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PRAYERS.

Message to attend Her Majesty.

A MESSAGE from Her Majesty, by Mr. *Pulman*, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Queen commands this Honourable House to attend Her Majesty immediately, in the House of Peers.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to attend Her Majesty:—And being returned;

Writ issued in the Recess.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That, in pursuance of the directions of the Act passed in the 24th year of the reign of his Majesty King *George* the Third, c. 26, he had issued a Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the Election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Oldham*, in the room of *James Platt*, Esquire, deceased.

Members take the Oaths.

Several Members, returned upon new Writs, took the Oaths required by law, and one of the said Members delivered to the Clerk of the House an account of his Qualification.

Public Income and Expenditure. No. 2.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Gross Public Income and Expenditure for the year ended the 30th day of September 1857; together with the Balances in the Exchequer at the commencement and at the termination of the year; and the Amount of Funded or Unfunded Debt created or redeemed in the said year.

Mr. *Wilson* accordingly presented the said Account.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Orders and Resolutions.

Elections.

Ordered, That all persons who will question any Returns of Members to serve in Parliament, for any County, City, Borough or place in the United Kingdom, do question the same within Fourteen days next, and so within Fourteen days next after any new Return shall be brought in.

Ordered, That all Members who are returned for two or more places in any part of the United Kingdom do make their Election for which of the places they will serve, within One week from and after the expiration of the Fourteen days before limited for presenting Petitions, provided there be no question upon the Return for that place; and if anything shall come in question touching the Return or Election of any Member, he is to withdraw during the time the matter is in debate; and that all Members returned upon double Returns do withdraw till their Returns are determined.

Ordered, That all persons who shall question any Return of Members to serve in the present Parliament, upon any allegation of Bribery and Corruption, and who shall in their Petition specifically allege any payment of money or other reward to have been made by any Member, or on his account, or with his privity, since the time of such Return, in pursuance or in furtherance of such Bribery or Corruption, may question the same at any time within Twenty-eight days after the date of such payment; or, if this House be not sitting at the expiration of the said Twenty-eight days, then within Fourteen days after the day when the House shall next meet.

Resolved, That no Peer of the Realm, except such Peers of *Ireland* as shall for the time being be actually elected, and shall not have declined to serve, for any County, City or Borough of *Great Britain*, hath any right to give his Vote in the Election of any Member to serve in Parliament.

Resolved, That it is a high infringement of the liberties and privileges of the Commons of the United Kingdom, for any Lord of Parliament, or other Peer or Prelate, not being a Peer of *Ireland* at the time elected, and not having declined to serve for any County, City or Borough of *Great Britain*, to concern himself in the Election of Members to serve for the Commons in Parliament, except only any Peer of *Ireland*, at such Elections in *Great Britain* respectively, where such Peer shall appear as a Candidate, or by himself, or any others, be proposed to be elected; or for any Lord Lieutenant or Governor of any County to avail himself of any authority derived from his Commission, to influence the Election of any Member to serve for the Commons in Parliament.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be, by Bribery, or any

other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such Bribery or other corrupt practices.

Witnesses. *Resolved*, That if it shall appear that any person hath been tampering with any Witness, in respect of his Evidence to be given to this House, or any Committee thereof, or directly or indirectly hath endeavoured to deter or hinder any person from appearing or giving Evidence, the same is declared to be a high crime and misdemeanor; and this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath given false Evidence in any case before this House, or any Committee thereof, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against such offender.

Metropolitan Police. *Ordered*, That the Commissioners of the Police of the Metropolis do take care that, during the Session of Parliament, the passages through the streets leading to this House be kept free and open, and that no obstruction be permitted to hinder the passage of Members to and from this House, and that no disorder be allowed in *Westminster* Hall, or in the passages leading to this House, during the sitting of Parliament, and that there be no annoyance therein or thereabouts; and that the Serjeant-at-Arms attending this House do communicate this Order to the Commissioners aforesaid.

Votes and Proceedings. *Ordered*, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker; and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

Privileges. *Ordered*, That a Committee of Privileges be appointed.

Election Petitions. *Ordered*, That all Petitions complaining of undue Elections and Returns be printed.

Harwich Writ. *Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Harwich*, in the room of Major *George Drought Warburton*, deceased.

Paisley Writ. *Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Commissioner to serve in this present Parliament for the Town of *Paisley*, in the room of *Archibald Hastie*, Esquire, deceased.

Kent (Eastern Division) Writ. *Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the Eastern Division of the County of *Kent*, in the room of Sir *Edward Cholmeley Dering*, Baronet, who, since his Election for the said Division of the said County, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of *Northstead*, in the County of *York*.

Northampton County (Northern Division) Writ. *Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the Northern Division of the County of *Northampton*, in the room of *Augustus Stafford O'Brien Stafford*, Esquire, deceased.

Thetford Writ. *Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Thetford*, in the room of the Honourable *Francis Baring*, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's three Chiltern Hundreds of *Stoke*, *Desborough* and *Bonenham*, in the County of *Buckingham*.

Outlawries Bill. A Bill for the more effectual preventing Clandestine Outlawries, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Bank Issues. No. 1. The Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of Correspondence between the First Lord of the Treasury and the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Bank of *England*, respecting the enlargement of their Issues beyond the limit fixed by the Bank Act of 1844.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Banks. Mr. *Massey* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Name of every Bank, other than Private Banks, whether unincorporate or incorporate, trading in the United Kingdom or the Colonies, specifying the nature of the liability of the Shareholders in every such Bank, whether the liability is limited or unlimited, and if limited, to what extent.

Pauper Lunatics (Scotland.) Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 2d day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of all Cases in each Parish in *Scotland* of Pauper Lunatics exempted from Confinement during the Five years ending the 1st day of August 1856, by the Board of Supervision for the Relief of the Poor; stating the Weekly Allowance given for the Maintenance of each such Pauper at the time of such exemption.

Police (Scotland.) Mr. *Massey* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules and Regulations made by the Secretary of State for the Government of County Constables in *Scotland*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Oxford University. Mr. *Cowper* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of certain Statutes and Ordinance framed under the 17 & 18 *Vic.* c. 81, in relation to the University of *Oxford*, and *Magdalen* College therein.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Articles of Food. The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 21st day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns of the Names of such imported Articles of Food as are also produced in the United Kingdom, on which Customs Duties still continue to be levied; giving the Differential Duties on such Articles, if of Foreign and Colonial Production; specifying the Variations in the Rates of such Duties since the year 1835; showing also the Quantities of such Articles (distinguishing the Foreign and Colonial) imported into the United Kingdom in each year since the year 1835:—And, of the Value of similar Articles, the Produce of the United Kingdom, exported in each year for the same period.

Freight of Specie. Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return in detail, of the manner in which the several Sums were expended under the Vote of last Session in Civil Service Estimate for £.12,634, to defray the Charge for Freight of Specie to the various Commissariat Stations Abroad, for which Service the Sum of £.10,000 is proposed for the year 1857–58.

Poor Law. The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 9th November 1857, granting a Special Retired Allowance of £.350 *per annum* to Mr. *Richard Hall*, late a Poor Law Inspector, in lieu of the Allowance previously awarded to him.

Consul (New York.) Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 17th November 1857, granting a Special Superannuation Allowance to Mr. *Anthony Barclay*, late Her Majesty's Consul at *New York*.

Copy

Dublin Metropolitan Police.

Copy of a Treasury Minute, dated 26th October 1857, granting a Special Superannuation Allowance to *Henry Thompson Redmond*, Esquire, late Receiver of the *Dublin* Metropolitan Police.

Lunacy.

Account of all Monies received and paid by the Secretary of the Commissioners in Lunacy, and of all Charges, &c. incurred in the execution of the Act 8 & 9 *Vic.* c. 100, s. 34, during the year ending on the 31st July 1857.

Liverpool Compass Committee.

Mr. *Lowe* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of First and Second Reports of the *Liverpool* Compass Committee to the Board of Trade, 1855 and 1856; with Letters from the Astronomer Royal thereupon.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Speaker reports Her Majesty's Speech.

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had, this day, attended Her Majesty in the House of Peers, when Her Majesty was pleased to make a most gracious Speech from the Throne to both Houses of Parliament; of which Mr. Speaker said he had, for greater accuracy, obtained a Copy; which he read to the House, as followeth:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

Circumstances have recently arisen, connected with the commercial interests of the Country, which have induced Me to call Parliament together before the usual time.

The failure of certain Joint Stock Banks, and of some Commercial Firms, produced such an extent of distrust as led Me to authorize My Ministers to recommend to the Directors of the Bank of *England* the adoption of a course of proceeding which appeared necessary for allaying the prevalent alarm. As that course has involved a departure from the existing Law, a Bill for indemnifying those who advised and those who adopted it will be submitted for your consideration.

I have observed with great regret that the disturbed state of Commercial Transactions in general has occasioned a diminution of employment in the manufacturing districts, which, I fear, cannot fail to be attended with much local distress. I trust, however, that this evil may not be of long duration; and the abundant Harvest with which it has graciously pleased Divine Providence to bless this land will, I hope, in some degree mitigate the sufferings which this state of things must unavoidably produce.

While I deeply deplore the severe suffering to which many of My subjects in *India* have been exposed, and while I grieve for the extensive bereavements and sorrow which it has caused, I have derived the greatest satisfaction from the distinguished successes which have attended the heroic exertions of the comparatively small forces which have been opposed to greatly superior numbers, without the aid of the powerful reinforcements despatched from this Country to their assistance. The arrival of those reinforcements will, I trust, speedily complete the suppression of this widely-spread Revolt.

The gallantry of the Troops employed against the Mutineers, their courage in action, their endurance under privation, fatigue, and the effects of climate, the high spirit and self-devotion of the Officers, the ability, skill, and persevering energy of the Commanders, have excited My warmest admiration; and I have observed with equal gratification that many Civilians placed in extreme difficulty and danger have displayed the highest qualities, including, in some instances, those that would do honour to veteran Soldiers.

It is satisfactory to know that the general mass of the population of *India* have taken no part in the Rebellion, while the most considerable of the Native Princes have acted in the most friendly manner, and have rendered important services.

I have given directions that Papers relating to these matters shall be laid before you.

The Affairs of My *East Indian* Dominions will require your serious consideration, and I recommend them to your earnest attention.

The Nations of *Europe* are in the enjoyment of the blessings of Peace, which nothing seems likely to disturb.

The stipulations of the Treaty which I concluded with the Shah of *Persia* have been faithfully carried into execution, and the *Persian* Forces have evacuated the Territory of *Herat*.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I have given directions that the Estimates for the next year shall be prepared, for the purpose of being laid before you.

They will be framed with a careful regard to the exigencies of the Public Service.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

Your attention will be called to the Laws which regulate the Representation of the People in Parliament, with a view to consider what amendments may be safely and beneficially made therein.

Measures will be submitted for your consideration for simplifying and amending the Laws relating to Real Property, and also for consolidating and amending several important branches of the Criminal Law.

I confidently commit to your wisdom the great interests of My Empire; and I fervently pray that the Blessing of Almighty God may attend your Counsels, and may guide your deliberations to those ends which are dearest to My Heart, the happiness and prosperity of My loyal and faithful People.

Resolution for Address.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to convey to Her Majesty the Thanks of this House for the gracious Speech which Her Majesty has made to both Houses of Parliament:

To thank Her Majesty for informing us of the causes which have induced Her Majesty to call Parliament together before the usual time; for informing us that the failure of certain Joint Stock Banks, and of some Mercantile Firms, has produced such an extent of distrust as to lead Her Majesty to authorize Her Ministers to recommend to the Directors of the Bank of *England* the adoption of a course of proceeding which appeared necessary for allaying the prevalent alarm; and to thank Her Majesty for intimating to us that, as that course has involved a departure from the existing Law, a Bill for indemnifying those who advised and those who adopted it will be submitted for our consideration:

To assure Her Majesty that we sympathise in Her regret that the disturbed state of Commercial Transactions in general has occasioned a diminution of employment in the manufacturing districts, which cannot fail to be attended with much local distress; and that we partake in Her trust that this evil may not be of long duration, and that the abundant Harvest with which it has graciously pleased Divine Providence to bless this land will in some degree mitigate the sufferings which this state of things must unavoidably produce:

To assure Her Majesty that while we join with Her in deploring the severe suffering to which many of Her subjects in *India* have been exposed, and in lamenting the extensive bereavements and sorrow which have been caused, we share in the satisfaction which She has derived from the distinguished successes which have attended the heroic exertions of the comparatively small forces which have been opposed to greatly superior numbers, without the aid of the powerful reinforcements despatched from this Country to their assistance; and that we trust, in common with Her Majesty, that the arrival of those

those reinforcements will speedily complete the suppression of this widely-spread Revolt:

To assure Her Majesty that we share in the warm admiration which Her Majesty evinces for the gallantry of the Troops employed against the Mutineers; their courage in action; their endurance under privation, fatigue, and the effects of climate; the high spirit and self-devotion of the Officers; the ability, skill, and persevering energy of the Commanders; and also in the gratification which She expresses that many Civilians, placed in extreme difficulty and danger, have displayed the highest qualities, including, in some instances, those that would do honour to veteran Soldiers:

That we rejoice to learn that the general mass of the population of *India* have taken no part in the Rebellion; while the most considerable of the Native Princes have acted in the most friendly manner, and have rendered important services:

To thank Her Majesty for directing that Papers relating to these matters shall be laid before us, and humbly to assure Her Majesty that we will give our earnest attention to the Affairs of Her *East Indian* Dominions:

That we rejoice to learn that the Nations of *Europe* are in the enjoyment of the blessings of Peace, which nothing seems likely to disturb; that the stipulations of the Treaty which Her Majesty has concluded with the Shah of *Persia* have been faithfully carried into execution, and the *Persian* Forces have evacuated the Territory of *Herat:*

To thank Her Majesty for having given directions that the Estimates for the next year shall be prepared for the purpose of being laid before us, and for informing us that they will be framed with a careful regard to the exigencies of the Public Service:

Humbly to assure Her Majesty, that we will direct our earnest attention to the Laws which regulate the Representation of the People in Parliament, with a view to consider what amendments may be safely and beneficially made therein; and to the measures for simplifying and amending the Laws relating to Real Property, and also for consolidating and amending several important branches of the Criminal Law:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for being pleased to assure us, that She confidently commits to our wisdom the great interests of Her Empire; and humbly to assure Her Majesty that, in common with Her Majesty, we fervently pray that the Blessing of Almighty God may attend our Counsels, and may guide our deliberations to the objects of Her Majesty's constant solicitude, the welfare and happiness of Her Majesty's loyal and faithful People.

Committee to draw up Address.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address to be presented to Her Majesty upon the said Resolution:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. *Wykeham Martin*, Mr. *Akroyd*, Viscount *Palmerston*, The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir *George Grey*, Mr. Secretary *Labouchere*, Sir *Charles Wood*, Mr. *Vernon Smith*, Mr. *Baines*, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Henry Herbert*, Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland*, the Judge Advocate, Mr. *Hayter* and Mr. *FitzRoy*, or any Five of them:—And they are to withdraw immediately.

Queen's Speech referred.

Ordered, That Her Majesty's most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament be referred to the Committee.

East India (Mutinies.)

Mr. *Vernon Smith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Further Papers (No. 4) relative to the Mutinies in the *East Indies*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

International Copyright (Spain.)

Viscount *Palmerston* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Convention between Her Majesty and the Queen of *Spain* for the establishment of International Copyright. Signed at *Madrid*, July 7, 1857.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Veneris, 4° *die Decembris*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1857.

PRAYERS.

Beverley Election.

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had this day received a Report from the Examiner of Recognizances, stating that the Recognizance to the Election Petition of *John Gray* and others, relating to the Borough of *Beverley*, is unobjectionable.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

Railway Accidents.

Mr. *Lowe* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, upon certain Accidents which have occurred on Railways during the Months of July, August, September, October and November 1857.

Diseased Cattle.

Mr. *Lowe* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of an Order in Council revoking a former Order, and prohibiting Importation from Places on the *Baltic*, of Horns, Skins, &c., of Cattle; and of Order revoking all the above Prohibitions.

International Copyright (Spain.)

Copy of an Order in Council, in furtherance of a Treaty with *Spain*, granting the privilege of Copyright to Authors of Works, &c., first published within that Kingdom.

Pilotage.

Copy of an Order in Council approving a Bye-Law with respect to the Pilotage of the *Exeter* District.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Patriotic Fund, &c. (Colonies.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Amount contributed by each of the Colonies respectively toward the Patriotic Fund; distinguishing the Sums voted by their different Legislatures from the Amounts furnished by Voluntary Subscriptions:—And, of the Number of *Russian* Guns taken during the late War, which have been distributed as Trophies amongst the different Colonies, specifying the Number sent to each Colony.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

East India (Bishops and Cathedral Establishments, &c.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Annual Expenditure for ecclesiastical objects in *India*, at the different Presidencies, from 1836-7 to the latest period, under the several Heads of Bishops and Cathedral Establishments; Number of regular Chaplains; Number of Uncovenanted Auxiliary Chaplains; Cost of Building Churches; Cost of Grants in aid of Church Building; Allowances to Roman Catholic Chaplains; and, Miscellaneous Expenditure.

East India (Military Force.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the actual Military Force that was in *India* at the time of the Outbreak of the Mutiny at "*Meerut*;" distinguishing the several Branches of the Service, Cavalry, Artillery, Engineers and Sappers, and Infantry; and distinguishing the Troops of the Queen's Service from those of the *East India* Company; showing also, as far as can be ascertained from

from Documents now in the hands of the Government and of the Board of Control or *East India* Company, the Stations at which the Troops were at the time of the Outbreak of the Mutiny severally quartered.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Sir *James Graham* have leave of absence for a month; and, Mr. *John Henry Gurney* a week, on account of domestic affliction.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Address reported, and agreed to.

Mr. *Wykeham Martin* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up an Address to be presented to Her Majesty, That they had drawn up an Address accordingly; and the same was read, as followeth:

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in Parliament assembled, beg leave to convey to Your Majesty our humble thanks for Your Majesty's most gracious Speech from the Throne, and for informing us of the causes which have induced Your Majesty to call Parliament together before the usual time:

We also thank Your Majesty for informing us, that the failure of certain Joint Stock Banks, and of some Mercantile Firms, has produced such an extent of distrust as to lead Your Majesty to authorize Your Ministers to recommend to the Directors of the Bank of *England* the adoption of a course of proceeding which appeared necessary for allaying the prevalent alarm; and we thank Your Majesty for intimating to us that, as that course has involved a departure from the existing Law, a Bill for indemnifying those who advised and those who adopted it will be submitted for our consideration:

We assure Your Majesty, that we sympathise in Your Majesty's regret that the disturbed state of Commercial Transactions in general has occasioned a diminution of employment in the manufacturing districts, which cannot fail to be attended with much ocal distress; and we partake in Your Majesty's trust that this evil may not be of long duration, and that the abundant Harvest with which it has graciously pleased Divine Providence to bless this land will in some degree mitigate the sufferings which this state of things must unavoidably produce:

We beg to assure Your Majesty, that while we join with Your Majesty in deploring the severe suffering to which many of Your subjects in *India* have been exposed, and in lamenting the extensive bereavements and sorrow which have been caused, we share in the satisfaction Your Majesty has derived from the distinguished successes which have attended the heroic exertions of the comparatively small forces which have been opposed to greatly superior numbers, without the aid of the powerful reinforcements despatched from this Country to their assistance; and we trust, in common with Your Majesty, that the arrival of those reinforcements will speedily complete the suppression of this widely-spread Revolt:

We assure Your Majesty, that we share in the warm admiration which Your Majesty evinces for the gallantry of the Troops employed against the Mutineers; their courage in action; their endurance under privation, fatigue and the effects of climate; the high spirit and self-devotion of the Officers; the ability, skill and persevering energy of the Commanders; and also in the gratification which Your Majesty expresses that many Civilians, placed in extreme difficulty and danger, have displayed the highest qualities, including, in some instances, those that would do honour to veteran Soldiers:

We rejoice to learn that the general mass of the population of *India* have taken no part in the Rebellion; while the most considerable of the Native Princes have acted in the most friendly manner, and have rendered important Services:

We thank Your Majesty for directing that Papers relating to these matters shall be laid before us; and we humbly assure Your Majesty that we will give our earnest attention to the Affairs of Your Majesty's *East Indian* Dominions:

We rejoice to learn that the Nations of *Europe* are in the enjoyment of the blessings of Peace, which nothing seems likely to disturb; and that the stipulations of the Treaty which Your Majesty has concluded with the Shah of *Persia* have been faithfully carried into execution, and the *Persian* Forces have evacuated the Territory of *Herat:*

We thank Your Majesty for having given directions that the Estimates for the next year shall be prepared, for the purpose of being laid before us; and for informing us that they will be framed with a careful regard to the exigencies of the Public Service:

We humbly assure Your Majesty, that we will direct our earnest attention to the Laws which regulate the Representation of the People in Parliament, with a view to consider what amendments may be safely and beneficially made therein; and to the measures for simplifying and amending the Laws relating to Real Property; and also for consolidating and amending several important branches of the Criminal Law:

We humbly thank Your Majesty for being pleased to assure us, that Your Majesty confidently commits to our wisdom the great interests of Your Empire; and humbly assnre Your Majesty that, in common with Your Majesty, we fervently pray that the Blessing of Almighty God may attend our Counsels, and may guide our deliberations to the objects of Your Majesty's constant solicitude, the welfare and happiness of Your Majesty's loyal and faithful People.

The said Address being read a second time;

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Address to be presented to Her Majesty.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Queen's Speech to be considered.

Ordered, That Her Majesty's most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Bank Issues Indemnity.

The House was moved, That the Bank of *England* Charter Act 7 & 8 *Vic.* c. 32, might be read; and the same being read;

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the said Act.

Queen's Speech, &c. referred.

Ordered, That Her Majesty's most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament be referred to the Committee.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Bank Issues, which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant December, be referred to the Committee.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Paragraphs in Queen's Speech read, as follow:

"Circumstances have recently arisen, connected with the commercial interests of the Country, which have induced Me to call Parliament together before the usual time.

"The failure of certain Joint Stock Banks, and of some Commercial Firms, produced such an extent of distrust as led Me to authorize My Ministers to recommend to the Directors of the Bank of *England* the adoption of a course of proceeding which appeared necessary for allaying the prevalent alarm. As that course has involved a departure from the existing Law, a Bill for indemnifying those who advised and those who adopted it will be submitted for your consideration."

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to indemnify the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* in respect of certain Issues of their Notes, and to confirm such Issues, and to authorize further Issues for a time to be limited.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *FitzRoy* accordingly reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to indemnify the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* in respect of certain Issues of their Notes, and to confirm such Issues, and to authorize further Issues for a time to be limited:—And he moved the House accordingly.

Ordered. That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. *FitzRoy*, the Chancellor of the Exchequer and Viscount *Palmerston* do prepare, and bring it in.

Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms (House of Commons.)

Ordered, That a Standing Committee be appointed to control the arrangements of the Kitchen and Refreshment Rooms in the Department of the Serjeant-at-Arms attending this House:—And a Committee was appointed of Colonel *French*, Colonel *Boldero*, Mr. Alderman *Cubitt*, Mr. *Seymour Fitzgerald*, Mr. *Hume*, Mr. *Robertson* and Mr. *Bramley-Moore*.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Accidents on Railways.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Causes of Accidents on Railways, and into the possibility of removing any such Causes by further legislation.

Bank Issues Indemnity Bill.

Bill 1.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill to indemnify the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* in respect of certain Issues of their Notes, and to confirm such Issues, and to authorize further Issues for a time to be limited: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Ashton-under-Lyne Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Ashton-under-Lyne*, in the room of *Charles Hindley*, Esquire, deceased.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 7° *die Decembris*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1857.

PRAYERS.

Controverted Elections. No. 3.

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That his Warrant for the Appointment of Members to serve on the General Committee of Elections was upon the Table:—And the said Warrant was read, as followeth:

Pursuant to the Provisions of "The Election Petitions Act, 1848," I do hereby appoint,

The Right honourable Sir *Francis Thornhill Baring*, Baronet, Member for the Borough of *Portsmouth*;

The Right honourable *Spencer Horatio Walpole*, Member for the University of *Cambridge*;

The Right honourable Sir *William Meredyth Somerville*, Baronet, Member for the City of *Canterbury*;

Sir *William Heathcote*, Baronet, Member for the University of *Oxford*;

William Miles, Esquire, Member for the Eastern Division of the County of *Somerset*; and,

John Bonham-Carter, Esquire, Member for the City of *Winchester*;

To be Members of the General Committee of Elections for the present Session.

Given under my hand, this 7th day of December 1857.

JOHN EVELYN DENISON, Speaker.

Ordered, That the said Warrant be printed.

Scarborough Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Scarborough*, in the room of the Right honourable *George Augustus Constantine Phipps*, commonly called Earl of *Mulgrave*, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of *Hempholme*.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

East India (Revenue.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Revenue derived annually from all Sources of Taxation in *India*, from 1852–53 to 1855–56 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 336, of Session 1855).

Hops.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts of the Total Number of Acres of Land in the United Kingdom under the Cultivation of Hops in the year 1857; distinguishing the Number of Acres in each Parish; and the Number of Pounds weight charged with Duty in each Collection; and the Number of Pounds weight charged with Duty in each Parish of the *Canterbury* and *Rochester* Collections:—And, of the Amount of Duty charged on Hops in each Collection of the growth of the year 1857; distinguishing the Districts, and the old from the new Duty in each District; showing the Average Amount of Duty *per* Acre in each Collection (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 19, of Session 2, 1857).

Justices of the Peace (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Letter recently addressed by the Lord Chancellor of *Ireland* to the Lord Lieutenant of the County *Down*, relative to the Appointment of Justices of the Peace:—And, of any similar Letters addressed to other Lords Lieutenant of Counties in *Ireland*.

Belfast Riots.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report made by the Commissioners for inquiring into the recent Riots in *Belfast*.

Corn (Measures and Weights.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return from the Inspectors of Corn Returns of the various Measures and Weights by which Corn is sold in each of the Towns from which the Returns are made, and the mode in which they are respectively returned, in Imperial Bushels.

Savings Banks.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 85, of Session 2, 1857, from November 20, 1856, to November 20, 1857:—And, in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 84, of Session 2, 1857, from November 20, 1856, to November 20, 1857.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Lord *Robert Cecil* have leave of absence for three weeks, on account of ill health.

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Answer to Address.

The Comptroller of the Household reported to the House; That Her Majesty, having been attended with their Address of Friday last, was pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received with much satisfaction your loyal and dutiful Address.

It is My earnest desire at all times to co-operate with you in measures which tend to improve and strengthen the Institutions of the Country, and to promote the security, welfare and prosperity of My People in every part of my Dominions.

Agricultural Produce (Ireland.)

Mr. *Massey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Returns of Agricultural Produce in *Ireland* for the year 1856.

Ecclesiastical Commission (Ireland.)

Mr. *Massey* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners in *Ireland*, for the year ended 1st August 1857.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

East India (Public Works.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Budgets of Public Works in *India*, for the years 1853-4, 1854-5, 1855-6, and 1856-7.

Flogging (Navy.)

Mr. *Osborne* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Number of Persons flogged in the Navy in the years 1855 and 1856, distinguishing each year; specifying the Name of the Ship, the Offence, the Sentence, and Number of Lashes inflicted on each Person (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 48, of Session 1857).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Sir Henry Havelock.

Viscount *Palmerston* acquainted the House, That he had a Message from Her Majesty to this House, signed by Her Majesty:—And he presented the same to the House; and it was read by Mr. Speaker (all the Members of the House being uncovered); and is as followeth:

VICTORIA R.

Her Majesty being desirous of conferring a signal mark of Her favour and approbation on Major General Sir *Henry Havelock*, Baronet, K.C.B., for the eminent and distinguished services rendered by him in command of a body of *British* and Native Troops in *India*, and particularly in the gallant and successful operations undertaken for the relief of the Garrison of *Lucknow*, recommends it to the House of Commons to enable Her Majesty to make provision for securing to Sir *Henry Havelock* a pension of One thousand pounds *per annum*, for the term of his natural life.

V. R.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to take into consideration Her Majesty's said most gracious Message.

Queen's Speech considered.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration Her Majesty's most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament; and the same was again read by Mr. Speaker.

And a Motion being made, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider that Motion.

Bank Issues Indemnity Bill.

The Bank Issues Indemnity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Medical Charities (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws in force for the relief of the Destitute Poor in *Ireland*; and to amend an Act of the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty, providing for the better Distribution, Support and Management of Medical Charities in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Henry Herbert* and Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Printing.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in all matters which relate to the Printing executed by Order of this House, and for the purpose of selecting and arranging for Printing, Returns and Papers presented in pursuance of Motions made by Members of this House:—And a Committee was appointed of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir *John Pakington*, Sir *Francis Baring*, Mr. *Walpole*, Mr. *Henley*, Mr. *Cardwell*, Mr. *George Alexander Hamilton*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt*, Mr. *Bonham-Carter*, Mr. *Greene*, Mr. *Divett*, Mr. *Gaskell* and Mr. *Thornely*.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Medical Charities (Ireland) Bill. Bill 2.

Mr. *Henry Herbert* presented a Bill to amend the Laws in force for the relief of the Destitute Poor in *Ireland*; and to amend an Act of the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty, providing for the better Distribution, Support and Management of Medical Charities in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Banks. No. 4.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Banks, which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant December, be printed.

Pauper Lunatics (Scotland.) No. 5.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Pauper Lunatics (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant December, be printed.

Police (Scotland.) No. 6.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Police (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant December, be printed.

Oxford University. No. 7.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *Oxford* University, which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant December, be printed.

Articles of Food. No. 8.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Articles of Food, which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant December, be printed.

Charterhouse. No. 9.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Charterhouse, which was presented upon the 19th day of February last, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Martis, 8° *die Decembris*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1857.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions.

A PUBLIC Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hackblock* have leave of absence for a month, on account of ill health.

Public Health Act (1848.)

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copies of Orders in Council, applying the Public Health Act to the Township of *Bradford* (*Lancashire*); the Township of *Denton* (*Lancashire*); and the Parish of *Wheatley* (*Oxfordshire*).

Ecclesiastical Commission (Ireland.) No. 10.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Ecclesiastical Commission (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant December, be printed.

East India (Public Works.) No. 11.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Public Works), which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant December, be printed.

Flogging (Navy.) No. 12.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Flogging (Navy), which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant December, be printed.

Controverted Elections.

The Clerk read the List of Members who have claimed to be excused from serving on Election Committees, as being upwards of Sixty years of age, as followeth:—

The Honourable General *Arbuthnott*, *John Bagshaw*, Esquire, Sir *Joseph Bailey*, *Edward Ball*, Esquire, *William Hodgson Barrow*, Esquire, *Philip Bennet*, Esquire, the Honourable *William Smyth Bernard*, *Thomas Tyringham Bernard*, Esquire, *Adam Black*, Esquire, Colonel *Boldero*, the Honourable *Philip Pleydell Bouverie*, *John Boyd*, Esquire, *John Ivatt Briscoe*, Esquire, *John Brocklehurst*, Esquire, *William Brown*, Esquire, Major *Cumming Bruce*, General *Buckley*, Sir *Charles Merrik Burrell*, Sir *Charles Henry Coote*, *Richard Davison*, Esquire, *Edmund Denison*, Esquire, *Edward Divett*, Esquire, *Henry Drummond*, Esquire, *Thomas Slingsby Duncombe*, Esquire, the Right honourable *Edward Ellice*, the Honourable *John Edmund Elliot*, Sir *De Lacy Evans*, *John Fergus*, Esquire, *John Hodgetts Foley*, Esquire, the Right honourable Sir *James Graham*, *George Hadfield*, Esquire, *George Granville Harcourt*, Esquire, *John Isaac Heard*, Esquire, *John Heathcoat*, Esquire, the Right honourable *Joseph Warner Henley*, *John James Hope Johnstone*, Esquire, *William Kirk*, Esquire, *Walter Long*, Esquire, the Honourable Colonel *Lowther*, *Thomas Luce*, Esquire, *George Macartney*, Esquire, *Charles Aaron Moody*, Esquire, *Joseph Randolph Mullings*, Esquire, Sir *John Owen*, *Charles William Packe*, Esquire, *Robert Palmer*, Esquire, Viscount *Palmerston*, Sir *George Brooke Pechell*, *Nicholas Power*, Esquire, *David Pugh*, Esquire (*Montgomery*), *Osman Ricardo*, Esquire, Lord *John Russell*, *George Poulett Scrope*, Esquire, *Robert Aglionby Slaney*, Esquire, *Richard Spooner*, Esquire, Lord *James Stuart*, *Henry William Tancred*, Esquire, Sir *Frederic Thesiger*, *Thomas Thornely*, Esquire, *George Traill*, Esquire, *James Aspinall Turner*, Esquire, Sir *William Verner*, *Harry Spencer Waddington*, Esquire, Admiral *Walcott*, *John Ashley Warre*, Esquire, *Henry White*, Esquire, *Brodie M'Ghie Willcox*, Esquire, *Michael Williams*, Esquire, *William Battie Wrightson*, Esquire, General *Wyndham*.

The Right honourable Sir *George Grey*, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, having stated that he could not attend Election Committees without material inconvenience to the public service, during the time he may hold the said office;

Resolved, That the Right honourable Sir *George Grey*, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, be excused from serving on Election Committees during the time he may hold the said office.

The Right honourable Sir *George Cornewall Lewis*, Chancellor of the Exchequer, having stated that he could not attend Election Committees without material inconvenience to the public service, during the time he may hold the said office;

Resolved, That the Right honourable Sir *George Cornewall Lewis*, Chancellor of the Exchequer, be excused from serving on Election Committees during the time he may hold the said office.

The Right honourable Sir *Charles Wood*, First Lord of the Admiralty, having stated that he could not attend Election Committees without material inconvenience to the public service, during the time he may hold the said office;

Resolved, That the Right honourable Sir *Charles Wood*, First Lord of the Admiralty, be excused from serving on Election Committees during the time he may hold the said office.

The Right honourable *Henry Labouchere*, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, having stated that he could not attend Election Committees without material inconvenience to the public service, during the time he may hold the said office;

Resolved, That the Right honourable *Henry Labouchere*, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, be excused from serving on Election Committees during the time he may hold the said office.

