

LEGISLATURE OF ONTARIO

SECOND PARLIAMENT—SECOND SESSION.

TUESDAY, March 11.

The Speaker took the chair at 3 o'clock.

PETITIONS.

Mr. CAMERON — Of the City Council of Toronto, praying for certain amendments to the Bill to amend the several Acts relating to the Credit Valley Railway Company.

There were three petitions presented in favour of a Prohibitory Liquor Law.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

Mr. RYKERT—That when the House is in Committee of the Whole on the Municipal Loan Fund resolution, he will move the following amendments:—

1. That whereas in view of the fact that the present high rate of taxation seemingly militates against the growth and prosperity of the municipalities indebted to the Municipal Loan Fund, it is inexpedient that any higher rate than two cents in the dollar, including school rates, should be imposed upon any municipality in the final settlement of its indebtedness.

2. That the municipalities which are proposed to be aided to the extent of \$2 per head, according to the population of 1871, under the resolutions of the Government, will have just ground for dissatisfaction if the sum so proposed be paid in the debentures of indebted municipalities extending over a period of years instead of in cash.

JOINT STOCK ROAD COMPANIES.

Mr. MACDONALD moved for leave to introduce a Bill entitled an Act further to amend the Act passed in the 31st year of Her Majesty, chapter 31, in reference to Joint Stock Road Companies.

The motion was carried, and the Bill read a first time.

REPLY OF THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL TO THE ADDRESS OF THE HOUSE.

The SPEAKER informed the House that Mr. Hodgins, one of the deputation appointed to present the Address voted by this House to His Excellency the Earl of Dufferin, Governor-General of the Dominion,