taxes on the people.

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,
Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly.*

In order to place the finances of the Province on a more satisfactory basis, measures will be submitted to you, the effect of which will be to relieve the budget of several considerable items of expenditure.

A bill will be submitted to you to transfer to the Commissioner of Public Works all the powers now vested in the Railway Commissioners and to put an end to the office.

A measure will be submitted to you to provide for the abolition of the Magistrates' Courts.

You will be called on to take into consideration a bill for effecting a change in the Legislature of this Province in so far as regards the Legislative Council.

Since the last session, judgment was rendered by Her Majesty in Her Privy Council on the question of the arbitration between the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario; a copy of this judgment will be submitted to you.

I entertain no doubt that you will manifest in the fulfilment of your important duties that serious attention, that devotion to the interests confided to you and that loyalty to Our Sovereign Lady the Queen which is to be expected from the Legislature of Quebec.

I ardently pray that heaven may bless your labours and that they may tend to the union, peace and prosperity of the inhabitants of our Province.

The Legislative Assembly then withdrew, His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor was pleased to retire.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

Ordered, That the House do take into consideration the speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor Friday next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

Ordered, That the speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor be printed in both languages for the use of members.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

Ordered, That all the Legislative Councillors present during this session be appointed a committee to consider of the orders and customs of this House and privileges of Parliament and that the said committee have leave to meet in this House when and as often as they please.

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

Ordered, That when this House adjourns it do stand adjourned until Friday, at three o'clock.

Then on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Panet*,

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

Friday, 7th June, 1878.

The Honorab'le Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honoral le Messieurs

Archambeault,
Beaudry,
Boucherville de,
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gi gras,
Hearn,
LaBruèrr, de
Laviolette,

LeMaire,
Léry, de
Panel,
Proulx,
Pru-thomme,
Rén illard,
Roy,
Ross,
Savage,
Webb,
Wood.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Beaudry*, of the city of Montreal,

By the same, of the innkeepers, taverns keepers and others of the city of Montreal.

By the Honorab'le Mr. *Roy*, of the President and Secretary of the Lake Champlain and St. Lawrence junction Railway Company.

The Honorable Mr. *Beaudry*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, moved :
 That the consideration of the address in answer to the Speech from the Throne, be postponed to tuesday next.

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

The Honorable Mr. *Beaudry*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved :
 That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned until Tuesday next at 3 o'clock P. M.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion, it was unanimously
Resolved in the affirmative.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Bryson*, the House adjourned until tuesday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Tuesday, 11th June, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened, were :

the Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Beaudry,
Boucherville de,
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn.
LaBrière de,

Laviolette,
Le Maire,
Lery de,
Panet,
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Roy,
Ross,
Savage,
Wood,

The Order of the Day was read for taking into consideration the speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor from the Throne, at the opening of the session, and

The speech being read by the clerk,

Hon. Mr. *Remillard*, seconded by Hon. Mr. *Proulx*, moved that an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to thank His Excellency for his Gracious Speech at the opening of the First Session of the Fourth Parliament of the Province of Quebec, and further to assure His Excellency .—

“ 1. That we beg His Excellency who sees us, with pleasure, met together for the despatch of the business of this Province, to rest assured that we will give the greatest attention to such business.

“ 2. That, with His Excellency, we believe our financial condition to be the most important of the subjects which we have to consider.

“ 3. That, with His Excellency, we are of opinion that it behoves us to complete the railways already commenced, so as to reap, with the least possible delay, the benefit of the sacrifices we have made to build them.

“ 4. That to carry out these undertakings with success and to meet all our engagements, it is indispensable that expenditure should be reduced as low as is consistent with the efficient administration of the public service.

“ 5. That we will carefully consider the bill which will be submitted to us, to transfer to the Commissioner of Public Works all the powers now vested in the Railway Commissioners and to abolish the office.

“ 6. That we will attentively consider the measure which will be submitted to provide for the abolition of the District Magistrates' Courts.

“ 7. That we will give all our attention to the bill which will be submitted to us for effecting a change in the Legislature of this Province in so far as regards the Legislative Council.

« 8. That we look forward with interest, to the communication of the judgment rendered, since last session, by Her Majesty in Her Privy Council, on the question of the arbitration between the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario.

« 9. That His Excellency may rest assured that we will manifest, in the fulfilment of our important duties, that serious attention, that devotion to the interests confided to us, and that loyalty to Our Sovereign Lady the Queen, which is to be expected from the Legislature of Quebec.

« 10 That with His Excellency, we ardently pray that Heaven may bless our labours and that they may tend to the union, peace and prosperity of the inhabitants of our Province. »

The first paragraph being again read, the Honorable Mr. *Remillard* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Proulx*, that it be adopted.

Then the Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Beaudry*, that the debate on the address be adjourned until to-morrow.

And the question of concurrence being put on the said motion, it was *Resolved* in the affirmative.

Then on motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville*, the House adjourned until to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Wednesday, 12th June; 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened, were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Beaudry,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn,
La Bruère, de

Lavolette,
LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Savage,
Wood.

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

Of the inhabitants of the city of Montreal, praying for the adoption of an act prohibiting processions in the streets of the said city of Montreal.

Of the innkeepers and others of the city of Montreal, praying for amendments to the licence act.

Of the Lake Champlain and St-Lawrence Junction Railway Company, praying for amendments to its act of incorporation.

The Order of the Day being called for the further consideration of the speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor from the Throne at the opening of the session,

On motion of the honorable Mr. *de la Bruère*, it was
Resolved, That the said Order of the Day be continued until to-morrow.

Then on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, the House ajourned until to-morrow, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Thursday, 13th June, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambault,
Beauvry,
Boucherville de,
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn,
LaBruère de,
Lavoilette,

LeMaire,
Léry de,
Panet,
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Roy,
Ross,
Savage,
Webb,
Wood.

The following petition was brought up and laid on the table :

By the Honorable Mr. *Rémillard*, of the minors of St-François de Beauce.

The Order of the Day was read to continue the debate on the first paragraph of the resolution of the address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor in answer to his speech from the throne at the opening of the present session.

The house continued the debate, and the question of concurrence being put on the said paragraph, it was
Resolved in the affirmative.

The 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 paragraphs of the said resolution being again read and the question of concurrence being put on each of the said paragraphs, they were respectively resolved in the affirmative.

The seventh paragraph of the said resolution being read and the question of concurrence being put thereon.

The Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved in amendment :

That the said paragraph be struck out and the following substituted therefor.

“ That although convinced of the serious danger that would result to the liberties and privileges of the Province of Quebec, by any modification of the Act of British North America we will notwithstanding give all our attention to the Bill which will be submitted to us.

And the debate having continued, it was

Ordered, That the said debate be adjourned until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, the House adjourned till to-morrow at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Friday, 14th June, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Beaudry,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn,
LaBruère, de
Lavolette,

LeMaire,
Léry, de
Panel,
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Savage,
Webb,
Wood.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville*, it was

Ordered, That the minutes of proceedings of the thirteenth instant, containing an error be corrected by adding to the seventh line of page 2, after the word “ amendment ” the following words.

“ That the seventh paragraph be struck out and replaced by the following :

“ That although convinced of the serious danger to the rights and liberty of the Province of Quebec by any modification to the British North America Act, we will however give all our attention to the Bill which will be submitted to us to that effect.

The Order of the Day being read for the continuation of the debate on the amendment moved by the Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville*, to the seventh paragraph of the resolution relative to the address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor from the Throne, at the opening of the Session, the said debate was continued, and the question of concurrence being put on the said amendment, the House divided, and the names being called for were taken down as follows :

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Archambeault,</i>	<i>Lavolette,</i>
<i>Beaudry,</i>	<i>LeMaire,</i>
<i>Boucherville, de</i>	<i>Léry, de</i>
<i>Bryson,</i>	<i>Panel,</i>
<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>Prudhomme,</i>
<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Roy,</i>
<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Savage,</i>
<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Webb,</i>
<i>Hearn,</i>	<i>Wood.—21.</i>
<i>LaBruère, de</i>	

NON CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Starnes,</i>	<i>Rémillard.—3.</i>
<i>Proulx, and</i>	

So it was, resolved in the affirmative.

The eighth paragraph of the said resolution being again read, and the question of concurrence being put thereon, it was
Resolved, in the affirmative.

The ninth paragraph of the said resolution being again read, and the question of concurrence being put thereon.

The Honorable Mr. *Beaudry*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Webb*, moved. That at the end of the said ninth paragraph the following words be added.

« But that this House desires to express anew its regret that His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor was advised to dismiss his ministers in March last, at the time they enjoyed the confidence of both branches of the Legislature and of the province.

That this House is of opinion that in acting on this advise, dismissing his ministers, and appointing a new cabinet from the ranks of the minority, His Excellency was advised to follow a course contrary to the recognized principles of responsible government.

After debate, the question of concurrence being put on the said amendment, the House divided, and the names being called for were taken down as follows.