The Right honourable *Robert Vernon Smith*, President of the Board of Control, having stated that he could not attend Election Committees without material inconvenience to the public service, during the time he may hold the said office;

Resolved, That the Right honourable *Robert Vernon Smith*, President of the Board of Control, be excused from serving on Election Committees during the time he may hold the said office.

Sir *Richard Bethell*, Her Majesty's Attorney General, having stated that he could not attend Election Committees without material inconvenience to the public service, during the time he may hold the said office;

Resolved, That Sir *Richard Bethell*, Her Majesty's Attorney General, be excused from serving on Election Committees during the time he may hold the said office.

Joint Stock Banks.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Unlimited Liability of Shareholders in Joint Stock Banks gives rise to a species of credit injurious to the interests of the public; and that the present Law enforcing the adoption of this principle requires alteration;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the first word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "the present Law enforcing the principle of the "Unlimited Liability of their Shareholders on Joint "Stock Banks, requires alteration," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "the "present Law enforcing the principle of the Unli-"mited Liability of their Shareholders on Joint "Stock Banks, requires alteration," be added instead thereof;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Hankey*, / Mr. *Headlam*: } 47.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Hayter*, / Mr. *Brand*: } 118.

So it passed in the Negative.

Beverley Election.

The House was moved, That the Resolution which, upon the 3d day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, was reported from the Select Committee on the *Beverley* Election Petition, might be read; and the same was read, as followeth:

"That the said *Edward Auchmuty Glover*, Esquire, made and signed Declarations in the form prescribed by 1 & 2 *Vic.* c. 48, ss. 3 and 6; and that it is the unanimous opinion of the Committee that the evidence taken before them should be laid before the Attorney General, with a view to further proceedings being taken with reference to such Declarations."

Ordered, That Mr. Attorney General be directed to prosecute *Edward Auchmuty Glover*, Esquire, in respect of the Declarations made and signed by him, under the Act 1 & 2 *Vic.* c. 48.

Ordered, That the proper Officers of this House, and the Short-hand Writer attending this House, have leave to attend and give evidence, and to produce such Papers and Documents as may be required, on the trial of the said *Edward Auchmuty Glover*, Esquire.

Ordered,

East India (Transport of Troops.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of Transports taken up for *India*; specifying whether Steamers or Sailing Vessels; their Tonnage; if Steamers, their Horse-power; the Number of Men each carried; Rate of Passage Money; the Date of Sailing, and the Date of Arrival, as far as is known.

Public Petitions.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to whom shall be referred all Petitions presented to the House, with the exception of such as complain of undue Returns, or relate to Private Bills; and that such Committee do classify and prepare Abstracts of the same, in such form and manner as shall appear to them best suited to convey to the House all requisite information respecting their contents, and do report the same from time to time to the House; and that such Reports do in all cases set forth the number of signatures to each Petition:—And that such Committee have power to direct the printing *in extenso* of such Petitions, or of such parts of Petitions, as shall appear to require it:—And that such Committee have power to report their opinion and observations thereupon to the House:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. *Bonham-Carter*, Mr. *Thornely*, Mr. *Scott*, Mr. *Adderley*, Mr. *Owen Stanley*, Mr. *Henry Austin Bruce*, Mr. *Gregson*, Mr. *De Vere*, Mr. *Wise*, Mr. *Dillwyn*, Mr. *Charles Forster*, Mr. *Gard*, Mr. *Davison*, Mr. *Woods* and Mr. *Taverner John Miller*.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Mayo Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Mayo*, in the room of *George Henry Moore*, Esquire, whose Election has been determined to be void.

Sir Henry Havelock.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to take into consideration Her Majesty's most gracious Message of the 7th day of this instant December, relative to Sir *Henry Havelock*.

(In the Committee.)

Queen's Message read.

Resolved, That the annual sum of One thousand pounds be granted to Her Majesty, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, to be settled upon Major General Sir *Henry Havelock*, Baronet, K. C. B., for the term of his natural life, to commence from the 7th day of December 1857.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Motion, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty;

Queen's Speech referred.

Ordered, That Her Majesty's most gracious Speech to both Houses of Parliament be referred to the Committee.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Queen's Speech read.

Resolved, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Bank Issues Indemnity Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bank Issues Indemnity Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (The restriction on the amount of Securities to be taken in the Issue Department suspended).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 20: To leave out from the word "Act" to the end of the Clause.

Question put, That the words "Provided always, "that if before the expiration of the time," stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Hayter*, Mr. *Brand*: } 100.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Malins*, Mr. *Spooner*: } 18.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

Army Purchase.

Sir *John Ramsden* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Right honourable *Edward Ellice*, M. P., Lieutenant General *Edward Buckley Wyniard*, C. B., and Major General Sir *Henry John Bentinck*, K. C. B., three of the Army Purchase Commissioners.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Mercurii, 9° die Decembris;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1857.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions.

A PUBLIC Petition was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *James Brown* have leave of absence for a week, on account of ill health.

Sir Henry Havelock.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee to whom it was referred to consider Her Majesty's most gracious Message of the 7th day of this instant December, relative to Sir *Henry Havelock*, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the annual sum of One thousand pounds be granted to Her Majesty, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, to be settled upon Major General Sir *Henry Havelock*, Baronet, K. C. B., for the term of his natural life, to commence from the 7th day of December 1857.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that Mr. *FitzRoy*, the Chancellor of the Exchequer and Viscount *Palmerston* do prepare, and bring it in.

Supply.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee to whom it was referred to consider the Motion, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

The said Resolution being read a second time;

Resolved, Nemine Contradicente, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

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

Navy and Army.

Ordered, That an Estimate of the Charge for Naval Services, to the 31st day of March 1859, be laid before this House.

Ordered, That an Estimate of the Charge for Army Services, to the 31st day of March 1859, be laid before this House.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions to the proper Officers to lay before this House the said Estimates.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Bank Issues Indemnity Bill.

The Bank Issues Indemnity Bill was, according to Order, read the third time; and verbal Amendments were made to the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Sir Henry Havelock's Annuity Bill. Bill 3.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill to settle an Annuity on Sir *Henry Havelock,* Baronet, in consideration of his eminent Services: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Library of the House.

Ordered, That a Standing Committee of Sixteen Members be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library, and to whom shall be referred all matters relating thereto:—And a Committee was appointed of Colonel *Wilson Patten,* Lord *John Russell,* the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. *Napier,* Sir *James Graham,* Mr. *Disraeli,* Mr. *Walpole,* Mr. *Baines,* The Lord Advocate, Mr. *Sidney Herbert,* Lord *Naas,* Lord *Harry Vane,* Mr. *Monckton Milnes,* Sir *William Heathcote,* Mr. *Bramston* and Mr. *Massey.*

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

East India (Mutinies.)

Mr. *Seymour* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Further Papers (No. 5) relative to the Mutinies in the *East Indies.*

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 10 *die Decembris;*

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1857.

Cashel Election.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had this day received a Report from the Examiner of Recognizances, stating that the Recognizance to the Petition of *John Joseph Scully,* complaining that general and extensive Bribery prevailed at the last Election for the Borough of *Cashel,* is unobjectionable.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide First Report.

Metropolitan Drainage. No. 13.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Letter from the Metropolitan Board of Works to the Right honourable Sir *Benjamin Hall,* Baronet, M. P., First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works, Parks, Palaces and Public Buildings, containing objections to the Plan for the Main Drainage of the Metropolis suggested in the Report, dated the 31st day of July 1857, of Captain *Douglas Galton,* R. E., *James Simpson,* Esquire, C. E., and *Thomas E. Blackwell,* Esquire, C. E., the Referees appointed by the First Commissioner to consider the Question of the Main Drainage:—And, of a Letter from the Referees to the Right honourable Sir *Benjamin Hall,* Baronet, M. P., First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works, Parks, Palaces and Public Buildings, in reply to those objections (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 233, of Session 2, 1857).

Sir *Benjamin Hall* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Land Transport Corps.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Instructions given by the War Department to the Board appointed to investigate the Claims preferred by Men who served as Non-commissioned Officers, Artificers or Privates in the late Land Transport Corps, together with the Names of the Officers or others constituting the said Board.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

East India (Conveyance of Troops.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of all Correspondence that has taken place with reference to the Conveyance of Troops to *India* by way of *Egypt,* either between Her Majesty's Government and the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company, or between Her Majesty's Government or the Court of Directors and the Peninsular and Oriental, the *European* and *American,* or other Steam Packet Companies.

Poor Rate Assessments, &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Summaries of the Return to an Address, dated the 7th day of July 1851, respecting Poor Rate Assessments, under the following Heads:—For each County, or Parliamentary Division of a County, exclusive of every Parliamentary Borough and City; for each Parliamentary Borough and City; for each Town not returning Members to Parliament, containing, by the Census of 1851, upwards of 2,000 Inhabitants; the Summaries for the Cities, Boroughs and Towns being grouped under the County or Division of a County within which they are respectively situate.

Galway Town Election.

Mr. *Massey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Commissioners appointed to investigate into the existence of Corrupt Practices in Elections of Members to serve in Parliament for the County of the Town of *Galway,* together with the Minutes of Evidence.

Agricultural Statistics (Ireland)

General Abstracts showing the Acreage under the several Crops, and the Number of Live Stock in each County and Province in *Ireland,* for the year 1857.

Public Parks.

Mr. *Massey* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing the Amount of Public Money expended in the Purchase and Formation of Public Parks, Public Walks and Recreation Grounds in large Towns and populous Places in *Great Britain* and *Ireland* since the year 1840, specifying the Sums granted by Government for such purpose at each Town or Place, and the Fund from whence such Grant was made.

Australian Postal Service.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for Copy of any Contract entered into with the *European* and *Columbian* Steam Company, or the

the *European* and *Australian* Royal Mail Company, in pursuance of a Tender bearing date the 11th day of June 1856, and signed by *John Orr Ewing*, for conveying the *Australian* Mails from *England* to *Melbourne viâ Southampton, Alexandria* and *Suez*: —Returns setting forth the Number of Days occupied in each Voyage Out and Home, separating the portions of the Route between *Southampton* and *Alexandria* from that between *Suez* and *Melbourne*; also, a List of Penalties incurred by reason of Non-arrival according to Contract, and the Amount (if any) already levied or deducted from the Contractors' Remuneration:—Of the Names, Tonnage and Horse-power of all Vessels employed by virtue of said Contract in the *Australian* Postal Service:—And, Copies of all Communications between the Treasury, the Directors of the *European* and *Australian* Royal Mail Company, and of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, with the view of amalgamating said Companies, to enable them to continue the Mail Service to *Australia* and the *West Indies* as one Company, and the Terms proposed by the Government or the said united Company for performance of the Postal Services now performed by those Companies separately.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

East India (Revenue.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to *East India* (Revenue.)

Postage.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Treasury Warrants, establishing Rates of Postage.

Military Prisons.

Sir *John Ramsden* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Discipline and Management of the Military Prisons, 1856, by Colonel *Jebb*, C. B., Inspector-General of Military Prisons.

Flogging (Army.)

Sir *John Ramsden* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 28th day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Number of Persons Flogged in the Army of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in the year 1856; specifying the Offence, the Regiments, the Place of Station, the Time, the Sentence, and the Number of Lashes inflicted on each Person (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 294, of Session 1854).

Netley Hospital.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 31st day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for Copies of Reports from Dr. *Mapleton* and Captain *Laffan*, on the 12th day of March 1855, as to the Site between *Fort Monckton* and Harbour, on the *Gosport* side of *Portsmouth* Harbour:—Of Reports from Sir *Frederick Smith* and Dr. *Mapleton*, as to *Porchester* Castle:—Of Report from Dr. *Andrew Smith*, on the Site of *Netley*, May 1856:—And, of Reports from Dr. *Mapleton* and Captain *Ross*, R. E., on *Herstmonceaux* and *Appuldevrant*.

Army Chaplains (Crimea.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 25th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Nominal Return of the Chaplains attached to the Army in the *Crimea*, with the Dates of their Appointments; specifying the Number commissioned, and the Number still employed who have not been commissioned.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

East India (Additional Troops.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of any Recommendation or Despatches, during the Governor Generalship of *India* by the Marquis of *Dalhousie*, received by the Court of Directors or by the President of the Board of Control from the Supreme Government or Commander-in-Chief in *India*, for an increase of *European* Troops, subsequent to the acquisition of the *Punjaub, Pegu, Nagpore, Oude, Sattara, Jhansi, Berar*, or other Districts, and the Replies to the same; and also, of any Paper showing the Number of additional Troops sent.

Engineers Watt and Park.

Viscount *Palmerston* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Paper relative to the Imprisonment of the Engineers, *Watt* and *Park*, at *Salerno*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cayley* have leave of absence for a week, on account of illness in his family.

Oaths.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Oaths of Allegiance, Supremacy, and Abjuration; and also to consider the Disabilities affecting Her Majesty's Jewish Subjects:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to substitute one Oath for the Oaths of Allegiance, Supremacy, and Abjuration, and for the Relief of Her Majesty's Subjects professing the Jewish Religion.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *FitzRoy* accordingly reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to substitute one Oath for the Oaths of Allegiance, Supremacy, and Abjuration; and for the Relief of Her Majesty's Subjects professing the Jewish Religion:—And he moved the House accordingly.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. *FitzRoy*, *Lord John Russell*, and Mr. *John Abel Smith* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Health Act (1848) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Public Health Act (1848), and to make further Provision for Town Improvement: And that Mr. *Cowper* and Mr. *Massey* do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir Henry Havelock's Annuity Bill.

Sir *Henry Havelock*'s Annuity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Oaths Bill. Bill 4.

Mr. *FitzRoy* presented a Bill to substitute one Oath for the Oaths of Allegiance, Supremacy, and Abjuration; and for the Relief of Her Majesty's Subjects professing the Jewish Religion: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of February next; and to be printed.

Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill. Bill 5.

Mr. *Cowper* presented a Bill to amend the Public Health Act (1848), and to make further Provision for Town Improvement: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Veneris, 11° *die Decembris*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1857.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions (First Report.)

MR. *Bonham-Carter* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 4th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th days of this instant December; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Second Report.

Decimal Coinage.

Mr. *Massey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Questions communicated by Lord *Overstone* to the Decimal Coinage Commissioners; with Answers.

Lunatics.

Mr. *Massey* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns of the Date and Number of Days on which the Board of Visitors of Lunatics assembled between the 1st day of January 1856 and the 1st day of January 1857, and the Names of Visitors of Lunatics present at the Board on each day of Meeting:—Of the Number of Lunatics found so by Inquisition, and living on the 1st day of January 1856:—Similar Return on the 1st day of January 1857:—Returns of the Number of Lunatics actually visited by the Medical Visitors, between the 1st day of January 1856 and the 1st day of January 1857:—And, of the Number of Inquisitions which have been superseded in the respective years, 1854, 1855 and 1856.

Poor Relief (Ireland.)

Mr. *Massey* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Five General Orders issued by the Poor Law Commissioners in *Ireland*.

Police (Counties and Boroughs.)

Copy of Reports of the Inspectors of Police in Counties and Boroughs appointed under the Statute 19 & 20 *Vic.* c. 69, for the year ended the 29th September 1857.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Freight of Specie. No. 14.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Freight of Specie, which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant December, be printed.

Public Parks. No. 15.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Public Parks, which was presented upon the 10th day of this instant December, be printed.

East India (Revenue.) No. 16.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Revenue), which was presented upon the 10th day of this instant December, be printed.

Flogging (Army.) No. 17.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Flogging (Army), which was presented upon the 10th day of this instant December, be printed.

Netley Hospital. No. 18.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Netley* Hospital, which was presented upon the 10th day of this instant December, be printed.

Whitehaven Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Whitehaven*, in the room of *Robert Charles Hildyard*, Esquire, deceased.

East India (Missionaries.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of Despatch from the Court of Directors to the Governor General in Council, sent in the Months of April or May 1847 or thereabouts, directing the issue of Orders to all Public Officers, forbidding the support or countenance on their part of Missionary efforts:—Of the Despatch from the Government of *India*, or other Communication, with all Papers referred to therein, in reply to such Despatch, and objecting to the Promulgation of these Orders, and for the further Reply from the Court:——

East India (Idolatry.)

——Copies or Extracts of Communications in relation to the connection of the Government of *British India* with Idolatry and Mahomedanism (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 276, of Session 1851):

East India (Education.)

——And, Copies of Correspondence with the *Indian* Government, showing the progress of the Measures adopted for carrying out the Education Despatch of July 19, 1854 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 393, of Session 1854).

East India (Despatch of Troops.)

Mr. Secretary *Labouchere* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence on the subject of the despatch of Troops to *India* from the Colonies of the *Cape of Good Hope*, *Ceylon* and *Mauritius*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Controverted Elections.

The Right honourable Sir *Francis Thornhill Baring*, Baronet, the Right honourable *Spencer Horatio Walpole*, Sir *William Heathcote*, Baronet, and *John Bonham-Carter*, Esquire, being four of the Members appointed by Mr. Speaker to serve on the General Committee of Elections, and not objected to by the House, were sworn at the Table by the Clerk.

Exports and Imports.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Declared Value of the various Articles of *British* Produce and Manufactures exported to the *East India* Company's Territories and *Ceylon* from 1853 to 1857, inclusive, and of the Quantities of Commodities of the Growth and Manufacture of the *East India* Company's Territories, and of the Quantities cleared for Home Consumption, and the Rate of Duty on each Article; also, the Number of Ships, with their Tonnage, distinguishing *British* from Foreign, that have entered and cleared for the *East India* Company's Territories from the United Kingdom during the same period:—And, similar Return for *China* (in part continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 15, of Session 1854).

East India (Transport of Troops, &c.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of Ships, and whether Sailing or Steam, which have proceeded with Troops to *India*, between the 1st day of June and the 1st day of December 1857:—Of Chaplains of the Church of *England*, or of any other Denomination, who went on board of them:—Of the Chaplains, of the Church or any other Denomination, serving with Troops at Stations in *India*; specifying what Stations, and what Number of Troops at the Station on the 1st day of December:—And, of Troops serving in the Field on the same day; and of Chaplains of the Church of *England*, and any other Denomination, serving with them.

Statute Law Commission.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Minutes of Proceedings of the Commission since the 27th day of June 1855; in continuation of the Minutes and Proceedings printed in the Report of the Statute Law Commissioners in 1855.

Common Law (Judicial Business) Commission.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Letter addressed by the Secretary of State for the Home Department to Lord *Campbell*, and the Common Law (Judicial Business) Commissioners, on the subject of their Report of the 31st day of July last.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Ordered,

River Thames. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the recent Report of Mr. *Gurney* to the First Commissioner of Works, on the state of the *Thames* in the Neighbourhood of the Houses of Parliament.

Sir *Benjamin Hall* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

London and Dublin Communication. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Contract between the Government and the *London* and North Western Railway Company and other Companies, for the improved Postal and Passenger Communication between *London* and *Dublin*.

China. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Instructions from the Secretary of State for War to the Military Auditor attached to Her Majesty's Forces in *China*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Leave of Absence. *Ordered*, That Mr. *Greenwood* have leave of absence for a week, on account of ill health.

Medical Charities (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Medical Charities (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 5th day of February next.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 5th day of February next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sir Henry Havelock's Annuity Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Sir *Henry Havelock*'s Annuity Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 4th day of February next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 4th day of February next.

Bank Acts. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the operation of the Bank Act of 1844 (7 & 8 *Vic.* c. 32), and of the Bank Acts for *Ireland* and *Scotland* of 1845 (8 & 9 *Vic.* c. 37 & 38);

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, no further inquiry is "necessary into the operation of the Bank Act of "1844 (7 & 8 *Vic.* c 32)" instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 12° *die Decembris*, 1857:

And the Question being put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Hayter*, Mr. *Brand:*	295.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	117.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the operation of the Bank Act of 1844 (7 & 8 *Vic.* c. 32), and of the Bank Acts for *Ireland* and *Scotland* of 1845 (8 & 9 *Vic.* c. 37 and 38).

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee to inquire into the causes of the recent Commercial Distress, and to investigate how far it has been affected by the Laws for regulating the issue of Bank Notes payable on demand.

Message from the Lords. Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Bank Issues Indemnity Bill. The Lords have agreed to the Bank Issues Indemnity Bill, without any Amendment.

Wexford Free Bridge. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Amount of all Monies received by the Trustees of the *Wexford* Free Bridge, appointed under the *Wexford* Bridge Acts of 1847 and 1851, to the 1st day of September 1857; specifying the Sums received from the County of *Wexford*, the Townlands named in the Act of 1851, the Borough of *Wexford*, and the *Wexford* Harbour Improvement Company respectively; and distinguishing the Sums received for Principal and Interest:—And, Account of all Sums expended by the Trustees for Parliamentary Expenses of the Acts of 1847 and 1851; for the Purchase of the Old Bridge; for Office Expenses, Salaries and Management; for Works executed, or Lands purchased for Approaches; for the application to Parliament for an Act in 1857, and the Balance, if any, due for such application; the Amount due to the Law Agents, Engineer, or other Officers of the Trustees; and the Amount of all outstanding Contracts for the erection of the Bridge.

Newspapers. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of all Correspondence with the Board of Inland Revenue on the subject of the Registration of Newspapers, and of Securities on the Publication of Newspapers and Pamphlets, since June 1855; and of Prosecutions for alleged violation of the Laws relating to Registration and Security.

Paper Duties. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Returns of every Head of Exemption or Drawback allowed from the Paper Duties:—Of the application for such Exemption or Drawback:—And, of the Minute or Letter stating the Grounds of such Exemption or Drawback.

Divine Service (Army.) *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return (in continuation of the Return, No. 702, 1853), showing the Distribution of the Sums that have since been voted in the Army Estimates for Allowances to Officiating Clergymen for performing Divine Service to the Military at Home and Abroad; stating the Religious Denomination to which each Clergyman belonged; the Office, Title and Service in virtue of which such Allowance was made; and the Names and Distribution of the Religious Books paid for out of the same Vote.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Elgin District of Burghs Writ. *Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Commissioner to serve in this present Parliament for the *Elgin* District of Burghs, in the room of *George Skene Duff*, Esquire, commonly called the Honourable *George Skene Duff*, who, since his Election for the said District of Burghs, hath

hath accepted the office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's three Chiltern Hundreds of *Stoke*, *Desborough* and *Bonenham*, in the County of *Buckingham*.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Two of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till this day.

Sabbati, 12° *die Decembris*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1857.

PRAYERS.

Buckinghamshire Writ.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Buckingham*, in the room of *Charles Compton Cavendish*, Esquire, commonly called the Honourable *Charles Compton Cavendish*, who, since his Election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of *Northstead*, in the County of *York*.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Thursday the 4th day of February next:——

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by Mr. *Pulman*, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to an Act agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the Act therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Act, as followeth:

Bank Issues Indemnity Bill.

An Act to indemnify the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* in respect of certain Issues of their Notes, and to confirm such Issues, and to authorize further Issues for a Time to be limited.

Adjournment.

And the Question being put, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Thursday the 4th day of February next:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Second Report.

East India (Mutiny.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Name or Number of each Regiment and Regular and Irregular Corps in *India* which has mutinied, or manifested a disposition to mutiny, since the 1st day of January 1857; of the Number of Officers and Men present with each Regiment and Corps at the Outbreak of any Mutiny; of the Date of the first intimation received by any Officer of any Regiment or Corps being disposed to mutiny; and of the Date when Information thereof was received by the Governor General of *India*, and, so far as relates to the *Bombay* Army, by the Governor of *Bombay*; also, the Date of the first Order issued by the Commanding Officer of the Regiment or Corps, and by the Governor General or Governor of *Bombay*, for adopting measures for the prevention of such outbreak or suppression of such mutinous disposition.

Roads, &c. (Scotland.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Length of the Roads and Streets within the limits of each Parliamentary Burgh throughout *Scotland* maintained by the Town Council, out of any Burgh Funds or Revenues belonging to them other than Statute Labour or Paving Board Rates levied directly for such purposes; and the yearly Outlay for Roads and Streets during the Average of the last Three years:—Of the Length of Roads and Streets within the limits of each such Parliamentary Burgh maintained out of any Paving Board or other Rates, levied directly for such purposes; the yearly Amount levied; and the yearly Expenditure for such Roads and Streets during the Average of the last Three years; also the maximum Rates leviable under the Local Act, and the Rates actually levied:—Of the Length of the Turnpike Roads and Streets within each such Parliamentary Burgh now maintained by the County Road Trustees; and an Estimate of the probable yearly Cost of maintaining the same:—Of the Length of Roads and Streets within the limits of each such Parliamentary Burgh maintained out of any Statute Labour Assessment; the yearly Cost of such Maintenance; and the yearly Amount of Statute Labour Assessment levied during the Average of the last Three years; also the Maximum Rates leviable under the Local Act, and the Rates actually levied:—Of the yearly Amount levied on Goods, Grain, Cattle, Coal or other Produce, on entering or passing through the Burgh, for the purpose of maintaining any of the Streets and Roads within the limits of each such Parliamentary Burgh under the name of Causeway, Mail, Impost, Custom, Through-Toll, &c., describing the Nature of such Duty, and taking the Average of the last Three years; also the yearly Amount of all the other Dues and Customs leviable on Goods, Cattle and other Produce, entering or passing through the Burgh, and applicable to the general Municipal Expenses of the Burgh:—Of the yearly Amount of Tolls levied by the County Road Trustees at each Bar adjoining or within each such Parliamentary Burgh, and the Cost of collecting the same, including the Annual Rent or Value of the Toll-house, &c., and taking the Average of the last Three years:—Of the Number of Public Bridges for Carriages within the limits of each such Parliamentary Burgh, by whom erected and maintained, and the yearly Cost of their Maintenance, taking the Average of the last Three years:—And, of the yearly Amount of Statute Labour Assessment levied in each County throughout *Scotland*, taking the Average of the last Three years; the Maximum Rates leviable, and the Rates actually levied, and the yearly Amount allocated to Turnpike Roads.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Poor Relief (Scotland.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of any Communications addressed to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, with reference to a Statement by the Board of Supervision for the Relief of the Poor in *Scotland*, dated the 9th day of July 1857.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

East India (Steam Ship "Austria.")

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Reports of the *East India* Company's Surveyors upon the Screw Steam Ship "*Austria*," upon which she was engaged for the Conveyance of Troops

Troops to *India*; together with Copy of the Ship's Register.

Property Tax and Population, &c.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return, in continuation of, and to Supplement, the Return No. 317, of last Session of Parliament, showing, in Columns, the Annual Value of all the Real Property, including Railways and Canals, rated under Schedule (A), for the year ending the 5th day of April 1857, in each County or Parliamentary Borough in the United Kingdom; the Population of each, according to the Census of 1851; the present Number of Parliamentary Voters in each; the Number of Members of Parliament returned by each; the Amount payable for the year ending the 5th day of April 1857, under Schedule (A), in each; the Amount payable under the other Schedules of the Act, in each; the Amount payable for the Tax on Inhabited Houses in each; the Amount payable for Licenses of all kinds in each; the Amount payable for Assessed Taxes of all other kinds in each; the Amount payable for Land Tax in each; and the aggregate Total Amount payable in each, for direct Public Taxes of every kind.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Houses, &c. (Boroughs.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return, for the year 1857, showing, in Columns, the Number of Houses, Shops, Warehouses and other Buildings in each Borough in the United Kingdom, of the yearly Rent or Value of £. 10, and upwards; the Number of Parliamentary Voters in each; the Number of Members of Parliament returned by each; the Number of Houses, Shops, Warehouses and other Buildings, of the yearly Rent or Value of £. 5 and under £. 10; the Number at £. 4 and under £. 5; the Number at £. 3 and under £. 4; and the Number under £. 3; also, the Number of Houses, Shops, Warehouses and other Buildings, in each Borough, charged with Poor Rates, and the Number not so charged; together with the Population of each Borough, according to the Census of 1851.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Copyright (Canada.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return, showing the Title, the Number of Copies imported since the passing of the Act 10 & 11 *Vic.* c. 95, and the Import Price, of each Book upon which *ad valorem* or other Duty has been paid upon the Importation of Foreign Reprints of *British* Copyright Works into *Canada*, under the Provision made in that Colony for protecting the Rights of *British* Authors and Proprietors of *British* Copyright Works, pursuant to the Statute 10 & 11 *Vic.* c. 95.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most houourable Privy Council.

Intoxication (Scotland.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Cases in each of the Burghs in *Scotland* having a Population exceeding 5,000, during each of the last Six years, ending on the 31st day of May in each year respectively, of Persons taken to the Police Office for protection in consequence of having been found drunk in the Streets; of Persons charged in the Police or Burgh Court with being drunk and disorderly; of Persons charged with other Crimes and found drunk when apprehended; and also the Number of Cases which have occurred under each of these heads during the period of Twenty-four hours, from Eight o'clock on the mornings of Sundays to Eight o'clock on the mornings of Mondays, weekly, during each of the Six years:—And, of the Average daily Number of Prisoners during each of the last Six years, ending respectively on the 31st day of May, in each of the Prisons in *Scotland* under the Charge of the Local County Prison Boards, situated within the several Burghs having a Population exceeding 5,000.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Spirits (Scotland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Gallons of *British*, Colonial and Foreign Spirits respectively, distinguishing the same, consumed in *Scotland* for each of the last Six years, ending respectively on the 31st day of May, and continued to the latest convenient date after the 31st day of May last:—And, of the Number of Gallons of *British* Spirits manufactured in *Scotland*, and sent to *England* for Consumption there, in so far as the same can be ascertained, for all or any of these years.

Lighthouse at Godrevy.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the following Communications between the Board of Trade and the Trinity House, relative to the erection of a Lighthouse at *Godrevy*, in *Saint Ives' Bay*:—From the Trinity House, dated July 1855; Report of Deputy Master and Committee of Elder Brethren, dated 3d July 1855; from Board of Trade, September 1855; from Trinity House, 29th September 1855; Extract of Letter of Captain *Williams*, 27th August 1855; Report of Mr. *Walker*, 3d October 1855; from Trinity House, 13th September 1856; Petition from *Saint Ives*, October 1856; from Board of Trade, 28th November 1856; Estimate for Stone Lighthouse on *Godrevy* Island, 4th March 1857; and, Particulars of Tender proposed to be accepted for the same, September or October:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Lighthouse at Godrevy.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of Communications from or to the Board of Trade on the one hand, and the Trinity House or any other person or persons on the other, on the subject of the erection of a Lighthouse on *Godrevy* Island, in *Saint Ives' Bay*, together with their Inclosures.

Australian Postal Service. No. 19.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Australian* Postal Service, which was presented upon the 10th day of this instant December, be printed.

Police (Counties and Boroughs.) No. 20.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Police (Counties and Boroughs), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant December, be printed.

River Thames. No. 21.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the River *Thames*, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant December, be printed.

Land Transport Corps. No. 22.

Sir *John Ramsden* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 10th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to the Land Transport Corps.

China. No. 23.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to *China*.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Common Law (Judicial Business) Commission. No. 24.

Mr. *Massey* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of this instant December, for a Return relative to the Common Law (Judicial Business) Commission.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Controverted Elections.

Ordered, That the Corrected Alphabetical List of Members to serve on Election Committees be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

And then the House adjourned till Thursday the 4th day of February next.

Jovis, 4° *die Februarii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Writ issued in the Recess.

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That, in pursuance of the directions of the Act 24 *Geo.* 3, c. 26, he had issued his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the Election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Reigate*, in the room of *William Hackblock*, Esquire, deceased.

Whitehaven Junction Railway.

A Petition of the *Whitehaven* Junction Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Whitehaven* Junction Railway Company to construct new Branches, to widen their Line, to erect Shipping-places and other Works, to raise a further Sum of Money, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Captain *Lowther* and Mr. *Lyall*.

Whitehaven Harbour.

A Petition of Trustees of the Port, Harbour and Town of *Whitehaven*, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act fifty-sixth King *George* the Third, chapter Forty-four, for improving the Port, Harbour and Town of *Whitehaven*, in the County of *Cumberland*, in relation to the securities to be granted for borrowed money, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Captain *Lowther* and Mr. *Lyall*.

Alyth Railway.

A Petition of Persons thereunto subscribing, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the *Meigle* Station of the *Scottish* North Eastern Railway to the Town of *Alyth*, to be called "The *Alyth* Railway," and for other purposes in relation thereto, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Viscount *Duncan*, Mr. *Stirling* and Sir *John Ogilvy*.

Belfast (Town) Improvement.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of *Belfast*, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Amendment of the Acts for the Improvement of the Borough of *Belfast*, and for confirming things done with a view to the execution of those Acts, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Davison* and Mr. *Cairns*.

Staffordshire Potteries Gas.

A Petition of the *British* Gas-Light Company (Limited), for leave to bring in a Bill for better enabling the *British* Gas-Light Company (Limited), to light with Gas certain parts of the district called the *Staffordshire* Potteries, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Spooner* and Mr. *Crawford*.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 2.)

A Petition of the *London* and North Western Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *London* and North Western Railway Company to acquire additional lands in the Townships of *Manchester* and *Salford*, to widen the Bridge for carrying their Railway over the River *Irwell*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *George Carr Glyn* and Mr. *Mangles*.

South Eastern Railway (Dartford, New Cross, &c.)

A Petition of the South Eastern Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the South Eastern Railway Company to make certain new Railways in connexion with the North *Kent* Railway; and for ensuring facilities and accommodations for the traffic of that Company on other Lines of Railway; and for conferring further Powers on that Company with respect to Steam-vessels, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Rich* and Mr. *Gilpin*.

Banbridge, Lisburn and Belfast Junction Railway.

A Petition of Persons whose names are thereunto annexed, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from *Banbridge* to *Lisburn*, to be called "The *Banbridge*, *Lisburn* and *Belfast* Railway," and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *Edwin Hill* and Colonel *Forde*.

Great Northern and Western (of Ireland) Railway.

A Petition of the Great Northern and Western (of *Ireland*) Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Great Northern and Western (of *Ireland*) Railway Company to make Deviations in their authorized Railways, and to empower the Midland Great Western Railway of *Ireland* Company to acquire Shares in the Undertaking of the Great Northern and Western (of *Ireland*) Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by the Earl of *March* and Lord *Alfred Spencer Churchill*.

Shrewsbury and Welchpool Railway.

A Petition of the *Shrewsbury* and *Welchpool* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the *Shrewsbury* and *Welchpool* Railway Company to make a Deviation and a short Line of Railway near *Shrewsbury*; and to extend the Powers of the said Company for purchasing lands and completing their Railway, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Colonel *Herbert* and Mr. *Slaney*.

