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SECOND PARLIAMENT—FIRST SESSION.

FRIDAY Feb. 2, 1872.

The SPEAKER took the chair at 8.20.

## PETITIONS.

The following were presented:—

Mr. DEACON—From the County Council of Renfrew, praying that a certain by-law in favor of the Kingston and Pembroke Railway be legalized.  
Mr. CHRISTIE—From Messrs. Young, Law & Co., and others, of Dundas, praying that the Act to close Rosina street in Dundas may be passed.  
Also—From the County Council of Wentworth, praying that the Bill for the construction of a railway from Hamilton to Hog's Pay may be passed.  
Mr. FERGUSON—From the County Council of Simcoe to the same effect.  
Mr. WILLIAMS (Durham)—From James Dallas and others, of Orillia, praying for the passing of an Act to legalize a certain by-law in favor of the Midland Railway of Canada.  
Mr. BOULTBEE—From John Montgomery, of Headford, praying certain investigation and relief.

## REPORTS.

Mr. RYKERT presented the eleventh report of the Committee on Standing Orders.  
Mr. PARDEE presented the fourth report of the Committee on Private Bills.  
Mr. PRINCE presented the report of the Select Committee on Bill No. 18.

## BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. RYKERT—Bill to legalize certain by-laws of the corporation of London. Referred to Committee on Private Bills.  
Mr. FERGUSON—Bill to incorporate the South Simcoe Junction Railway Company. Referred to Committee on Railways.  
Mr. BETHUNE—Bill to authorize the construction of a dam on the river Thames, and for other purposes. Referred to Committee on Railways.  
Mr. HARRINGTON—Bill to amend Vic. 34, cap. 2. Referred to Committee on Private Bills.  
Hon. Mr. SCOTT—Address for certain returns with respect to public lands.  
Hon. E. B. WOOD—Bill to amend the Assessment Act of 1869, so far as is related to the valuation of towns and villages for county rates. Mr. Wood called the attention of the House to the working of the present system of valuations, and urged the necessity of putting all property within, in towns or villages, or in townships, upon the same footing.  
Hon. Mr. SCOTT—Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Ottawa Ladies' College. Referred to Private Bills Committee.  
Also—Bill to enable corporation of Ottawa to mortgage the by-ward market house and for other purposes. Referred to Committee on Private Bills.  
Hon. Mr. CAMERON—Bill for relief of first mortgage bond holders of the London and Port Stanley Railway Company. Referred to Committee on Railways.  
Mr. WILLIAMS—Bill to incorporate the Midland Land Company. Referred to Committee on Private Bills.  
Mr. GALBRAITH—Bill to enable the Canada Bolt Company to establish its chief place of business at Toronto, and for other purposes. Referred to Committee on Private Bills.  
Mr. PARDEE—Bill to provide for the filling up or otherwise closing watercourses flowing into the land of the Canada Oil Wells Company. Second reading ordered for Monday next.  
Mr. RYKERT—Bill to amend cap. 27, Consolidated Statutes of Canada, entitled "An Act respecting land surveyors and the survey of land." Referred to Committee on Private Bills.

## THE RAILWAY FUND.

The House then went into committee of the whole on the Bill to make further provision touching the appropriation of the Railway Fund.  
Hon. Mr. BLAKE said he was willing to adopt the suggestion made at the first reading of the Bill by the hon. member for Lincoln, and should move that a clause be inserted to provide for the advertising of Orders in Council in the *Gazette*.  
After some discussion the Bill, as amended, was reported, and the House resumed.

## INDEPENDENCE OF PARLIAMENT.

The House went into committee of the whole on the Bill to further secure the independence of the Legislative Assembly.  
On the third section, Mr. Cameron moved an amendment to limit the Executive Council.  
Mr. BLAKE opposed the amendment, but admitted that the number should not be increased beyond six, one being without salary.  
After a debate in which the Hon. E. B. Wood, Hon. J. S. Macdonald, and Hon. Mr. Cameron took part the matter was left to stand over to the third reading.  
On the fifth clause, Mr. Blake proposed an amendment to prevent its application to any hon. member at present in the House.  
The amendment was agreed to, and the Bill as amended was reported and the House resumed.

## FRAUDULENT DEEDS, &c.

The House went into Committee of the Whole on the Bill to declare the true construction of the Act passed in the 13th year of the reign of Queen Elizabeth, chap. 5 and entitled "an Act against Fraudulent Deeds, Alienations, &c."; Mr. Rykert in the chair.  
The Bill was reported without discussion, and the House resumed.