CONTENTS :

The Honorables Messieurs

Beaudry,
Boucherville, de
Dostaler,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn,
La Bruère, de
Laviolette,

LeMaire,
Léry, de
Prudhomme,
Roy,
Ross,
Savage,
Webb et
Wood.—16.

NON CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Bryson,
Proulx,

Remillard and
Starnes.—5.

So it was, *resolved* in the affirmative.

The said paragraph was adopted as amended.

The tenth paragraph being again read and the question of concurrence being put thereon, it was

Resolved in the affirmative.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Rémillard*, it was.

Ordered, That the Honorable Messrs. *Proulx*, *Rémillard*, and the mover be appointed a committee to prepare an address based on the said resolution.

The House adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed and the Honorable Mr. *Rémillard* reported an address prepared by the said committee as follows.

To His Excellency the Honorable LUC LEVELLIER DE ST. JUST, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec.

May it please Your Excellency, We Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Legislative Council of Quebec, in Provincial Legislature assembled, humbly thank your Excellency for your Gracious Speech from the Throne at the opening of this Session, and further to assure your Excellency :

« Who sees us, with pleasure, met together for the despatch of the business of this Province, to rest assured that we will give the greatest attention to such business.

« With Your Excellency, we believe our financial condition to be the most important of the subjects which we have to consider.

« With Your Excellency, we are of opinion that it behoves us to complete the railways already commenced, so as to reap, with the least possible delay, the benefit of the sacrifices we have made to build them.

« To carry out these undertakings with success and to meet all our engagements, it is indispensable that expenditure should be reduced as low as is consistent with the efficient administration of the public service.

« We will carefully consider the bill which will be submitted to us, to transfer to the Commissioner of Public Works all the powers now vested in the Railway Commissioners and to abolish the office.

« We will attentively consider the measure which will be submitted to provide for the abolition of the District Magistrates' Courts.

« We although convinced of the serious danger to the rights and liberty of the Province of Quebec by any modification to the British North America Act, we will however give all our attention to the British North America act which will be submitted to us to that effect.

« We look forward with interest, to the communication of the judgment rendered, since last session, by Her Majesty in Her Privy Council, on the question of the arbitration between the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario.

« Your Excellency may rest assured that we will manifest, in the fulfilment of our important duties, that serious attention, that devotion to the interests confided to us, and that loyalty to our Sovereign Lady the Queen, which is to be expected from the Legislature of Quebec.»

But that this House desires to express a new its regret that Your Excellency, was advised to dismiss Your Ministers in March last, at the time they enjoyed the confidence of both branches of the Legislature and of the Province.

That this House is of opinion that in acting on this advise dismissing your ministers, and appointing a new cabinet from the ranks of the minority, your Excellency was advised to follow a course contrary to the recognized principles of responsible government.

« 10. With your Excellency, we ardently pray that Heaven may bless our labours and that they may tend to the union, peace and prosperity of the inhabitants of our Province.»

Which address being read by the clerk was unanimously adopted.

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

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Remillard*, it was

Ordered, That the said address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor by the Speaker of this House.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dionne*, it was

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned to Tuesday next, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Then on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Destaler*,

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

Tuesday, 18th June, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Beaudry,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
LaBruère, de
Laviolette,

LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Savage,
Webb,
Wood.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Rémillard*, of certain landed proprietors on the Elgin road.

By the same, of certain other proprietors on the same road.

By the Honorable Mr. *de LaBruère*, of Calixa Lavallée and others.

The following petition was read and received.

Of the Inhabitants of St-Francis, county of Beauce, praying for new legislation on the gold mines.

The Honorable the *Speaker* presented to the House several municipal returns from North Ely, Wickham, village Chapeau, Ste-Genevieve, Bagotville (parish and village), St-Rochs of Quebec, St-Bonaventure of Upton, St-Anaclet, Ste-Monique, and Pointe aux Trembles (Hoch.)

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messrs. *Archambeault, Beaudry, Dionne, Ferrier, Gaudet, de la Bruère, Laviolette, de Léry, Prudhomme, Roy, Ross* and *Wood*, be appointed a Committee to examine and report on the Contingent Accounts of the Legislative Council for the Session.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messrs. *Archambeault, Beaudry, de La Bruère, Bryson, Dionne, Dostaler, Ferrier, Hearn, Laviolette, LeMaire, de Léry, Proulx, Rémillard, Webb* and *Wood* be appointed a Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, with power to inquire into and examine all such matters and things as may be referred to the said Committee, to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, and to send for persons, papers and records.

On motion of Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs *Archambeault, Beaudry, Ferrier, Gaudet, de LaBruère, Rémillard, Roy, Webb* and *Wood* be appointed a Committee to superintend the printing of this House during the present session.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs *Archambeault, Boucherville, de Bryson, Dostaler, Gingras, Gaudet, Laviolette, LeMaire, Panet, Proulx, Prudhomme* and *Savage*, be appointed a Committee to inquire into and report to the Legislative Council on the classes of Acts for the Incorporation of Private Companies, which, under the British North America Act of 1866, properly come within the powers of the Legislature of the Province of Quebec.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs *Archambeault, Boucherville de Dionne, Laviolette, Léry de, LeMaire, Ross* and *Webb*, be appointed a Committee to assist the *Speaker* in the direction of the Library of the Legislature of the Province of Quebec, so far as the interests of the Legislative Council are concerned, and to act on behalf of the Legislative Council as members of the joint Committee of both Houses.

The Honorable Mr. *de LaBruère*, moved.

That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor praying him to order to be placed before this Council a statement of the expences incurred for the last general election.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion, it was

Resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Speaker* do wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the said address.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, the House adjourned until to-morrow afternoon, at three o'clock.

Wednesday, 19th June, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened, were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Beaudry,
Boucherville de,
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn.
LaBruère de,

Inviolette,
Le Maire,
Lery de,
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Savage,
Webb,
Wood,

The following petition was brought up and laid on the table :

By the Honorable Mr. *Archambeault*, of the Montreal Numismatic Society.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Archambeault*, it was

Ordered, That the delay to receive Petitions on Private Bills be extended to Friday, the twenty eighth of June next, that the delay to present Private Bills be extended to Wednesday, the fifth of July next, and that the delay to receive reports of a Standing, or of a Select Committee on Private Bills be extended to Friday, the twenty sixth of July next.

A message was received from the Legislative Assembly by the Honorable Mr. *Marchand*.

The messenger withdrew.

Then, the message was read by the clerk as follows :

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Monday, 17th June, 1878.

Resolved :—That a message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, informing their Honors, that this House have appointed the Hon. Messrs. *Ross*, *Chapleau*, *Langelier*, *Iroine*, *Marchand*, and Messrs. *Loranger*, *Lynch*, *Mathieu*, *Flynn*, *Fortin* and *Desaulniers*, to assist Mr. *Speaker* in the direction of the Library of Parliament so far as the interests of this House are concerned, and to act as members of a joint committee of both Houses on the Library.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Marchand* do carry the said message to the Legislative Council.

(Attest),

G. M. MUIR,

C. J. A.

The messenger was again called in and informed that the Legislative Council would send an answer by a messenger of its own.

The Honorable Mr. *Speaker* presented to the House detailed accounts of disbursements made by the clerk since the last session.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Archangeault*, it was
Ordered, That the detailed account submitted by the clerk of this House be referred to the Committee on Contingents accounts.

The Honorable the *Speaker* reported to the House, that he had waited on His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the address of this Honorable House, in answer to His Excellency's speech from the Throne, to which His Excellency was pleased to return the following gracious answer.

L. LETELLIER.

To the Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council.

I thank you for your address in answer to the speech at the opening of the session.

I notice with pleasure that your efforts will tend to promote in a wise and patriotic manner the interests of this Province.

You express once more regrets concerning the dismissal of my advisors in March last, but I hope that an impartial study of this question will ultimately convince Your Honorable House that this act is not contrary to the system of responsible Government.

Government House,
Quebec 18th June, 1878.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

Ordered, That the reply of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to the address presented by this House be printed in both languages for the use of the members.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville*, it was
Ordered that when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned to Saturday, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon.

The Honorable Mr. *Starnes* moved,
Seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville*,

That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir Frederic Temple, Earl of Dufferin, Viscount and Baron Clandeboye, of Clandeboye, in the county Down, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron Dufferin and Clandeboye of Ballyleidy and Killeleagh, in the county Down, in the Peerage of Ireland, and a Baronet; knight of our most illustrious order of Saint

Patrick, Knight Grand Cross of our most distinguished order of Saint Michael and Saint George, and Knight commander of our most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of Canada, and Vice-Admiral of the same, &c., &c.

And that the Honorable Messrs. *Ross, Ferrier, Bryson*, the mover, and the seconder be appointed a committee to draft the said address.