Stoke Fenton and Longton Gas.

A Petition of the there-undersigned, for leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating the *Stoke Fenton* and *Longton* Gas-Light Company, and extending their Powers, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. Alderman *Copeland* and Mr. *Adderley*.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 1.)

A Petition of the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for making better provision with respect to the management of the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *John Potter* and Mr. *Turner*.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Garston to Liverpool.)

A Petition of the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway Company to make a Railway from *Garston* to *Liverpool*, to make arrangements with other Companies, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Milner Gibson* and Mr. *Hadfield*.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Newton to Compstall.)

A Petition of the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway Company to make a Railway from near their *Newton* and *Hyde* Station to the Township of *Marple*, in the Parish of *Stockport*, in the

the County of *Chester*, to be called "The *Newton* and *Compstall* Branch," and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Milner Gibson* and Mr. *Hadfield*.

Shoreham, Horsham and Dorking Railway.

A Petition of Promoters of the *Shoreham, Horsham* and *Dorking* Railway, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from *Shoreham* to *Horsham*, with a Branch thereout, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Charles Burrell* and Lord *Alexander Lennox*.

South Wales Railway (further Powers, &c.)

A Petition of the South *Wales* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the South *Wales* Railway Company to complete their *Pembroke* Line; to make new Lines to *Pembroke* Dock; to acquire additional lands at *Newport*; and to abandon a portion of their authorised Line to *Pennar Mouth*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Talbot* and Mr. *Henry Austin Bruce*.

South Wales Railway (New Railway, &c.)

A Petition of the South *Wales* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the South *Wales* Railway Company to make a new Line of Railway to *Pembroke* Dock, to acquire additional lands at *Newport*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Talbot* and Mr. *Henry Austin Bruce*.

Stockton and Darlington Railway (Durham Lines.)

A Petition of the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway Company to make new Railways in the County of *Durham*, in connexion with the *Wear* Valley and *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railways; to acquire additional lands, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *Harry Vane* and Mr. *Pease*.

Wexford Harbour Embankment.

A Petition of the *Wexford* Harbour Embankment Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the *Wexford* Harbour Embankment Company to alter the number of their Shares, and to issue Preference Shares in lieu of unissued Shares, and to make new Provisions with respect to contributions by the Company towards the construction of the *Wexford* Free Bridge, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Grogan* and Mr. *Alexander*.

Portsmouth Railway.

A Petition of the *Portsmouth* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the *Portsmouth* Railway Company to extend their Railway from *Havant* to *Hilsea*, to acquire additional lands, to use a portion of the *London* and South Western, and *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railways, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Bonham-Carter* and Mr. *Mangles*.

Sculcoates and Kingston-upon-Hull Gas.

A Petition of the *British* Gas-Light Company (Limited), for leave to bring in a Bill for better enabling the *British* Gas-Light Company (Limited) to light with Gas certain parts of the Town or Borough of *Kingston-upon-Hull*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *James Duke* and Mr. *Spooner*.

Bradford Corporation Water.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of *Bradford*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, for leave to bring in a Bill for extending the Limits of the *Bradford* Waterworks, and for authorizing the construction of new and altered Works, and for empowering the Corporation of *Bradford* to borrow a further Sum of Money, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by General *Thompson* and Mr. *Wickham*.

Eden Valley Railway.

A Petition of Subscribers to and Promoters of the Undertaking or Company thereinafter referred to, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the making of a Railway from the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway at or near *Clifton*, to the South *Durham* and *Lancashire* Union Railway at or near *Kirkby Stephen*, all in the County of *Westmoreland*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by the Earl of *Bective*, Mr. *Charles Howard*, Mr. *George Carr Glyn* and Mr. *Pease*.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire, and Great Northern Railway Companies.

A Petition of the *Manchester, Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* and Great Northern Railway Companies, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Great Northern and the *Manchester, Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway Companies to work in common, and for certain other purposes relating to the Great Northern Railway, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *Worsley* and Mr. *Edmund Denison*.

Nottingham Gas.

A Petition of the *Nottingham* Gas-Light and Coke Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Nottingham* Gas-Light and Coke Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to afford a supply of Gas to places in the neighbourhood of *Nottingham*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Walter* and Mr. *Barrow*.

Trent Navigation.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the River *Trent* Navigation, for leave to bring in a Bill for more effectually maintaining the Navigation of the River *Trent*, from *Wilden Ferry*, in the Counties of *Derby* and *Leicester*, or one of them, to *Gainsborough*, in the County of *Lincoln*, and other Works connected therewith, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Barrow* and Mr. *Handley*.

Sunderland Dock.

A Petition of the *Sunderland* Dock Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Sunderland* Dock Company to extend their Works and raise further Sums of Money; to authorize certain arrangements between that Company and the Commissioners of the River *Wear*; to amend the Acts relating thereto, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Hudson* and Mr. *Fenwick*.

Newport (Salop) Markets, Town Hall, &c.

A Petition of Holders of Shares in the Company thereinafter-mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill for providing a Market-house and Market-place, and other buildings for public accommodation, at the Town of *Newport*, in the County of *Salop*, and for establishing and regulating Markets and Fairs there; and for opening a New Street and widening other Streets, and otherwise improving the Town, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by the Marquis of *Stafford*, Mr. *Hill* and Mr. *Pritchard*.

Fife and Kinross and Kinross-shire Railways.

A Petition of the *Fife* and *Kinross* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for the formation of a Junction between the *Fife* and *Kinross* and *Kinross-shire* Railways, and the construction of a Joint Station at *Kinross*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Viscount *Melgund* and Sir *Graham Montgomery*.

Edinburgh Life Assurance Company.

A Petition of the *Edinburgh* Life Assurance Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for conferring additional Powers and Privileges on the *Edinburgh* Life Assurance Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *Alfred Paget* and Sir *Graham Montgomery*.

Tay Fisheries.

A Petition of Proprietors of Salmon Fisheries in the River *Tay* and its Tributaries, for leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the annual Close time for Salmon Fisheries in the River *Tay* and its Tributaries, and on the Sea Coasts adjoining, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Stirling* and Mr. *Kinnaird*.

Blyth Harbour and Dock.

A Petition of the *Blyth* Harbour and Dock Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the *Blyth* Harbour and Dock Act, 1854, and to regulate the Company constituted thereby, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Beaumont* and Mr. *Liddell*.

Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway.

A Petition of the *Oxford, Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers upon the *Oxford, Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway Company with respect to the completion, alteration or abandonment of certain of their Branch Railways, and to authorize certain arrangements with respect to their Share Capital, and the purchase of the *Stratford-upon-Avon* Canal, and to amend the Acts relating to the Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *John Pakington* and Colonel *Rushout*.

Lancashire and Yorkshire and East Lancashire Railway Companies.

A Petition of the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Company, and of the East *Lancashire* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for the amalgamation of the East *Lancashire* Railway Company with the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Company, and to make further Provisions for the purchase of the *Sheffield, Rotherham, Barnsley, Wakefield, Huddersfield* and *Goole* Railway, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *William Brown*, Mr. *Cheetham* and Mr. *Wickham*.

Malvern Improvement.

A Petition of Commissioners under the *Malvern* Improvement Act, 1851, for leave to bring in a Bill for granting further Powers to the *Malvern* Improvement Commissioners, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *John Hodgetts Foley* and Viscount *Elmley*.

Saint Andrew's and Quebec Railroad Company (Class A. Shareholders) and New Brunswick and Canada Railway and Land Company.

A Petition of the *New Brunswick* and *Canada* Railway and Land Company (Limited), and of the Class A. Shareholders of the *St. Andrew's* and *Quebec* Railroad Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to merge in the *New Brunswick* and *Canada* Railway and Land Company (Limited), and the Class A. Shareholders of the *Saint Andrew's* and *Quebec* Railroad Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Crawshay Bailey* and Mr. *Wickham*.

Bury and Radcliffe Water.

A Petition of the *Bury* and *Radcliffe* Waterworks Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Bury* and *Radcliffe* Waterworks Company to raise further Sums of Money, and to amend the Act relating to the Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Robert Needham Philips* and Mr. *Cheetham*.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Station at Manchester.)

A Petition of the *Manchester, Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway (Station at *Manchester*) Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the Partition of the *London* Road Station at *Manchester*, and for the better management of certain portions of the said Station, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *Worsley* and Mr. *Milner Gibson*.

Formartine and Buchan Railway.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of Property on the Line and in the Neighbourhood of the Railway thereinafter-mentioned, or Subscribers for carrying the same into execution, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the Great North of *Scotland* Railway to *Old Deer*, and thence to *Peterhead* and *Fraserburgh*, with a Branch to *Ellon*, all in the County of *Aberdeen*, to be called "The *Formartine* and *Buchan* Railway," was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *Haddo* and Sir *James Elphinstone*.

Vauxhall Bridge Road.

A Petition of the *Vauxhall* Bridge Company, and of the Board of Works for the *Westminster* Districts, and of Owners or Occupiers of Property on or near to Roads belonging to the *Vauxhall* Bridge Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for repealing so much of the several Acts for building *Vauxhall* Bridge, and for making convenient Roads thereto, as relate to such Roads, and for transferring the maintenance and repair of such Roads to the respective Vestries and District Board in which they are situate, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *John Villiers Shelley*, Mr. *Hanbury* and Mr. *Taverner John Miller*.

Victoria Station and Pimlico Railway.

A Petition of Promoters of the Undertaking thereinafter-mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction of a Station near *Victoria-street, Pimlico*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and of a Railway to connect the same with the West *London* and Crystal Palace Railway at *Battersea*, in the County of *Surrey*, in order to afford improved communication between certain of the Railways South of the *Thames* and the Western Districts of the Metropolis, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *John Villiers Shelley* and Mr. *Locke King*.

Waveney Valley Railway.

A Petition of the *Waveney* Valley Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Waveney* Valley Railway Company to alter their Line between *Bungay* and *Beccles*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Cobbold* and Mr. *Cayley*.

Saint Helen's Canal and Railway.

A Petition of the *Saint Helen's* Canal and Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Saint Helen's* Canal and Railway Company to extend their Railway from *Garston to Liverpool*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Greenall* and Mr. *Cross*.

Warrington and Stockport Railway.

A Petition of the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway Company, of the *Manchester, Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway Company, and of the *Saint Helen's* Canal and Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to transfer the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway to certain other Companies, and to extend the time granted for the completion of the same Railway, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Greenall* and Mr. *Cross*.

East Kent Railway (Dover Extension.)

A Petition of the East *Kent* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the East *Kent* Railway (Extension to *Dover*), was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Brooke Bridges* and Sir *Robert Carden*.

A Petition

Chester Gas. A Petition of the *Chester* United Gas Company (Limited), for leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Chester* United Gas Company, and to confer upon them further Powers for the supply of Gas to the City and Borough of *Chester* and the Suburbs thereof, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Philip Egerton* and Mr. *John Tollemache*.

Aberdare Water. A Petition of Suitors for a Bill for effecting the object thereinafter mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill for better supplying with Water the Town and Parish of *Aberdare*, in the County of *Glamorgan*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Henry Austin Bruce* and Mr. *Henry Hussey Vivian*.

Birmingham Canal Navigations. A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the *Birmingham* Canal Navigations, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the Company of Proprietors of the *Birmingham* Canal Navigations to raise further Money, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Scholefield* and Mr. *William Orme Foster*.

East Kent Railway (Western Extension.) A Petition of the East *Kent* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the East *Kent* Railway Company to extend their Railway from *Strood* to join the Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary's Cray*), and for other purposes connected with their Undertaking, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Brooke Bridges* and Sir *Robert Carden*.

Eastern Steam Navigation Company. A Petition of the Eastern Steam Navigation Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the Eastern Steam Navigation Company to extend their Powers of Trading, to increase their Capital, and to alter and amend their Charter and Deed of Settlement, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Henry Berkeley* and Mr. *Campbell*.

Merthyr Tydfil Water. A Petition of the Local Board of Health for the District of *Merthyr Tydfil*, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer upon the Local Board of Health for the District of *Merthyr Tydfil* further Powers, with reference to the Supply of Water, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Henry Austin Bruce* and Mr. *Henry Hussey Vivian*.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (New Works.) A Petition of Trustees of the *Liverpool* Docks and of Merchants and Dock Ratepayers, in the Town of *Liverpool*, and of Members of the Dock Committee, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour Board to construct certain Works at *Birkenhead*, in substitution for and in addition to those already authorized, and to construct a Sea Wall and other Works at the North end of the *Liverpool* Docks, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Horsfall* and Mr. *Joseph Ewart*.

Cheltenham Water. A Petition of the *Cheltenham* Waterworks Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the *Cheltenham* Waterworks Company to raise a further Sum of Money, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Colonel *Berkeley* and Sir *William Codrington*.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts.) A Petition of Trustees of the *Liverpool* Docks and of Merchants and Dock Ratepayers in the Town of *Liverpool*, and of Members of the Dock Committee, for leave to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Provisions of the several Acts relating to the *Liverpool* and *Birkenhead* Docks and the Port and Harbour of *Liverpool*, and for other purposes connected therewith, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Horsfall* and Mr. *Joseph Ewart*.

Exeter and Exmouth Railway. A Petition of the *Exeter* and *Exmouth* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for authorizing the abandonment of part of the authorized Line of the *Exeter* and *Exmouth* Railway, and the making, instead of the part so abandoned, of an Extension of the Main Line of the Railway, and for reducing and regulating the Capital and borrowing Powers of the *Exeter* and *Exmouth* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Divett* and Mr. *Gard*.

London Dock Company. A Petition of the *London* Dock Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *London* Dock Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to augment their Capital Stock, and for other purposes connected with their Docks, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. Alderman *Cubitt* and Mr. *Bagshaw*.

Royal Mail Steam Packet and European and Australian Royal Mail Companies. A Petition of the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, and of the *European* and *Australian* Royal Mail Company (Limited), for leave to bring in a Bill for making better Provision for the due and punctual performance of Contracts with Her Majesty's Government by the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company and the *European* and *Australian* Royal Mail Company (Limited), respectively, for the conveyance of Mails from *Great Britain* to the *West Indies* and the *Brazils*, and *Australia* and elsewhere; and in order thereto, for amalgamating those Companies, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Captain *Mangles*, Mr. *Buchanan* and Mr. *Blackburn*.

Dundalk and Enniskillen Railway. A Petition of the *Dundalk* and *Enniskillen* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Dundalk* and *Enniskillen* Railway Company to raise further Money, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Chichester Fortescue* and Mr. *Bowyer*.

Carlisle, Langholm and Hawick Railway. A Petition of Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, and of the *Caledonian* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the *Caledonian* Railway near *Mossband* in *Cumberland*, to the North British Railway at *Hawick*, with Branches to *Gretna* Junction Station and to *Canobie* Colliery, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by the Earl of *Dalkeith*, Mr. *Hope Johnstone* and Mr. *Buchanan*.

Peniston, Thurlstone and Oxspring Gas. A Petition of Persons thereunto subscribing, for leave to bring in a Bill for supplying and lighting with Gas the several Townships of *Peniston*, *Thurlstone* and *Oxspring*, and Places adjacent, all in the Parish of *Peniston*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Edmund Denison*, Mr. *Milnes* and Mr. *Wrightson*.

Birmingham and Staffordshire Gas. A Petition of the *Birmingham* and *Staffordshire* Gas-Light Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the *Birmingham* and *Staffordshire* Gas-Light Company to raise a further Sum of Money, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Spooner* and Mr. *Scholefield*.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Shoreham to Henfield, &c.)

A Petition of the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company to complete the communication by Railway between *Shoreham, Henfield,* and the Mid-*Sussex* Railway, and for other purposes connected with their Undertaking, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Stockport, Disley and Whaley Bridge Railway.

A Petition of the *Stockport, Disley* and *Whaley* Bridge Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the *Stockport, Disley* and *Whaley* Bridge Railway Company to make a Railway to *Hayfield,* and for other purposes connected with their Undertaking, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Waterford and Kilkenny Railway (Capital.)

A Petition of the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer upon the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway Company facilities for raising Money, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Stockton and Darlington Railway (North Riding Lines.)

A Petition of the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway Company to make new Railways, with a Bridge over the River *Tees* and other Works, in the North Riding of the County of *York* and the County of *Durham,* and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

North British Railway (Hawick and Carlisle Junction Railway.)

A Petition of the North *British* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for authorizing the North *British* Railway Company to make a Railway from their *Hawick* Line to the *Caledonian* Railway near *Carlisle,* with divers Branches therefrom, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Llanelly Harbour.

A Petition of Commissioners of *Llanelly* Harbour, in the County of *Carmarthen,* for leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Acts for the Improvement of the Navigation of the Rivers *Burry, Loughor* and *Lliedi,* in the Counties of *Carmarthen* and *Glamorgan,* and to improve the Harbour of *Llanelly* in the said County of *Carmarthen,* was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Pugh* (*Carmarthenshire*) and Mr. *Morris.*

Midland Great Western Railway of Ireland.

A Petition of the Midland Great Western Railway of *Ireland* Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Midland Great Western Railway of *Ireland* Company to make an alteration in the Line of their *Streamstown* and *Clara* Junction Railway, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Ennis* and Sir *Timothy O'Brien.*

Norwich Gas.

A Petition of the *British* Gas-Light Company (Limited), for leave to bring in a Bill for better enabling the *British* Gas-Light Company (Limited), to light with Gas the City of *Norwich* and Suburbs thereof; to dissolve the *Norwich* Gas-Light Company; and to repeal the Acts relating thereto, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Viscount *Bury* and Mr. *Schneider.*

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Second Report.

Limerick City Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland,* to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Limerick,* in the room of *James O'Brien,* Esquire, Serjeant-at-Law, who, since his Election for the said City, hath accepted the Office of one of the Justices of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench in *Ireland.*

Westminster New Palace.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Letter, dated the 11th day of January 1858, and addressed to the Treasury by the First Commissioner of Works, in relation to the Expenditure upon the New Palace of *Westminster*:—Of the Answer thereto, dated the 20th day of January 1858:—And, of the Correspondence which has passed between the First Commissioner and Sir *Charles Barry,* and which was annexed to the First Commissioner's Letter, dated the 11th day of January 1858.

Metropolitan Drainage. No. 25.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Communication from the Metropolitan Board of Works to the First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works, &c., requesting further information relative to the Plan for the Main Drainage of the Metropolis, suggested in the Report, dated the 31st day of July 1857, of Captain *Douglas Galton,* R. E., *James Simpson,* Esquire, C. E., and *Thomas E. Blackwell,* Esquire, C. E., the Referees appointed by the First Commissioner to consider the question of the Main Drainage:—And, of a Letter from the Referees to the First Commissioner, transmitting further information (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 13, of the present Session).

Sir *Benjamin Hall* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

East India (Mutinies). No. 26.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Letter from the Governor-General of *India* in Council to the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company, dated the 11th day of December 1857, No. 144, with its Enclosures, and with the Resolution of the Government of *India,* dated the 31st day of July 1857, to which it refers:—Of a Letter from the Governor-General of *India* in Council to the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company, dated the 24th day of December 1857, No. 154, with its Enclosures:—And, of a Letter from the Governor-General of *India* in Council to the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company, dated the 24th day of December 1857, No. 155, with its Enclosures, relating to the Mutinies in *India.*

Mr. *Vernon Smith* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Princess Royal's Marriage.

Viscount *Palmerston* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Treaty between Her Majesty and the King of *Prussia,* for the Marriage of Her Royal Highness the Princess Royal with His Royal Highness the Prince *Frederick William Nicholas Charles* of *Prussia.* Signed at London, December 18, 1857.

Post-office Arrangements (Sardinia.)

Copy of Convention between Her Majesty and the King of *Sardinia,* relative to Post-office Arrangements. Signed at London, December 12, 1857.

Bessarabia, &c.

Copy of Treaty between *Great Britain, Austria, France, Prussia, Russia, Sardinia* and *Turkey,* relative to the Frontier in *Bessarabia,* the *Isle of Serpents* and the Delta of the *Danube.* Signed at Paris, June 19, 1857.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

A Motion

East India (Transport of Troops.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the measures recently adopted by Her Majesty's Government for the transmission of Troops and Stores to *India*, and to report thereon to this House;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words, "with a view to ascertaining the arrangements "which should be made towards meeting any future "important emergencies involving the security of "our Eastern Dominions."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment and Motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire concerning the measures resorted to, or which were available, and as to the lines of communication adopted, for reinforcing our Army during the pending Revolt in *India*, and to report thereon to this House, with a view to ascertaining the arrangements which should be made towards meeting any future important emergencies involving the security of our Eastern Dominions;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "House" to the end of the Question.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *De Lacy Evans*, Mr. *Roebuck*:	147.
Tellers for the Noes,	Lord *John Russell*, Mr. *Knatchbull-Hugessen*:	78.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire concerning the measures resorted to, or which were available, and as to the lines of communication adopted, for reinforcing our Army during the pending Revolt in *India*, and to report thereon to this House, with a view to ascertaining the arrangements which should be made towards meeting any future important emergencies involving the security of our Eastern Dominions.

Sir Henry Havelock's Annuity Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Sir *Henry Havelock*'s Annuity Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

London Corporation Regulation.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Regulation of the Corporation of the City of *London*: And that Sir *George Grey*, Viscount *Palmerston* and Mr. *Massey* do prepare, and bring it in.

Heirs (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish the Privileges of Heirs in *Scotland* in regard to the *Annus Deliberandi*: And that Mr. *Dunlop* and Mr. *Craufurd* do prepare, and bring it in.

Valuation of Lands (Scotland) Act Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to do away the Exemption from Valuation, under the Valuation of Lands (*Scotland*) Act (1854), of certain descriptions of Lands and Heritages: And that Mr. *Dunlop* and Mr. *Kinnaird* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill;

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

Sir *Charles Wood* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Navy Estimates for the year 1858–59. Navy. No. 27.

Estimate for the Post-office Department (Packet Service), for the year 1858–59. Post-office Department (Packet Service.) No. 39.

Ordered, That the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Mr. *Dunlop* presented a Bill to abolish the Privileges of Heirs in *Scotland* in regard to the *Annus Deliberandi*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of March next; and to be printed. Heirs (Scotland) Bill. Bill 6.

Mr. *Dunlop* presented a Bill to do away the Exemption from Valuation, under the Valuation of Lands (*Scotland*) Act, 1854, of certain Descriptions of Lands and Heritages: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of March next; and to be printed. Valuation of Lands (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill. Bill 7.

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of granting Annuities to Lady *Havelock* and Sir *Henry Havelock*; Lady Havelock and Sir Henry Havelock's Annuities.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of Letter from Mr. *Wilson* to the First Commissioner of Works, dated the 27th day of November 1857:—Of Letter from Sir *Benjamin Hall* to the Treasury, dated the 20th day of January 1858:—And, of Letter from Mr. *Panizzi* to the Treasury, dated the 27th day of January 1858, relative to the National Gallery and *British* Museum. National Gallery and British Museum. No. 28.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir *George Grey* presented a Bill for the better Regulation of the Corporation of the City of *London*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 12th day of this instant February; and to be printed. London Corporation Regulation Bill. Bill 8.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Public Income and Expenditure in the year ended the 31st day of December 1857, together with the Balances in the Exchequer at the commencement and at the termination of the year; and the Amount of Funded or Unfunded Debt created or redeemed in the said year. Public Income and Expenditure. No. 29.

Mr. *Wilson* accordingly presented the said Account.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. *Massey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Twenty-third Report of the Commissioners of National Education in *Ireland*, for the year 1856, with Appendices: Vol. 1. National Education (Ireland.)

Copy of Reports of the Inspectors of Factories to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, for the half-year ending 31st October 1857. Factories.

Mr. *Massey* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 21st day of May, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return from each County in *Scotland* of the following particulars, to show the operation of the Act 16 & 17 *Vict.* c. 80, s. 26, extending the jurisdiction of the Sheriff Small Sheriff Small Debt Courts (Scotland.)

Small Debt Court from 8 *l.* 6 *s.* 8 *d.*, to claims not exceeding 12 *l.* in Amount:—

	Between 1st Nov. 1853 and 31st Dec. 1853.	Between 1st Jan. 1854 and 31st Dec. 1854.	Between 1st Jan. 1855 and 31st Dec. 1855	Between 1st Jan. 1856 and 31st Dec. 1856.
1. The total number of Cases sued for - - - -				
2. The number of such Cases not exceeding £. 8. 6 *s.* 8 *d.* in amount - - - -				
3. The number of such Cases above £. 8. 6 *s* 8 *d.* and not exceeding £. 12 in amount				
4. The number of Cases restricted from sums of larger amount to £. 12, so as to be competent, sued for in the Small Debt Court (state the maximum sum so restricted)				
5. The number of "Decrees in absence" - - - -				
6. The number of "Decrees in foro" - - - - -				
7. The number of Cases dismissed, or in which the defender was assoilzied - -				
8. The number of Cases "deserted" at the hearing -				
9. The number of Cases above £. 8. 6 *s.* 8 *d.* and not exceeding £. 12 (as in No. 3), in which decree was pronounced for a sum exceeding £. 8. 6 *s.* 8 *d.*, imprisonment for debt not being competent in Scotland for sums under £. 8. 6 *s.* 8 *d.* (except in a few special cases) - -				
10. The number of Cases in which the warrant of imprisonment in small debt decrees (as in No. 9) was put into execution by the incarceration of the debtor - -				

Excisable Liquors, &c. (Scotland.) Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 25th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns for each Collection in *Scotland*, for the years 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, and 1856; stating the Number of Persons convicted in each year of selling Excisable Liquors without a License, and the Number convicted more than once; specifying how often such Persons have been convicted:—Of the Number of Persons who have paid Fines, the gross Amount of the Fines paid, and the Number of Persons who have been committed to Prison for selling Excisable Liquors without a License:—Returns to the same effect for *Glasgow*, *Edinburgh*, *Dundee* and *Greenock*, and *Paisley*:—Returns for each year of the Number of Persons who have been taken when drunk to the Police Offices of each of the above-named Towns; specifying the Number liberated without having been brought before the Magistrate:—And, of the Gross Amount of the Fines levied, in each year in each of the above-named Towns, upon Licensed Victuallers, the purposes to which they have been applied, and the proportion in which they have been applied to such purposes.

Water Companies. Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing during each of the years 1854, 1855, and 1856, the Gross Receipts for Water supplied by each of the Public Companies incorporated for the supply of Water in *England*, and showing the Aggregate Amount at and on which each such Company was, in each of the same years, assessed to and liable to pay the Poor Rate.

Factory Children (York and Lancaster.) Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 24th day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns of the Number of Factory Children in the Counties of *York* and *Lancaster*, between the ages of Eight and Thirteen, attending Schools under inspection, giving a separate Return for each County.

Valuation of Lands and Heritages (Scotland.) Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 28th day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns of Number of Cases of Appeal decided by Commissioners of Supply in each County in *Scotland*, under the Act 17 & 18 *Vict.* c. 91, entitled "An Act for the Valuation of Lands and Heritages in *Scotland*, in the years 1855, 1856 and 1857:"—Of the Number of Days on which such Commissioners in each County sat on such Appeals:—And, of the Number and Names of Places in each County at which such Courts were held, and specifying any Cases in which a change was made in any year, either increasing or diminishing the Number of such Places.

Game Laws. Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 5th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns of the Number of Persons confined in each Gaol in *England* and *Wales* for Offences against the Game Laws, during the year ending the 31st day of December 1856, stating the Period for which each Prisoner was ordered to be confined, the Nature of the Offence committed, and by what Tribunal sentenced:—And, of the Number of Persons who completed the Term of their Imprisonment during the year ending the 31st day of December 1856, for any Offence against the Game Laws; the Term for which they were so imprisoned; and the Total Cost incurred for the Maintenance in Gaol of such Persons.

Schools (Scotland.) Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 7th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns for the years 1854. 1855, and 1856 respectively, of the Names of the Parishes in each County in *Scotland* within whose bounds any School is situated, in respect of which any Money has been paid under the authority of the Committee of Council of Education, stating the Number of such Schools in each Parish, and the aggregate Amount paid in respect of such Schools in each Parish:—And, of the Names of the Places in each Parish in which such Schools are situated, and the religious body with which each School is connected; distinguishing the Parochial Schools from other Schools connected with the Established Church, and specifying the Amount paid to each School in each year.

Commissioners of Supply, &c. (Scotland.) Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 10th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Number of Commissioners of Supply in each County in *Scotland*, in the years 1851 and 1857 respectively; distinguishing the nature of their qualifications as such, whether as Proprietors or their Eldest Sons, or otherwise qualified; and of the Number of Heritors of £. 100 Scots valued Rent in each Parish of each County in each of those years.

Burial-grounds (Metropolis.) Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 21st day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of all Burial grounds (distinguishing Consecrated from Unconsecrated) which still remained open for Interments on the 1st day of January 1857, within the Limits of the Burials within the Metropolis Act; their Extent in Area; the Number of Interments which have taken place in each during the year 1856, specifying the Number which have taken place in each Month; and the date of closure of such as are under any Order for immediate or future closure (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 239, of Session 1855).

Poor Relief (Scotland.) Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 12th day of December last, for a Return relative to Poor Relief (*Scotland*).

Property Tax and Population, &c. Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 12th day of December last, for a Return relative to Property Tax and Population, &c.

Court of Session (Scotland.) Mr. *Massey* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—A Return of the Number of Causes instituted and decided in the Court of Session in *Scotland* between the 1st day of January 1857 and the 1st day of January 1858, showing the Number of Causes ready for Judgment but not disposed of at the last of these dates.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

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East India (Civil Service.)

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of May, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing the Number of Covenanted Civil Servants of *Bengal*, *Madras* and *Bombay*, who have retired on Annuities, from the Civil Service Annuity Fund, of £. 1,000 a year, with the maximum and minimum period of Service of such Annuitants; and the Number of such Covenanted Servants who have retired on Annuities of less than £. 1,000 a year; stating, in the latter case, the Amount of Annuity which the Retired Officer actually receives, and the Number of his years' Service.

Dead Letter Office.

Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Number of Letters sent to the Dead Letter Office during the year 1856, stating how many of them have been returned to the Writers, and how the remainder have been disposed of; stating also how many of these Letters contained Money, Cheques, Orders, or other Securities for Money, Jewellery, or other valuable Property; and the aggregate nominal value of the Money, Cheques, Orders, or other Securities for Money; and what proportion of the said Letters, and of the Money, Securities, &c. therein contained, has been returned to the authors of the said Letters; and how the remainder have been disposed of.

East India (Bishops and Cathedral Establishments, &c.)

Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of December last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Bishops and Cathedral Establishments, &c.)

Paper Duties.

Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of December last, for a Return relative to Paper Duties.

Statute Law Commission.

Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of December last, for a Return relative to the Statute Law Commission.

East India (Steam Ship "Austria.")

Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of December last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Steam Ship "*Austria*.")

Assessed Taxes (Scotland.)

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copies of Cases respecting Assessed Taxes determined by the Judges in *Scotland*, for the Year 1857.

Metropolitan Improvements.

Statement of the Advances out of the Consolidated Fund to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works, &c., and of the Monies paid into the Consolidated Fund, between 1st January and 31st December 1857, on account of Metropolitan Improvements.

Naval Receipt and Expenditure.

Copy of an Account of the Naval Receipt and Expenditure, for the Year ended the 31st March 1857.

Agricultural Statistics (Scotland.)

Mr. *Lowe* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence relating to the discontinuance by the Highland and Agricultural Society of *Scotland* of the Collection of the Agricultural Statistics of *Scotland*.

Copy of Reports to the Board of Trade on the Agricultural Statistics of *Scotland*, for the Year 1857.

Railway Accidents.

A Return of the Number and Nature of the Accidents and the Injuries to Life and Limb which have occurred on all the Railways open for Traffic in *England* and *Wales*, *Scotland* and *Ireland* respectively, from the 1st July to the 31st December 1857.

Lighthouse at Godrevy.

Mr. *Lowe* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of December last, for a Return relative to the erection of a Lighthouse at *Godrevy*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Industrial and Ragged Schools.

Mr. *Cowper* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Minute by the Right honourable the Lords of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education, dated 31st December 1857, on certified Industrial and Ragged Schools.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Veneris, 5° die Februarii;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

London Corporation.

THE House being informed, That the Sheriffs of the City of *London* attended at the door, they were called in; and at the Bar presented,—A Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of *London*, in Common Council assembled:—And then they withdrew.

And the said Petition, for leave to bring in a Bill for the better Regulation of the Corporation of the City of *London*, was read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Robert Walter Carden*, Sir *James Duke* and Mr. *Crawford*.

Durham and Cleveland Union Railway.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the *Durham* and *Cleveland* Union Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Shoreham to Henfield, &c.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway (*Shoreham* to *Henfield*, &c.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 2.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

North British Railway (Hawick and Carlisle Junction Railway.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the North *British* Railway (*Hawick* and *Carlisle* Junction Railway) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Manchester, Hyde and Mottram Road.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the *Manchester*, *Hyde* and *Mottram* Road Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Stockport, Disley and Whaley Bridge Railway.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the *Stockport*, *Disley* and *Whaley* Bridge Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Stockton and Darlington Railway (North Riding Lines.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the *Stockton* and

and *Darlington* Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Waterford and Kilkenny Railway (Capital.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway (Capital) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

East Suffolk Railway.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the East *Suffolk* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Victoria Park Approach.)

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the Metropolitan Board of Works (*Victoria* Park Approach) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Liverpool Improvement.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of *Liverpool*, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of *Liverpool* to acquire Lands for a Post-office and Public Offices, and to make a new and widen existing Streets within the Borough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Horsfall* and Mr. *Joseph Ewart*.

London and North Western Railway (Extension from Longsight.)

A Petition of the *London* and North Western Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *London* and North Western Railway Company to make Extensions of their Railway from *Longsight* to *Hyde* and *Staleybridge*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *George Carr Glyn* and Mr. *Mangles*.

Manchester Assize Courthouse.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Manchester*, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the Justices of the County of *Lancaster* to erect or provide Assize Courts at *Manchester*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Cheetham*, Sir *John Potter* and Mr. *Turner*.

Clyde Navigation.

A Petition of a Quorum of the Trustees of the River *Clyde* and Harbour of *Glasgow*, acting under the Acts thereinafter mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the River *Clyde* and Harbour of *Glasgow*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Thomas Edward Colebrooke*, Mr. *Buchanan* and Mr. *Dalglish*.

Haslingden and Rawtenstall Water.