## ADVOCATES IN DIVISION COURTS.

The House went into Committee, Mr. Hodgins in the chair, on the Bill to empower certain persons to appear as agents and act as advocates in the Division Courts in the Province of Ontario.  
Several amendments were introduced into the Bill, and one clause struck out.  
Mr. BLAKE said that the Government had not yet had time to consider the amendments introduced in Committee, and would hold themselves at liberty to oppose them in the bringing up of the report.  
The Bill as amended was then reported and the House resumed.  
On motion of Mr. BLAKE the House adjourned at 5:45.

## Notices of Motions.

Mr. Williams (Durham)—For leave to introduce a Bill intitled, an Act to amend an Act respecting companies for the establishment of cemeteries in Upper Canada.  
Hon. R. W. Scott—That he will on Wednesday next move that the House will on Thursday next resolve itself into a committee to consider the following resolution:—1. That in the opinion of this House it is expedient that the Lieutenant-Governor in Council should have authority to reduce the price of any common school lands sold previously to 1st July, 1867, where it shall appear that such lands have been sold at prices beyond their fair value, and that such prices remain unpaid, and also to make such abatement as may appear equitable and just of the arrears of interest on the unpaid instalments of the purchase money of any common school lands sold by the Crown previously to 1st July, 1867, provided that such re-suction and abatements be made only in respect of, and in proportion to the share or interest of this Province in such lands and the price thereof, and do not in any wise extend to or affect the share or interest of Quebec in such lands or the price thereof. 2. That each such re-auction and abatements should be effected by paying out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund the amount thereof to the party entitled thereto, on his paying the full amount of the purchase money and interest. 3. That before any such reduction or abatement be made, the land in respect of which such reduction or abatement is proposed should be examined and valued by one or more inspectors or inspectors, appointed for that purpose by the Lieut.-Governor in Council, or by the Commissioner of Crown Lands. 4. That such reduction and abatement should be confined to cases in which the purchaser from the Crown, or the person claiming under him, is in occupation of the land and is an actual settler thereon, or on land adjacently thereto. 5. That

it is expedient to provide that the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may, by an Order in Council, confer upon the Commissioners of Crown Lands authority to make such reduction or abatement as aforesaid, subject to the provisions of these resolutions, and subject to such provisions, if any, not inconsistent with these resolutions as may be embodied in any Order in Council.

Mr. Rykert—On Tuesday, an Act to amend the Assessment Act of Ontario.

Mr. Rykert—On Tuesday, an Act relating to partnership property.

Mr. Rykert—That he will in Committee of the Whole House, in Bill No. 30, intitled "An Act to render members of the House of Commons of Canada ineligible as members of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario," move that the following clauses be inserted in said Bill;—If any member of the Executive Council of Ontario shall hereafter be elected for the House of Commons of Canada, he shall thereby forthwith forfeit his said office as Executive Councillor, and his appointment as such Executive Councillor shall from thenceforth be and becomes null and void.

Mr. Clark (Wellington)—On Wednesday next—Inquiry of Ministers whether it is their intention to introduce during the present session, a measure having for its object the establishment in this Province of an Asylum for Inebriates.

Mr. Clarke (Wellington)—On Wednesday next, inquiry of Ministers whether they have had under consideration the advisability of the erection of new counties in certain sections of this Province, where the increase of population and distance from the County Town of the outlying townships in existing counties, seem to render such a course desirable; and, if so, whether they have determined to take early action in the formation of such counties.

Mr. Deroche—On Tuesday next, address for return of the amount realised from timber dues, sales of timber limits, and licenses and all other charges or revenues arising from timber and lumber in the Counties of Frontenac, Lennox and Addington, Lennox and Renfrew respectively collected and carried to revenue account of the Province of Ontario, from 1st Jan., 1860, to 31st December, 1871, and designating the amounts collected from each county and the several townships thereon respectively.

Mr. Sinclair.—On Monday, Resolutions, that in the opinion of this House, it is highly desirable that the Indian lands situate in this Province should be the property of this Province; that they should be under the control of this Legislature and subject to the management of the department of Crown Lands like the rest of the public lands; and a portion of the surplus could be most advantageously expended in acquiring those lands from the Indian department.