The House adjourned during pleasure, after some time the House was resumed, and the Committee reported an address prepared by the Committee as follows :

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir Frederick Temple, Earl of Dufferin, Vicount and Baron Clandeboye, of Clandeboye, in the county of Down, in the Peerage of the United Kingdom, Baron Dufferin and Clandeboye of Ballyleidy and Killeleagh, in the County of Down in the Peerage of Ireland and a Baronet. Knight of our most, Illustrious order of St. Patrick, Knight Grand Cross of our most distinguished order of St. Michael and of St. George, and Knight Commander of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Governor General of Canada, Vice Admiral of the same, &c., &c.

We Her Majesty's faithful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council, and the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Québec, now in Parliament Assembled embrace this opportunity of expressing the feelings of esteem and of high regard which we entertain towards you.

The pleasure which we experience in welcoming Your Excellency to our ancient capital is mingled with profound regret caused by the saddening reflection that the day of your departure from these shores is rapidly approaching.

During the fleeting years of your administration, you generously and unreservedly devoted to the interests of « Canada » all the affections of your heart and all the powers and resources of your intellect, seeking by every possible means to blend into one harmonious whole the heterogeneous or discordant elements of which our nationality is composed, encouraging us to know each other better and then to cement our mutual friendship and esteem.

More than any other you have aided to cause Canada to be better known and appreciated abroad ; and every where on your recent journey from the Atlantic to the Pacific you have left memories which nothing can obliterate.

Besides your inappreciable services rendered to the whole Dominion, it has pleased your Excellency to become the Patron of Letters, of Sciences, and of arts.

To you the city of Quebec is indebted for your endeavor to preserve her diadem of ramparts which recall to our Canadian hearts the brightest pages of our history and remind us of duties which we may yet be called upon to fulfill.

You have embodied in plans the fine conception of your imagination, and so long as Quebec sits on her rocky throne, so long will your name be associated with them and revered.

While offering our heartfelt good wishes to your Excellency, we cannot forget her who, by her grace and affability, has endeared herself to all of us. The amiable and accomplished Countess of Dufferin has won all hearts.

To her and to yourself we tender our respectful homage and we sincerely trust that wherever duty may call you, the name of our province will revive recollections for people whose sympathies and affections are entirely yours.

The address was then read by the clerk and unanimously adopted.

The Honorable *Speaker*, informed the House that the Address would be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, on Saturday, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville*, the House adjourned until Saturday, at half past two o'clock in the afternoon.

Saturday, 22nd June, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened, were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Beaudry,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn,
La Bruère, de

Lavolette,
LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Savage,
Webb,
Wood.

The Honorable Mr. *Speaker* presented a message from the Legislative Assembly, which was read as follows :

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Wednesday, 19th June, 1878.

Resolved, That a message be sent to the Honorable Legislative Council, acquainting their Honors that this House has adopted an address to His Excellency the Governor General, on the occasion of his visit to Quebec, and of his approaching departure for England, and requesting the concurrence of their Honors to the address.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Joly* do carry the said message to the Legislative Council.

Attested,

G. M. MUIR,
 C. L. A.

Executive Council

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And the question being put, the House unanimously concurred therein.

Ordered, That the clerk do proceed to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council do concur in the said address.

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

Ordered, That when the House adjourns, it do stand adjourned to Wednesday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

The House adjourned during pleasure.

At three quarters past three o'clock in the afternoon, the House was resumed, and

The Honorable the *Speaker* reported the answer of His Excellency the Governor General to the joint address of both Houses, which was read by the clerk as follows :

Hon. Gentlemen and Gentlemen.

« To say that I am deeply moved by the address with which the two House of the Quebec Legislature have honored me, is to express but very little of what I feel, for at such a moment I cannot help remembering that it was when landing on your shores six years ago, I was made to feel for the first time amongst what a loyal, cultivated and generous people I had come to take up my abode. Certainly no Viceroy could have entered upon his career under happier auspices than those which you had prepared for me.

« Since that time Lady Dufferin and myself have had the happiness of frequently returning to our summer home within your lofty Citadel, and each year that home has become endeared to us by ever brightening associations, and the cementing of closer friendship.

Year by year, I have had better opportunities of appreciating the devotion of the inhabitants of the Province of Quebec to the throne and government of the Queen, and to the interests of the Empire; and nothing has given me greater pride than to observe when a cloud of war recently threatened Great Britain that Her Majesty's French Canadian subjects were not a whit behind their English, Scotch and Irish fellow citizens, in testifying to their willingness to rally to the defence of Her Dominions.

« It is quite true that the distinctions of race which exist within the borders of Canada complicate to a certain degree those problems of Government with which the statesmen of the country are periodically called upon to deal, but the inconveniences which may sometimes arise from this source are more than counter-balanced by many advantages which ensue from it. I do not think that ethnological homogeneity is an unmixed benefit to a country. Certainly the least attractive characteristic of a great portion of this continent is the monotony of many of its outward aspects, and I consider it fortunate for Canada that her prosperity should be founded on the cooperation of different races. The inter-action of national idiosyncrasies introduces into our existence a freshness, a variety, a colour, an eclectic impulse, which otherwise would be wanting; and it would be most faulty statesmanship to seek their obliteration. My warmest aspiration for this Province has always been to see its French inhabitants executing for

Canada the functions which France herself has so admirably performed for Europe. Strike from European history the achievements of France—subtract from European civilization the contributions of France, and what a blank would be occasioned !

« I am very sensible of your goodness in referring in such flattering terms to my humble endeavours to promote the embellishments of your city, by the preservation and adornment of your picturesque and world-famous battlements. Though various circumstances have postponed the execution of the project, I am happy to be able to announce that ere many days pass by, a commencement will have been made, not without advantage I trust to those of our fellow citizens who in these recent times of distress, have found a difficulty in obtaining employment.

« In conclusion allow me to express to you in Lady Dufferin's name, her deep sense of the compliment paid to her in your address. In no part of the Dominion has she met with greater courtesy, with more chivalrous and considerate attention than in the city of Quebec, and never will its picturesque outliness, or the lovely scenery which surrounds it, fade from her memory or from mine. »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville*, it was

Ordered, That the answer of His Excellency be printed in both languages for the use of members.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dostaler*, the House adjourned to Wednesday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Wednesday, 26th June, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened, were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn,
Laviolette,

Le Maire,
Léry, de
Panet,
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Savage,
Wood.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *de Léry*, of the Inhabitants of St. Malachie de Broughton.

By the same, of the Inhabitants of St Claire.

By the Honorable Mr. *Hearn*, of the Corporation of the City of Quebec.

By the Honorable Mr. *Remillard*, of the Inhabitants of the parish of St-Cyrille de Lessard.

The following petitions were read and received.

Of the landed proprietors on the Elgin road, in the townships of Ashford and Fournier, praying for the completion of the Elgin road.

Of the landed proprietors of the Elgin road, in the townships of Garneau and Lafontaine, praying for the completion of the Elgin road.

Of Calixa Lavallée and others, of the Province of Quebec, praying for the creation and endowment of « A conservatory of Music and of declamation of Canada. »

The Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills presented its first report.

Ordered, That it be received, and it was then read by the clerk as follows, to wit :

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Private Bills Office,

26th June, 1878.

The Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills has the honor to present the following as their first report.

Your Committee has elected the Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, as its chairman.

Your committee recommends that its quorum be reduced to seven members.

Your committee have examined the following petitions, and found that the were not of a nature to require the notice demanded by the 49th rule.

Of the tavern keepers and others of the city of Montreal, praying for amendments to the licence act.

Of the Inhabitants of St-François, county of Beauce, praying for amendments to the laws on Gold Mining.

Your committee having gone through the following petition find that the notices required by the 49th rule had been given.

Of the Champlain and St-Lawrence Railway Company, praying for amendments to its Act of incorporation.

Your committee having gone through the following petition find that the notices required by the 49th rule have not been given.

Of the Inhabitants of the City of Montreal, praying for the passing of an act prohibiting processions in the streets of the said City of Montreal.

Nevertheless your committee recommends in this case the suspension of the 49th rule, as it will be competent for them as Committee on Private Bills to provide that no injury to any party shall arise therefrom.

The whole humbly submitted,

F. H. LEMAIRE,
Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, it was
Ordered, That the said report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Wood* from the special committee appointed to examine the contingent accounts of the Legislative Council for this session, and to report thereon presented their first report.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,
26th June, 1878.

The select committee appointed to examine and report on the contingent accounts of the Legislative Council for this session, have the honor to present their first report.

Your committee have elected the Honorable Mr. *Wood* as their chairman.

The quorum of the committee is reduced to five members.

The clerk of the Legislative Council submitted his accounts for examination which were referred to a sub-committee to examine and report thereon, and in order to place the clerk in a position to meet the expences to be incurred during the session for the indemnity of members, your committee recommend that a sum of five thousand dollars be requested from the proper authorities.