A Petition of the *Haslingden* and *Rawtenstall* Waterworks Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the time for the Construction of the *Haslingden* and *Rawtenstall* Waterworks, was presented, and read: and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Colonel *Wilson Patten* and Mr. *Robert Needham Philips*.

Liskeard and Looe Union Canal Company's Railway.

A Petition of the *Liskeard* and *Looe* Union Canal Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the *Liskeard* and *Looe* Union Canal Company to construct a Railway from *Moors Water* to *Looe*, all in the County of *Cornwall*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Grey*, Mr. *Robartes* and Mr. *Kendall*.

Edinburgh and Glasgow, and Stirling and Dunfermline Railways.

A Petition of the *Edinburgh* and *Glasgow* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to vest the *Stirling* and *Dunfermline* Railway in the *Edinburgh* and *Glasgow* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Blackburn* and Mr. *Cowan*.

Crystal Palace District Gas.

A Petition of *William James Erasmus Wilson*, of *Henrietta-street, Cavendish-square*, in the County of *Middlesex*, Surgeon; *George Pearce Pocock*, of *Upper Albany-street, Regent's Park*, in the County of *Middlesex*, Gentleman; and *William Morrison*, of *Fenchurch-street*, in the City of *London*, Stationer, three of the Directors of the Crystal Palace District Gas Company, established at *Sydenham*, in the County of *Kent*, for leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Crystal Palace District Gas Company; to enable the said Company to raise further Money; to authorize the Company to contract for and purchase the Undertaking, Lands and Premises of the *Sydenham* Gas and Coke Company, and for other purposes connected therewith, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Seymour* and Mr. *William Ewart*.

Cromford and High Peak Railway.

A Petition of the *Cromford* and *High Peak* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the *Cromford* and *High Peak* Railway Company to raise further Sums of Money, and to lease their Undertaking to the *London* and North Western, the Midland, and the *Stockport, Disley* and *Whaley* Bridge Railway Companies, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Colvile* and Mr. *Thornhill*.

Aberdeen, Peterhead and Fraserburgh Railway.

A Petition of Subscribers to, and Promoters of, the Undertaking or Company thereinafter referred to, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from *Aberdeen* to *Old Deer*, with Extensions to *Peterhead* and *Fraserburgh*, and a Branch in *Aberdeen*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *Haddo* and Mr. *Duff*.

Mid-Kent Railway (Bromley to Saint Mary Cray.)

A Petition of the Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary Cray*) Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary Cray*) Company to deviate a portion of their Line of Railway, and for other purposes connected with their Undertaking, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Charles Wykeham Martin* and Mr. *Whatman*.

Brentford and Richmond Railway.

A Petition of Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the *Kew* Station of the North and South Western Junction Railway to *Richmond* Bridge, in the Parish of *Twickenham*, in the County of *Middlesex*, with a Branch from the said intended Railway, to join the Great Western and *Brentford* Railway, in the Parish of *Isleworth*, in the same County, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Byng* and Mr. *Hanbury*.

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway.

A Petition of the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Company to construct new Branches from their Railway;

Railway; to make a Deviation in the Main Line and other Works; to alter and amend the Acts relating to the Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Colonel *Smyth* and Mr. *Westhead*.

Windsor New Road.

A Petition of Promoters of the Undertaking and Bill thereinafter-mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the making of a Turnpike-road from *Thames-street*, in the Parish of *Clewer*, in the Borough of *New Windsor*, in the County of *Berks*, to *Oxford-road* in the said Parish, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *William Fraser* and Colonel *Knox*.

Isle of Wight Poor.

A Petition of the Guardians of the Poor within the *Isle of Wight*, for leave to bring in a Bill for reconstituting the Corporation of the Guardians of the Poor within the *Isle of Wight*, and for the more equal assessment of the Rates for the Relief of the Poor within the said Island, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Charles Clifford*, Captain *Mangles* and Mr. *Buxton*.

Durham and Cleveland Union Railway.

A Petition of Promoters of the *Durham* and *Cleveland* Union Railway, for leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate a Company for making a Railway from the Railway of the West *Hartlepool* Harbour and Railway Company, near Port *Clarence*, in the County of *Durham*, to or near to *Skinningrove* and *Staithes*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*; for establishing a Ferry across the River *Tees* in connexion with such Railway, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Manchester, Hyde and Mottram Road.

A Petition of Trustees for carrying into effect the Act thereinafter-mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill for the more effectual management and repair of the Road from the end of *Ardwick-green*, near *Manchester*, in the County Palatine of *Lancaster*, to *Mottram-in-Longdendale*, in the County Palatine of *Chester*, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 2.)

A Petition of the *Manchester, Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to improve the management of the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Victoria Park Approach.)

A Petition of the Metropolitan Board of Works, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Board of Works to form an improved communication between *Limehouse* and the *Victoria Park*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

East Suffolk Railway.

A Petition of the East *Suffolk* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the East *Suffolk* Railway Company to construct a Branch Railway near *Lowestoft*, to raise further Sums of Money, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Norwich Gas.

The Order, That Viscount *Bury* and Mr. *Schneider* do prepare, and bring in the *Norwich* Gas Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That Sir *James Duke* and Mr. *Crawford* do prepare, and bring in the Bill.

The Order, That Sir *John Pakington* and Colonel *Rushout* do prepare, and bring in the *Oxford, Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway Bill, was read, and discharged. **Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway.**

Ordered, That Mr. *John Hodgetts Foley* and Mr. *Thornely* do prepare, and bring in the Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway from the *Caledonian* Railway, near *Mossband* in *Cumberland*, to the North *British* Railway a *Hawick*, with Branches to *Gretna* Junction Station and to *Canobie* Colliery, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time. **Carlisle, Langholm and Hawick Railway Bill.**

A Bill to enable the Great Northern and Western (of *Ireland*) Railway Company to make Deviations in their authorized Railways, and to empower the Midland Great Western Railway of *Ireland* Company to acquire Shares in the Undertaking of the Great Northern and Western (of *Ireland*) Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time. **Great Northern and Western (of Ireland) Railway Bill.**

A Bill for making a Railway from *Banbridge* to *Lisburn*, to be called "The *Banbridge, Lisburn* and *Belfast* Railway," and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time. **Banbridge, Lisburn and Belfast Junction Railway Bill.**

A Bill for enabling the *Wexford* Harbour Embankment Company to alter the Number of their Shares, and to issue Preference Shares in lieu of unissued Shares, and to make new Provisions with respect to Contributions by the Company towards the Construction of the *Wexford* Free Bridge, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time. **Wexford Harbour Embankment Bill.**

A Bill for enabling the South Eastern Railway Company to make certain new Railways in connexion with the North *Kent* Railway; and for ensuring Facilities and Accommodations for the Traffic of that Company on other Lines of Railway; and for conferring further Powers on that Company with respect to Steam Vessels, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time. **South Eastern Railway (Dartford, New Cross, &c.) Bill.**

A Bill for enabling the *Shrewsbury* and *Welchpool* Railway Company to make a Deviation and a short Line of Railway near *Shrewsbury*; and to extend the Powers of the said Company for purchasing Lands and completing their Railway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time. **Shrewsbury and Welchpool Railway Bill.**

A Bill for incorporating the *Stoke Fenton* and *Longton* Gas-Light Company, and extending their Powers, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time. **Stoke Fenton and Longton Gas Bill.**

A Bill for the amendment of the Acts for the Improvement of the Borough of *Belfast*, and for confirming things done with a view to the execution of those Acts, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time. **Belfast (Town) Improvement Bill.**

A Bill to enable the *London* and North Western Railway Company to acquire additional Lands in the Townships of *Manchester* and *Salford*, to widen the Bridge for carrying their Railway over the River *Irwell*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time. **London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 2) Bill.**

A Bill for enabling the *Manchester, Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway Company to make a Railway from *Garston* to *Liverpool*; to make Arrangements with other Companies, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time. **Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Garston to Liverpool) Bill.**

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Newton to Compstall) Bill.

A Bill for enabling the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway Company to make a Railway from near their *Newton* and *Hyde* Station to the Township of *Marple*, in the Parish of *Stockport*, in the County of *Chester*, to be called "The *Newton* and *Compstall* Branch," and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 1) Bill.

A Bill for making better Provision with respect to the Management of the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Norwich Gas Bill.

A Bill for better enabling the *British* Gas-Light Company (Limited) to light with Gas the City of *Norwich* and Suburbs thereof; to dissolve the *Norwich* Gas-Light Company; and to repeal the Acts relating thereto, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Sculcoates and Kingston-upon-Hull Gas Bill.

A Bill for better enabling the *British* Gas-Light Company (Limited) to light with Gas certain parts of the Town or Borough of *Kingston-upon-Hull*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Staffordshire Potteries Gas Bill.

A Bill for better enabling the *British* Gas-Light Company (Limited) to light with Gas certain parts of the District called the *Staffordshire* Potteries, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Portsmouth Railway Bill.

A Bill for enabling the *Portsmouth* Railway Company to extend their Railway from *Havant* to *Hilsea*, to acquire additional Lands, to use a portion of the *London* and South Western, and *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railways, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Shoreham, Horsham and Dorking Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway from *Shoreham* to *Horsham*, with a Branch thereout, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

South Wales Railway (further Powers, &c.) Bill.

A Bill to enable the South *Wales* Railway Company to complete their *Pembroke* Line; to make New Lines to *Pembroke* Dock; to acquire additional Lands at *Newport*; and to abandon a portion of their authorized Line to *Pennar Mouth*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

South Wales Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill.

A Bill to enable the South *Wales* Railway Company to make a New Line of Railway to *Pembroke* Dock; to acquire additional Lands at *Newport*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Stockton and Darlington Railway (Durham Lines) Bill.

A Bill for enabling the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway Company to make New Railways in the County of *Durham*, in connexion with the *Wear* Valley and *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railways; to acquire additional Lands, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Midland Great Western Railway of Ireland Bill.

A Bill to enable the Midland Great Western Railway of *Ireland* Company to make an alteration in the Line of their *Streamstown* and *Clara* Junction Railway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Edinburgh Life Assurance Company Bill.

A Bill for conferring additional Powers and Privileges on the *Edinburgh* Life Assurance Company, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Fife and Kinross and Kinross-shire Railways Bill.

A Bill for the formation of a Junction between the *Fife* and *Kinross* and *Kinross-shire* Railways, and the construction of a Joint Station at *Kinross*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Newport (Salop) Markets, Town Hall, &c. Bill.

A Bill for providing a Market-house and Market-place, and other Buildings for public accommodation at the Town of *Newport*, in the County of *Salop*, and for establishing and regulating Markets and Fairs there, and for opening a New Street and widening other Streets, and otherwise improving the Town, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Tay Fisheries Bill.

A Bill to regulate the annual Close time for Salmon Fisheries in the River *Tay* and its Tributaries, and on the Sea Coasts adjoining, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Blyth Harbour and Dock Bill.

A Bill to repeal "The *Blyth* Harbour and Dock Act, 1854," and to regulate the Company constituted thereby, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Llanelly Harbour Bill.

A Bill to alter and amend the Acts for the Improvement of the Navigation of the Rivers *Burry*, *Loughor* and *Lliedi*, in the Counties of *Carmarthen* and *Glamorgan*, and to improve the Harbour of *Llanelly*, in the said County of *Camarthen*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Bradford Corporation Water Bill.

A Bill for extending the Limits of the *Bradford* Waterworks; and for authorizing the Construction of new and altered Works; and for empowering the Corporation of *Bradford* to borrow a further Sum of Money, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Alyth Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway from the *Meigle* Station of the *Scottish* North Eastern Railway to the Town of *Alyth*, to be called "The *Alyth* Railway," and for other purposes in relation thereto, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Peniston, Thurlstone and Oxspring Gas Bill.

A Bill for supplying and lighting with Gas the several Townships of *Peniston*, *Thurlstone* and *Oxspring*, and Places adjacent, all in the Parish of *Peniston*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Aberdare Water Bill.

A Bill for better supplying with Water the Town and Parish of *Aberdare*, in the County of *Glamorgan*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Birmingham Canal Navigations Bill.

A Bill for enabling the Company of Proprietors of the *Birmingham* Canal Navigations to raise further Money, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Cheltenham Water Bill.

A Bill to empower the *Cheltenham* Waterworks Company to raise a further Sum of Money, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Dundalk and Enniskillen Railway Bill.

A Bill to enable the *Dundalk* and *Enniskillen* Railway Company to raise further Money, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Eastern Steam Navigation Company Bill.

A Bill for enabling the Eastern Steam Navigation Company to extend their Powers of Trading, to increase their Capital, and to alter and amend their Charter and Deed of Settlement, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill

East Kent Railway (Western Extension) Bill.

A Bill for enabling the East *Kent* Railway Company to extend their Railway from *Strood*, to join the Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary's Cray*), and for other purposes connected with their Undertaking, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

East Kent Railway (Dover Extension) Bill.

A Bill to amend the Acts relating to "The East *Kent* Railway (Extension to *Dover*)," was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Exeter and Exmouth Railway Bill.

A Bill for authorizing the Abandonment of part of the authorized Line of the *Exeter* and *Exmouth* Railway, and the making, instead of the part so abandoned, of an Extension of the Main Line of the Railway; and for reducing and regulating the Capital and borrowing Powers of the *Exeter* and *Exmouth* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

London Dock Company Bill.

A Bill to enable the *London* Dock Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to augment their Capital Stock, and for other purposes connected with their Docks, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill.

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Provisions of the several Acts relating to the *Liverpool* and *Birkenhead* Docks and the Port and Harbour of *Liverpool*, and for other purposes connected therewith, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill.

A Bill to enable the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour Board to construct certain Works at *Birkenhead*, in substitution for and in addition to those already authorized, and to construct a Sea Wall and other Works at the North End of the *Liverpool* Docks, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Merthyr Tydfil Water Bill.

A Bill to confer upon the Local Board of Health for the District of *Merthyr Tydfil* further Powers, with reference to the Supply of Water, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Royal Mail Steam Packet and European and Australian Royal Mail Companies Bill.

A Bill for making better Provision for the due and punctual performance of Contracts with Her Majesty's Government by the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company and the *European* and *Australian* Royal Mail Company (Limited), respectively, for the Conveyance of Mails from *Great Britain* to the *West Indies* and the *Brazils*, and *Australia*, and elsewhere; and in order thereto for amalgamating those Companies, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Birmingham and Staffordshire Gas Bill.

A Bill to empower the *Birmingham* and *Staffordshire* Gas-Light Company to raise a further Sum of Money, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Chester Gas Bill.

A Bill to incorporate the *Chester* United Gas Company, and to confer upon them further Powers for the Supply of Gas to the City and Borough of *Chester* and the Suburbs thereof, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Whitehaven Junction Railway Bill.

A Bill to enable the *Whitehaven* Junction Railway Company to construct new Branches, to widen their Line, to erect Shipping-places and other Works, to raise a further Sum of Money, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Whitehaven Harbour Bill.

A Bill to amend the Act fifty-sixth King *George* the Third, chapter forty-four, for improving the Port, Harbour and Town of *Whitehaven*, in the County of *Cumberland*, in relation to the Securities to be granted for borrowed Money, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Formartine and Buchan Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway from the Great North of *Scotland* Railway to *Old Deer*, and thence to *Peterhead* and *Fraserburgh*, with a Branch to *Ellon*, all in the County of *Aberdeen*, to be called "The *Formartine* and *Buchan* Railway," was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Vauxhall Bridge Road Bill.

A Bill for repealing so much of the several Acts for building *Vauxhall* Bridge, and for making convenient Roads thereto, as relate to such Roads, and for transferring the Maintenance and Repair of such Roads to the respective Vestries and District Board in which they are situate, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Victoria Station and Pimlico Railway Bill.

A Bill to authorize the Construction of a Station near *Victoria-street*, *Pimlico*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and of a Railway to connect the same with the West *London* and Crystal Palace Railway at *Battersea*, in the County of *Surrey*, in order to afford improved Communication between certain of the Railways South of the *Thames* and the Western Districts of the Metropolis, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Station at Manchester) Bill.

A Bill to provide for the Partition of the *London* Road Station at *Manchester*, and for the better Management of certain Portions of the said Station, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire, and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill.

A Bill to authorize the Great Northern, and the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway Companies to work in common, and for certain other purposes relating to the Great Northern Railway, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Nottingham Gas Bill.

A Bill to enable the *Nottingham* Gas-Light and Coke Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to afford a Supply of Gas to Places in the neighbourhood of *Nottingham*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Trent Navigation Bill.

A Bill for more effectually maintaining the Navigation of the River *Trent*, from *Wilden* Ferry, in the Counties of *Derby* and *Leicester*, or one of them, to *Gainsborough*, in the County of *Lincoln*, and other Works connected therewith, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Sunderland Dock Bill.

A Bill to enable the *Sunderland* Dock Company to extend their Works, and raise further Sums of Money; to authorize certain Arrangements between that Company and the Commissioners of the River *Wear*; to amend the Acts relating thereto, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Lancashire and Yorkshire and East Lancashire Railway Companies Bill.

A Bill for the Amalgamation of the East *Lancashire* Railway Company with the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Company, and to make further Provisions for the Purchase of the *Sheffield*, *Rotherham*, *Barnsley*, *Wakefield*, *Huddersfield* and *Goole* Railway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Saint Andrew's and Quebec Railroad Company (Class A. Shareholders) and New Brunswick and Canada Railway and Land Company Bill.

A Bill to merge in "The *New Brunswick* and *Canada* Railway and Land Company (Limited)," "The Class A. Shareholders of the *Saint Andrew's* and *Quebec* Railroad Company," was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Bury and Radcliffe Water Bill.

A Bill to enable the *Bury* and *Radcliffe* Waterworks Company to raise further Sums of Money, and to amend the Act relating to the Company, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Waveney Valley Railway Bill.

A Bill to enable "The *Waveney* Valley Railway Company" to alter their Line between *Bungay* and *Beccles*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Malvern Improvement Bill.

A Bill for granting further Powers to the *Malvern* Improvement Commissioners, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Saint Helen's Canal and Railway Bill.

A Bill to enable "The *Saint Helen's* Canal and Railway Company" to extend their Railway from *Garston* to *Liverpool*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Warrington and Stockport Railway Bill.

A Bill to transfer the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway to certain other Companies, and to extend the Time granted for the Completion of the same Railway, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Eden Valley Railway Bill.

A Bill to authorize the making of a Railway from the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway, at or near *Clifton*, to the South *Durham* and *Lancashire* Union Railway, at or near *Kirkby Stephen*, all in the County of *Westmoreland*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Second Report.

East India (Transport of Troops.)

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 8th day of December last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Transport of Troops).

East India (Conveyance of Troops.)

Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of December last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Conveyance of Troops).

East India (Transport of Troops, &c.)

Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of December last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Transport of Troops, &c.)

Soane's Museum.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Statement of the Funds of the Museum of the late Sir *John Soane* on the 15th of January 1858.

Poor Relief (Scotland.)

Mr. *Massey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twelfth Annual Report of the Board of Supervision for the Relief of the Poor in *Scotland*.

Riots in Belfast.

Copy of Report of the Commissioners of Inquiry into the Origin and Character of the Riots in *Belfast*, in July and September 1857.

Factory Children (York.)

Mr. *Massey* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 24th day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns of the Number of Factory Children in the County of *York* attending School on the 31st day of October 1857, between the ages of Eight and Nine, Nine and Ten, Ten and Eleven, Eleven and Twelve, and Twelve and Thirteen:—Of the Period for which Factory Children between the ages of Twelve and Thirteen have attended School during their Employment as Half-timers, namely,

Period of Attendance.	Numbers.
Less than 1 year - - - - - -	
1 year and less than 2 years - - - -	
2 years and less than 3 years - - - -	
3 „ „ 4 „ - - - -	
4 „ „ 5 „ - - - -	

Also, an Average of the whole Period of such Attendance:—Of the Number of Factory Children between the ages of Eight and Nine who have attended any School previous to their becoming Half-timers:—Of the Total Number of Children who have been passed as Half-timers by the Factory Surgeons during the year ending the 31st day of October 1857:—And, of the Total Number of Children who have in like manner been passed as Full-timers during the same Period.

Cambridge University.

Mr. *Massey* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Statutes relating to the University of *Cambridge*, and to *Caius*, *Christ Church*, and *Saint John's* Colleges therein, framed under the 19 & 20 *Vict.* c. 88.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Factory Children (York and Lancaster.) No. 30.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Factory Children (*York* and *Lancaster*), which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

Property Tax and Population, &c. No. 31.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Property Tax and Population, &c., which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

East India (Civil Service.) No. 32.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Civil Service), which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

East India (Bishops and Cathedral Establishments, &c.) No. 33.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Bishops and Cathedral Establishments, &c.), which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

Paper Duties. No. 34.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Paper Duties, which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

East India (Steam Ship "Austria.") No. 35.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Steam Ship "*Austria*"), which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

Metropolitan Improvements. No. 36.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Metropolitan Improvements, which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

Naval Receipt and Expenditure. No. 37.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Naval Receipt and Expenditure, which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

Lunacy. No. 38.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Lunacy, which was presented upon the 3d day of December last, be printed.

East India (Sepoy at Meerut.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Papers connected with the case of the *Sepoy* who, in 1819, was removed from his Regiment, then stationed at *Meerut*, on embracing Christianity.

East India (Sir Peregrine Maitland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Correspondence respecting the Resignation by Sir *Peregrine Maitland* of the Office of Commander-in-Chief at *Madras*.

East India (Castes of Hindoos.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Orders that may have been issued by the Court of Directors regarding the Castes of *Hindoos* from which the Native Army is to be recruited.

East India (Police.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of *India* Judicial Despatch, 4 November 1857, No. 61, and *Madras* Judicial Despatch, 30 September 1857, No. 13, relative to Police.

Pensions to Wives and Widows of Officers.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Letter, dated the 12th day of December last, addressed by Mr. *Griffith* to Viscount *Palmerston*,

ston, advocating a Pension to Lady *Havelock*, and to other Wives and Widows of Officers to whom a Provision is granted by Parliament for distinguished Services.

East India (Mutinies.)

Mr. *Vernon Smith* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Letters from the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company to the Governor-General of *India* in Council, dated November 25, 1857, relative to Mutinies in the *East Indies*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Orders of the Day.

Ordered, That the Orders of the day be now read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the said Orders be postponed till after the Notice of Motion relative to the Princess Royal's Marriage.

Princess Royal's Marriage.

Resolved, Nemine Contradicente, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to congratulate Her Majesty on the happy Nuptials of Her Royal Highness the Princess Royal with his Royal Highness the Prince *Frederick William* of *Prussia*; and to assure Her Majesty of the satisfaction which this House feels at an event so gratifying to Her Majesty, and which they trust will be so conducive to the domestic happiness of Her Royal Highness.

Resolved, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty by the whole House.

Ordered, That such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council do humbly know Her Majesty's pleasure when She will be attended by this House.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn: — And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Lady Havelock and Sir Henry Havelock's Annuities.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Lady *Havelock* and Sir *Henry Havelock*'s Annuities.

(In the Committee.)

1. *Resolved*, That the annual Sum of One thousand pounds be granted to Her Majesty, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, the said Annuity to commence from the 5th day of February 1858; and to be settled in the most beneficial manner upon Lady *Havelock*, the Widow of the late Major-General *Henry Havelock*, of *Lucknow*, Knight Commander of the Most honourable Order of the Bath, for the term of her natural life.

2. *Resolved*, That the annual Sum of One thousand pounds be granted to Her Majesty, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, the said Annuity to commence from the 5th day of February 1858; and to be settled in the most beneficial manner upon Sir *Henry Marshman Havelock*, Baronet, eldest Son of the late Major-General *Henry Havelock*, of *Lucknow*, Knight Commander of the Most honourable Order of the Bath, for the term of his natural life.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Medical Charities (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Medical Charities (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

East India Loan.

A Motion being made, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for enabling the *East India* Company to raise Money in the United Kingdom for the Service of the Government of *India*;

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. *Vernon Smith*, the Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. *Mangles* do prepare, and bring it in.

Railways.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Amount of Capital and Loan which each Railway Company has been authorized to raise by Acts passed previous to and in 1857; the Amount of Share Capital actually paid up on the 31st day of December 1857, separating the ordinary Share Capital which does not receive, or is not entitled to receive, any Preferential Dividend or Interest from that which bears a Preferential Dividend or Rate of Interest, stating the Rate and Amount of Dividend upon such ordinary Share Capital, as well as the Amount of each Class of such Preferential Capital, with the Rate and Amount of Interest or Dividend it is entitled to receive; the Amount due on Debentures, Loan Notes, or any other Interest-bearing Securities, on the 31st day of December 1857, the Rates of Interest payable thereon, and the Sums to which such Rates of Interest are applicable; distinguishing the several Sums raised by Shares or on Loan on which Dividend or Interest was not paid out of Revenue, and the Amount of such Dividend or Interest; the Total Amount the Company retained Powers at the end of 1857 to raise, either on existing Shares, or by creating New Shares, or by Loans; the Amount expended in the Construction of the Railway Works, Preliminary Expenses, and in Rolling Stock; the Length of Line open for Traffic on the 31st day of December 1857, distinguishing Single and Double Portions; the Length of Line in course of Construction at the end of 1857, the Length of Line the Company is authorized to construct, but which was not commenced on the 31st day of December 1857, and consequently the Total Length for which the Company has obtained Powers:—Of the Amalgamation of Railway Companies which has been effected, either by Purchase, Lease, or otherwise, during 1857, stating the Nature of such Amalgamation and the Date on which it commenced, with the Act of Parliament under which it was effected:—And, from each Railway Company, showing the Length of each Line or part of a Line, or Branch Line, for which the Powers granted by Parliament for the compulsory Purchase of the Land required for their Construction had been allowed to expire, previous to the 31st day of December 1857, without the exercise of such Powers; and the Capital appropriated by Parliament for the Construction of such Lines or Branch Lines.

East India (Cadetships.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Cadetships and different Classes of Individuals upon whose Sons all Cadetships for *India* have been conferred by the Directors of the *East India* Company and President of the Board of Control, in the several years from 1840 to 1857, both inclusive.

East India (Hindoo Shrines, &c.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of all Sums paid to *Hindoo* or *Mahometan* Shrines, or in any way in Honour or Support

of the Religion or of Religious Institutions of the Native Inhabitants of *India*, which were collected or disbursed by the agency of the *East India* Company's Servants during the year 1857:——

East India (Governor-General.) And, Copies of the Petition of the Inhabitants of *Calcutta* for the Recall of the Governor-General; together with any Observations which he may have made thereon.

Northampton County (Southern Division) Writ. *Ordered*, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the Southern Division of the County of *Northampton*, in the room of the Honourable *John Poyntz Spencer*, commonly called Viscount *Althorp*, now Earl *Spencer*, called up to the House of Peers.

East India Loan Bill. Bill 9. Mr. *Vernon Smith* presented a Bill for enabling the *East India* Company to raise Money in the United Kingdom for the Service of the Government of *India*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Bank of England. The Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Letter from the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of *England* to the First Lord of the Treasury and the Chancellor of the Exchequer, respecting the Enlargement of their Issues beyond the limit fixed by the Bank Act of 1844 (in continuation of Correspondence presented to Parliament on the 3d December 1857).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Sabbati, 6° die Februarii;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

The Queen appoints to be attended. THE Chancellor of the Exchequer reported to the House, That Her Majesty, having been waited upon, pursuant to their Order of yesterday, humbly to know Her Majesty's pleasure when She will be attended by this House, had been pleased to appoint to be attended this day, at Three of the clock, at Buckingham Palace.

Foreign Refugees. Viscount *Palmerston* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Paper respecting Foreign Refugees.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 8° die Februarii;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Gosport Water. A PETITION of Promoters of the Bill hereinafter mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill for supplying with Water the Inhabitants of *Gosport*, *Forton* and *Anglesey*, and other places in the Parish of *Alverstoke*, in the County of *Hants*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Dutton* and Mr. *Hastings Russell*.

Brentford Gas. A Petition of the *Brentford* Gas-Light Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for increasing and regulating the Capital and borrowing Powers of "The *Brentford* Gas-Light Company," for consolidating into one Act the Provisions of the several Acts relating to the Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Byng* and Mr. *Hanbury*.

Ballymena, Ballymoney, Coleraine and Portrush Junction Railway. A Petition of the *Ballymena*, *Ballymoney*, *Coleraine* and *Portrush* Junction Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Ballymena*, *Ballymoney*, *Coleraine* and *Portrush* Junction Railway Company to make a Branch or Junction Railway at *Coleraine*, and to authorize a Lease or Sale of their original Undertaking, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Robert Ferguson* and Mr. *Brady*.

Tramore Embankment. A Petition of *William Dargan*, of *Harcourt-street*, in the City of *Dublin*, Contractor for Public Works, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend "The *Tramore* Embankment Act, 1852," was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Robert Ferguson* and Mr. *Boyd*.

Caledonian Railway (Dalmarnock Branch.) A Petition of the *Caledonian* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Caledonian* Railway Company to make a Branch Railway to *Dalmarnock*, in the County of *Lanark*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Hope Johnstone* and Mr. *Buchanan*.

Ayr and Dalmellington Railway. A Petition of the *Ayr* and *Dalmellington* Railway Company, and of the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the *Ayr* and *Dalmellington* Railway Company to raise additional Capital; for vesting their Undertaking in the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *James Stuart* and Mr. *Craufurd*.

Globe Insurance Company. A Petition of the Secretary of the Globe Insurance Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Globe Insurance Company to alter and amend some of the Provisions of their Deed of Settlement, and to confer further Powers on the Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *George Carr Glyn* and Mr. *Tite*.

Stokes Bay Railway and Pier. A Petition of the *Stokes Bay* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for extending the Time for the Completion of the Works authorized by "The *Stokes Bay* Railway and Pier Act, 1855," and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Beale* and Mr. *Bulkeley Hughes*.

Caledonian Railway (Branch to Port Carlisle Railway.) A Petition of the *Caledonian* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Caledonian* Railway Company to make a Branch Railway to the *Port Carlisle* Railway, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Hope Johnstone* and Mr. *Buchanan*.

Luton, Dunstable and Welwyn Junction and Hertford and Welwyn Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation. A Petition of the *Luton*, *Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Company, and the *Hertford* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for the amalgamation of the *Hertford* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Company, and the *Luton*, *Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Company into one Company, to be called "The *Hertford*, *Luton* and *Dunstable* Railway Company," and for regulating the Capital of the Company formed by the amalgamation, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be

be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Cowper*, Mr. *Puller*, Mr. *Hastings Russell* and Colonel *Gilpin*.

Symington, Biggar and Broughton Railway.

A Petition of Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, and of the *Caledonian* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the *Caledonian* Railway, near *Symington* Station, to *Biggar* and *Broughton*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Hope Johnstone* and Sir *Graham Montgomery*.

London and South Western Railway.

A Petition of the *London* and South Western Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for authorizing the *London* and South Western Railway Company to make new Works, and to make arrangements with other Companies, and for authorizing a Lease of the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway, and for regulating their Capital and borrowing Powers, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Dutton* and Captain *Mangles*.

Staines, Wokingham and Woking Railway.

A Petition of the *Staines*, *Wokingham* and *Woking* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer further Powers upon the *Staines*, *Wokingham* and *Woking* Railway Company, for the Construction of their *Woking* Junction Line, and for other purposes connected with their Undertaking, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Hayter* and Mr. *Walter*.

Dean Forest Turnpike Trust.

A Petition of a Quorum of the Trustees for executing the Local and Personal Act of the 1 & 2 *Vic.* c. 38, for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Act relating to the *Dean* Forest Turnpike-roads, and to make other Provisions in lieu thereof, and to authorize the Construction of a new Road, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Colonel *Kingscote* and Mr. *Rolt*.

Border Counties Railways.

A Petition of the Border Counties Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for authorizing the Border Counties Railway Company to make and maintain an extension of their Railway, and to raise further Capital, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Liddell* and Mr. *Elliot*.

Barnstaple New Waterworks.

A Petition of Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill for better supplying with Water the Borough of *Barnstaple* and Places adjacent thereto, in the County of *Devon*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Buller* and Mr. *Laurie*.

Burghead Harbour.

A Petition of *William Young*, Esquire, of *Burghead*, for leave to bring in a Bill for extending, improving and maintaining the Port and Harbour of *Burghead*, in the County of *Elgin*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by the Marquis of *Stafford* and Mr. *Cumming Bruce*.

North British Railway (Consolidation, &c.)

A Petition of the North *British* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for consolidating and amending the Acts of the North *British* Railway Company, and for authorizing alterations in the *Leith* and *Fisherrow* or *Musselburgh* Branches thereof, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Cowan* and Mr. *Black*.

Waterford Gas.

A Petition of the there-undersigned, for leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating the City of *Waterford* Gas Company, and for authorizing them to acquire the existing Gas Works at *Waterford*, and to supply Gas, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Hassard*, Mr. *Cogan* and Mr. *Fagan*.

Carron Railway.

A Petition of *Carron* Company, incorporated by Royal Charter, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling *Carron* Company to make and maintain a Railway from the *Stirlingshire* Midland Junction Railway, near where it crosses the *Forth* and *Clyde* Canal, to *Carron* Works; and to make and maintain a Canal, Cut, Channel or Aqueduct from the said *Forth* and *Clyde* Canal to the said intended Railway, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Blackburn* and Mr. *Black*.

Sufferance Wharves, Port of London.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of the Sufferance Wharves thereinafter mentioned, or some of them, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Regulation of certain Public Sufferance Wharves in the Port of *London*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *James Duke*, Sir *Charles Napier* and Mr. *John Locke*.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway.

A Petition of the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to empower the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Company to abandon a part of the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* and *Ingleton* Railway, and to construct a new Line of Railway in lieu thereof, and other Works in connection with their Railway; to acquire additional Lands, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Colonel *Lowther*, Mr. *Howard* and Mr. *Marshall*.

Belfast and County Down Railway.

A Petition of the *Belfast* and County *Down* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the *Belfast* and County *Down* Railway Company to extend their Railway, and for other purposes connected with the same Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Ker* and Mr. *Kirk*.

Folkestone Water.

A Petition of the *Folkestone* Waterworks Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Folkestone* Waterworks Company to raise further Moneys, and to confer upon them other Powers, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *John Ramsden* and Sir *Brooke Bridges*.

Worcester and Hereford Railway.

A Petition of the *Worcester* and *Hereford* Railway Company, and of the *Newport*, *Abergavenny* and *Hereford* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Time for making the *Worcester* and *Hereford* Railway, and for granting further Powers with respect to that Undertaking, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Price* and Mr. *George Clive*.

