

The Daily Telegraph.

TORONTO, SATURDAY, FEB. 10, '72.

SECOND PARLIAMENT—FIRST SESSION.

FRIDAY, Feb. 9.

The SPEAKER took the chair at 3.20.

PETITIONS.

Several petitions were presented.

INDEPENDENCE OF PARLIAMENT.

The Bill to further secure the Independence of the Legislative Assembly was read a third time and passed.

DEBTS ASSIGNABLE.

The Bill to make debts and choses in action assignable at law, was read a third time and passed.

DEBENTURE DEBT OF TORONTO.

The Bill to consolidate the Debenture Debt of the City of Toronto was read a third time and passed.

LAW SOCIETY.

The Bill to authorize the Law Society of Ontario to admit Edward Stonehouse as a barrister, was read a third time and passed.

COMMON SCHOOL LANDS.

The report of the Committee on the resolutions moved by the Commissioner of Crown Lands was received.

Hon. Mr. SCOTT moved for leave to introduce a Bill relating to arrears due on Common School Lands.

The Bill was read a first time, and the second reading ordered for Tuesday next.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTES.

The report of the Committee of the Whole on the resolution moved by Hon. Mr. McKellar, with respect to Mechanics' Institutes was received.

DRAINAGE.

The report of the Committee of the Whole on the resolutions moved by Hon. Mr. McKellar, with respect to loans to municipalities for the purpose of draining swamps, was received.

LEGAL RIGHTS OF MARRIED WOMEN.

The House went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Hodgins in the chair, on the Bill to extend the Rights of Property of Married Women.

Hon. Mr. CAMERON thought the House should not introduce such sweeping changes into the law unless there were strong reasons for it. The Bill would make it to the interest of a woman to get rid of her husband.

Hon. Mr. BLAKE said there was nothing unreasonable in giving a married woman control over her own savings.

Mr. LAUDER thought the Government might just as well give women the power to vote as thus authorize them to act independently in business matters.