The whole respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

THOS. WOOD,
Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Wood*, it was
Ordered, That the said report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Wood*, moved

That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor praying that His Excellency will be pleased to issue his warrant in favor of the Clerk of this House for the sum of five thousand dollars, in order to place that officer in a position to meet the expences to be incurred during this session for the indemnity of members, and for which he will hereinafter account.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion, it was
Resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Speaker* of this House do wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the said address.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

Ordered, That the name of the Honorable *John Jones Ross*, be added to the list of members of the committee on standing orders and private Bills.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

Ordered, That the resolution of the council appointing the Honorable Messrs. *Archambeault, DeBoucherville, Dionne, DeLery, Laviollette, LeMaire, Ross* and *Webb*, a committee to assist the *Speaker* in the direction of the library of Parliament, in so far as the interests of the Legislative Council are concerned, and also to act on behalf of this House as members of a joint committee of both Houses on the Library, be communicated to the Legislative Assembly by one of the masters in chancery.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messieurs *Archambeault, Beauvry, Ferrier, Roy, Gauvet, de LaBruère, Remillard, Webb* and *Wood*, appointed a committee to superintend the printing of the House during the present session, do act on behalf of the Legislative Council as members of a joint committee of both Houses on printing as desired by the Legislative Assembly by their message and that this resolution be communicated to the Legislative Assembly by one of the masters in chancery.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Savage*, the House ajourned until to-morrow, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Thursday, 27th June, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Boucherville de,
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
LaBruère, de
Laviolette,

LeMaire,
Léry, de
Panet,
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Savage,
Wood.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Rémillard*, of the de Lery gold mining company,

By the Honorable Mr. *Roy*, of Joseph Dusablé.

The following petition was read and received :

Of the Montreal Antiquarian and Numismatic Society, praying for aid.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Lery*, the House adjourned until to-morrow, Friday, the 28th June, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Friday, 28th June, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Laviolette,

LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Savage,
Webb,
Wood.

The following petition was brought up and laid on the table :

By the Honorable Mr. *Dostaler*, of the inhabitants of St-Emilie de l'Energie.

The following petitions were read and received :

Of the Mayor and Councillors of the corporation of the city of Quebec, praying for amendments to the incorporation act of the said city ;

Of the inhabitants of St. Cyrille de Lessard, praying for aid for the completion of a bye-road ;

Of the inhabitants of St. Claire, county of Dorchester, praying for aid for the completion of the « Petit St. Jean » by-road ;

Of the inhabitants of St. Malachie of East Frampton, praying for aid in favor of the St. Patrick bye-road.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That there be prepared and laid on the table of this House, with the least delay possible, a statement showing the number and the titles of Bills, brought up from the Legislative Assembly and amended or rejected by this House and the number of Bills which originated in this House from 1867 to the end of last session.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Archambeault*, it was

Ordered, That when this House adjourns it do stand adjourned until Tuesday next, the 2nd day of July next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, owing to the 1st July being a holiday.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Proulx*, the House adjourned to Tuesday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Tuesday, 2nd July, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened, were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Boucherville de,
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
LaBruère de,
Laviolette,

LeMaire,
Léry de,
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Savage,
Webb.
Wood.

The following petitions were read and received :

Of the directors and shareholders of the de Lery Gold Mining Company, praying to be notified to appear before any committee appointed to consider the petition of the inhabitants of St-François, county of Beauce, praying for new legislation on the gold mines ;

Of Joseph Dusablé and others, of St-Isidore, county of Montcalm, praying that they be not dispossessed of certain lots.

Honorable Mr. *de LaBruère* moved, that an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying him to have placed before this House a statement showing the number of permanent and sessional clerks employed by the Legislative Council, their names, the date of their appointments and the salaries they respectively receive.

The question of concurrence was put on the said motion, and it was

Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Honorable *Speaker* of this House do wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the said address.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Wood*, the House adjourned until to-morrow afternoon, at three o'clock.

Wednesday, 3rd July, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn,
LaBruère, de
Lavolette,

LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Savage,
Webb,
Wood.

The following petition was read and received :

Of the inhabitants of Ste Emmélie de l'Energie, praying for aid to complete a road.

The Honorable Mr. *Wood*, from the select committee appointed to examine the contingent accounts of the Legislative Council for this session and report thereon presented its second report.

Ordered, That it be received and it was thereupon read by the clerk as follows, that is to say :

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

3rd July, 1878.

The select committee appointed to examine and report on the contingent accounts of the Legislative Council for this session, has the honor to present their second report.

Your committee have examined the clerks accounts from the 20th December 1877, to the first of June last, (1878).

The clerk had in hand since the first mentioned date the sum of twenty thousand one hundred dollars (\$20,100.)

The clerk to the entire satisfaction of your committee rendered a detailed account, supported by vouchers and numbered from 445 to 700 inclusive of his disbursements between the two dates above mentioned amounting to the sum of twenty nine thousand eight hundred and eighteen dollars and sixty cents (\$29818.60) so that there is due by this Honorable House to the clerk a sum of nine thousand seven hundred and eighteen dollars and sixty cents (\$9718.60), which sum your committee recommends be indemnified.

The whole humbly submitted.

(Signed),

THOS. WOOD,
Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Wood*, it was
Ordered, That the said report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Speaker* presented to the House the answer to an address dated the 28th June last, praying His Excellency to have placed before this House a statement showing the number of permanent and sessional clerks employed by the Legislative Council, their names, the rate of their appointments and the salaries they respectively receive.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was
Ordered, That the said statement be referred to the committee on contingent accounts.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Webb*, the House adjourned until to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Thursday, 4th July, 1878

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
LaBruère, de
Laviolette,

LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Savage,
Webb,
Wood,

The following petition was brought up and laid on the table :

By the Honorable Mr. *Webb*, of the Municipal Council of the county of Drummond.

The Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, from the committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented its third report.

Ordered, That it be received, it was then read by the clerk as follows :

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

PRIVATE BILLS OFFICE.

4th July 1878.

The committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their second report.

Your Committee have examined the following petitions and find that they are not of a nature to require the publication of the notice demanded by the 49th rule :

Of the inhabitants of Ste-Emmelie de l'Energie, praying for aid for the completion of a road ;

Of the directors and shareholders of the de Léry Gold Mines Company, praying that they be notified to appear before all committees appointed to consider the petition of the inhabitants of St-Francis, county of Beauce, for a new Legislation regarding the Gold Mines ;

Of Joseph Dusablé and others, from St-Isidore, county of Montcalm, praying not to be dispossessed of certain lots ;

Of the proprietors of lots situated along the Elgin road in the township of Ashford, Fonnier, Garneau and Lafontaine, praying for the completion of the Elgin road ;

Of the inhabitants of St. Cyrille de Lessard, praying for aid for the completion of a road ;

Of the inhabitants of St-Claire, county of Dorchester, praying for aid for the completion of the « Petit St-Jean » road ;

Of the inhabitants of St-Malachie of Frampton, eastern part, praying for aid for St-Patrick's road ;

Of the antiquarian and numismatic society of Montreal, praying for aid ;

Of Calixa Lavallée and others, of the province of Quebec, praying for the formation and endowment of a « Conservatoire de musique et de déclamation du Canada. »

Your committee after having gone through the following petition have found that the required notices had been given :

Of the mayors and councillors of the corporation of the city of Quebec, praying for amendments to the incorporation act of the said city.

The whole humbly submitted,

F. H. LEMAIRE,
Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, it was
Ordered, That the said report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *Speaker* presented to the House in obedience to the order on the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier's* motion of the 28th June last, a statement showing the number and the titles of Bills brought up from the Legislative Assembly and amended or rejected by this House, and the number of Bills which originated in this House from 1867 to the end of last session.

Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved :

That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying him to cause to be laid before this House a detailed account of the expences of the Railway commission from its appointment to this date.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion, it was resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Speaker* do wait on His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor with the said address.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, the House adjourned until to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Friday, 5th July, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened, were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
La Bruère, de
Laviolette,

LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Savage,
Webb,
Wood.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, it was

Ordered, That the delay to present Private Bills be extended to Friday, 12th July instant.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 6) intituled : « An Act to place the « Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railway, » under the control of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works, » to which they request the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

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

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ross*, the House adjourned to Monday, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Monday, 8th July, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorables Messieurs

Archangebeault,
Boucherville de,
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn.
LaBrière de,
Laviolette,

Le Maire,
Lery de,
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Savage,
Webb,
Wood.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, of the school of medicine and surgery of Montreal,

By the Honorable Mr. *Archangebeault*, of certain proprietors of the township of Warwick.

The following petition was read and received :

Of the municipal council of the county of Drummond, praying for amendments to the municipal code.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That a statement be prepared by the officers of this House showing the number of Bills passed by both Houses of the Legislature since Confederation to the end of the last session (1877-78), showing also the number of Bills received from the Legislative Assembly and amended or rejected by the Legislative Council, and the number of Bills originated in the Legislative Council.

The Honorable Mr. *Speaker* presented the Tabular statement above mentioned.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That the said Tabular Statement presented to the House by the Honorable Mr. *Speaker* be printed in the minutes of proceedings and the journals of this House, for future reference.

The said statement is as follows :

TABLE showing the number of Bills passed by the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly since Confederation.