Brentford and Richmond Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway from the *Kew* Station of the North and South Western Junction Railway to *Richmond* Bridge, in the Parish of *Twickenham*, in the County of *Middlesex*, with a Branch from the said intended Railway to join the Great Western and *Brentford* Railway, in the Parish of *Isleworth*, in the same County, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Isle of Wight Poor Bill.

A Bill for re-constituting the Corporation of the Guardians of the Poor within the *Isle of Wight*, and for the more equal Assessment of the Rates for the Relief of the Poor within the said Island, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mid-Kent Railway (Bromley to Saint Mary Cray) Bill.

A Bill to enable the Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary Cray*) Company to deviate a portion of their Line of Railway, and for other purposes connected with their Undertaking, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

London Corporation Bill.

A Bill for the better Regulation of the Corporation of the City of *London*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Aberdeen, Peterhead and Fraserburgh Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway from *Aberdeen* to *Old Deer*, with Extensions to *Peterhead* and *Fraserburgh*, and a Branch in *Aberdeen*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill.

A Bill to enable the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Company to construct new Branches from their Railway; to make a Deviation in the main Line, and other Works; to alter and amend the Acts relating to the Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Windsor New Road Bill.

A Bill to authorize the making of a Turnpike-road from *Thames-street*, in the Parish of *Clewer*, in the Borough of *New Windsor*, in the County of *Berks*, to *Oxford* Road, in the said Parish, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Edinburgh and Glasgow, and Stirling and Dunfermline Railways Bill.

A Bill to vest the *Stirling* and *Dunfermline* Railway in the *Edinburgh* and *Glasgow* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Clyde Navigation Bill.

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the River *Clyde* and Harbour of *Glasgow*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers upon the *Oxford*, *Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway Company with respect to the Completion, Alteration or Abandonment of certain of their Branch Railways, and to authorize certain Arrangements with respect to their Share Capital, and the Purchase of the *Stratford-upon-Avon* Canal, and to amend the Acts relating to the Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Cromford and High Peak Railway Bill.

A Bill to authorize the *Cromford* and *High Peak* Railway Company to raise further Sums of Money, and to lease their Undertaking to the *London* and North Western, the Midland, and the *Stockport*, *Disley* and *Whaley* Bridge Railway Companies, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Haslingden and Rawtenstall Water Bill.

A Bill to extend the Time for the Construction of the *Haslingden* and *Rawtenstall* Waterworks, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Liskeard and Looe Union Canal Company's Railway Bill.

A Bill to empower the *Liskeard* and *Looe* Union Canal Company to construct a Railway from *Moors Water* to *Looe*, all in the County of *Cornwall*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

London and North Western Railway (Extension from Longsight) Bill.

A Bill to enable the *London* and North Western Railway Company to make Extensions of their Railway from *Longsight* to *Hyde* and *Staleybridge*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Manchester Assize Court House Bill.

A Bill for enabling the Justices of the County of *Lancaster* to erect or provide Assize Courts at *Manchester*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Crystal Palace District Gas Bill.

A Bill to incorporate the Crystal Palace District Gas Company, to enable the said Company to raise further Money, to authorize the Company to contract for and purchase the Undertaking, Land and Premises of the *Sydenham* Gas and Coke Company, and for other purposes connected therewith, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Second Report.

Standing Orders.

The Select Committee on Standing Orders was nominated of Colonel *Wilson Patten*, Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt*, Mr. *Henley*, Sir *Robert Ferguson*, Mr. *Robert Palmer*, Mr. *Bramston*, Mr. *Thornely*, Mr. *Eliott Lockhart*, Mr. *Bonham-Carter*, Mr. *Deedes* and Mr. *John Arthur Wynne*.

Committee of Selection.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the following Members be Members of the Committee of Selection:—Sir *Robert Ferguson*, Mr. *Robert Palmer*, Lord *Harry Vane*, Mr. *Bonham-Carter*, Mr. *Deedes* and the Chairman of the Select Committee on Standing Orders:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Princess Royal's Marriage.

Mr. Speaker reported to the House, That the House had attended Her Majesty upon Saturday last with their Address, to which Her Majesty was pleased to give this most gracious Answer:

I receive with great satisfaction your dutiful and affectionate Address; and I thank you for your congratulations on an event which, it is most gratifying to Me to know, has called forth expressions of heartfelt sympathy and loyal attachment from My faithful People.

Controverted Elections.

William Miles, Esquire, being one of the Members appointed by Mr. Speaker to serve on the General Committee of Elections, and not objected to by the House, was sworn at the Table by the Clerk.

County Rates.

Mr. *Massey* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 22d day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Expenditure of the Grants made by Parliament for the years 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855 and 1856, in aid of County Rates, distinguishing the proportion paid for Expenses of Prosecutions, and for Conveyance of Convicts; showing the Amount paid by each County, Borough and Liberty, and the Total Amount in each year (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 66, of Session 1852).

Justices of the Peace (Ireland.)

Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of December last, for a Return relative to Justices of the Peace (*Ireland*).

Wexford Free Bridge.

Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of December last, for a Return relative to *Wexford* Free Bridge.

Metropolitan Police.

Mr. *Massey* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Account showing the Sums received and expended for the purposes of the Metropolitan Police, Police Superannuation Fund, Public Carriages and Police Courts, in the year ended the 31st December 1857.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Savings Banks.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to several Orders, dated the 11th and 15th days of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns from each Savings Bank in *England* and *Wales*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, containing, in Columns, the Names of the Officers, their respective Salaries, and other Allowances, if any; the Amount of Security each gives; the Numbers of Accounts remaining open; the Total Amount owing to Depositors; the Total Amount invested with the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt; the Rate of Interest paid to Depositors on the various Amounts of Deposit, and the Average Rate of Interest on all Accounts; and the

the Total Amount of the separate Surplus Fund, on the 20th day of November 1856; the Rate *per centum per annum* on the Capital of the Bank for the Expenses of Management; the Annual Number of Receipts from Depositors; the Annual Number of Payments; the Average Amount of Receipts; the Average Amount of Payments; the Number and Amount of Annuities granted; the Annual Expenses of Management, inclusive of all Payments and Salaries, for the year ended the 20th day of November 1856; also, the year in which Business commenced in each Bank, and the Name of the Day or Days, and the Number of Hours in the Week, on which the Banks are open for the Deposit and Withdrawal of Monies (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 128, of Session 1857):—And, of the Names of each Trustee and Manager, and the Number that have signed any Writing making themselves responsible for any Deficiency, pursuant to the Act 7 & 8 *Vic.* c. 33, s. 6, and for what Amount each is so responsible; and also showing on how many Days during the year each attended at the Savings Bank during the Hours of Business:——And, for a Return from the Savings Banks in the United Kingdom, showing on how many Days, if any, during the year ended the 20th day of November 1856, the Business of receiving and paying Deposits was transacted without the presence of a Trustee or Manager.

Savings Banks.

East India (Military Force.)

Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of December last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Military Force).

Savings Banks.

Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of December last, for Returns, in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 85, of Session 2, 1857, from November 20, 1856, to November 20, 1857:—And, in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 84, of Session 2, 1857, from November 20, 1856, to November 20, 1857.

East India (Transport of Troops, &c.)

Further Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of December last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Transport of Troops, &c.)

East India (Sepoy at Meerut.)

Return to an Order, dated the 5th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to *East India* (Sepoy at *Meerut*).

East India (Cadetships.)

Return to an Order, dated the 5th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to *East India* (Cadetships).

Sheriff Small Debt Courts (Scotland.) No. 51.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Sheriff Small Debt Courts (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

Schools (Scotland.) No. 40.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Schools (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

Burial-grounds (Metropolis.) No. 41.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Burial-grounds (Metropolis), which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

Poor Relief (Scotland.) No. 42.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Poor Relief (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

Court of Session (Scotland.) No. 43.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Court of Session (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

Excisable Liquors, &c. (Scotland.) No. 44.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Excisable Liquors, &c. (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

Lighthouse at Godrevy. No. 45.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Lighthouse at *Godrevy*, which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

Statute Law Commission. No. 46.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Statute Law Commission, which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed.

Cambridge University. No. 47.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *Cambridge* University, which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be printed.

Bank of England. No. 48.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Bank of *England*, which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be printed.

Westminster New Palace. No. 49.

Sir *Benjamin Hall* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to *Westminster* New Palace.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Operations in India.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Thanks of this House be given to the Right honourable Viscount *Canning*, Governor-General of the *British* Possessions in the *East Indies*; the Right honourable Lord *Harris*, Governor of the Presidency of *Madras*; the Right honourable Lord *Elphinstone*, Governor of the Presidency of *Bombay*; Sir *John Laird Mair Lawrence*, G.C.B., Chief Commissioner of the *Punjaub*; and *Henry Bartle Edward Frere*, Esquire, Commissioner of *Scinde*, for the energy and ability with which they have employed the Resources at their command to suppress the widely-spread Mutiny in Her Majesty's *Indian* Dominions;

And the Previous Question being proposed, That that Question be now put:—The said Previous Question was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then the Main Question being put;

Resolved, Nemine Contradicente, That the Thanks of this House be given to the Right honourable Viscount *Canning*, Governor-General of the *British* Possessions in the *East Indies*; the Right honourable Lord *Harris*, Governor of the Presidency of *Madras*; the Right honourable Lord *Elphinstone*, Governor of the Presidency of *Bombay*; Sir *John Laird Mair Lawrence*, G.C.B., Chief Commissioner of the *Punjaub*; and *Henry Bartle Edward Frere*, Esquire, Commissioner of *Scinde*, for the energy and ability with which they have employed the resources at their command to suppress the widely-spread Mutiny in Her Majesty's *Indian* Dominions.

Resolved, Nemine Contradicente, That the Thanks of this House be given to his Excellency General Sir *Colin Campbell*, G.C.B., Commander-in-Chief in *India*; Major-General Sir *James Outram*, G.C.B.; Major-General Sir *Archdale Wilson*, Baronet, K.C.B.; and Major-General Sir *John Eardley Wilmot Inglis*, K.C.B., for the eminent skill, courage and perseverance displayed by them in the achievement of so many and such important Triumphs over numerous bodies of the Mutineers.

Resolved, Nemine Contradicente, That the Thanks of this House be given to the other gallant Officers of Her Majesty's Army, Navy and Marines; and also of the Honourable *East India* Company's Service, for the intrepidity, the patient endurance, and other high military qualities which have marked their discharge of those arduous duties which they have so successfully performed.

Resolved, Nemine Contradicente, That this House doth highly approve and acknowledge the high courage, the devoted loyalty, and the brilliant services of the Non-commissioned Officers and Men of Her Majesty's Military and Naval Forces; of the *European* Troops in the Service of the Honourable *East India* Company; and of the great body of those Native Corps throughout *India* who have remained faithful to their standards; and that the same be signified to them by the Commanders of the several Corps, who are desired to thank them for their gallant behaviour.

Resolved, Nemine Contradicente, That this House doth highly appreciate and cordially approve of the courage, self-devotion and exemplary conduct of those persons, who, though not holding military rank, have nevertheless performed valuable military service in the field, or in defence of various posts throughout the disturbed districts in *India* at which they were resident; and that the Governor-General be re-

quested to thank these persons for their spirited and patriotic exertions.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be transmitted by Mr. Speaker to the Governor-General of *India*; and that his Lordship be requested to communicate the same to the several Officers referred to therein.

Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill;

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

Lady Havelock and Sir Henry Havelock's Annuities.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on Lady *Havelock* and Sir *Henry Havelock*'s Annuities, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That the annual Sum of One thousand pounds be granted to Her Majesty, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, the said Annuity to commence from the 5th day of February 1858; and to be settled in the most beneficial manner upon Lady *Havelock*, the Widow of the late Major-General *Henry Havelock*, of *Lucknow*, Knight Commander of the Most honourable Order of the Bath, for the term of her natural life.

2. That the annual Sum of One thousand pounds be granted to Her Majesty, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, the said Annuity to commence from the 5th day of February 1858; and to be settled in the most beneficial manner upon Sir *Henry Marshman Havelock*, Baronet, eldest Son of the late Major-General *Henry Havelock*, of *Lucknow*, Knight Commander of the Most honourable Order of the Bath, for the term of his natural life.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. *FitzRoy*, the Chancellor of the Exchequer and Viscount *Palmerston* do prepare, and bring it in.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

East India Loan Bill.

The *East India* Loan Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Conspiracy to Murder.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Conspiracy to Murder;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House, while sympathising with the *French* "Nation in its indignant abhorrence of the late "atrocious attempt against the life of the Emperor, "and anxious upon a proper occasion to consider "any defects which may be shown to exist in our "Criminal Law, the Amendment of which might "tend to defeat a repetition of such attempts, deems "it inexpedient to legislate in compliance with the "demand made in Count *Walewski*'s Despatch of "the 20th of January, until further information is "before it of the communications between the two "Governments subsequent to the date of that "Despatch," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question: —And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 9° *die Februarii*, 1858:

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till this day.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Bank Acts do consist of Twenty-five Members. **Bank Acts.**

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Chancellor of the Exchequer be one of the Members of the said Committee:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the Chancellor of the Exchequer be one of the Members of the said Committee:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then Mr. *Disraeli*, Sir *James Graham*, Mr. *Spooner*, Sir *Charles Wood*, Mr. *George Alexander Hamilton*, Mr. *Gladstone*, Mr. *Cayley*, Sir *Francis Baring*, Mr. *Vance*, Mr. *Cardwell*, Mr. *Blackburn*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Weguelin*, Mr. *Hankey*, Mr. *Hope Johnstone*, Mr. *Ennis*, Mr. *Puller*, the Earl of *Gifford*, Mr. *Fergus*, Mr. *John Lewis Ricardo*, Mr. *Martin Tucker Smith* and Mr. *Glyn* were nominated other Members of the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Regulation of Markets and Fairs in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Henry Herbert* and Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* do prepare, and bring it in. **Markets and Fairs (Ireland.)**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize the Payment of Clerks of Petty Sessions in *Ireland* by Salaries instead of Fees, and to amend the Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Act, 1851: And that Mr. *Henry Herbert* and Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* do prepare, and bring it in. **Clerks of Petty Sessions (Ireland.)**

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Select Committee on *East India* (Transport of Troops) do consist of the following Members; **East India (Transport of Troops.)**

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "the following," and inserting the word "Nine," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words "the "following" stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the said Committee do consist of the following Members:—Sir *De Lacy Evans*, Viscount *Goderich*, Lord *Stanley*, Sir *John Pakington*, Mr. *Horsman*, Sir *Edward Colebrooke*, Sir *James Elphinstone*, Mr. *Adderley*, Sir *Charles Napier*, Mr. *Osborne*, Captain *Vivian*, Mr. *Byng*, Mr. *Willoughby*, Mr. *Crawford* and Mr. *Seymour*.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to *East India* (Transport of Troops), *East India* (Conveyance of Troops), and *East India* (Transport of Troops, &c.), which were presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be referred to the Committee.

The Select Committee on Accidents on Railways was nominated of Mr. *Bentinck*, Mr. *Lowe*, Mr. *Crossley*, Mr. *William Hodgson*, Mr. *Blackburn*, Lord *Adolphus Vane Tempest*, Mr. *Hume*, Mr. *Francis Scott*, Mr. *Kendall*, Mr. *George Clive* and Mr. *Jackson*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records. **Accidents on Railways.**

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of the Notice and Memorandum recently issued, together with a Copy of the Regulations for the future admission of Candidates into the Junior Department of the Royal Military College at *Sandhurst*:—Of the Regulations for the admission to **Sandhurst College.**

to and for the Studies of Officers at the Staff College at *Sandhurst*, and for other matters connected therewith :—And, Statement of the Number of Candidates for Examination, and of the Number of Admissions into the Junior Department of the Royal Military College at *Sandhurst* at the recent Examination.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Gaols and Houses of Correction.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend an Act of the fourth year of King *George* the Fourth, chapter sixty-four, for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the building, repairing and regulating of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction in *England* and *Wales*: And that Mr. *Bowyer*, Mr. *Cox* and Mr. *Hadfield* do prepare, and bring it in.

East India Company. No. 50.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Estimate of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Home Treasury of the *East India* Company, from the 1st January to the 30th April 1858; and from the 1st May 1858 to the 30th April 1859.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented the said Estimate.

Ordered, That the said Estimate do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Clerks of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill. Bill 10.

Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* presented a Bill to authorize the Payment of Clerks of Petty Sessions in *Ireland* by Salaries instead of Fees, and to amend the Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Act, 1851: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill. Bill 11.

Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* presented a Bill for the Regulation of Markets and Fairs in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 22d day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Lady Havelock and Sir Henry Havelock's Annuities Bill. Bill 12.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill to settle Annuities on Lady *Havelock* and Sir *Henry Marshman Havelock*, in consideration of the eminent services of the late Major General *Havelock*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 9° die Februarii;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Saint Leonard, Shoreditch, Parish.

A PETITION of Members of the Vestry of the Parish of *Saint Leonard, Shoreditch*, in the County of *Middlesex*, for leave to bring in a Bill for the establishment of a Board of Guardians of the Poor in the Parish of *Saint Leonard, Shoreditch*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and for other purposes with respect to the Parish, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Ayrton* and Mr. *Butler*.

South Devon and Tavistock Railway.

A Petition of the South *Devon* and *Tavistock* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the South *Devon* and *Tavistock* Railway Company to lease their Railway, to enable them to raise further Capital for the completion of their Undertaking, and to make arrangements as to their share and borrowed Capital, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Wentworth Buller* and Mr. *Collier*.

Newport, Abergavenny and Hereford Railway.

A Petition of the *Newport, Abergavenny* and *Hereford* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Newport, Abergavenny* and *Hereford* Railway Company to divert their Railway in the Parish of *Aberdare*, in *Glamorganshire*, and to confer upon them other Powers, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Henry Geers Cotterell* and Mr. *Price*.

London Tramway.

A Petition of the *London* Omnibus Tramway Company (Limited), for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction and working of Tramways in certain parts of the Metropolis and its neighbourhood, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Robert Walter Carden* and Sir *James Duke*.

Wem and Bronygarth Roads.

A Petition of the Trustees for executing an Act for more effectually repairing the Road leading from *Wem* to the Lime Rocks at *Bronygarth*, in the County of *Salop*, and for making several Lines of Road connected with the same, in the Counties of *Salop* and *Denbigh*, for leave to bring in a Bill for more effectually repairing the Road leading from *Wem* to the Lime Rocks at *Bronygarth*, in the County of *Salop*, and for making several Lines of Road connected with the same, in the Counties of *Salop* and *Denbigh*, and for laying down a Tramway on certain of the said Roads, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Watkin Williams Wynn* and Mr. *Dod*.

Rochdale and Manchester Road.

A Petition of the Trustees of the *Rochdale* and *Manchester* Turnpike Road, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act passed in the sixth and seventh years of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act for more effectually repairing the Road from the New Wall on the Parade in *Castleton*, in the Parish of *Rochdale*, through *Middleton*, to the *Mere Stone* in *Great Heaton*, and to the Town of *Manchester*, all in the County Palatine of *Lancaster*, and for making a Diversion in the Line of such Road; to authorize the abandonment, as Turnpike, of a portion of the Road in the Township or Parish of *Blackley*, otherwise *Blakeley*, and to authorize the Construction of a new portion of Road in lieu thereof, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Alexander Ramsay* and Mr. *Bright*.

Manchester Corporation Water.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Manchester*, for leave to bring in a Bill for amending the Acts relating to the *Manchester* Corporation Waterworks, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *John Potter* and Mr. *Turner*.

Athenry and Tuam Railway.

A Petition of the there-undersigned, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from *Athenry* to *Tuam*, in the County of *Galway*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Thomas Burke* and Mr. *Gregory*.

Plymouth Great Western Docks.

A Petition of the *Plymouth* Great Western Dock Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for extending the Powers of the *Plymouth* Great Western Dock Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *James Wilson* and Mr. *James White*.

Manchester Improvement.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Manchester*, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the Corporation of the City of

Manchester to remove Obstructions in the Rivers *Medlock*, *Irk* and *Irwell*, within the said City; to raise further Sums of Money, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *John Potter* and Mr. *Turner*.

North British Railway Consolidation, &c.) Bill.

A Bill for consolidating and amending the Acts of the North *British* Railway Company, and for authorizing Alterations in the *Leith* and *Fisherrow* or *Musselburgh* Branches thereof, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Waterford Gas Bill.

A Bill for incorporating the City of *Waterford* Gas Company, and for authorizing them to acquire the existing Gas Works at *Waterford*, and to supply Gas, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Liverpool Improvement Bill.

A Bill for enabling the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of *Liverpool* to acquire Lands for a Post Office and Public Offices, and to make a new and widen existing Streets within the Borough, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill.

A Bill to empower the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Company to abandon a part of the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* and *Ingleton* Railway, and to construct a new Line of Railway in lieu thereof, and other Works in connexion with their Railway; to acquire additional Lands, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Sufferance Wharves, Port of London Bill.

A Bill for the Regulation of certain Public Sufferance Wharves in the Port of *London*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Symington, Biggar and Broughton Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway from the *Caledonian* Railway, near *Symington* Station, to *Biggar* and *Broughton*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Caledonian Railway (Dalmarnock Branch) Bill.

A Bill to enable the *Caledonian* Railway Company to make a Branch Railway to *Dalmarnock*, in the County of *Lanark*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Caledonian Railway (Branch to Port Carlisle Railway) Bill.

A Bill to enable the *Caledonian* Railway Company to make a Branch Railway to the *Port Carlisle* Railway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Ayr and Dalmellington Railway Bill.

A Bill for enabling the *Ayr* and *Dalmellington* Railway Company to raise additional Capital, for vesting their Undertaking in the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

London and South Western Railway Bill.

A Bill for authorizing the *London* and South Western Railway Company to make new Works, and to make Arrangements with other Companies, and for authorizing a Lease to them of the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway, and for regulating their Capital and borrowing Powers, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Dean Forest Turnpike Trust Bill.

A Bill to repeal the Act relating to the *Dean* Forest Turnpike Roads, and to make other Provisions in lieu thereof, and to authorize the Construction of a new Road, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Staines, Wokingham and Woking Railway Bill.

A Bill to confer further Powers upon the *Staines*, *Wokingham* and *Woking* Railway Company, for the Construction of their *Woking* Junction Line, and for other purposes connected with their Undertaking, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Border Counties Railway Bill.

A Bill for authorizing the Border Counties Railway Company to make and maintain an Extension of their Railway, and to raise further Capital, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Barnstaple New Waterworks Bill.

A Bill for better supplying with Water the Borough of *Barnstaple*, and Places adjacent thereto, in the County of *Devon*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Stokes Bay Railway and Pier Bill.

A Bill for extending the Time for the Completion of the Works authorized by "The *Stokes* Bay Railway and Pier Act, 1855," and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Burghead Harbour Bill.

A Bill for extending, improving and maintaining the Port and Harbour of *Burghead*, in the County of *Elgin*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Gosport Water Bill.

A Bill for supplying with Water the Inhabitants of *Gosport*, *Forton* and *Anglesey*, and other Places in the Parish of *Alverstock*, in the County of *Hants*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Luton, Dunstable and Welwyn Junction and Hertford and Welwyn Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

A Bill for the Amalgamation of the *Hertford* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Company, and the *Luton*, *Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Company into one Company, to be called "The *Hertford*, *Luton* and *Dunstable* Railway Company," and for regulating the Capital of the Company formed by the Amalgamation, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Belfast and County Down Railway Bill.

A Bill for enabling the *Belfast* and County *Down* Railway Company to extend their Railway, and for other purposes connected with the same Company, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a time.

Folkestone Water Bill.

A Bill to enable the *Folkestone* Waterworks Company to raise further Moneys, and to confer upon them other Powers, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Worcester and Hereford Railway Bill.

A Bill to extend the Time for making the *Worcester* and *Hereford* Railway, and for granting further Powers with respect to that Undertaking, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Ballymena, Ballymoney, Coleraine and Portrush Junction Railway Bill.

A Bill to enable the *Ballymena*, *Ballymoney*, *Coleraine* and *Portrush* Junction Railway Company to make a Branch or Junction Railway at *Coleraine*, and to authorize a Lease or Sale of their original Undertaking, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Tramore Embankment Bill.

A Bill to amend "The *Tramore* Embankment Act, 1852," was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Committee of Selection.

The Committee of Selection was nominated of Sir *Robert Ferguson*, Mr. *Robert Palmer*, Mr. *Dunlop*, Mr. *Bonham-Carter*, Mr. *Deedes*, and the Chairman of the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered,

Controverted Elections.

Ordered, That the General Committee of Elections have leave to sit this day till Five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Third Report.

Court of Exchequer.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 25 January 1857, granting a Special Superannuation Allowance to Mr. *Vincent*, Queen's Remembrancer in the Court of Exchequer.

West India Islands, &c. Relief.

Account, pursuant to Act 6 & 7 *Vic.* c. 63, intituled, "An Act for granting Relief to the Islands of *Antigua*, *Saint Kitts*, *Nevis*, *Dominica* and *Montserrat*," of all Sums advanced during the year ending 5th January 1858, to the said several Islands; and of all Sums repaid by reason of such Advances, with the Interest paid thereon during the same period.

Account, pursuant to Act 11 & 12 *Vic.* c. 22, intituled, "An Act for granting Relief to the Island of *Tobago*, and for aiding the Colonies of *British Guiana* and *Trinidad* in raising Money for the Promotion of Immigration of Free Labourers," of all Sums advanced to the said Islands or Colony; and of all Sums repaid by reason of such Advances, with the Interest paid thereon during the year ending 5th January 1858.

Postage.

Copy of Treasury Warrants establishing Rates of Postage.

Works and Public Buildings.

Abstract Accounts of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Moneys granted, or otherwise received and appropriated in the Department under the Control or Management of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, in the year ended 31st March 1857; together with a Report of the Commissioners of Audit thereon.

Woods, Forests and Land Revenues.

Abstract Accounts of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests and Land Revenues, for the year ended 31st March 1857.

Population, &c. of Parishes.

Mr. *Massey* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 2d day of March, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the following Information in respect of each Parish, or part of Parish, in *England* and *Wales*, not within the Limits of any City or Parliamentary Borough, for the year ended at Lady-day 1856:—viz. 1. Name; 2. Population (Census 1851); 3. Gross estimated Rental of the Property assessed to the Poor Rate; 4. Rateable Value (*i. e.* the net Sum on which the Rate was laid); 5. Number of Persons rated at £. 10 and under £. 50; £. 50 and upwards; 6. Number of Electors on the Parliamentary Register; the preceding Particulars to be summarized so as to show, in regard to each Head of Information, separate Totals for each County Division, and for each County; together with a Total for the entire District returned.

Coroners' Inquests.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return from the Clerk of the Peace of each County in *England* and *Wales* of any Resolutions, Reports, Instructions, Orders or Correspondence adopted or issued by the Court of Quarter Sessions relative to the holding of Inquests by Coroners, since the passing of the Act 4 & 5 *Will.* 4, c. 76:—Copies of any Orders or Instructions relating to Inquests issued to the Constabulary in each County of *England* and *Wales*, either by the Court of Quarter Sessions, or by the Chief Constable of each such County or part of such County:—Return of the Dates of the Disallowance (if any) by the Court of Quarter Sessions of each such County of any Fees claimed by the Coroner for the holding of Inquests, and the Number of such Claims disallowed:—Copy of any Correspondence between (or by order of) the Magistrates of any such County, and the Coroner for the County, or part of the County, with respect to any such Disallowance of Fees:—And, like Return from the Cities and Boroughs of *England* and *Wales*.

Court of Probate.

Mr. *Massey* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Rules and Orders for Her Majesty's Court of Probate, in respect of contentious Business.

Copy of Rules, Orders and Instructions for the Registrars of the Principal Registry of Her Majesty's Court of Probate, in respect of non-contentious Business.

Copy of Rules, Orders and Instructions for the District Registrars of Her Majesty's Court of Probate, in respect of non-contentious Business.

Copy of Rules and Orders for regulating the Practice of the County Courts in Proceedings taken under the Provisions of the Act 20 & 21 *Vic.* c. 77, for amending the Law relating to Probates and Letters of Administration in *England*.

Court for Divorce and Matrimonial Causes.

Copy of Rules and Orders for Her Majesty's Court for Divorce and Matrimonial Causes.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Order of the Bath.

Sir *John Ramsden* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 10th day of February, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns of the Names of all Officers in the Army and Navy who have been decorated with the Order of the Bath since the 1st day of January 1854, with the Degree and Date of such Decoration; the Date of Entrance into Her Majesty's Service, and Promotion to their different Ranks therein; giving also the Staff or other Appointments or Commands, with the Emoluments attached, held by them respectively, and stating the Engagements in which they have taken part:

Officer's Name.	Army.	Navy.	Date of Entrance into Service.	Promotion. — Different Grades.	Staff or other Appointments.	Emoluments.	Decorations and Date.	Engagements in which they have taken part.

—And, of the Civilians who, during the said Period, have been honoured with the like Decorations, and the Date.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Patriotic Fund, &c. (Colonies.)

Mr. *Chichester Fortescue* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 4th day of December last, for a Return relative to the Patriotic Fund, &c. (Colonies).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

County Rates. No. 52.

Ordered, That the Return relative to County Rates, which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant February, be printed.

Justices of the Peace (Ireland.) No. 53.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Justices of the Peace (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant February, be printed.

Metropolitan Police. No. 54.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Metropolitan Police, which were presented upon the 8th day of this instant February, be printed.

Savings Banks. No. 55.

Ordered, That the Return from each Savings Bank in *England* and *Wales*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, containing the Names of the Officers, &c., and from the Savings Banks in the United Kingdom, showing on how many Days in 1856 the Business of paying and receiving Deposits was transacted without the presence of a Trustee, which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant February, be printed.

East India (Military Force.) No. 56.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Military Force), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant February, be printed.

Savings Banks, No. 57.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Savings Banks, in continuation of Parliamentary Papers, Nos. 85 and 84 of Session 2, 1857, which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant February, be printed.

East India (Sepoy at Meerut.) No. 58.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Sepoy at *Meerut*), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant February, be printed.

East India (Cadetships.) No. 59.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Cadetships), which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant February, be printed.

Income Tax.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Number of Persons charged to the Income Tax for the years ended the 5th day of April 1856 and 1857, under Schedule (D.); distinguishing the Number charged in each of the following Classes; *viz.* under £.100 a year; £.100 and under £.150 a year; £.150 a year and under £.200; £.200 and under £.300; £.300 and under £.400; £.400 and under £.500; £.500 and under £.600; £.600 and under £.700; £.700 and under £.800; £.800 and under £.900; £.900 and under £.1,000; £.1,000 and under £.2,000; £.2,000 and under £.3,000; £.3,000 and under £.4,000; £.4,000 and under £.5,000; £.5,000 and under £.10,000; £.10,000 and under £.50,000; £.50,000 and upwards; and the Amounts of Tax received from each Class:—Similar Return, under Schedule (E.), to £.5,000 a year and upwards:—Return showing the Net Amount of Property and Income Tax for the same years, classed under the several Schedules (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 69, of Session 1857):—And, similar Return for *Ireland*.

Sugar.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Tabular Return showing the Quantities of Sugar of the several Sorts imported into the United Kingdom, and the Quantities retained for Home Consumption; together with the Rates of Duty charged thereon, and the Net Revenue accruing therefrom in each year, from 1800 to 1857 inclusive; followed by a Comparative Statement of the Average Prices of *British* Plantation and Foreign Sugar (ordinary Yellow *Havannah*) for the same series of years:—Account of the Imports into the United Kingdom of Sugar, Molasses, Rum, Coffee, Cocoa and Cotton, from the *West Indies*, *British Guiana*, the *Mauritius* and *British* Possessions in *India*, for the years 1831 to 1857, inclusive; distinguishing the Quantities imported from each Colony and each Possession in each year:—Similar Account of the Quantities of Foreign Sugar imported, stating from whence, and the Quantities from each Place or Country:—And, Account of the Quantity of Refined Sugar and Sugar Candy imported into the United Kingdom in the years 1848, 1849, 1850, 1851, 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856 and 1857, respectively; stating the Quantity retained for Home Consumption, the Rates of Duty paid, and the Quantity exported (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 47, of Session 1857).

Foreign Sugar.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Quantity of Foreign Sugar entered for Home Consumption during each year, from 1831 to 1857 inclusive; distinguishing Refined from Unrefined; and also the several Places from whence such Sugar was imported (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 46, of Session 1857).

Immigrants and Liberated Africans.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Number of Immigrants and Liberated *Africans* admitted into each of the *British West India* Colonies, as well as the Places from whence they were introduced, for each year, since 1847:—And, similar Return for *Mauritius* (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 145, of Session 1857).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Spirits.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns showing the Total Number of Gallons of Proof Spirits distilled in *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, respectively; distinguishing the Quantities produced from Malt, from a mixture of Malt and Unmalted Grain, and from a mixture of Sugar or Molasses with Unmalted Grain, or from Sugar, or from Molasses; showing also the Total Quantity of each sort in the United Kingdom, for the year ending the 31st day of December 1857:—Of the Number of Gallons of Proof Spirits (distinguishing the Sorts) on which Duty was paid for Home Consumption in each of the Three Kingdoms, with the Rate per Gallon and the Amount of such Duty; also, the Total Number of Gallons and Duty in the United Kingdom, for the year ending the 31st day of December 1857:—Showing, under separate Heads, the Number of Gallons of Proof Spirits, distinguishing the materials from which made, imported into each Kingdom from each of the others respectively; stating also the Rate per Gallon, and the Total Amount thereof (in each Case), and what portion of such Duty was paid on removal of the Spirits from Bond, and what after their Arrival in *England*; also, what portion was actually Warehoused under Excise Lock, distinguishing Malt from Grain Spirits, in *England*, for the year ending the 31st day of December 1857:—Of the Total Number of Gallons of Proof Spirits permitted out of Distillers' Stocks in *England*, and the Total Number of Proof Gallons of *British* Brandy and Spirits of Wine permitted out of Rectifiers' Stocks in *England* for Home Consumption; also, the Total Quantity of Proof Gallons of Rum received into Rectifiers' Stocks for Rectification, in *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, for the year ending the 31st day of December 1857:—Of the Total Number of Proof Gallons of Spirits distilled in *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*; distinguishing the Quantities in each Country delivered, Duty paid direct from Distillers' Stocks, from the Quantities put into Bond, for the year ending the 31st day of December 1857:—Of the Total Number of Proof Gallons of *British* Compounds and Spirits of Wine permitted from Rectifiers' Stocks in *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, for Exportation to Foreign Ports under Drawback, for the years ending the 5th day of January 1855 to the 31st day of December 1857:—Of the Total Number of Gallons of Spirits in Bonded Stores in *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland* respectively, on the 31st day of December 1857:—Of the Total Number of Gallons of Proof Spirits (distinguishing Grain from Malt) permitted out from Distillers' Stocks in *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, for Exportation to Foreign Parts, for the year ending the 31st day of December 1856:—Similar Account for the year ending the 31st day of December 1857:—And, of the Total Number of Gallons of Methylic Alcohol sold by the Excise, and the Total Number of Gallons of Methylated Spirits sent out by Persons licensed to sell the same, under the Act 18 & 19 *Vic.* c. 38, from the 1st day of October 1855 to the 31st day of December 1857 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 18, of Session 1857).

Gaols and Houses of Correction Bill.

Mr. *Bowyer* presented a Bill to amend the Act of the fourth year of King *George* the Fourth, chapter sixty-four, for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the building, repairing and regulating

regulating of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction in *England* and *Wales*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Glyn* have leave of absence for a fortnight, on account of ill health;—and, Mr. *Paget* and Mr. *Horsfall* a fortnight, on account of domestic affliction.

Controverted Elections.

Sir *Francis Baring* reported from the General Committee of Elections; That they had selected the Six following Members to be the Chairmen's Panel, and to serve as Chairmen of Election Committees for the present Session:

John Morgan Cobbett, Esquire (*Oldham*);
Alexander Murray Dunlop, Esquire (*Greenock*);
George Alexander Hamilton, Esquire (*Dublin* University);
Gathorne Hardy, Esquire (*Leominster*);
Robert Ingham, Esquire (*South Shields*);
Henry Ker Seymer, Esquire (*Dorsetshire*).

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Controverted Elections.

Sir *Francis Baring* reported from the General Committee of Elections; That they had divided into Five Panels the List of Members to serve on Election Committees.

Whereupon the Clerk decided by lot, at the Table, the order of the said Panels, and distinguished each of them by a Number, denoting the order in which they were respectively drawn, as followeth:—No. 1, D; No. 2, B; No. 3, A; No. 4, E; No. 5, C.

Ordered, That the said Panels be printed.

Hops.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Quantity of *British* Hops exported from the United Kingdom to Foreign Countries, from the 1st day of January to the 30th day of June, and from the 1st day of July to the 31st day of December 1857, respectively; distinguishing the Countries to which the same have been exported, and also the Quantities to each Country, with the Dates of the years in which the Hops were grown:—Of the Quantity of Foreign Hops exported from the United Kingdom to Foreign Countries, from the 1st day of January to the 30th day of June, and from the 1st day of July to the 31st day of December 1857, respectively; distinguishing the Countries to which the same have been exported, and also the Quantities to each Country:—Of the Quantity of Foreign Hops imported into the United Kingdom, from the 1st day of January to the 30th day of June, and from the 1st day of July to the 31st day of December 1857, respectively; distinguishing the Ports where imported, and the Countries from whence exported:—Of the Total Number of Pounds Weight of Foreign Hops charged with Duties for Home Consumption, from the 1st day of January to the 30th day of June, and from the 1st day of July to the 31st day of December 1857, respectively:—And, of the Quantity of Foreign Hops in Bond on the 1st day of January 1858, stating the Ports at which they are bonded (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 19, of Session 2, 1857).

East India (Improvements in Administration.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Memorandum (prepared at the *India* House) of the Improvements in the Administration of *India* during the last Thirty years.

Shipping.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number and Tonnage of Sailing Vessels registered at each of the Ports of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, including the *Isle of Man* and the Channel Islands, distinguishing those under and those above Fifty Tons Register, on the 31st day of December 1857:—Similar Return of Steam Vessels and their Tonnage:—Return of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels that entered and cleared Coastwise, at each of the Ports of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, *Isle of Man* and Channel Islands (including their repeated Voyages), distinguishing *British* from Foreign Vessels, and Steam from Sailing Vessels, between the 31st day of December 1856 and the 31st day of December 1857:—Like Return from and to the Colonies, further distinguishing *British* from Foreign Vessels; also, from and to Foreign Ports; also distinguishing *British* from Foreign Vessels:—Aggregate Return of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels entered and cleared at each of the Ports of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, *Isle of Man* and Channel Islands (including their repeated Voyages), in the Coasting, Colonial and Foreign Trades, in the year 1857, distinguishing *British* from Foreign Vessels:—Return of the Number and Tonnage of Sailing Vessels registered at each of the Ports of the Colonies of the United Kingdom respectively, distinguishing those under and those above Fifty Tons Register, on the 31st day of December 1857:—Similar Return of Steam Vessels and their Tonnage:—Returns of the Number of Vessels, with their Tonnage (distinguishing Steam from Sailing Vessels), that were built and registered, distinguishing Timber from Iron Vessels; also, a similar Return of Vessels sold and transferred; also, a similar Return of Vessels wrecked; also, a similar Return of Vessels broken up, in the year 1857:—Of the Number of Colonial-built Vessels and their Tonnage, registered at each of the Ports of the United Kingdom, in the year 1857; distinguishing the Number and Tonnage of each Colony respectively:—Similar Return of the Number of Foreign-built Vessels and their Tonnage:—And, Return of the Shipping employed in the Trade of the United Kingdom, exhibiting the Number and Tonnage of Vessels that entered Inwards and cleared Outwards (including their repeated Voyages), separating *British* from Foreign Vessels, also Steam from Sailing Vessels, and distinguishing the Trade with each Country, in the year 1857 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 34, of Session 2, 1857).

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn:—It passed in the Negative.

Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill;

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

Conspiracy to Murder.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 8th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Conspiracy to Murder; and which Amendment was to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House, while sympathising "with the *French* Nation in its indignant abhorrence "of the late atrocious attempt against the life of the "Emperor, and anxious upon a proper occasion to "consider any defects which may be shown to exist "in our Criminal Law, the amendment of which "might tend to defeat a repetition of such attempts, "deems it inexpedient to legislate, in compliance with "the demand made in Count *Walewski*'s Despatch "of the 20th of January, until further information is "before it of the communications between the two "Governments subsequent to the date of that De-"spatch," instead thereof.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

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A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then the Main Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Conspiracy to Murder;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Hayter*, / Mr. *Brand:* } 299.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Roebuck*, / Mr. *Charles Gilpin:* } 99.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative:—And that Viscount *Palmerston*, Sir *George Grey*, Mr. Attorney General and Mr. Solicitor General do prepare, and bring it in.

Lady Havelock and Sir Henry Havelock's Annuities Bill.

Lady *Havelock* and Sir *Henry Havelock*'s Annuities Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Savings Banks.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Acts relating to Savings Banks, and the operation thereof.

Aggravated Assaults (Metropolis.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Convictions and Sentences within the Police Districts of the Metropolis during the year 1857, under the Act 16 & 17 *Vic.* c. 30, for the better Prevention and Punishment of Aggravated Assaults upon Women and Children.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Portumna Bridge (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for abolishing the Tolls now levied on the Bridge over the *Shannon* at *Portumna*, in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Wilson* and Mr. *Brand* do prepare, and bring it in.

Coinage.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts in detail (in the same Form as the Accounts contained in the Parliamentary Paper, No. 180, of Session 2, 1857), of all Gold, Silver and Copper Monies of the Realm, coined at the Mint, in each year from the 1st day of January 1848 to the 31st day of December 1857; and showing, in one Tabular Statement, the Total Amount of Gold, Silver and Copper Coinage in each year, the Real Costs or Value of the Metal, and the Amount represented by the Coin.

Harbours of Refuge.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the policy of making further Grants of Public Money for the Improvement and Extension of Harbours of Refuge.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Twenty Members.

The Committee was accordingly nominated of Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Lowe*, Mr. *Baring*, Lord *Naas*, Lord *Adolphus Vane Tempest*, Mr. *Kendall*, Mr. *Liddell*, Sir *Frederick Smith*, Mr. *Philips*, Mr. *Hassard*, Mr. *Augustus Smith*, Sir *Robert Ferguson*, Mr. *John Henry Gurney*, Mr. *Traill*, Mr. *Duff*, Mr. *Fergus*, Mr. *Dodson*, Mr. *Clay*, Mr. *Joseph Ewart* and Mr. *Macartney*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Bank Acts.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. *Ball* be added to the Select Committee on the Bank Acts:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned:—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That Mr. *Ball* be added to the Committee.

Ordered, That Mr. *Tite* be added to the Committee.

Proceedings in Committee of Supply.

Resolved, That when a Motion is made, in Committee of Supply, to omit or reduce any item of a Vote, a Question shall be proposed from the Chair for omitting or reducing such item accordingly; and Members shall speak to such Question only, until it has been disposed of.

Resolved, That when several Motions are offered, they shall be taken in the order in which the items to which they relate appear in the printed Estimates.

Resolved, That after a Question has been proposed from the Chair for omitting or reducing any item, no Motion shall be made, or Debate allowed upon any preceding item.

Resolved, That where it has been proposed to omit or reduce items in a Vote, the Question shall be afterwards put upon the original Vote, or upon the reduced Vote, as the case may be, without Amendment.

Portumna Bridge (Ireland) Bill. Bill 14.

Mr. *Wilson* presented a Bill for abolishing the Tolls now levied on the Bridge over the *Shannon* at *Portumna*, in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Conspiracy to Murder Bill. Bill 15.

Viscount *Palmerston* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Conspiracy to Murder: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Foreign Refugees.

Viscount *Palmerston* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Despatch from Count *Walewski* to Count *De Persigny* relative to Foreign Refugees, dated *Paris*, 6th February 1858.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Colonel Robert Frith.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Colonel *Robert Frith*, which was presented upon the 7th day of July 1856, be printed, at the expense of the Party, if he think fit.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Two of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

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PRAYERS.

Liverpool Exchange.

A PETITION of the Company of Proprietors of the *Liverpool* Exchange, for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Act relating to the Company of Proprietors of the *Liverpool* Exchange, and to substitute other Provisions in lieu thereof, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Horsfall* and Mr. *Joseph Ewart*.

A Petition

Oude Railway Company.

A Petition of the *Oude* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate and regulate the "*Oude* Railway Company," to enable the Company to construct and maintain Railways in the *East Indies*, and to enter into Contracts with the *East India* Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Gregson* and Mr. *Crawford*.

Vale of Towy Railway.

A Petition of the Vale of *Towy* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for authorizing a Lease of the Vale of *Towy* Railway to the *Llanelly* Railway and Dock Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Viscount *Emlyn* and Mr. *Pugh* (*Carmarthenshire*).

Hampstead Heath Park.

A Petition of Members of the Vestry of the Parish of *Saint John, Hampstead*, for leave to bring in a Bill for authorizing the formation of a Park in the respective Parishes of *Saint John, Hampstead, Saint Pancras* and *Hendon*, all in the County of *Middlesex*, to be called "*Hampstead Heath* Park," and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Byng*, Mr. *Hanbury*, Mr. *Thomas Duncombe* and Mr. *Cox*.

Dublin and Meath Railway.

A Petition of Promoters of the Railway Undertaking thereinafter mentioned, and Suitors of the Bill thereunto annexed, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway Communication between *Dublin* and *Meath*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Corbally* and Mr. *MacEvoy*.

Atlantic Telegraph Company.

A Petition of the Atlantic Telegraph Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the Atlantic Telegraph Company to create and issue Preference Capital; for the Extension of borrowing Powers, and Amendment of Act, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *William Brown* and Mr. *Samuel Gurney*.

Salisbury and Yeovil Railway.

A Petition of the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Time for the Completion of the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway, and to authorize the Sale or Lease thereof to the *London* and South Western Railway Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Seymour* and Mr. *William Wyndham*.

Metropolitan Railway (Abandonment of Undertaking, &c.)

A Petition of the Metropolitan Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Abandonment of the Metropolitan Railway, and the Dissolution of the Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Thomas Duncombe* and Mr. *Cox*.

Brentford Gas Bill.

A Bill for increasing and regulating the Capital and borrowing Powers of "The *Brentford* Gas-Light Company," for consolidating into one Act the Provisions of the several Acts relating to the Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

London Tramway Bill.

A Bill to authorize the Construction and working of Tramways in certain parts of the Metropolis and its Neighbourhood, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Newport, Abergavenny and Hereford Railway Bill.

A Bill to enable the *Newport, Abergavenny* and *Hereford* Railway Company to divert their Railway, in the Parish of *Aberdare*, in *Glamorganshire*, and to confer upon them other Powers, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Manchester Corporation Water Bill.

A Bill for amending the Acts relating to the *Manchester* Corporation Waterworks, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Manchester Improvement Bill.

A Bill for enabling the Corporation of the City of *Manchester* to remove Obstructions in the Rivers *Medlock, Irk* and *Irwell*, within the said City, to raise further Sums of Money, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Plymouth Great Western Docks Bill.

A Bill for extending the Powers of the *Plymouth* Great Western Dock Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Wem and Bronygarth Roads Bill.

A Bill for more effectually repairing the Road leading from *Wem* to the Lime Rocks at *Bronygarth*, in the County of *Salop*, and for making several Lines of Road connected with the same, in the Counties of *Salop* and *Denbigh*, and for laying down a Tramway on certain of the said Roads, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Athenry and Tuam Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway from *Athenry* to *Tuam*, in the County of *Galway*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

South Devon and Tavistock Railway Bill.

A Bill to authorize the South *Devon* and *Tavistock* Railway Company to lease their Railway, to enable them to raise further Capital for the Completion of their Undertaking, and to make Arrangements as to their share and borrowed Capital, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Aberdare Water Bill.

The *Aberdare* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Alyth Railway Bill.

The *Alyth* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Banbridge, Lisburn and Belfast Junction Railway Bill.

The *Banbridge, Lisburn* and *Belfast* Junction Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Belfast (Town) Improvement Bill.

Ordered, That the *Belfast* (Town) Improvement Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Birmingham and Staffordshire Gas Bill.

The *Birmingham* and *Staffordshire* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Birmingham Canal Navigations Bill.

The *Birmingham* Canal Navigations Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Blyth Harbour and Dock Bill.

The *Blyth* Harbour and Dock Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Bradford Corporation Water Bill.

The *Bradford* Corporation Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Bury and Radcliffe Water Bill.

The *Bury* and *Radcliffe* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Carlisle, Langholm and Hawick Railway Bill.

The *Carlisle, Langholm* and *Hawick* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Cheltenham Water Bill.

The *Cheltenham* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Chester Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the *Chester* Gas Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Dundalk and Enniskillen Railway Bill.

The *Dundalk* and *Enniskillen* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Eastern Steam Navigation Company Bill.

The Eastern Steam Navigation Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

East Kent Railway (Dover Extension) Bill.

The East *Kent* Railway (*Dover* Extension) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

East Kent Railway (Western Extension) Bill.

The East *Kent* Railway (Western Extension) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Eden Valley Railway Bill.

The *Eden* Valley Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Edinburgh Life Assurance Company Bill.

The *Edinburgh* Life Assurance Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Exeter and Exmouth Railway Bill.

The *Exeter* and *Exmouth* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Fife and Kinross and Kinross-shire Railways Bill.

The *Fife* and *Kinross* and *Kinross-shire* Railways Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Formartine and Buchan Railway Bill.

The *Formartine* and *Buchan* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Great Northern and Western (of Ireland) Railway Bill.

The Great Northern and Western (of *Ireland*) Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Lancashire and Yorkshire and East Lancashire Railway Companies Bill.

The *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* and East *Lancashire* Railway Companies Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Llanelly Harbour Bill.

The *Llanelly* Harbour Bill was read a second time; and committed.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 2) Bill.

The *London* and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 2) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

London Dock Company Bill.

The *London* Dock Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Malvern Improvement Bill.

The *Malvern* Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Garston to Liverpool) Bill.

The *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railgay (*Garston* to *Liverpool*) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Newton to Compstall) Bill.

The *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway (*Newton* to *Compstall*) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Station at Manchester) Bill.

The *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway (Station at *Manchester*) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire, and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill.

The *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire*, and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Merthyr Tydfil Water Bill.

The *Merthyr Tydfil* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Midland Great Western Railway of Ireland Bill.

The Midland Great Western Railway of *Ireland* Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Newport (Salop) Markets, Town Hall, &c. Bill.

The *Newport* (*Salop*) Markets, Town Hall, &c. Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Norwich Gas Bill.

The *Norwich* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Nottingham Gas Bill.

The *Nottingham* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Peniston, Thurlstone and Oxspring Gas Bill.

The *Peniston*, *Thurlstone* and *Oxspring* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Portsmouth Railway Bill.

The *Portsmouth* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Royal Mail Steam Packet, and European and Australian Royal Mail Companies Bill.

Ordered, That the Royal Mail Steam Packet and *European* and *Australian* Royal Mail Companies Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Saint Andrew's and Quebec Railroad Company (Class A. Shareholders) and New Brunswick and Canada Railway and Land Company Bill.

The *Saint Andrew's* and *Quebec* Railroad Company (Class A. Shareholders) and *New Brunswick* and *Canada* Railway and Land Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Saint Helen's Canal and Railway Bill.

The *Saint Helen's* Canal and Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Sculcoates and Kingston-upon-Hull Gas Bill.

The *Sculcoates* and *Kingston-upon-Hull* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Shoreham, Horsham and Dorking Railway Bill.

The *Shoreham*, *Horsham* and *Dorking* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Shrewsbury and Welchpool Railway Bill.

The *Shrewsbury* and *Welchpool* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

South Eastern Railway (Dartford, New Cross, &c.) Bill.

The South Eastern Railway (*Dartford*, *New Cross*, &c.) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

South Wales Railway (Further Powers, &c.) Bill.

Ordered, That the South *Wales* Railway (Further Powers, &c.) Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

South Wales Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill.

Ordered, That the South *Wales* Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Staffordshire Potteries Gas Bill.

The *Staffordshire* Potteries Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Stockton and Darlington Railway (Durham Lines) Bill.

The *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway (*Durham* Lines) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Stoke Fenton and Longton Gas Bill.

The *Stoke Fenton* and *Longton* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Sunderland Dock Bill.

The *Sunderland* Dock Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Tay Fisheries Bill.

The *Tay* Fisheries Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Trent Navigation Bill.

The *Trent* Navigation Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Vauxhall Bridge Road Bill.

The *Vauxhall* Bridge Road Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Victoria Station and Pimlico Railway Bill.

The *Victoria* Station and *Pimlico* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Warrington and Stockport Railway Bill.

The *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Waveney Valley Railway Bill.

The *Waveney* Valley Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The

Whitehaven Junction Railway Bill.

The *Whitehaven* Junction Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Whitehaven Harbour Bill.

The *Whitehaven* Harbour Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions (Second Report.)

Mr. *Bonham-Carter* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 11th and 12th days of December last, and the 4th, 5th and 8th days of this instant February; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Third Report.

Queen Anne's Bounty.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—An Account of all Receipts and Disbursements by the Governors of Queen *Anne*'s Bounty during the year ending on the 31st day of December 1856.

Oaths Bill.

The Oaths Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday the 24th day of this instant February.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Lady Havelock and Sir Henry Havelock's Annuities Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Lady *Havelock* and Sir *Henry Havelock*'s Annuities Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

Ecclesiastical Residences (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill further to amend the Law relating to Ecclesiastical Residences in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Napier* and Mr. *George Alexander Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Churches, &c. (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill further to amend the Law relating to the Erection and Endowment of Churches, Chapels and Perpetual Curacies in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Napier* and Mr. *George Alexander Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Controverted Elections.

Sir *Francis Baring* reported from the General Committee of Elections; That they had appointed Thursday the 25th of February instant, to choose from Panel No. 1, the Select Committee to try and determine the *Beverley* Borough Election Petition.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ecclesiastical Residences (Ireland) Bill. Bill 16.

Mr. *Napier* presented a Bill further to amend the Law relating to Ecclesiastical Residences in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill. Bill 17.

Mr. *Napier* presented a Bill further to amend the Law relating to the Erection and Endowment of Churches, Chapels and Perpetual Curacies in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Dead Letter Office, which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant February, be printed. Dead Letter Office. No. 60.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Factory Children (*York*), which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant February, be printed. Factory Children (York.) No. 30–I.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Works and Public Buildings, which were presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. Works and Public Buildings. No. 61.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Woods, Forests and Land Revenues, which were presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. Woods, Forests and Land Revenues. No. 62.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Population, &c. of Parishes, which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. Population, &c. of Parishes. No. 63.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Order of the Bath, which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. Order of the Bath. No. 64.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Patriotic Fund, &c. (Colonies), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant February, be printed. Patriotic Fund, &c. (Colonies.) No. 65.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 11° *die Februarii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the West End of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway Bill. West End of London and Crystal Palace Railway.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the *Devon* Valley Railway Bill. Devon Valley Railway.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill. London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.)

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the *Corris*, *Machynlleth* and River *Dovey* Railway Bill. Corris, Machynlleth and River Dovey Railway.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

A Petition of the *Blackburn* Railway Company, the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Company, and the East *Lancashire* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for vesting the Undertaking of the *Blackburn* Railway Company in the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* and East *Lancashire* Railway Companies, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, Blackburn Railway.

ingly, by Mr. *Hornby*, Mr. *Pilkington* and Mr. *Wickham*.

Stockton and Darlington, Wear Valley, &c. Railway Companies Amalgamation.

A Petition of the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway Company, the *Wear* Valley Railway Company, the *Middlesbrough* and *Redcar* Railway Company, the *Middlesbrough* and *Guisbrough* Railway Company, and the *Darlington* and *Barnard Castle* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Amalgamation of the *Stockton* and *Darlington*, the *Wear* Valley, the *Middlesbrough* and *Redcar*, the *Middlesbrough* and *Guisbrough*, and the *Darlington* and *Barnard Castle* Railway Companies, and for regulating the Capital and borrowing Powers of the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway Company formed by the Amalgamation, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *Harry Vane* and Mr. *Pease*.

Selkirk and Galashiels Railway.

A Petition of the *Selkirk* and *Galashiels* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Selkirk* and *Galashiels* Railway Company to raise additional Capital, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Graham Montgomery* and Mr. *Lockhart*.

Warrington and Stockport Railway (Capital.)

A Petition of the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for limiting, defining and regulating the Capital and Debt of the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway Company, for amending the Acts relating to the Company, and conferring on them further Powers, and for other purposes relating to the Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Leigh* and Mr. *Egerton*.

Allendale Stinted Pasture.

A Petition of owners of Stints in *Allendale* Stinted Pasture, for leave to bring in a Bill for inclosing such parts of *Allendale* Common as, under an Act of the thirty-second year of King *George* the Third, were allotted and awarded to be held as Stinted Pasture, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Howard* and Mr. *Liddell*.

Cornwall Railway.

A Petition of the *Cornwall* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the time for the completion of so much of the *Cornwall* Railway as lies between *Truro* and *Falmouth*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Michael Williams* and Mr. *Robartes*.

Manchester Poor.

A Petition of Churchwardens of the Cathedral and Parish Church of *Manchester*, and Overseers of the Poor of the Township of *Manchester*, and Overseers of the Poor of the several Townships of *Ardwick*, *Chorlton-upon-Medlock* and *Hulme*, in the Parish and City of *Manchester*, in the County of *Lancaster*, for leave to bring in a Bill providing for the separate Incorporation of the Overseers of the several Townships of *Manchester*, *Ardwick*, *Chorlton-upon-Medlock* and *Hulme* for specific purposes, for the levying and collection of Rates, for the extinguishing the exemption of Gas-works from Rates, for a Provision as to Lands at *Royton* and *Gorton*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *John Potter* and Mr. *Turner*.

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water.)

A Petition of the Commissioners for the Improvement of *Birkenhead*, in the County of *Chester*, for leave to bring in a Bill to make Provision for better supplying *Birkenhead* and *Claughton* with Gas and Water, and for transferring the Undertaking of the *Birkenhead* and *Claughton* Gas and Water Company, or part thereof, to the *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Philip Egerton* and Mr. *John Tollemache*.

Devon Valley Railway.

A Petition of Persons thereunto subscribing, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the *Tillicoultry* Station of the *Stirling* and *Dunfermline* Railway, to the *Fife* and *Kinross* Railway at *Hopefield*, to be called "The *Devon* Valley Railway," and for other purposes in relation thereto, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

West End of London and Crystal Palace Railway.

A Petition of the West End of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the *Battersea* Park Commissioners to sell, and the West End of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway Company to purchase, Pieces of Land, situate near the South End of the New Bridge leading from *Chelsea* to *Battersea* Park; for authorizing Traffic Arrangements between the said Company and the South Eastern, Mid-*Kent* (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary Cray*) and East *Kent* Railway Companies; for Lease of Undertaking to the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company; for extending the time for completing Extension to *Farnborough*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Saint Leonard, Shoreditch, Parish Bill.

A Bill for the Establishment of a Board of Guardians of the Poor in the Parish of *Saint Leonard*, *Shoreditch*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and for other purposes with respect to the Parish, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Rochdale and Manchester Road Bill.

A Bill to amend an Act passed in the sixth and seventh years of Her present Majesty, intituled, "An Act for more effectually repairing the Road from the New Wall on the Parade in *Castleton*, in the Parish of *Rochdale*, through *Middleton*, to the Mere Stone in *Great Heaton*, and to the Town of *Manchester*, all in the County Palatine of *Lancaster*, and for making a Diversion in the Line of such Road;" to authorize the Abandonment, as Turnpike, of a Portion of the Road in the Township or Parish of *Blackley*, otherwise *Blakeley*, and to authorize the Construction of a new Portion of Road in lieu thereof; and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Metropolitan Railway (Abandonment of Undertaking, &c.) Bill.

A Bill for the Abandonment of the Metropolitan Railway, and the Dissolution of the Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Hampstead Heath Park Bill.

A Bill for authorizing the formation of a Park in the respective Parishes of *Saint John*, *Hampstead*, *Saint Pancras* and *Hendon*, all in the County of *Middlesex*, to be called "*Hampstead Heath* Park," and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Atlantic Telegraph Company Bill.

A Bill for enabling the Atlantic Telegraph Company to create and issue Preference Capital; for the Extension of Borrowing Powers, and Amendment of Act, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Oude Railway Company Bill.

A Bill to incorporate and regulate the "*Oude* Railway Company," to enable the Company to construct and maintain Railways in the *East Indies*, and to enter into Contracts with the *East India* Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill

Liverpool Exchange Bill.

A Bill to repeal the Act relating to the Company of Proprietors of the *Liverpool* Exchange, and to substitute other Provisions in lieu thereof, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Salisbury and Yeovil Railway Bill.

A Bill to extend the Time for the Completion of the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway, and to authorize the Sale or Lease thereof to the *London* and South Western Railway Company, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Vale of Towy Railway Bill.

A Bill for authorizing a Lease of the Vale of *Towy* Railway to the *Llanelly* Railway and Dock Company, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Dublin and Meath Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway Communication between *Dublin* and *Meath*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Royal Mail Steam Packet and European and Australian Royal Mail Companies Bill.

The Royal Mail Steam Packet and *European* and *Australian* Royal Mail Companies Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Third Report.

Wicklow County Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Wicklow*, in the room of the Honourable *William Thomas Spencer Fitzwilliam*, commonly called Viscount *Milton*, now Earl *Fitzwilliam*, called up to the House of Peers.

Registered Electors.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Registered Electors in *England* and *Wales*, who are entitled (by the Provisions of the Act 2 *Will.* 4, c. 45) to vote at Elections for Knights of the Shire, in respect of Freehold or other Property situated within the Precincts of any City or Borough that returns a Member or Members to Parliament; specifying the County or the Division of a County in which such Cities or Boroughs are placed.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Wine and Spirits.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts of the Number of Gallons of Foreign Wine imported, of the Quantities upon which Duty has been paid for Home Consumption, and the Quantities exported; also, the Quantities exported on Drawback, and the Quantities retained for actual Consumption in the United Kingdom, for the year ended the 31st day of December 1857; distinguishing the different Countries from whence imported, and whether Red or White; together with the Quantities of each Sort remaining in Bond on the 31st day of December 1857, distinguishing *London* from the Country:—And, of the Number of Proof Gallons of Rum, distinguishing *West India*, *East India* and Foreign; also of Brandy, Geneva and other Foreign, Colonial or *Jersey* Spirits imported; of the Quantities upon which Duty has been paid for Home Consumption; the Quantities exported, and the Quantities shipped as Stores and used by the Navy, for the year ended the 31st day of December 1857; together with the Quantities of each Sort remaining in Bond on the 31st day of December 1857, distinguishing *London* from the Country (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 92, of Session 2, 1857).

Ordered, That General *Windham* have leave of absence during the present Session, being employed on Military Service in *India*. Leave of Absence.

Sir *John Ramsden* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Army Estimates, for 1858–59. Army. No. 66.

Ordered, That the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 21st day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Total Number of Women and Children who were chargeable to any Poor Law Union, Incorporation or Parish not in Union in *England* or *Wales*, during the year ending the 31st day of December 1856, in consequence of the persons by whom they were usually maintained or supported being confined in Gaol for any Offence against the Game Laws; and the Total Cost incurred by such Poor Law Union, Incorporation or Parish not in Union, for the Maintenance of such persons either in Out-door or In-door Relief. Poor Relief.

Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Terms of all Tenders publicly invited by the *East India* Company for the Conveyance of Troops to *India* since March last, and of the Particulars of each Tender, so as to show the comparative advantages of each, distinguishing those accepted from those rejected; also of all Vessels engaged by the *East India* Company since March last by private Arrangement, and of all Vessels offered for such Engagement to the *East India* Company since March last, but refused, so as to show the comparative advantages of each Engagement and offer; and of the manner in which such Engagements originated. East India (Conveyance of Troops.)

Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of December last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Additional Troops). East India (Additional Troops.)

Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of December last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Missionaries), *East India* (Idolatry), and, *East India* (Education), so far as relates to *East India* (Missionaries), and *East India* (Idolatry). East India (Missionaries), and East India (Idolatry.)

Further Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of December last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Missionaries), *East India* (Idolatry), and, *East India* (Education), so far as relates to *East India* (Education). East India (Education.)

Return to an Order, dated the 5th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to *East India* (*Hindoo* Shrines, &c.), and, *East India* (Governor General), so far as relates to *East India* (Governor General). East India (Governor General.)

Return to an Order, dated the 5th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to *East India* (Police). East India (Police.)

Return to an Order, dated the 9th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to *East India* (Improvements in Administration). East India (Improvements in Administration.)

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—An Account of the Amount of all Exchequer Bills or Treasury Bills, and other Government Securities, which have been purchased by the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, or on which any Sum or Sums have been lent and advanced for the Public Service by the Governor and Company of the said Bank, in the year ending the 5th day of January 1857, showing what Amount of such Bills, before the making up of this Account, has been paid off and discharged, and the Amount of such Exchequer Bills or Treasury Bills, or other Government Securities Bank of England.

rities which was in the hands of the Governor and Company of the said Bank on the 5th day of January 1858 aforesaid.

An Account of the Amount of Balances of Sums issued for the Payment of Dividends due, and not demanded, and for the Payment of Lottery Prizes or Benefits which had not been claimed, and which remained in the hands of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, on the thereundermentioned days, being those next before the Issue from the Exchequer of Money for the Payment of Dividends on account of the National Debt, for each of the four preceding Quarters respectively.

An Account of the Receipt and Expenditure of £. 107,911. 12. 11. in one year, from the 31st December 1856 to the 31st December 1857, by the Commissioners, as appointed by the 26 *Geo.* 3, for the Reduction of the National Debt.

Sardinian Loan. An Account of the Total Sums issued, up to the 31st December 1857, out of the Consolidated Fund, and advanced to his Majesty the King of *Sardinia*, by virtue of the Acts 18 *Vic.* c. 17, and 19 & 20 *Vic.* c. 39; and also of the Sums received from the *Sardinian* Government for Interest and Sinking Fund in respect thereof, in the same period.

Greek Loan. An Account of Monies paid out of the Consolidated Fund, under the Acts 2 & 3 *Will.* 4, c. 121, and 6 & 7 *Will.* 4, c. 94, for Interest and Sinking Fund on that part of the *Greek* Loan which is guaranteed by this Country under the authority of the said Acts, and of the Amount repaid by the *Greek* Government on account of the same.

Russian Dutch Loan. An Account, made up to the 31st December 1857, of the Sums which have been paid and applied within the year 1857, by virtue of an Act 55 *Geo.* 3, c. 115, intituled, "An Act for carrying into effect a Convention between his Majesty and the King of the *Netherlands* and the Emperor of all the *Russias*," for paying and satisfying the Interest on the part of the Loan therein agreed to be borne by his Majesty, on all or any of the Securities thereinmentioned, and, towards paying and satisfying the Principal thereof (in case the Principal of any of the said Securities shall have been paid), and also for paying the Expenses of carrying the said Act into execution, and the Sinking Fund for the extinction of the same.

Irish Reproductive Loan Fund. An Account of the Receipts and Disbursements on account of the *Irish* Reproductive Loan Fund, to 31st December 1857.

Public Debt. An Account of all Additions which have been made to the Annual Charge of the Public Debt by the Interest of any Loan that hath been made, or Annuities created, in the last Ten years (1848 to 1857 inclusive); and also showing how the Charge incurred in respect of the same has been provided for.

Post-office Agent (Alexandria.) Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 29th January 1858, granting a Special Superannuation Allowance to Captain *Johnson*, the Post-office Agent at *Alexandria.*

Customs. Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 30 January 1858, granting a Superannuation Allowance to Mr. *T. A. Wise*, Gatekeeper, 2d Class, Customs, *London.*

Treasury. Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 30 January 1858, granting a Superannuation Allowance to Mr. *W. M. Dwight*, Supernumerary Senior Clerk in the Treasury.

Queen Anne's Bounty. No. 67. *Ordered*, That the Account relative to Queen *Anne*'s Bounty, which was presented upon the 10th day of this instant February, be printed.

Joint Stock Banking Companies. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Joint Stock Banking Companies to be formed on the principle of Limited Liability: And that Mr. *Headlam* and Mr. *Joseph Ewart* do prepare, and bring it in.