Sessions of	The total number of bills passed by both Houses.	Bills brought up from the Legislative Assembly and amended by the Legislative Council.	Bills brought up from the Legislative Assembly and rejected by the Legislative Council.	Bills originated by the Legislative Council.
1867-68.....	60.....	5.....	1.....	5.....
1869.....	96.....	25.....	3.....	11.....
1869-70.....	62.....	13.....	1.....	10.....
1870.....	68.....	23.....	2.....	7.....
1871.....	52.....	11.....	2.....	10.....
1872.....	83.....	20.....	2.....	17.....
1873-74.....	57.....	20.....	7.....	2.....
1874-75.....	101.....	14.....	3.....	9.....
1875.....	88.....	25.....	1.....	2.....
1876.....	82.....	17.....	2.....	4.....
1877-78.....	62.....	9.....	3.....	6.....
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Certified correct,

THOS. LLOYD, Asst. Clerk.
P. LEGARÉ, Asst. Clerk.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by their Clerk with a Bill (No. 20) intituled : « An Act to amend the article 1669 of the civil code, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Wood, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly, by their Clerk with a Bill (No. 3) intituled : « An Act to amend the act of incorporation of the Lake Champlain and St-Lawrence Junction Railway Company, » to which they demand the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Roy, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 6) intituled : « An Act to place the Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railway, under the control of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works, »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Starnes, it was
Ordered, That the said Order of the Day be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. Archembeault, the House adjourned until to-morrow (Tuesday), at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Tuesday, 9th July, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Goudet,
Gingras,
Hearn,
LaBruère, de

Lavolette,
LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Webb,
Wood.

The following petition was brought up and laid on the table :

By the Honorable Mr. *Archambeault*, of certain contractors and others of the city of Montreal.

The Honorable Mr. *Wood*, from the committee on contingent accounts presented their third report.

Ordered, That it be received, it was then read by the clerk as follows :

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

9th July, 1878.

The committee appointed to examine and report on the contingent accounts of the Legislative Council for this session has the honor to present their fourth report.

In order to place the clerk in funds to meet the payment of the indemnity to members for this session, your committee recommends that a sum of ten thousand and sixty four dollars \$10,064.00 be requested from the proper authorities, of which sum the clerk will hereafter render account.

The whole humbly submitted,

THOS. WOOD,
Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Wood*, it was *Ordered*, That the said report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. Wood, moved

That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be issued his warrant in favor of the Clerk of this House for the sum of ten thousand and sixty four dollars in order to place that officer in a position to meet the payment of the indemnity of the members for this session, and for which sum he will hereafter account.

The question of concurrence being put on the said motion, it was

Resolved in the affirmative, and it was

Ordered, That the Honorable the *Speaker* of this House do wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor with the said address.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 6) intituled : « An Act to place the Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railway, under the control of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works. »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Starnes, it was

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

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 20), intituled : « An Act to amend the article 1669 of the civil code.»

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Wood, the Bill was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Wood, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 3) intituled : « An Act to amend the act to incorporate the Lake Champlain and St-Lawrence Railway Company. »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Roy, the Bill was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Roy, it was

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

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. LeMaire, the House adjourned until to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Wednesday, 10th July, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn,
La Bruère, de
Lavolette,

LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Savage,
Webb,
Wood.

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

By the Honorable Mr. *Gingras*, of the municipality of the village of Chicutimi,

By the same, of the tax-payers of Laterrière ;

By the same, of the municipality of the township of Grand Bay ;

By the same, of the municipality of the township of Jonquière ;

By the same, of the municipality of Bagotville ;

By the same, of the tax-payers of the township of Tremblay.

The following petitions were read and received :

Of the Montreal School of Medicine and Surgery, praying for aid ;

Of the inhabitants of the township of Warwick, county of Arthabaska, praying that the lots numbered 1, 2 and 3, of the township of Warwick, be detached from the local municipality of Saint Albert and annexed to the municipality of Victoriaville ;

The Order of the Day was read for putting the House into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of Bill (No. 20) intituled : « An Act to amend article 1669 of the civil code. »

The House adjourned during pleasure, and was put into Committee of the Whole.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, from the said Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without amendments.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Wood*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read for the third time to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 6) intituled : « An act to place the « Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railway » under the control of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works.»

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, that the same be postponed until to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Lavolette*, the House adjourned until to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Thursday, 11th July, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn,
LaBruère, de

Lavolette,
LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Remillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Webb,
Wood.

The following petition was read and received :

Of the contractors and others, of the city of Montreal, praying for amendments to the law of the Province respecting the insufficient protection given to the wages of workmen.

The Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, of the committee of Standings Orders and Private Bills presented their third report.

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

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

Private Bill Office,

11th July 1878.

The committee of Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor of presenting you the following as their third report.

Your committee, after having gone through the following petitions find they are not of a nature requiring the notice demanded by the forty-ninth rule.

Of the Montreal School of Medecine and Surgery praying for aid ;
Of the municipal council of the county of Drummond, praying for amend-
ments to the municipal code.

The whole nevertheless humbly submitted,

(Signed)

T. H. LEMAIRE,
Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, it was
Ordered, That the said report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, from the Committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill (No. 3) intituled : « An Act to amend the act to incorporate the Lake Champlain and St-Lawrence Junction Railway Company, » reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Roy*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time.

The question of concurrence was put.

The House agreed to the same, and

The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ? it was

Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Honorable the *Speaker* presented His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's answer to an address dated the fourth instant, praying His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to cause to be placed before this House a detailed account of the railway commission from its appointment to this date.

The Order of the Day being read for the third reading of the Bill (No. 20) intituled : « An act to amend article 1669 of the civil code, »

The Honorable Mr. *Wood*, moved

That the said Bill be now read a third time.

The said Bill was then read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ? it was

Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without amendments.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of Bill (No. 6) intituled : « An act to place the « Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railway » under the control of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, the Bill was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole, to-morrow.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Roy*, the House adjourned until to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Friday, 12th July, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn,
LaBruère, de

Laviolette,
LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Webb,
Wood.

The following petitions were read and received :

Of certain inhabitants of Chicoutimi, praying that a delay be granted to repay the sums loaned them, to purchase seed grain ;

Of the inhabitants of the township of Chicoutimi, praying that a delay be granted, to repay the sums loaned them, for the purchase of seed grain ;

Of the inhabitants of the township of Grand Bay, praying that a delay be granted, to repay the sums loaned them, for the purchase of seed grain ;

Of the inhabitants of Bagotville, praying for delay to repay the loans of money made them, to purchase seed ;

Of the inhabitants of Laterrière, praying for delay to repay the sums loaned them, for the purchase of seed ;

Of the inhabitants of the township of Tremblay, praying for delay to repay the loans made them, for the purchase of seed.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de LaBruère*, it was

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

The Order of the Day was read for putting the House into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of Bill (No. 6) intituled : « An Act to place the Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railway, under the control of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works, » the House adjourned during pleasure and was put into Committee of the Whole.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, from the said Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with certain amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive the same.

The said amendments were then severally twice read by the Clerk.

The question of concurrence was put.

The House agreed to the same.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time, as amended.
 The Bill was read a third time accordingly.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass? it was
Resolved in the affirmative.

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

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 26) intituled: « An Act to repress party processions, » to which they request the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 22) intituled: « An act to amend the several acts incorporating the city of Quebec and to raise a new loan, » to which they request the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Saturday, 13th July, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
LaBruère, de
Lavolette,

LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Savage,
Webb,
Wood.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 26) intituled: « An Act to repress party processions. »

The Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved that the Bill be read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Archambeault* raised the question whether the Bill should be considered as a public or a private Bill.

The Honorable Mr. *Speaker* decided that the Bill was a Private Bill.

Honorable Mr. *Ross* appealed to the House from the decision of the *Speaker*.

The question was put. The House divided and the names being called for, they were taken down as follows :

CONTENTS.

The Honorable Messieurs.

<i>Archambeault,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Bryson,</i>	<i>Webb,</i>
<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Wood.—6.</i>

NON CONTENTS.

The Honorables Messieurs

<i>Boucherville, de</i>	<i>LeMaire,</i>
<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>Léry, de</i>
<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Prudhomme,</i>
<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Roy,</i>
<i>LaBruère, de</i>	<i>Ross.—13.</i>
<i>Laviolette,</i>	

So it was resolved in the negative, and the decision of the *Speaker* over-ruled.

Honorable Mr. *Archambeault* then moved an amendment to the principal motion,

That the said Bill be not now read a second time, but be read that day three months.

The question was put on the amendment, the House divided, and the names being called for, they were taken down as follows :

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Archambeault,</i>	<i>Starnes,</i>
<i>Bryson,</i>	<i>Webb,</i>
<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Wood.—7.</i>
<i>Rémillard,</i>	

NON-CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Boucherville, de</i>	<i>Laviolette,</i>
<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>LeMaire,</i>
<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Léry, de</i>
<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Prudhomme,</i>
<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Roy,</i>
<i>LaBruère, de</i>	<i>Ross.—12.</i>

So it was resolved in the negative:

And the question of concurrence being put on the motion, it was
Resolved in the affirmative.

And the said Bill was then read a second time.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole on **monday**.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 22) intitled : « An Act to amend the several acts incorporating the city of Quebec and to raise a new loan. »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Remillard*, the Bill was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Remillard*, it was

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

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, the House adjourned until Monday next, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Monday, 15th July, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archangeault,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
LaBruère, de
Lavolette,

LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Webb,
Wood.

The Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, from the committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, presented their fourth report.

Ordered, That it be received, it was then read by the clerk as follows :

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

PRIVATE BILLS OFFICE,

15th July, 1878.

The committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills have the honor to present the following as their fourth report.

Your Committee have examined the following petitions and find that they are not of a nature to require the publication of the notice demanded by the 49th rule :

Of the inhabitants of the township of Chicoutimi ;
 Of the town council of Chicoutimi ;
 Of the inhabitants of the township of Grand Bay ;
 Of the Council of the township of Bagotville ;
 Of the Council of the township of Tremblay ;
 Of the inhabitants of Laterrière, praying for delay to repay the amount loaned them to purchase seed.

Of the contractors of buildings and others of the city of Montreal, praying for amendments to the law respecting the insufficient protection given to workmen's wages.

Your Committee after having gone through the following petition find that notices required by the forty-ninth rule have not been given :

Of the residents of the township of Warwick, county of Arthabaska, praying that lots numbered 1, 2, 3 of the township of Warwick be detached from the local municipality of St. Albert and be annexed to the municipality of Victoriaville.

The whole humbly submitted,

F. H. LEMAIRE,
 Chairman.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, it was
Ordered, That the said report be adopted.

The Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, from the committee on Standing Orders and Private Bills, to whom was referred the Bill (No. 22) intituled : « An Act to amend the several acts incorporating the city of Quebec and to raise a new loan, » reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Remillard*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time.
 The question of concurrence was put.
 The House agreed to the same, and
 The Bill was read a third time accordingly.
 The question was put whether this Bill shall pass? it was
Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 6) intituled : « An Act to place the Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railway, under the control of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works, » informing this House that the Legislative Assembly agree to their amendments without any amendment.

The Order of the Day was read for putting the House into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of Bill (No. 26) intituled : « An Act to repress party processions. »

The House adjourned during pleasure, and was put into Committee of the Whole.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Dionne*, from the said Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

Honorable Mr. *Ross* moved

That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The question was put on the said motion,

The House divided, and the names being called for, were taken down as follows :

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

DeBoucherville,
Dionne,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
LaBruère, de
Laviolette,
LeMaire,

Léry, de
Prudhomme,
Roy,
Ross. —11.

NON CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Bryson,
Ferrier,
Prudlx,

Rémillard,
Starnes,
Webb,
Wood. —8.

So it was resolved in the affirmative, and the Bill was in consequence read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ? it was

Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Laviolette*, the House adjourned until to-morrow, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Tuesday, 16th July, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened, wêrê :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Boucherville de,
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
LaBrière de,
Lavoilette,

LeMaire,
Léry de,
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Hemillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Webb.
Wood.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned till to-morrow,
at two o'clock in the afternoon.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a
Bill (No. 18) intituled : « An Act to amend the Town Corporations general clauses
Act, » to which they request the concurrence of this House.
The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a
Bill (No. 24) intituled : « An Act to amend the Quebec Railway Act 1869, » to which
they request the concurrence of this House.
The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with
a Bill (No. 30) intituled : « An act to further amend the act respecting the sale
and management of the public lands, (32 Vict., ch. 11), » to which they request
the concurrence of this House.
The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 35) intituled: « An Act to sanction the payment of the volunteers called out to suppress the late riots in the city of Quebec, » to which they request the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 32) intituled: « An Act respecting orders in council, proclamations and regulations of the Departments, » to which they request the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 8) intituled: « An Act to abolish the District Magistrates Courts, » to which they request the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 36) intituled: « An Act to amend the phosphate mines act. » (41 Vict., cap. 4,) to which they request the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Wood*, the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

Wednesday, 17th July, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archangeault,
Beaudry,
Boucherville de,
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn.
LaBruère de,

Lavolette,
Le Maire,
Lery de,
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Webb,
Wood.

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

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned until this evening at half past seven o'clock, and it be considered a separate sitting.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of Bill (No. 18) intitled : « An Act to amend the town corporation general clauses act, »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Wood*, the Bill was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Wood*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a committee of the Whole House for this evening's sitting.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of Bill (No. 24) intitled : « An Act to amend the Quebec railway act, 1869, »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, the Bill was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of Bill (No. 30) intitled : « An Act to further amend the act respecting the sale and management of the public lands (32 Vict., cap. 11). »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, the Bill was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, the Bill was referred to a committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of Bill (No. 35) intituled : « An Act to sanction the payment of the volunteers called out to suppress the late riots in the city of Quebec. »

Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville* moved, seconded by Honorable Mr. *Ross*, and it was

Ordered, That the Bill be not now read a second time but that it be resolved :

1. That the Legislative Council is not prepared to concur in Bill No. 35, because it charges to the Province an expense which ought to be borne by a corporation.

2. That, notwithstanding, this Council, acknowledging the promptitude and zeal with which the volunteers of Montreal and Quebec have answered the appeal made to them to maintain the peace in the city of Quebec during the riots of the 12th and 13th June last, will be prepared to concur in any measure of the Legislative Assembly authorizing the government to advance the amount necessary for the immediate payment of the said volunteers, leaving to the government the power and obligation to recover from the corporation of the city of Quebec the sum so advanced.

The question was put on the said motion in amendment, the House divided, and the names being called for, they were taken down as follows :

CONTENTS,

The Honorables Messieurs

<i>Beaudry</i>	<i>LeMaire,</i>
<i>Boucherville, de</i>	<i>Léry, de</i>
<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>Prudhomme,</i>
<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Roy,</i>
<i>Gingras,</i>	<i>Webb and</i>
<i>LaBruère, de</i>	<i>Wood.—15.</i>
<i>Lavoilette,</i>	

NON CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Archambeault,</i>	<i>Proulx,</i>
<i>Bryson,</i>	<i>Rémillard and</i>
<i>Hearn,</i>	<i>Starnes.—6.</i>

Ordered, That the preceding resolutions be communicated to the Legislative Assembly by one of the masters in chancery.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of Bill (No. 32) intituled : « An Act respecting Orders in Council, proclamations and regulations of departments. »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Archambeault*, it was
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.
The Bill was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Archambeault*, it was
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to a committee of the Whole House at the evening's sitting.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of Bill (No. 8) intituled : « An Act to abolish district magistrates courts. »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, the Bill was, on division, read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of Bill (No. 36) intituled : « An Act to amend the Phosphate Mines act, (41 Vict., cap. 4.) »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, the Bill was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to a Committee of the whole House at the evening sitting.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 27) intituled : « An Act respecting references to « The Supreme Court of Canada, » and to « The Exchequer Court of Canada, » in certain cases.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 23) intituled : « An act to amend the act respecting the indemnity to members of the Legislature and the salary of the *Speaker* of the Legislative Assembly, » to which they request the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time this evening.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 28) intituled : « An act to further amend the Municipal Code of the Province of Quebec, » to which they request the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Archangeault*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time this evening.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 29) intituled : « An Act to amend the Licences Act of Quebec, 1878, (41 Vict., chap. 3.) » to which they request the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time this evening.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Le Maire*, the House adjourned until this evening, at half past seven o'clock.

Wednesday, 17th July, 1878.

Sitting at 7.30 P. M.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Beaudry,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn,
LaBruère, de

Laviolette,
LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Remillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Webb,
Wood.

The Order of the Day was read for putting the House into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of Bill (No. 18) intituled : «An act to amend the town corporation's general clauses act.»

The House ajourned during pleasure, and was put into Committee of the Whole.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Beaudry*, from the said Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Wood*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then accordingly read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ? it was

Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendments.

The Order of the Day was read for putting the House into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of Bill (No. 32) intituled : «An Act respecting Orders in Council, proclamations and regulations of departments.»

The House adjourned during pleasure, and was put into Committee of the Whole.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Wood*, from the said Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same without amendments.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Archambeault*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.
 The said Bill was then accordingly read a third time.
 The question was put whether this Bill shall pass? it was
Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for putting the House into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Bill (No. 36) intituled: « An Act to amend the Phosphate Mines act, (41 Vict. cap. 4), »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, that the same be postponed until to-morrow.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 23) intituled: « An act to amend the act respecting the indemnity to members of the Legislature and the salary of the *Speaker* of the Legislative Assembly.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, the Bill was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 25) intituled: « An Act to amend further the Municipal Code of the Province of Quebec. »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Archambeault*, it was
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.
 The Bill was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Archambeault*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Select Committee, and that the Honorable Messieurs *Lavolette*, *Dostaler*, *Bryson*, *Gaudet*, *Dionne*, *Rénillard*, *de La Bruère*, *de Lévy* and the mover, be appointed members thereof.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 29) intituled: « An Act to amend « the Quebec license act of 1878 » (41 Vict. cap. 3), »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, the Bill was read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House for to-morrow.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Webb*, it was
Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned until to-morrow, at two o'clock in the afternoon, and that when the House shall adjourn to-morrow afternoon, it do stand adjourned until 7.30 P. M., and that each sitting of the House be deemed a separate sitting.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 33) intituled : « An Act to amend further the Quebec electoral act, » to which they request the concurrence of this House.
 The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Beaudry*, the House adjourned until to-morrow at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Thursday, 18th July, 1878.