Education. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She will be graciously pleased to issue a Commission to inquire into the present state of Popular Education in *England*, and whether the present system is, or is not, sufficient for its object; and to consider and report what changes, if any, are required for the extension of sound and cheap elementary Instruction to all classes of the people;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "and particularly whether it is desirable that the "course of Education should, in deference to the prin- "ciples of religious liberty, be restricted to Secular In- "struction; or whether Religious Instruction should "be added, and what course of Religious Instruction "can be supplied, without violation of the rights of "conscience of Her Majesty's subjects; and that "all classes and denominations be entitled to be "heard in this inquiry."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

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The said proposed Amendment and Motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She will be graciously pleased to issue a Commission to inquire into the present state of Popular Education in *England*; and to consider and report what measures, if any, are required for the extension of sound and cheap elementary Instruction to all classes of the people;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *John Pakington*, Lord *Stanley*: } 110.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Henley*, Mr. *Hardy*: } 49.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Savings Banks. The Select Committee on Savings Banks was nominated of Mr. *Estcourt*, Mr. *Bouverie*, Sir *Henry Willoughby*, Viscount *Goderich*, Mr. *Ayrton*, Mr. *Bonham-Carter*, Mr. *Edward Egerton*, Mr. *Fagan*, Mr. *Grogan*, Mr. *Cowan*, Mr. *Turner*, Mr. *Henley*, Mr. *Whitbread*, Mr. *Bramston* and Mr. *Adderley*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Church Rates Abolition. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Abolition of Church Rates: And that Sir *John Trelawny*, General *Thompson* and Mr. *Dillwyn* do prepare, and bring it in.

Gaols and Houses of Correction Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Gaols and Houses of Correction Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time: —And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Wednesday next.

Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill;

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

Lady

Lady Havelock and Sir Henry Havelock's Annuities Bill.

Lady *Havelock* and Sir *Henry Havelock*'s Annuities Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Church Rates Abolition Bill. Bill 18.

Sir *John Trelawny* presented a Bill for the Abolition of Church Rates: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 12° *die Februarii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Public Petitions (Third Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 9th and 10th days of this instant February; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Westminster Improvements (Sale and Lease, &c.)

A Petition of *Richard Marshall*, Esquire, *Philip Wright*, Esquire, and *James Shelton Newbon*, Esquire, the present *Westminster* Improvement Commissioners, for leave to bring in a Bill for facilitating Leases and Sales of Lands mortgaged by the *Westminster* Improvement Commissioners, and for winding up the affairs of the Commission through the Court of Chancery, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *James Duke* and Mr. Alderman *Cubitt*.

Gorbals Property and Liabilities.

A Petition of Feuars or Inhabitants of the Village of *Gorbals*, in the County of *Lanark*, or of others interested in the said Village, for leave to bring in a Bill for effecting a settlement of the affairs of the Village of *Gorbals*, for the management of its Property, and for the liquidation of its Liabilities, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Buchanan* and Mr. *Dalglish*.

Tees Conservancy.

A Petition of the *Tees* Conservancy Commissioners, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer additional Powers on the *Tees* Conservancy Commissioners, to regulate the Fisheries in the River *Tees*, to vest the Anchorage, Plankage and Primage Dues in the said Commissioners; to alter and amend their existing Acts, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Cayley* and Colonel *Duncombe*.

Besselsleigh Road.

A Petition of Trustees of the *Besselsleigh* Turnpike Roads, for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Acts relating to the *Besselsleigh* Turnpike Road, in the County of *Berks*, and to make other Provisions in lieu thereof, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Robert Palmer* and Mr. *Vansittart*.

Chiswick Improvement.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the Parish of *Chiswick*, in the County of *Middlesex*, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Improvement of the Parish of *Chiswick*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Byng* and Mr. *Hanbury*.

Limerick and Castle Connell Railway.

A Petition of the *Limerick* and *Castle Connell* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the *Limerick* and *Castle Connell* Railway Company to extend their Railway from *Castle Connell* to *Killaloe*, to issue Preference Shares, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *De Vere* and Mr. *Butt*.

Corris, Machynlleth and River Dovey Railway.

A Petition of Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway or Tramroad from the *Aberllefenny* Slate Quarries, in the Parish of *Talyllyn*, in the County of *Merioneth*, to the River *Dovey*, in the Parish of *Llanfihangel-Genewr-y-lyn*, in the County of *Cardigan*, with Branches therefrom, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Carron Railway Bill.

A Bill for enabling *Carron* Company to make and maintain a Railway from the *Stirlingshire* Midland Junction Railway, near where it crosses the *Forth* and *Clyde* Canal, to *Carron* Works, and to make and maintain a Canal, Cut, Channel, or Aqueduct, from the said *Forth* and *Clyde* Canal to the said intended Railway, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill.

A Bill to make Provision for better supplying *Birkenhead* and *Claughton* with Gas and Water, and for transferring the Undertaking of the *Birkenhead* and *Claughton* Gas and Water Company, or part thereof, to the *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Blackburn Railway Bill.

A Bill for vesting the Undertaking of the *Blackburn* Railway Company in the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* and East *Lancashire* Railway Companies, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Cornwall Railway Bill.

A Bill to extend the Time for the Completion of so much of the *Cornwall* Railway as lies between *Truro* and *Falmouth*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Stockton and Darlington, Wear Valley, &c. Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

A Bill for the Amalgamation of the *Stockton* and *Darlington*, the *Wear* Valley, the *Middlesbrough* and *Redcar*, the *Middlesbrough* and *Guisbrough*, and the *Darlington* and *Barnard Castle* Railway Companies, and for regulating the Capital and borrowing Powers of the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway Company formed by the Amalgamation, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Selkirk and Galashiels Railway Bill.

A Bill to enable the *Selkirk* and *Galashiels* Railway Company to raise additional Capital, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Allendale Stinted Pasture Bill.

A Bill for inclosing such Parts of *Allendale* Common as, under an Act of the thirty-second year of King *George* the Third, were allotted and awarded to be held as Stinted Pasture, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Globe Insurance Company Bill.

A Bill to enable the Globe Insurance Company to alter and amend some of the Provisions of their Deed of Settlement, and to confer further Powers on the Company, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Warrington and Stockport Railway (Capital) Bill.

A Bill for limiting, defining and regulating the Capital and Debt of the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway Company, for amending the Acts relating to the Company, and conferring on them further Powers, and for other purposes relating to the Company, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Manchester Poor Bill.

A Bill providing for the separate Incorporation of the Overseers of the several Townships of *Manchester*, *Ardwick*, *Chorlton-upon-Medlock* and *Hulme*, for specific purposes; for the levying and collection of Rates; for the extinguishing the exemption of Gas Works from Rates; for a Provision as to Lands at *Royton* and *Gorton*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 1) Bill.

Ordered, That the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 1) Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Fourth Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Public Offices (Downing-street.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Correspondence that may have taken place between the First Commissioner of Works and the Treasury, or any other Department, in relation to the erection of Public Offices at *Downing-street* or its Neighbourhood, since the Report of the Select Committee on Public Offices (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 368, of Session 1856).

Standing Orders.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Shoreham to Henfield, &c.)

1. That in the case of the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway (*Shoreham* to *Henfield*, &c.) Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

Stockport, Disley and Whaley Bridge Railway.

2. That in the case of the *Stockport*, *Disley* and *Whaley* Bridge Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

Stockton and Darlington Railway (North Riding Lines)

3. That in the case of the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway (North Riding Lines) Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

North British Railway (Hawick and Carlisle Junction Railway.)

4. That in the case of the North *British* Railway (*Hawick* and *Carlisle* Junction Railway) Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that amended Notice be given forthwith to the Trustees of the *Longtown* Turnpike Roads, to the Duke of *Buccleugh*, and to *Archibald Knox*; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

Durham and Cleveland Union Railway.

5. That in the case of the *Durham* and *Cleveland* Union Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that amended Sections be forthwith deposited; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

Manchester, Hyde and Mottram Road.

6. That in the case of the *Manchester*, *Hyde* and *Mottram* Road Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

East Suffolk Railway.

7. That in the case of the East *Suffolk* Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that amended Notices be forthwith given in the Newspapers and Gazette; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Victoria Park Approach.)

8. That in the case of the Metropolitan Board of Works (*Victoria* Park Approach) Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Shoreham to Henfield, &c.)

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway (*Shoreham* to *Henfield*, &c.) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company to complete the Communication by Railway, between *Shoreham*, *Henfield* and the Mid-*Sussex* Railway, and for other purposes connected with their Undertaking: And that Mr. *Dodson* and Sir *George Brooke Pechell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Manchester, Hyde and Mottram Road.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for the *Manchester*, *Hyde* and *Mottram* Road Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the more effectual Management and Repair of the Road from the end of *Ardwick* Green, near *Manchester*, in the County Palatine of *Lancaster*, to *Mottram-in-Longdendale*, in the County Palatine of *Chester*: And that Mr. *Egerton* and Mr. *Cheetham* do prepare, and bring it in.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Victoria Park Approach.)

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for the Metropolitan Board of Works (*Victoria* Park Approach) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Board of Works to form an improved Communication between *Limehouse* and the *Victoria* Park, in the County of *Middlesex*, and for other purposes: And that Mr. Alderman *Cubitt* and Mr. *Ayrton* do prepare, and bring it in.

East Suffolk Railway.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for the East *Suffolk* Railway Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the East *Suffolk* Railway Company to construct a Branch Railway near *Lowestoft*, to raise further Sums of Money, and for other purposes: And that Lord *Henniker* and Sir *FitzRoy Kelly* do prepare, and bring it in.

Stockport, Disley and Whaley Bridge Railway.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for the *Stockport*, *Disley* and *Whaley* Bridge Railway Rill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to empower the *Stockport*, *Disley* and *Whaley* Bridge Railway Company to make a Railway to *Hayfield*, and for other purposes connected with their Undertaking: And that Mr. *Thornhill* and Mr. *George Cavendish* do prepare, and bring it in.

North British Railway (Hawick and Carlisle Railway.)

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders. in respect of the Petition for the North *British* Railway (*Hawick* and *Carlisle* Railway) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize the North *British* Railway Company to make a Railway from their *Hawick* Line to the *Caledonian* Railway, near *Carlisle*, with divers Branches therefrom, and for other purposes: And that Sir *James Graham*, Mr. *Elliot* and Mr. *Marshall* do prepare, and bring it in.

Durham and Cleveland Union Railway.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for the *Durham* and *Cleveland* Union Railway

Railway Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to incorporate a Company for making a Railway from the Railway of the West *Hartlepool* Harbour and Railway Company, near Port *Clarence*, in the County of *Durham*, to or near to *Skinningrove* and *Staithes*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, for establishing a Ferry across the River *Tees*, in connexion with such Railway, and for other purposes: And that Lord *Harry Vane*, Mr. *Cayley* and Mr. *Mowbray* do prepare, and bring it in.

East India (Sir Peregrine Maitland.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 5th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to *East India* (Sir *Peregrine Maitland*).

Royal Military College.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 13th January 1858, awarding a Special Superannuation Allowance to Mr. *John Narrien*, late Professor of Mathematics at the Royal Military College.

Poor Relief. No. 69.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Poor Relief, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant February, be printed.

East India (Additional Troops.) No. 70.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Additional Troops), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant February, be printed.

East India (Missionaries), and, East India (Idolatry.) No. 71.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Missionaries), and, *East India* (Idolatry), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant February, be printed.

East India (Education.) No. 72.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Education), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant February, be printed.

East India (Governor-General.) No. 73.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Governor-General), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant February, be printed.

East India (Police.) No. 74.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Police), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant February, be printed.

East India (Improvements in Administration.) No. 75.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Improvements in Administration), which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant February, be printed.

Bank of England. No. 76.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the Bank of *England*, which were presented upon the 11th day of this instant February, be printed.

Public Debt. No. 77.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Public Debt, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant February, be printed.

Irish Reproductive Loan Fund. No. 78.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the *Irish* Reproductive Loan Fund, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant February, be printed.

County Courts.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Names of Registrars holding a plurality of Courts; the County Court District in which the Registrar is Non-resident; the Population of the District in which the Registrar is Non-resident, according to the last Parliamentary Census; the Number of Days the Registrar has attended at each Office in the District of which he is Non-resident, exclusive of Court Days; the Average Number of Hours of each Day's Attendance at the last-named Court Office, exclusive of Court Days; the Number of Office Clerks employed, and Amount of Salary paid by the Registrar to such Clerks at the Court of the District in which he is Non-resident; the Amount of Salary received by the Registrar in respect of the Court of which he is Resident; the Amount of Salary received by the Registrar in respect of the Court or Courts of which he is Non-resident:—The Return containing the above Particulars to be made for the year commencing the 1st day of October 1856, and ending the 30th day of September 1857, inclusive:

Names of Registrars holding a Plurality of Courts.	District in which the Registrar is Non-resident.	The Population of the District in which the Registrar is Non-resident, according to the last Parliamentary Census.	Number of Days the Registrar has attended at each Office in the District of which he is Non-resident, exclusive of Court Days.	Average Number of Hours of each Day's Attendance at the last-named Court Office, exclusive of Court Days.	Number of Office Clerks employed, and Amount of Salary paid by the Registrar to such Clerks at the Court of the District in which he is Non-resident.	Amount of Salary received by the Registrar in respect of the Court of which he is Resident.	Amount of Salary received by the Registrar in respect of the Court or Courts of which he is Non-resident.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Kensington Gore Estate.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Sums expended in the Purchase of the Estate at *Kensington Gore*, in laying out and draining and forming the Roads on the same, and all other objects connected therewith, and of all Sums expended in building the Museum, in removing the Collections, and arranging them therein; distinguishing the several Votes of the House under which such Expenditure has been incurred.

Australian Postal Service.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return setting forth the Number of Days occupied on each Voyage out and home, separating the portions of the Route between *Southampton* and *Alexandria* from that between *Suez* and *Melbourne*, from the Months of May and July to the 31st day of December 1857; and a further List of Penalties incurred by reason of non-arrival according to Contract, and the Amount (if any) already levied or deducted from the Contractors' remuneration for said period (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 19, of Session 1857):—Return of the Names, Tonnage, and Horse-power of all Vessels in the service of the *European* and *Australian* Mail Company, whether owned or chartered, upon the 31st day of December last:—And, Copies of all Communications between the *European* and *Australian* Mail Company, the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, and Her Majesty's Government, with respect to any proposals for amalgamating the said Companies, and for the future performance of the Mail Service to and from *Australia*, the *West Indies*, and *South America*, as a united Company.

Bullion.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of Bullion purchased and sold by the Bank of *England*, distinguishing Gold from Silver, and Bar Gold from Foreign Gold Coin, in each Month, from the 31st day of December 1856 to the 31st day of December 1857; also the excess of Payments to, or of Receipts from, the Public of *British* Gold Coin; and also the Amount received from the Mint during the same period (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 39, of Session 1857).

Trade and Navigation. No. 68.

Mr. *Lowe* presented, by Her Majesty's Command, —Accounts relating to Trade and Navigation, for the Month ended 31st December 1857, and Year ended 31st December 1857.

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

London Corporation Regulation Bill.

The *London* Corporation Regulation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Government of India.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Government of *India*;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "it is not at present expedient to legislate for the "Government of *India*," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question: —And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 13° *die Februarii*, 1858:

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Monday next.

Godrevy Lighthouse.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Particulars of the Contract accepted for the erection of the Lighthouse on *Godrevy* Island, with the Date of the same:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Grand Juries Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws relating to the Presentment of Public Money by Grand Juries in *Ireland:* And that Mr. *Henry Herbert* and Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Medical Charities (Ireland) Act Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws in force for the Relief of the Destitute Poor in *Ireland*; and to amend an Act of the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty, providing for the better Distribution, Support and Management of Medical Charities in *Ireland:* And that Mr. *Henry Herbert* and Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Harbours of Refuge.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Harbours of Refuge do consist of Twenty-two Members.

Ordered, That Admiral *Duncombe* and Sir *James Elphinstone* be added to the Committee.

Grand Juries (Ireland) Bill. Bill 19.

Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* presented a Bill to amend the Laws relating to the Presentment of Public Money by Grand Juries in *Ireland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 22d day of this instant February; and to be printed.

Medical Charities (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill. Bill 20.

Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* presented a Bill to amend the Laws in force for the Relief of the Destitute Poor in *Ireland*; and to amend an Act of the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her Majesty, providing for the better Distribution, Support and Management of Medical Charities in *Ireland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 22d day of this instant February; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 15° *die Februarii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Londonderry and Coleraine Railway.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the *Londonderry* and *Coleraine* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Public Petitions (Fourth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 11th and 12th days of this instant February; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Stockton and Darlington Railway (North Riding Lines.)

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for enabling the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway Company to make New Railways, with a Bridge over the River *Tees*, and other Works in the North Riding of the County of *York*, and the County of *Durham*, and for other purposes: And that Lord *Harry Vane* and Mr. *Pease* do prepare, and bring it in.

Belfast (Town and Borough) Improvement.

A Petition of Burgesses and Ratepayers of *Belfast*, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations in *Ireland*, so far as they relate to the Borough of *Belfast;* and also to amend the Acts for the Improvement of the said Borough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Colonel *French* and Mr. *Grace*.

Madras Irrigation and Canal.

A Petition of Directors of the *Madras* Irrigation and Canal Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating the *Madras* Irrigation and Canal Company, and for other purposes connected therewith, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Philip Bouverie*, Mr. *Cheetham*, Mr. *Robertson* and Mr. *Turner*.

Balby and Worksop Road.

A Petition of Trustees for executing the Act first thereinafter mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill to repeal an Act for amending and maintaining the Turnpike Road from the Northern End of the Village of *Balby*, in the County of *York*, to *Worksop*, in the County of *Nottingham*, and to make other Provisions in lieu thereof, so far as regards a portion of the said Turnpike Road, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Viscount *Galway* and Admiral *Duncombe*.

Northampton Gas.

A Petition of the *Northampton* Gas-Light Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for lighting with Gas the Town of *Northampton* and the Neighbourhood thereof, in the County of *Northampton*, was presented,

presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Vernon Smith* and Mr. *Gilpin*.

Knighton Railway.

A Petition of Provisional Directors of the *Knighton* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the *Craven* Arms Station of the *Shrewsbury* and *Hereford* Railway, in the County of *Salop*, to the Borough of *Knighton*, in the County of *Radnor*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Viscount *Newport* and Mr. *Windsor Clive*.

Garngad Road.

A Petition of Trustees for maintaining the *Garngad* Road, in the County of *Lanark*, for leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the better Maintenance of the *Garngad* Road, in the County of *Lanark*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Edward Colebrooke* and Mr. *Stirling*.

Luton Gas.

A Petition of Directors of and Shareholders in the *Luton* Gas and Coke Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Luton* Gas and Coke Company; to authorize the Adjustment and Increase of the present Capital, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Hastings Russell* and Colonel *Gilpin*.

Yar Bridge.

A Petition of Promoters of the Bill thereinafter mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill for making and maintaining a Bridge over the River *Yar*, in the *Isle of Wight*, with Approaches and Roads thereto, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Charles Clifford* and Mr. *Charles Wykeham Martin*.

Hesketh Marsh.

A Petition of Sir *Thomas George Hesketh*, of *Rufford* Hall, in the County of *Lancaster*, Baronet, and of the *Ribble* Navigation Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for carrying into effect an Agreement between the *Ribble* Navigation Company, and Sir *Thomas George Hesketh*, Baronet, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Colonel *Wilson Patten* and Mr. *Cross*.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.)

A Petition of the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to confer upon the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company further Powers for raising Money, and to authorize the Purchase and Lease by them of the Undertakings of certain other Railway Companies, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Westminster Improvements (Sale and Lease, &c.) Bill.

A Bill for facilitating Leases and Sales of Lands mortgaged by the *Westminster* Improvement Commissioners, and for winding up the Affairs of the Commission through the Court of Chancery, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Durham and Cleveland Union Railway Bill.

A Bill to incorporate a Company for making a Railway from the Railway of the West *Hartlepool* Harbour and Railway Company, near *Port Clarence*, in the County of *Durham*, to or near to *Skinningrove* and *Staithes*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*; for establishing a Ferry across the River *Tees* in connexion with such Railway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

East Suffolk Railway Bill.

A Bill to enable the East *Suffolk* Railway Company to construct a Branch Railway near *Lowestoft*, to raise further Sums of Money, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Manchester, Hyde and Mottram Road Bill.

A Bill for the more effectual Management and Repair of the Road from the end of *Ardwick* Green, near *Manchester*, in the County Palatine of *Lancaster*, to *Mottram* in *Longdendale*, in the County Palatine of *Chester*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Victoria Park Approach) Bill.

A Bill to authorize the Metropolitan Board of Works to form an Improved Communication between *Limehouse* and the *Victoria* Park, in the County of *Middlesex*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

North British Railway (Hawick and Carlisle Junction Railway) Bill.

A Bill to authorize the North *British* Railway Company to make a Railway from their *Hawick* Line to the *Caledonian* Railway, near *Carlisle*, with divers Branches therefrom, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Shoreham to Henfield, &c.) Bill.

A Bill to enable the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company to complete the Communication by Railway between *Shoreham, Henfield* and the Mid-*Sussex* Railway, and for other purposes connected with their Undertaking, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Stockport, Disley and Whaley Bridge Railway Bill.

A Bill to empower the *Stockport, Disley* and *Whaley* Bridge Railway Company to make a Railway to *Hayfield*, and for other purposes connected with their Undertaking, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Chiswick Improvement Bill.

A Bill for the Improvement of the Parish of *Chiswick*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Gorbals Property and Liabilities Bill.

A Bill for effecting a Settlement of the Affairs of the Village of *Gorbals*, for the Management of its Property, and for the Liquidation of its Liabilities, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Limerick and Castle Connell Railway Bill.

A Bill for enabling the *Limerick* and *Castle Connell* Railway Company to extend their Railway from *Castle Connell* to *Killaloe*, to issue Preference Shares, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Aberdeen, Peterhead and Fraserburgh Railway Bill.

The *Aberdeen, Peterhead* and *Fraserburgh* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Athenry and Tuam Railway Bill.

The *Athenry* and *Tuam* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ayr and Dalmellington Railway Bill.

The *Ayr* and *Dalmellington* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ballymena, Ballymoney, Coleraine and Portrush Junction Railway Bill.

The *Ballymena, Ballymoney, Coleraine* and *Portrush* Junction Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Barnstaple New Waterworks Bill.

The *Barnstaple* New Waterworks Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Belfast and County Down Railway Bill.

The *Belfast* and County *Down* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Brentford and Richmond Railway Bill.

The *Brentford* and *Richmond* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Brentford Gas Bill.

The *Brentford* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Burghead Harbour Bill. — The *Burghead* Harbour Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Caledonian Railway (Branch to Port Carlisle Railway) Bill. — The *Caledonian* Railway (Branch to Port *Carlisle* Railway) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Caledonian Railway (Dalmarnock Branch) Bill. — The *Caledonian* Railway (*Dalmarnock* Branch) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Cromford and High Peak Railway Bill. — The *Cromford* and *High Peak* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Clyde Navigation Bill. — The *Clyde* Navigation Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Crystal Palace District Gas Bill. — The Crystal Palace District Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Dean Forest Turnpike Trust Bill. — The *Dean* Forest Turnpike Trust Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Edinburgh and Glasgow and Stirling and Dunfermline Railways Bill. — The *Edinburgh* and *Glasgow* and *Stirling* and *Dunfermline* Railways Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Folkestone Water Bill. — The *Folkestone* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Gosport Water Bill. — The *Gosport* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Haslingden and Rawtenstall Water Bill. — The *Haslingden* and *Rawtenstall* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Isle of Wight Poor Bill. — The *Isle of Wight* Poor Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill. — The *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

London and North Western Railway (Extension from Longsight) Bill. — The *London* and North Western Railway (Extension from *Longsight*) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

London and South Western Railway Bill. — The *London* and South Western Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Luton, Dunstable and Welwyn Junction, and Hertford and Welwyn Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill. — The *Luton*, *Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction, and *Hertford* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Manchester Corporation Water Bill. — The *Manchester* Corporation Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Manchester Improvement Bill. — The *Manchester* Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Manchester Assize Court House Bill. — *Ordered*, That the *Manchester* Assize Court House Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Mid-Kent Railway (Bromley to St. Mary Cray) Bill. — The Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary Cray*) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Newport, Abergavenny and Hereford Railway Bill. — The *Newport*, *Abergavenny* and *Hereford* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

North British Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill. — The North *British* Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill. — The North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Bill. — The *Oxford*, *Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Plymouth Great Western Docks Bill. — The *Plymouth* Great Western Docks Bill was read a second time; and committed.

South Devon and Tavistock Railway Bill. — The South *Devon* and *Tavistock* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Staines, Wokingham and Woking Railway Bill. — The *Staines*, *Wokingham* and *Woking* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Stokes Bay Railway and Pier Bill. — The *Stokes* Bay Railway and Pier Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Sufferance Wharves, Port of London Bill. — The Sufferance Wharves, Port of *London* Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Symington, Biggar and Broughton Railway Bill. — The *Symington*, *Biggar* and *Broughton* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Tramore Embankment Bill. — The *Tramore* Embankment Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Waterford Gas Bill. — The *Waterford* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Wem and Bronygarth Roads Bill. — *Ordered*, That the *Wem* and *Bronygarth* Roads Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Wexford Harbour Embankment Bill. — *Ordered*, That the *Wexford* Harbour Embankment Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Windsor New Road Bill. — The *Windsor* New Road Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Worcester and Hereford Railway Bill. — The *Worcester* and *Hereford* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Belfast (Town) Improvement Bill. — The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Belfast* (Town) Improvement Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions. — Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee. — Vide Votes, and Fifth Report.

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill. — Mr. *Headlam* presented a Bill to enable Joint Stock Banking Companies to be formed on the principle of Limited Liability: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3d day of March next; and to be printed. — Bill 21.

Bands, &c. — *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of the following Papers relating to Bands, &c.:—Circular, dated Horse Guards, the 25th day of September 1856: Circular, dated the 4th day of December 1856, addressed to Commanding Officers of Regiments and Generals in Command:

mand: and, Memorandums for the Military Secretary, dated the 17th day of June 1857 and the 2d day of November 1857, signed by the Adjutant-General.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Carrick-on-Shannon Gaol.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Report of the Inspector General of Prisons in *Ireland*, relative to the Resignation of the Catholic Chaplain to the Gaol of *Carrick-on-Shannon*, in the County of *Leitrim*:—And, of all Correspondence held between the Board of Superintendence of the said Gaol and the late Chaplain and Right Reverend Dr. *Kilduff*.

East India (North Western Provinces, &c.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Area, Population and Revenue of the North Western Provinces, showing the Population *per* Square Mile, and the pressure of Taxation *per* Head, for each District of each Division, for 1854-55:—And, similar Return for the *Bombay* Presidency.

Education.

Mr. *Cowper* reported to the House, That their Address of the 11th day of this instant February, relative to Education, had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address, praying that a Commission may be issued to inquire into the present state of Popular Education in *England*, and to consider and report what measures, if any, are required for the extension of sound and cheap elementary Instruction to all classes of the people.

And having taken the subject into consideration, I have directed that a Commission shall issue for the purposes which you have requested.

Gaols and Houses of Correction Bill.

The Order for resuming, upon Wednesday next, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant February, That the Gaols and Houses of Correction Bill be now read a second time, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 24th day of this instant February.

East India (Sir Peregrine Maitland). No. 79.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Sir *Peregrine Maitland*), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant February, be printed.

Sardinian Loan. No. 80.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the *Sardinian* Loan, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant February, be printed.

Greek Loan. No. 81.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the *Greek* Loan, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant February, be printed.

Russian Dutch Loan. No. 82.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the *Russian Dutch* Loan, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant February, be printed.

Assessed Taxes.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copies of all Cases which have been stated and signed by Commissioners acting in the execution of the Act relating to Assessed Taxes, and determined subsequent to the 2d of May 1857, being the Date of a like Return made under the directions of the same Act.

Mint.

Account of the Sums advanced in each year from the Consolidated Fund for the purchase of Bullion for Coinage; and of the Sums paid in each year to the Account of Her Majesty's Exchequer at the Bank of *England* in Repayment thereof.

Lunacy.

Return to the Lord Chancellor of the Number of Visits made, the Number of Patients seen, and the Number of Miles travelled by the several Commissioners in Lunacy during the Six Months ending on the 4th August 1857.

Copy of Report to the Lord Chancellor o all Sums received by the several Commissioners in Lunacy for Travelling and Personal Expenses, during the year ending on the 31st December 1857.

Public Offices (Downing-street). No. 83.

Sir *Benjamin Hall* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to Public Offices (*Downing-street*).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Government of India.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 12th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Government of *India*:—And which Amendment was to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "it is not at present expedient to legislate for the Government of *India*," instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 16° *die Februarii*, 1858:

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Colonel *Sykes*, Mr. *Butt*: } 280.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *John Shelley*, Mr. *Kinnaird*: } 32.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

East India Loan Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *East India* Loan Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Clerks of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Clerks of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Conspiracy to Murder Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Conspiracy to Murder Bill;

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

Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill;

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

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Dublin Metropolitan Police.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Collections, compulsory or otherwise, for Public or Private purposes, made among the Members of the *Dublin* Metropolitan Police Force, from the 1st day of March 1838 to the

the 31st day of December 1857; showing the Date of each such Collection, the Sums collected, and the purposes for which such Sums were collected, in each Division; also the Name and Rank of the Person who made or received such Collection in each Division respectively, and the Authority under or by virtue of which such Person was authorized or permitted to make or receive such Collection.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 16° *die Februarii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Standing Orders.

COLONEL *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

West End of London and Crystal Palace Railway.

1. That in the case of the West End of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

Devon Valley Railway.

2. That in the case of the *Devon* Valley Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

Corris, Machynlleth and River Dovey Railway.

3. That in the case of the *Corris, Machynlleth* and River *Dovey* Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Devon Valley Railway.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in the case of the Petition for the *Devon* Valley Railway Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the *Tillicoultry* Station of the *Stirling* and *Dunfermline* Railway, to the *Fife* and *Kinross* Railway at *Hopefield*, to be called "The *Devon* Valley Railway," and for other purposes in relation thereto: And that Viscount *Melgund*, Mr. *Stirling* and Sir *James Anderson* do prepare, and bring it in.

West End of London and Crystal Palace Railway.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in the case of the Petition for the West End of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for enabling the *Battersea* Park Commissioners to sell, and the West End of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway Company to purchase, Pieces of Land situate near the South End of the New Bridge leading from *Chelsea* to *Battersea* Park; for authorizing Traffic Arrangements between the said Company and the South Eastern, Mid-*Kent* (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary Cray*) and East *Kent* Railway Companies; for Lease of Undertaking to the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company; for extending the time for completing Extension to *Farnborough*, and for other purposes: And that Mr. *Beale* and Sir *Joseph Paxton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Maidstone Gas.

A Petition of the *Maidstone* Gas-Light and Coke Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for lighting with Gas the Parish of *Maidstone*, and the neighbourhood thereof, in the County of *Kent*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Major *Scott* and Mr. *Hope*.

Llandaff and Canton District Markets.

A Petition of Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill for constructing a Market, Market Places, and Slaughter Houses, with all necessary conveniences, within the Hamlet of *Canton*, in the County of *Glamorgan*, to be called "The *Llandaff* and *Canton* District Markets," was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Talbot* and Mr. *Hussey Vivian*.

West End of London and Clapham and Norwood Junction Railway (Abandonment).

A Petition of the West End of *London* and *Clapham* and *Norwood* Junction Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Abandonment of the West End of *London* and *Clapham* and *Norwood* Junction Railway, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Alcock* and Mr. *Locke King*.

Horsham Turnpike Trust.

A Petition of Trustees of the *Horsham* Turnpike Trust, for leave to bring in a Bill for repairing and maintaining the Road from *Horsham*, in the County of *Sussex*, through *Dorking* and *Leatherhead*, to *Epsom*, in the County of *Surrey*, and from *Capel* to *Stone-street* at *Ockley*, in the said County of *Surrey*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Briscoe* and Mr. *William Fitzgerald*.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1).

A Petition of the *London* and North Western Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the *London* and North Western Railway Company to construct Works, and to acquire additional Lands, in the Counties of *Salop, Middlesex, Hertford, Buckingham, Warwick, Chester, Stafford, Northampton* and *Leicester*; for authorizing arrangements in reference to the improved Postal and Passenger Communication between *England* and *Ireland* Act, 1855, and with the Midland Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by the Marquis of *Stafford* and Mr. *Glyn*.

Ely Valley Railway.

A Petition of the *Ely* Valley Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the *Ely* Valley Railway Company to make a Branch Railway, to be called "The *Mwyndy* Branch," and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Talbot* and Mr. *Hussey Vivian*.

Ulverstone and Lancaster Railway.

A Petition of the *Ulverstone* and *Lancaster* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for authorizing the raising by the *Ulverstone* and *Lancaster* Railway Company of further Money, and the selling or leasing of their Railway to the *Furness* Railway Company, or the making by the two Companies of working arrangements and for giving further Powers to the two Companies respectively, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Colonel *Wilson Patten* and Mr. *Cheetham*.

Taunton Water.

A Petition of Subscribers to the proposed Works thereinafter mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill for better supplying with Water the Inhabitants of the Town of *Taunton*, in the County of *Somerset*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Labouchere* and Mr. *Arthur Mills*.

Londonderry and Coleraine Railway.

A Petition of the *Londonderry* and *Coleraine* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Londonderry* and *Coleraine* Railway Company to raise the Amount due to the Public Works Loan Commissioners, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

A Bill

Tees Conservancy Bill. A Bill to confer additional Powers on the *Tees* Conservancy Commissioners, to regulate the Fisheries in the River *Tees*, to vest the Anchorage, Plankage and Primage Dues in the said Commissioners, to alter and amend their existing Acts, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Stockton and Darlington Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill. A Bill for enabling the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway Company to make new Railways, with a Bridge over the River *Tees*, and other Works, in the North Riding of the County of *York* and the County of *Durham*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Besselsleigh Road Bill. A Bill to repeal the Acts relating to the *Besselsleigh* Turnpike Road, in the County of *Berks*, and to make other Provisions in lieu thereof, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Luton Gas Bill. A Bill to incorporate the *Luton* Gas and Coke Company, to authorize the Adjustment and Increase of the present Capital, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Yar Bridge Bill. A Bill for making and maintaining a Bridge over the River *Yar*, in the *Isle of Wight*, with Approaches and Roads thereto, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Madras Irrigation and Canal Bill. A Bill for incorporating the *Madras* Irrigation and Canal Company, and for other purposes connected therewith, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Knighton Railway Bill. A Bill for making a Railway from the *Craven Arms* Station of the *Shrewsbury* and *Hereford* Railway, in the County of *Salop*, to the Borough of *Knighton*, in the County of *Radnor*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Northampton Gas Bill. A Bill for lighting with Gas the Town of *Northampton* and the Neighbourhood thereof, in the County of *Northampton*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Balby and Worksop Road Bill. A Bill to repeal an Act for amending and maintainin gthe Turnpike Road from the Northern end of the Village of *Balby*, in the County of *York*, to *Worksop*, in the County of *Nottingham*, and to make other Provisions in lieu thereof, so far as regards a portion of the said Turnpike Road, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Atlantic Telegraph Company Bill. The Atlantic Telegraph Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Liverpool Exchange Bill. The *Liverpool* Exchange Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill. *Ordered*, That the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill. *Ordered*, That the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Metropolitan Railway (Abandonment of Undertaking, &c.) Bill. The Metropolitan Railway (Abandonment of Undertaking, &c.) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Oude Railway Company Bill. The *Oude* Railway Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The *Rochdale* and *Manchester* Road Bill was read a second time; and committed. Rochdale and Manchester Road Bill.