Sitting of 3.30 o'clock P. M.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened, were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Beaudry,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
Hearn,
LaBruère, de

Lavolette,
LeMaure,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Pruithomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Webb,
Wood.

The Honorable Mr. *Archambeault*, from the special committee to whom was referred the Bill (No. 25) intituled : « An Act to further amend the municipal code of the Province of Quebec. » reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Archambeault*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be now referred to a committee of the Whole House.

The House adjourned during pleasure and was put into a Committee of the Whole.

After some time the House was resumed:

The Honorable Mr. *Beaulry*, from the Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and had directed him to report the same with several amendments, which he was ready to submit whenever the House would be pleased to receive them.

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

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Archambeault*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill, as amended, be read a third time.

The said Bill, as amended, was in consequence read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill, as amended, shall pass? it was
Resolved in the affirmative.

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

The Order of the Day was read for putting the House into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of Bill (No. 24) intituled: « An Act to amend the Quebec Railway Act, 1869. »

The House ajourned during pleasure and was put into Committee of the Whole.

The Committee rose without reporting, and the House was resumed.

The Order of the Day was read for putting the House into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of Bill (No. 30) intituled: « An Act to further amend the act respecting the sale and management of public lands, (32 Vict., ch. 11). »

The House adjourned during pleasure, and was put into Committee of the Whole.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, from the said Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and directed him to report the same without amendments.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then accordingly read a third time.

The question was put: whether this Bill shall pass? it was
Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day was read for putting the House into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of Bill (No. 8) intituled: « An Act to provide for the abolishing the District Magistrates Courts, »

The House adjourned during pleasure, and was put into Committee of the Whole.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Webb*, from the said committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and directed him to report the same without amendments.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then accordingly read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass? it was
Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day was read for putting the House into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of Bill (No. 36) intituled: «An Act to amend the Phosphate Mines Act,»

The House adjourned during pleasure, and was put into Committee of the Whole.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Roy*, from the said committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

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

The said Bill was then accordingly read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass? it was
Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day was read for putting the House into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of Bill (No. 23) intituled: «An Act to amend the act respecting the indemnity to members of the Legislature and the salary of the *Speaker* of the Legislative Assembly.»

The House adjourned during pleasure, and was put into Committee of the Whole. After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Wood*, from the said Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was

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

The said Bill was then accordingly read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass? it was
Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day was read for putting the House into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of Bill (No. 29) intituled: «An Act to amend the Quebec license law,» (41 Vic., cap. 3).

The House adjourned during pleasure and was put into Committee of the Whole.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *de LaBruère*, from the said Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.
 The said Bill was then accordingly read a third time.
 The question was put whether this Bill shall pass? it was
Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 21) intituled : « An Act respecting references to « The Supreme Court of Canada, » and to « The Exchequer Court of Canada, » in certain cases. »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Remillard*, it was
Ordered, That the same be postponed until this evening.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 33) intituled : « An Act to further amend the electoral act of Quebec, »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Remillard*, it was
Ordered, That the same be postponed until this evening.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 16) intituled : « An act to consolidate and amend the law to secure to wives and children the benefit of insurances on the lives of their husbands and parents, » to which they request the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time this evening.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 27) intituled : « An Act to amend articles 2093, 2098 and 2099 of the Civil Code, » to which they request the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Remillard*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time this evening.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 9) intituled : « An Act to modify the constitution of the Legislature of this Province in so far as it relates to the Legislative Council, » to which they request the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

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

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Beaudry*, the House adjourned until at half past seven o'clock this evening.

Thursday, 18th July, 1878.

Sitting at 7.30 p. m.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Beaudry,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Gingras,
LaBruère, de
Laviolette,

LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Starnes,
Webb,
Wood.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 21) intituled : « An Act respecting references to the «Supreme Court of Canada» and to «The Exchequer Court of Canada,» in certain cases. »

The Honorable Mr. *Archambeault* moved, in amendment.

That the said Bill be not now read a second time, but this day three months.

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 33) intituled : « An Act to further amend the Quebec Elections Act, »

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Rémillard*, it was

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

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 27) intituled : « An Act to amend articles 2093, 2098 and 2099 of the Civil Code.

Honorable Mr. *De LaBruère* moved in amendment.

That the Bill be not now read a second time, but this day three months

And the question being put on the said Bill, it was

Resolved in the affirmative, on division.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 16) intituled : « An Act to consolidate and amend the law to secure to wives and children the benefit of insurances on the lives of their husbands and parents.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved,

That the said Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was read a second time.

The Honorable Mr. *Ferrier* moved, and it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to a Committee of the Whole House to-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was
Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it do stand adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

The House then adjourned during pleasure.
 Some time after the House was resumed, and

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *LeMaire*, the House adjourned until to-morrow, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Friday, 19th July, 1878.

Sitting at 10 A. M.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Beaudry,
Boucherville, de
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
Hearn,
LaBruère, de

Lavolette,
LeMaire,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Webb,
Wood.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 9) intituled : « An Act to modify the constitution of the Legislature of this Province in so far as respects the Legislative Council.

Moved by the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*,
 That the Bill be now read a second time.
 A debate arose.

A message was received from the Legislative Assembly by Mr. *Wurtele* and others.

The messengers withdrew.

Then the message was read by the clerk as follows :

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Thursday, 18th July, 1878.

Resolved, That a conference with the Legislative Council is desirable in order to communicate the reasons which have induced this House not to concur in the amendments made by their Honors to the Bill (No. 25) intituled : « An Act to amend article 712 of the municipal code of the province of Quebec. »

1. Because the amendments to sections 25 and 26 which require the by-laws therein mentioned to be approved by a two thirds vote are contrary to the general rule followed in such cases in the municipal code, which only require a simple majority ; and because there is no reason why a different rule should be applied to the by-laws mentioned in the said section.

2. Because when paragraph 5 of the article 712, was enacted, the grants in favor of railways subsidized were payable during a term of twenty years, and the intention of the paragraph was to grant an additional aid by exempting them from municipal taxes for the same period. And that afterwards the grants were made payable in a block sum per mile, and because the amendment contained in section 27 is intended to afford to subsidized railways such further aid by giving them such exemption from taxes for twenty years, not withstanding the change in the manner of paying the grants ; and because the section renders the intention of the legislature clear, and removes doubts which now exist.

3. Because in the number of municipalities, the valuation rolls cannot be made, this year, before the end of July, and it is expedient and right to afford the relief contained in section 42, which allows the valuation rolls to be made this year, at any time, before the 1st Sept. next.

4. Because it is urgent that sections 25, 26 and 42 should come into force immediately, and consequently that the act do come into force on the day of its sanction.

Ordered, That Mr. Wurtele, the Hon. Solicitor General Chanveau, Messrs. Gagnon, Martel and Flynn do go to the Legislative Council and desire the said conference.

The messengers were recalled and informed that the Legislative Council would send an answer by a messenger of its own.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Webb*, it was

Resolved, That a message be sent by the clerk of this House to the Legislative Assembly to acquaint the Legislative Assembly that the Legislative Council accept the conference and will send members to meet those of the Legislative Assembly at half past twelve o'clock to-day in the Committee Room No. 3, of the Legislative Council.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Webb*, it was

Ordered, That the Honorable Messrs. *Lavolette, de LaBruère*, and the mover, do attend the conference on the part of this House as managers to meet those of the Legislative Assembly to day at half past twelve o'clock.

And the debate was taken up on the 1st paragraph of the orders of the day.

At half past twelve the House adjourned during pleasure.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Wood* presented a report of the conference.

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

Committee Room No. 3.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

19th July, 1878.

The Committee appointed to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Assembly on the Bill (No. 25) amending further the Municipal Code of the Province of Quebec reports.

That they do not insist on the amendments made by the Council to articles 27, 42 and 43 of the said Bill.

(Signed),

THOS. WOOD.

Chairman.

The said report was adopted, and it was in consequence.

Ordered, That the Clerk of this House do proceed to the Legislative Assembly and inform that House of the tenor of this report.

And the debate being continued on the first paragraph, of the Orders of the Day, the question was put on the motion under debate.

Then, the House divided, and the names being called for, were taken down as follows :

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

Bryson,
Rémillard and

Starnes.—3.

NON CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Beaudry,
Boucherville de,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
LaBruère, de

Lavolette,
Léry, de
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Roy,
Ross,
Webb and
Wood.—16.

So it was resolved in the negative.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 34) intituled : « An Act granting to Her Majesty the moneys required for the expences of the government, for the financial year ending on the 30th June 1879, and for other purposes connected with the public service, » to which they request the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting.

A message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their clerk, with a Bill (No. 28) intituled: « An Act to amend the Acts respecting the consolidated railway fund of this province, » (40 Vict., cap. 2 and 41 Vict., c. 1,) to which they request the concurrence of this house.

The said Bill was read for the first time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a second time at the next sitting.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *DeBoucherville*, it was
Ordered, that the two Bills last mentioned have the precedence on the next orders of the day.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville*, it was
Ordered, That when this House adjourns it do stand adjourned until 3 o'clock P. M. to day, and that it be a distinct sitting.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville*, the House adjourned until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Friday, 19th July, 1878.

Sitting at half past three P. M.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker.

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,
Beaudry,
Boucherville de,
Bryson,
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
LaBruère de,
Laviolette,

LeMaire,
Léry de,
Proulx,
Prudhomme,
Rémillard,
Ross,
Roy,
Webb.
Wood.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 34) intituled: « An Act granting Her Majesty, the moneys required for the expenses of the government for the financial year ending on the 30th June 1879, and for other purposes connected with the public service,»

The Honorable M. *Starnes*, moved
 That the said Bill be now read a second time.
 The question of concurrence being put thereon the same was resolved in the affirmative, and
 The said Bill was then read a second time accordingly.

Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville* moved, and it was
Ordered, That the 41st rule of this House be suspended in so far as regards this Bill.

Honorable Mr. *Beaudry*, moved, in amendment.

That this House consents to the adoption of the supply Bill, in order that no obstacle may retard the execution of the public works, and not to deprive public instruction, agriculture, colonisation, benevolent and charitable institutions, and the other branches of the public service of their usual grants, but at the same time, this House is bound to declare that it has no confidence, in the present advisers of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor who hold their positions in defiance of the well recognized principles of responsible government, and do not possess the confidence of the majority of the people of this province.

The question was put on the said motion in amendment, the House divided ; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follows :

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Beaudry</i>	<i>LeMaire,</i>
<i>Boucherville, de</i>	<i>Léry, de</i>
<i>Dionne,</i>	<i>Prudhomme,</i>
<i>Dostaler,</i>	<i>Ross,</i>
<i>Gaudet,</i>	<i>Roy,</i>
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The Honorable Messieurs

<i>Bryson,</i>	<i>Rémillard,</i>
<i>Ferrier,</i>	<i>Starnes—5.</i>
<i>Proulx,</i>	

So it was resolved in the affirmative,
 The question of concurrence was put.
 And the motion as amended was adopted.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time.
 The Bill was read a third time.

The question was put whether this Bill shall pass ? it was
Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without amendments.

The Order of the Day being read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 28) intituled : « An Act to amend the acts respecting the consolidated Railway fund of this Province (40 Vict., cap. 2 and 41 Vict., cap. 1.) »

Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, moved.
That the Bill be now read a second time.

Honorable Mr. *de Boucherville*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Webb*, moved,
That the Bill be not now read a second time but that it be

Resolved, That this House cannot consent to the adoption of this Bill, because, by imposing on the province considerable expenditure, which certain municipalities had assumed it infringes on the acts which guarantee a special subsidy to various railway enterprises in the province, and imperils funds reserved for certain important objects of the public service, while the government already has the power to meet the necessary expenses, to complete the works, with the least delay, by means of provincial railway bonds, specially secured on the receipts of the railway, and by compelling the municipalities to fulfill the engagements which they have entered into, in favor of this undertaking.

The question of concurrence was put on the said motion in amendment, the House divided, and the names being called for, they were taken down as follows :

CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

Beaudry,
Boucherville, de
Dionne,
Dostaler,
Ferrier,
Gaudet,
LaBruere, de

Lavolette,
Léry, de
Prudhomme,
Roy,
Ross and
Webb.—13

NON CONTENTS :

The Honorable Messieurs

Bryson,
Proulx,

Rémillard,
Starnes.—4.

So it was resolved in affirmative.

The Order of the Day was read for the second reading of the Bill (No. 33) intituled : « An Act to further amend the Quebec Elections Act, »

Honorable Mr. *Rémillard*, declared that he withdrew the Bill.
The said Bill was accordingly withdrawn.

The Order of the Day was read for putting the House into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of Bill (No. 16) intituled : « An Act to consolidate and amend the law to secure to wives and children insurances on the lives of husbands and fathers. »

The House adjourned during pleasure and was put into a Committee of the Whole.

After some time the House was resumed.

The Honorable Mr. *Webb*, from the said Committee, reported that they had gone through the said Bill, and directed him to report the same without amendment.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Ferrier*, it was
Ordered, That the said Bill be read a third time presently.

The said Bill was then accordingly read a third time.

The question was put : whether this Bill shall pass ? it was

Resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do go down to the Legislative Assembly and acquaint that House that the Legislative Council have passed this Bill without any amendment.

Then, on motion of the Honorable Mr. *Starnes*, the House adjourned to ten o'clock A. M., to-morrow morning.

Saturday, 20th July, 1878.

The Honorable Legislative Councillors convened were :

The Honorable *Henry Starnes*, Speaker,

The Honorable Messieurs

Archambeault,

Beaudry,

Boucherville, de

Bryson,

Dionne,

Postaler,

Gaudet,

Gingras,

LaBruère, de

Lavolette,

Léry, de

Proulx,

Remillard,

Ross,

Roy,

Webb.

A Message was brought from the Legislative Assembly by their Clerk, with a Bill (No. 25) intituled : « An Act further to amend the municipal code of the Province of Quebec, acquainting the House that the Legislative Assembly agree to the amendments of the Legislative Council to this Bill with the exception of the articles 27, 42 and 43, on which the Legislative Council declared they did not insist.

The House then adjourned during pleasure.

After some time, the House was resumed, and

At half past twelve o'clock in the afternoon, His Excellency the Honorable LUC LETELLIER DE SAINT JUST, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Quebec, being seated in the chair on the throne, the *Speaker* commanded the Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod to proceed to the Legislative Assembly, and acquaint that House « It is His Excellency's pleasure they attend him immediately in the chamber of the Legislative Council » who being come with their speaker.

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery read the titles of the Bills to be passed severally as follows :

An Act to amend the act incorporating the Lake Champlain and St. Lawrence Junction Railway Company.

An Act to place the « Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa and Occidental Railway, » under the control of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works.

An Act to provide for the abolition of District Magistrates' Courts.

An Act to consolidate and amend the law to secure to wives and children the benefit of insurances on the lives of their husbands and parents.

An Act to amend the town corporation general clauses Act.

An Act to amend article 1669 of the civil Code.

An Act further to amend the several acts incorporating the city of Quebec and to raise a further loan.

An Act to amend the act respecting the indemnity to members of the Legislature and the salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

An Act to further amend the municipal code of the province of Quebec.

An Act for the suppression of party processions.

An Act to amend « The Quebec Licence Law of 1878, » (41 Vict., cap. 3.)

An Act to further amend the « Act respecting the sale and management of the Public Lands, » (32 Vict., cap. 11.)

An Act respecting the publication of Orders in Council, Proclamations and Departmental Regulations.

An Act to amend the « phosphate mines act, » (41 Vict., cap. 4.)

To these Bills the Royal assent was given by the Clerk of this House in the words following :

In Her Majesty's name His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor assents to these Bills.

Then, the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly addressed His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, and presented for His Excellency's acceptance a bill intituled :

An Act granting to Her Majesty, the moneys required for the expences of the government, for the financial year ending on the 30th June 1879, and for other purposes connected with the public service.

To this Bill the royal assent was signified in the following words :

In Her Majesty's name, the Lieutenant Governor thanks her loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence and assents to this Bill.

After which His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor was pleased to close the first session of the fourth Parliament of the Province of Quebec with the following speech :

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly.

I have been deeply gratified by the Legislative measures which you passed during this session and particularly by that which, ensuring to this Province a reduction in the general expences, looks to a re-establishment of an equilibrium between our income and our expenditure.

You have proved by your important deliberations the value which you attach to the benefits of the constitutional system, under which we are governed, a system which confers upon the people of this province the inalienable right of being consulted on all matters connected with their interests.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly.

I thank you for the liberality with which you have voted the supplies, and I shall take care that they are wisely expended with a view to the greatest advantage of the people of this Province.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly.

I beg of you to accept the good wishes which I offer for your welfare and for the general prosperity of this Province; prosperity which can only be assured by the respect of all for constituted authority and by the maintenance of peace and order of which you are the chief guardians.

Then the *Speaker* of this House said :

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly.

It is His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor's will and pleasure that this provincial parliament be prorogued until Tuesday, the twenty seventh day of August next, to be here held, and the provincial parliament is accordingly prorogued until Tuesday, the twenty seventh day of August.

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