Ordered, That the *Saint Leonard, Shoreditch*, Parish Bill be read a second time upon Monday next. Saint Leonard, Shoreditch, Parish Bill.

The *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed. Salisbury and Yeovil Railway Bill.

The Vale of *Towy* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed. Vale of Towy Railway Bill.

The *Manchester* Assize Court House Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed. Manchester Assize Court House Bill.

The South *Wales* Railway (Further Powers, &c.) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed. South Wales Railway (Further Powers, &c.) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the South *Wales* Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill; South Wales Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Monies borrowed by the *Tees* Conservancy Commissioners, on the Security of the *Tees* Conservancy Fund, under the Authority of their Acts of 1852 and 1854, in each of the following years, *viz.* 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856 and 1857; showing,—1. The several Sums borrowed; 2. The Names of the Parties from whom such Sums were borrowed; 3. The Nature of the Security given in each instance; 4. The Date of each Security; 5. The Rate of Interest payable and paid thereon; 6. The Total Sums so borrowed; 7. The Total now due. Tees Conservancy.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. Public Petitions.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee. Vide Votes, and Sixth Report.

Mr. *Massey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Nineteenth Report of the General Board of Directors of Prisons in *Scotland*, to the Right Honourable Sir *George Grey*, Baronet, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, of their Proceedings under the Acts 2 & 3 *Vic* c. 42, 7 & 8 *Vic*. c. 34, and 14 & 15 *Vic*. c. 27. Prisons (Scotland.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Two Returns to an Order, dated the 15th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to *East India* (North Western Provinces, &c.) East India (North Western Provinces, &c.)

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Mint, which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant February, be printed. Mint. No. 84.

Ordered, That Mr. *Shirley* have leave of absence for a week, on account of a domestic affliction;—and, Mr. *Monsell* a week, on account of ill health. Leave of Absence.

Adjournment. *Resolved*, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till To-morrow, at Two of the clock.

Superintendents of Naval Yards. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Vacations of the Offices of the several Superintendents of Her Majesty's Naval Yards, during Ten years ending the 31st day of December 1857, in consequence of the operation of any Rule in the Service with respect to Promotions or the Number of years for which such Offices may be held.

Metropolis Roads (North of the Thames.) *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns, in continuation to the present Time, of Accounts in p. 2, of Parliamentary Paper, No. 237, of Session 1856:—Also, in continuation to present Time, of Paper in Appendix, No. 3, to Report on Metropolis Roads in Session 1856, p. 114:—Accounts of Advanced Gates, being the Gates at the commencement of each District from Town, showing, in Detail, the following Particulars:—The Number and Names of such Gates, with the Number of Side Bars attached to each Gate, and the Name of the Road District and its Surveyor; the Distance each Gate is from the commencement of the District; the Names of the Parishes such Advanced Gates and such Portions of Road respectively are in, and the estimated Cost of Maintenance of each Portion in 1856-57:—Of the Total Mileage of the Roads now maintained within the Gates, and also the Total Mileage without the Gates:—And, Statement as to the "*Lyon*" and other Bequests, showing the Names of the Clerks to the Trustees; the Acts of Parliament and Authorities under which such Bequests, &c. are held and administered; the Situation of the Trust Estates; the yearly Income since 1848; the particular Districts or Parishes benefited, and in respect of what Roads or Streets.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Metropolitan Turnpike Trusts. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Tabular Return, showing, in Detail, the Turnpike Trusts, any Portions of which are within Six Miles of *Charing Cross*:—The Acts of Parliament under which they exist:—The Number of Gates and Bars, and the Mileage of Road of each Trust:—The Number and Names of Surveyors, Sub-Surveyors and Secretaries to such Trusts (including, as to this Information, the Commission of the Metropolis Roads North of the *Thames*); Date of their respective Appointments, and Amount of respective Salaries, and if they each hold any and what other Appointments, under any and what other Trusts and Salaries, and the Salaries for such Appointments:—Where any such Trusts extend to Roads beyond such Radius, a Statement of the Mileage:—And, where any such Trusts have Funds, Estates or other means besides the Tolls, a Statement explanatory of the same, especially showing the particular Parishes, Districts or Roads benefited.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Metropolitan Parishes (Roads, &c.) *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return as to Parishes in the District of the Metropolitan Board of Works, including the City of *London*, showing the Number of the Parishes which have the entire control of their Roads, Streets and Thoroughfares, and make and repair the same out of Parish Rates, without any assistance or contribution from Tolls, Bequests or other Sources:—The Names of the Parishes which have not such entire control, &c., and are assisted by Tolls, Bequests or other Sources, and showing, in Detail, the Name of Parish, Mileage of Roads, Streets and Thoroughfares, as far as at present known, maintained out of Local Rates:—And, Mileage of Roads maintained by Toll Commissions or Trustees, and, in case of any Bequest, &c., from whom, to what Amount, and in respect to which Parish, Road or Thoroughfare.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Hudson's Bay Company. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies or Extracts of any Correspondence that has taken place between the Colonial Office and the *Hudson's Bay* Company, or the Government of *Canada*, in consequence of the Report of the Select Committee on the Affairs of the Company which sat in the last Session of Parliament.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Corn, &c. (Ireland.) *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Quantity of Corn, Grain, Meal and Flour imported into *Ireland* from Foreign Parts and the *British* Colonies in the years 1852, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856 and 1857, distinguishing each year separately, and in the Form following:

	1852.	1853.	1854.	1855.	1856.	1857.
Wheat - - - - - Qrs.						
Barley - - - - - "						
Oats - - - - - "						
Rye - - - - - "						
Peas - - - - - "						
Beans - - - - - "						
Indian Corn - - - - "						
Bere and Bigg - - - "						
Buck Wheat - - - "						
Wheat Meal - - - - Cwts.						
Barley Meal - - - - "						
Oat Meal - - - - "						
Indian Corn Meal - - - "						
Buck Wheat Meal - - - "						

Dublin Metropolitan Police Force. A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the system and management of the *Dublin* Metropolitan Police Force;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Grogan*, Mr. *Vance*: } 105.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Hayter*, Mr. *Brand*: } 200.

So it passed in the Negative.

East India (Annexation of Oude.) A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Secret Despatch, signed by the President of the Board of Control in the year 1831, addressed to Lord *William Bentinck*, and ordering him to annex or otherwise assume the administration of the Kingdom of *Oude*:—Of the Despatch of Lord *William Bentinck*, explaining his Reasons for not carrying those orders into effect:—Of the Correspondence which took place, through the Secret Department of the *India* House, between the President of the Board of Control and the Governor General of *India*, in the years 1833, 1834 and 1835, in reference to the Annexation of *Oude*:—And, Copy of a Note or Minute, signed by Sir *Henry Ellis* when a Member

ber of the Board of Control, explaining his Reasons for dissenting from the projected Annexation of *Oude*:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

East India (Annexation of Oude.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of any Despatch from the Secret Committee, in the year 1831, addressed to Lord *William Bentinck*, and ordering him to annex or otherwise assume the administration of the Kingdom of *Oude*:—Of the Despatch of Lord *William Bentinck*, explaining his Reasons for not carrying those orders into effect:—Of the Correspondence which took place between the Secret Department of the *India* House and the Governor General of *India*, in the years 1833, 1834 and 1835, in reference to the Annexation of *Oude*:—Of the Correspondence which took place between the Court of Directors or the Secret Committee and the Governor General of *India*, in the years 1837, 1838 and 1839, in reference to the Treaty with the King of *Oude*, signed by the Governor General, September 11th, 1837:—And, Copy of a Note or Minute, signed by Sir *Henry Ellis* when a Member of the Board of Control, explaining his Reasons for dissenting from the projected Annexation of *Oude*.

Vacating of Seats.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Act of the sixth year of Queen *Anne*, chapter seven, so far as relates to the vacating of Seats in Parliament on the acceptance of Office;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Wrightson*, Mr. *Thornely*: } 91.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Wise*, Mr. *Biggs*: } 108.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

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Bank Acts.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That it be an Instruction to the Select Committee on the Bank Acts, to inquire into the operation of all the Laws affecting the Currency in *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, and report what Amendments, if any, they may consider desirable:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Tenants Compensation (Ireland).

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide Compensation to Tenant Farmers in *Ireland* for Improvements made by them upon Lands in their occupation; and to limit the Power of Eviction in certain cases: And that Mr. *Maguire* and The *O'Donoghoe* do prepare, and bring it in.

Foot Guards.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report of the Medical Officers of the Foot Guards which states the average Mortality in that Brigade;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "from the year 1839 to 1853, both inclusive:—"Returns of the Number of Non-commissioned "Officers and Men discharged from the Foot "Guards during the same period, distinguishing, "1. Those discharged on reduction as being under "Height; 2. Those discharged on reduction by "recommendation of the Medical Officers; and, 3. "Those invalided from the 1st day of June 1856 to "the 1st day of February 1858:—And, of the Ages "and Years of Service of the whole strength of the "Brigade, stating separately the Non-commissioned "Officers and Men so discharged and invalided, and those who have died during the same period, according to the following Tables:

Date from June 1, 1856, to February 1, 1858.

Strength.

From 15 to 20 years old.	20 to 25.	25 to 30.	30 to 35.	35 to 40.	40 to 45.

Invalided.

Discharged on reduction by recommendation of Medical Officers.

Deaths.

Number of Non-commissioned Officers and Men in the Brigade of Guards who have completed one or more year's service up to 25 years and upwards.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25 and upwards."

And the Question being put, That those words be there added:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report of the Medical Officers of the Foot Guards which states the average Mortality in that Brigade, from the year 1839 to 1853, both inclusive:—Returns of the Number of Non-commissioned Officers and Men discharged from the Foot Guards during the same period, distinguishing, 1. Those discharged on reduction as being under Height; 2. Those discharged on reduction by recommendation of the Medical Officers; and, 3. Those invalided from the 1st day of June 1856 to the 1st day of February 1858:—And, of the Ages and Years of Service of the whole strength of the Brigade, stating separately the Non-commissioned Officers and Men so discharged and invalided, and those who have died during the same period, according to the following Tables:

Date from June 1, 1856, to February 1, 1858.

Strength.

From 15 to 20 years old.	20 to 25.	25 to 30.	30 to 35.	35 to 40.	40 to 45.

Invalided.

Discharged on reduction by recommendation of Medical Officers.

Deaths.

Number of Non-commissioned Officers and Men in the Brigade of Guards who have completed one or more year's service up to 25 years and upwards.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25 and upwards.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Bleaching and Dyeing Works.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the circumstances connected with the employment of Women and Children in the Bleaching and Dyeing Establishments in *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, and to consider how far it may be necessary or expedient to extend to those Establishments provisions regulating such employment; and to report their Observations thereupon to the House:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. *Butt*, Lord *John Manners*, Mr. *Crook*, Mr. *Kirk*, Mr. *Baxter*, Mr. *Massey*, Mr. *Dalglish*, Mr. *Clark*, Mr. *Cheetham*, Lord *Naas*, Mr. *Cobbett*, Mr. *Wise*, Mr. *Turner*, Mr. *Packe* and Mr. *Davison*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Government of India.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 12th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question, relative to the Government of *India*;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Tenants' Compensation (Ireland) Bill. Bill 22.

Mr. *Maguire* presented a Bill to provide Compensation to Tenant Farmers in *Ireland* for Improvements made by them upon Lands in their Occupation; and to limit the Power of Eviction in certain cases: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of April next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Mercurii, 17° *die Februarii*;

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PRAYERS.

Public Petitions (Fifth Report.)

MR. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 15th day of this instant February; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Eastern Counties Railway.

A Petition of the Eastern Counties Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the Eastern Counties Railway Company to abandon a Portion of the *Newmarket* and *Chesterford* Railway, and also a Railway to the River *Thames* at *Gallcon's Reach*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Bagshaw* and Mr. *Norris*.

Wallasey Improvement.

A Petition of the Local Board of Health for the District of *Wallasey*, in the County of *Chester*, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the Local Board of Health for the District of *Wallasey* to construct Works, and supply their District with Water and Gas; for enlarging their Powers with respect to the acquisition and maintenance of Ferries, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Philip Egerton* and Mr. *John Tollemache*.

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements.)

A Petition of Commissioners for the Improvement of *Birkenhead*, in the County of *Chester*, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Birkenhead* Improvement Amendment Act, 1850, especially with respect to the general Mortgage Debt of the Commissioners, and their Power to sell certain Lands, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *Philip Egerton* and Mr. *John Tollemache*.

Garngad Road Bill.

A Bill to provide for the better Maintenance of the *Garngad* Road, in the County of *Lanark*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Maidstone Gas Bill.

A Bill for lighting with Gas the Parish of *Maidstone* and the Neighbourhood thereof, in the County of *Kent*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Horsham Turnpike Trust Bill.

A Bill for repairing and maintaining the Roads from *Horsham*, in the County of *Sussex*, through *Dorking* and *Leatherhead*, to *Epsom*, in the County of *Surrey*, and from *Capel* to *Stone-street* at *Ockley*, in the said County of *Surrey*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Ely Valley Railway Bill.

A Bill to authorize the *Ely* Valley Railway Company to make a Branch Railway, to be called "The *Mwyndy* Branch," and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Llandaff and Canton District Markets Bill.

A Bill for constructing a Market, Market-places and Slaughter-houses, with all necessary Conveniences, within the Hamlet of *Canton*, in the County of *Glamorgan*, to be called "The *Llandaff* and *Canton* District Markets," was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

West End of London and Clapham and Norwood Junction Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

A Bill for the Abandonment of the West End of *London* and *Clapham* and *Norwood* Junction Railway, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Devon Valley Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway from the *Tillicoultry* Station of the *Stirling* and *Dunfermline* Railway to the *Fife* and *Kinross* Railway at *Hopefield*, to be called "The *Devon* Valley Railway," and for other purposes in relation thereto, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Taunton Water Bill.

A Bill for better supplying with Water the Inhabitants of the Town of *Taunton*, in the County of *Somerset*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Ulverstone and Lancaster Railway Bill.

A Bill for authorizing the raising by the *Ulverstone* and *Lancaster* Railway Company of further Money, and the selling or leasing of their Railway to the *Furness* Railway Company, or the making by the two Companies of Working Arrangements, and for giving further Powers to the two Companies respectively, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill.

A Bill for enabling the *London* and North Western Railway Company to construct Works, and to acquire additional Lands, in the Counties of *Salop*, *Middlesex*, *Hertford*, *Buckingham*, *Warwick*, *Chester*, *Stafford*, *Northampton*, and *Leicester*; for authorizing Arrangements in reference to "The Improved Postal and Passenger Communication between *England* and *Ireland* Act, 1855," and with the Midland Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Allendale Stinted Pasture Bill.

The *Allendale* Stinted Pasture Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill.

The *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

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Blackburn Railway Bill.

The *Blackburn* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Manchester Poor Bill.

The *Manchester* Poor Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Selkirk and Galashiels Railway Bill.

The *Selkirk* and *Galashiels* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Stockton and Darlington, Wear Valley, &c. Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

The *Stockton* and *Darlington*, *Wear* Valley, &c. Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Warrington and Stockport Railway (Capital) Bill.

The *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway (Capital) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Chester Gas Bill.

The *Chester* Gas Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Sixth Report.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Sir *Joseph Paxton* have leave of absence for a month, on account of ill health.

Quarantine.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns received from the *British* Colonies of the Number of Ships placed in Quarantine, and of other Particulars relative thereto, in each of the Ten years ending the 31st day of December 1854.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

New Zealand.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of or Extract from a Despatch from Governor Sir *George Grey* to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated the 7th day of November 1857, on the subject of the Military Force in *New Zealand* during his Administration of that Government.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Bermuda.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of or Extract from a Despatch from the Governor of *Bermuda* to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, enclosing a Report from the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the first appearance and the spread of Yellow Fever at *Bermuda* in the year 1856.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Select Committees. No. 85.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Select Committees, which was presented upon the 17th day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, be printed.

East India (North Western Provinces, &c.) No. 86.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to *East India* (North Western Provinces, &c.), which were presented upon the 16th day of this instant February, be printed.

Ecclesiastical Residences (Ireland) Bill.

The Ecclesiastical Residences (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday the 14th day of April next.

Churches, &c. (Ireland Bill.)

The Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday the 14th day of April next.

Church Rates Abolition Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Church Rates Abolition Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *John Trelawny*, General *Thompson*: } 213.

Tellers for the Noes, { Lord *Robert Cecil*, Mr. *Packe*: } 160.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday the 3d day of March next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Prescription (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for shortening the time of Prescription in certain cases in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Bland* and Mr. *Dobbs* do prepare, and bring it in.

Greenwich Hospital.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Memorial, dated the 16th day of January 1858, to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty, from the Naval Captains and other Officers of *Greenwich* Hospital, praying to be allowed their Half-Pay in the same manner as it is now granted to the Admirals of that Establishment; together with their Lordships' Reply to the same.

Hampton Court Palace and Kew Gardens.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Visitors admitted to see the Apartments and Pictures at *Hampton Court*, and the Gardens at *Kew*, during the year 1857; distinguishing the Number in each Month, and the Number on the several Sundays (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 318, of Session 2, 1857).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Bank Issues.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence between the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Bank of *England*, relating to the Appropriation of Profits on the recent Issue of Notes in excess of the Statutory Limit.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Prescription (Ireland) Bill. Bill 23.

Mr. *Bland* presented a Bill for shortening the time of Prescription in certain cases in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 3d day of March next; and to be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 18° *die Februarii;*

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the *Ware, Hadham* and *Buntingford* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Halifax Park and Improvements.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the *Halifax* Park and Improvements Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Plymouth Great Western Docks Bill.

A Petition of the *Plymouth* Great Western Dock Company, praying that Provision may be made in the *Plymouth* Great Western Docks Bill for preserving the lien or security for Freight of the shipowner or other party interested therein on goods deposited in Warehouses of the Petitioners, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Corris, Machynlleth and River Dovey Railway.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for the *Corris, Machynlleth* and River *Dovey* Railway Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway or Tramroad from the *Aberllefenny* Slate Quarries, in the Parish of *Tal-y-llyn*, in the County of *Merioneth*, to the River *Dovey*, in the Parish of *Llanfihangel-Genea'r-Glyn*, in the County of *Cardigan*, with Branches therefrom, and for other purposes: And that Mr. *Pugh* and Mr. *Malins* do prepare, and bring it in.

Redditch Railway.

A Petition of Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction of a Railway from *Redditch* to join the Midland Railway, and for other purposes connected therewith, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Colonel *Rushout* and Mr. *John Hodgetts Foley*.

Inverury and Old Meldrum Junction Railway.

A Petition of the Great North of *Scotland* Railway Company, and of the *Inverury* and *Old Meldrum* Junction Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for granting a Lease of the *Inverury* and *Old Meldrum* Junction Railway to the Great North of *Scotland* Railway Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *Haddo* and Sir *James Elphinstone*.

Leitrim Railway and Lough Allen Pier.

A Petition of *Nathaniel Mason*, of *Bedford Row*, *Middlesex*, and *Donald Mangles Dewar*, of *Guntergrove*, *Middlesex*, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the construction of a Railway from *Lough Allen*, at *Drumman's Bay*, to a Terminus at or near *Coyle's Bridge*, *Lisnagowan*, with Branches, and of a Pier on the Shore of *Lough Allen*, to be called "*Leitrim* Railway and *Lough Allen* Pier," and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Montgomery* and Mr. *Wynne*.

Hove Improvement.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the Parish of *Hove*, in the County of *Sussex*, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Improvement of the Western parts of the Parish of *Hove*, in the County of *Sussex*, and for establishing more efficient Police Regulations within the whole of the said Parish, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Sir *George Brooke Pechell* and Mr. *Coningham*.

Westminster Improvements (Appointment of Managers, &c.)

A Petition of Creditors holding Mortgages and Bonds of the *Westminster* Improvement Commissioners, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the appointment of Managers to wind up the Affairs of the *Westminster* Improvement Commissioners, and to facilitate Leases and Sales of their Incumbered Estate, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Cobbold* and Mr. *Cairns*.

Halifax Park and Improvements.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of *Halifax*, for leave to bring in a Bill for confirming the Gift by *Francis Crossley*, Esquire, to the Borough of *Halifax*, of a Park for the benefit of the Inhabitants of the Borough; and for authorizing the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough to maintain and regulate the Park, and to provide, maintain and regulate Public Baths in the Park, and for making a Cemetery, and for making further Provision with respect to the Water Works and the Gas Works, and the Improvement of the Borough, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway.

A Petition of Promoters of the Railway Undertaking thereinafter mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the *Hertford* and *Ware* Branch of the Eastern Counties Railway to *Buntingford*, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

West End of London and Crystal Palace Railway Bill.

A Bill for enabling the *Battersea* Park Commissioners to sell, and the West End of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway Company to purchase, Pieces of Land situate near the South end of the New Bridge leading from *Chelsea* to *Battersea* Park; for authorizing Traffic Arrangements between the said Company and the South Eastern, Mid-*Kent* (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary Cray*), and East *Kent* Railway Companies; for Lease of Undertaking to the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company; for extending the time for completing Extension to *Farnborough*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Belfast (Town and Borough) Improvement Bill.

A Bill to amend the Acts for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations in *Ireland*, so far as they relate to the Borough of *Belfast*, and also to amend the Acts for the Improvement of the said Borough, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Eastern Counties Railway Bill.

A Bill for enabling the Eastern Counties Railway Company to abandon a Portion of the *Newmarket* and *Chesterford* Railway, and also a Railway to the River *Thames* at *Galleons Reach*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill.

A Bill to amend the *Birkenhead* Improvement Amendment Act, 1850, especially with respect to the general Mortgage Debt of the Commissioners, and their Powers to sell certain Lands, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Border Counties Railway Bill.

The Border Counties Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Dublin and Meath Railway Bill.

The *Dublin* and *Meath* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Resolved,

Vide Votes, and Seventh Report.

Poor Relief, &c. (Metropolis.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Casual Destitute Poor admitted into the Metropolitan Workhouses from Lady-day 1856 to Lady-day 1857, distinguishing Males and Females, and Children; also the Quantity of Food or Refreshment afforded to each, and the Labour, if any, required from them in return for the accommodation afforded:—And, of the Value of Property in each Parish or Ward within the District of the Metropolis Local Management Act assessed to the Property Tax under Schedule (A.), for the year ended the 5th day of April 1857; also the Rateable Value of Property assessed to the Poor Rate in each of such Parishes, for the year ending the 25th day of March 1857; and the Amount in the Pound expended for the relief of the Poor in the same year in each of such Parishes, exclusive of Police and County Rates, and Rates for the support of Baths and Washhouses, and the Expenses of Burials.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Church Rates Abolition Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Wednesday the 3d day of March next, on the Church Rates Abolition Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 21st day of April next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Hops.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of December last, for a Return relative to Hops.

Court of Chancery.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return from the Accountant General of the High Court of Chancery, showing the state of the several Funds in his name, called "The Suitors' Fund" and "The Suitors' Fee Fund," and the Charges upon the same respectively.

Public Health Act (1848.)

Mr. *Cowper* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report to the General Board of Health on a Preliminary Inquiry into the Sewerage, Drainage, Supply of Water, and the Sanitary Condition of the Inhabitants of the Township of *Skipton*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*, by *William Ranger*, Esquire, C.E., Superintending Inspector.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Income Tax Collectors (Tynemouth.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Appointment of *Thomas Biggs* and *Joseph Phillipson* as Collectors of Income Tax for the District of *Tynemouth*, in the County of *Northumberland*, for the year 1854–55:—Of any Bond or Security taken by the Commissioners of the District from the said *Thomas Biggs* and *Joseph Phillipson* for the due Payment of the Taxes collected by them:—And, of all Correspondence between the Board of Inland Revenue and the Local Commissioners of Taxes for *Tynemouth*, on the subject of the Defalcation of *Thomas Biggs*, one of the said Collectors, and the Re-assessment of the Parish to make good such deficiency; also with Mr. *Tinley*, the Vestry Clerk, with Mr. *Pow*, the Chairman of the Committee appointed by a Public Vestry to resist such Re-assessment, and with any other Person, on the same subject.

Government of India.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 12th day of this instant February, was proposed to be made to the Question, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Government of *India*; and which Amendment was to leave out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "it is not at "present expedient to legislate for the Government "of *India*," instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 19° *die Februarii*, 1858:

And the Question being put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Hayter*,	318.
	Mr. *Brand*:	
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Thomas Baring*,	173.
	Mr. *Crawford*:	

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Government of *India*: And that Viscount *Palmerston*, Mr. *Vernon Smith* and the Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring it in.

Divine Service (Army.)

Sir *John Ramsden* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of December last, for a Return relative to Divine Service (Army).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Government of India Bill. Bill 24.

Viscount *Palmerston* presented a Bill for the better Government of *India*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 5th day of March next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 19° *die Februarii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Public Petitions (Sixth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 16th and 17th days of this instant February; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Committee of Selection (First Report.) No. 87.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had formed certain Private Bills into Groups; and had agreed to report the same to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Bognor Railway.

A Petition of Promoters of the Bill thereinafter-mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the *Woodgate* Station of the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway to *Bognor*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *Henry Lennox* and Mr. *Henry Wyndham*.

East Suffolk, Yarmouth and Haddiscoe, and Lowestoft and Beccles Railway Companies Amalgamation.

A Petition of the East *Suffolk* Railway Company, the *Yarmouth* and *Haddiscoe* Railway Company, and the *Lowestoft* and *Beccles* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Amalgamation of the Undertakings of the East *Suffolk* Railway Company,

Company, the *Yarmouth* and *Haddiscoe* Railway Company, and the *Lowestoft* and *Beccles* Railway Company, for leasing the same, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *Henniker* and Sir *FitzRoy Kelly*.

Tyne River Improvement. A Petition of the *Tyne* Improvement Commissioners, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Purchase by, and Transfer to, the *Tyne* Improvement Commissioners of the portion of the Town Dues reserved to the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of *Newcastle-upon-Tyne*, by the *Tyne* Improvement Act, 1850; and to amend the Provisions of the Acts relating to the River *Tyne*, and to the Collection of Dues for the Improvement of the same, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Headlam* and Mr. *Ingham*.

Corris, Machynlleth and River Dovey Railway Bill. A Bill for making a Railway or Tramroad from the *Aberllefenny* Slate Quarries, in the Parish of *Tal-y-llyn*, in the County of *Merioneth*, to the River *Dovey*, in the Parish of *Llanfihangel-Geneu'r-Glyn*, in the County of *Cardigan*, with Branches therefrom, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Inverury and Old Meldrum Junction Railway Bill. A Bill for granting a Lease of the *Inverury* and *Old Meldrum* Junction Railway to the Great North of *Scotland* Railway Company, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Hesketh Marsh Bill. A Bill for carrying into effect an Agreement between the *Ribble* Navigation Company and Sir *Thomas George Hesketh*, Baronet, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Leitrim Railway and Lough Allen Pier Bill. A Bill to authorize the Construction of a Railway from *Lough Allen*, at *Drumman's Bay*, to a Terminus at or near *Coyles* Bridge, *Lisnagowan*, and of a Pier on the Shore of *Lough Allen*, to be called "*Leitrim* Railway and *Lough Allen* Pier," and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Westminster Improvements (Appointment of Managers, &c.) Bill. A Bill to authorize the Appointment of Managers to wind up the Affairs of the *Westminster* Improvement Commissioners, and to facilitate Leases and Sales of their Incumbered Estate, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Redditch Railway Bill. A Bill to authorize the Construction of a Railway from *Redditch* to the Midland Railway, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Liskeard and Looe Union Canal Company's Railway Bill. The *Liskeard* and *Looe* Union Canal Company's Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

London Tramway Bill. *Ordered*, That the *London* Tramway Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 1) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 1) Bill;

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

Mersey Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill. The *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill. The *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions. Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees.

Vide Votes, and Seventh Report.

English Episcopal Chapel (Paris) *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of all Correspondence between the *British* Ambassador at *Paris* and the Foreign Office, relating to the Purchase of the Chapel in the *Rue d'Aguesseau*, stated to be registered in *France* as the Property of the *British* Government; and between the *British* Ambassador and the Representative of the *American* Community in *Paris*, relating thereto:—And, of the Purchase Deed, and a Statement of all Monies paid on account of the Purchase, or for Expenses, Repairs or otherwise, relating to the Chapel since the Date of such Deed.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

War Department. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Annual Establishment Charges of the Departments now consolidated in that of War, for Four years previous to their Consolidation:—And, of the Annual Establishment Charges of the Department of War since such Consolidation, up to the present time.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Lowestoft Petition (Board of Health.) *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Petition, with its Signatures, recently presented to the Board of Health from the Town of *Lowestoft*; together with any Correspondence that has passed relating to the subject of the Petition.

Controverted Elections. Sir *William Somerville*, being one of the Members appointed by Mr. Speaker to serve on the General Committee of Elections, and not objected to by the House, was sworn at the Table by the Clerk.

Standing Orders Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Waterford and Kilkenny Railway Company (Capital.) 1. That in the case of the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway Company (Capital) Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway Company (Capital, &c.) 2. That in the case of the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company (Capital, &c.) Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Waterford and Kilkenny Railway (Capital.) The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway (Capital) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confer upon the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway Company facilities for raising Money: And that Mr. *Esmonde*, Mr. *Greene* and Mr. *Hassard* do prepare, and bring it in.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for the *London, Brighton* and South Coast

Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confer upon the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company further Powers for raising Money, and to authorize the Purchase and Lease by them of the Undertakings of certain other Railway Companies: And that Sir *George Brooke Pechell* and Mr. *Coningham* do prepare, and bring it in.

Bank Acts, &c.

Ordered, That all Petitions relating to the Bank Acts, or to the recent Commercial Distress, be referred to the Select Committee on the Bank Acts.

Police (Scotland.)

Mr. *Massey* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules made by the Right Honourable Sir *George Grey*, Baronet, one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, pursuant to the 3d section of the 20 & 21 *Vic.* c. 72, for establishing an uniform system for the Government, Pay, Clothing, Accoutrements and Necessaries for Constables appointed under that Act, so far as relates to *Scotland*:—*Whitehall*, 17 February 1858.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Duchy of Cornwall.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—An Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Duchy of *Cornwall*, in the year ended on the 31st December 1857.

Hops. No. 88.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Hops, which was presented upon the 18th day of this instant February, be printed.

Court of Chancery. No. 89.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Court of Chancery, which was presented upon the 18th day of this instant February, be printed.

Divine Service (Army.) No. 90.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Divine Service (Army), which was presented upon the 18th day of this instant February, be printed.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Trade and Navigation. No. 68.

Mr. *Lowe* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Accounts relative to Trade and Navigation, for the Month ended 31st January 1858.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Conspiracy to Murder Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Conspiracy to Murder Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House hears with much concern that it is "alleged that recent attempts upon the life of the "Emperor of the *French* have been devised in "*England*, and expresses its detestation of such "guilty enterprises; that this House is ready at all "times to assist in remedying any defects in the "Criminal Law which, after due investigation, are "proved to exist, yet it cannot but regret that Her "Majesty's Government, previously to inviting the "House to amend the Law of Conspiracy by the "second reading of this Bill at the present time, has "not felt it to be their duty to make some reply "to the important Despatch received from the "*French* Government, dated *Paris*, January 20, "1858, and which has been laid before Parliament," instead thereof;

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 20° *die Februarii*, 1858:

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Hayter*, Mr. *Brand*: } 215.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Milner Gibson*, Mr. *Bright*: } 234.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "this House hears with much concern that it is "alleged that recent attempts upon the life of the "Emperor of the *French* have been devised in "*England*, and expresses its detestation of such "guilty enterprises; that this House is ready at all "times to assist in remedying any defects in the "Criminal Law which, after due investigation, are "proved to exist, yet it cannot but regret that Her "Majesty's Government, previously to inviting the "House to amend the Law of Conspiracy by the "second reading of this Bill at the present time, "has not felt it to be their duty to make some "reply to the important Despatch received from "the *French* Government, dated *Paris*, January 20, "1858, and which has been laid before Parliament," be added instead thereof:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That this House hears with much concern that it is alleged that recent attempts upon the life of the Emperor of the *French* have been devised in *England*, and expresses its detestation of such guilty enterprises; that this House is ready at all times to assist in remedying any defects in the Criminal Law which, after due investigation, are proved to exist, yet it cannot but regret that Her Majesty's Government, previously to inviting the House to amend the Law of Conspiracy by the second reading of this Bill at the present time, has not felt it to be their duty to make some reply to the important Despatch received from the *French* Government, dated *Paris*, January 20, 1858, and which has been laid before Parliament.

East India Loan Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *East India* Loan Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 5th day of March next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Chelsea New Bridge.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal so much of the Act of the ninth and tenth years of *Victoria*, chapter thirty-nine, as authorizes a Toll to be taken for Foot Passengers on the Bridge now erecting across the *Thames*, pursuant to such Act:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Cape of Good Hope.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of accepted Tender from the Union Steam Navigation Company, and of the Contract with that Company for the Conveyance of Her Majesty's Mails between this Country and the *Cape of Good Hope*.

Contracts (Public Departments.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the principle adopted for making Contracts for the Public Departments, and the effect which the present system has upon the Expenditure of Public Money.

Barracks.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount expended on Barracks in the United Kingdom for the years 1854, 1855 and 1856; distinguishing the Amount expended on erection of new, enlargement and repairs of Barracks (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 59, of Session 1857).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

School Books (Ireland.) No. 91.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Letter from the Commissioners of National Education, *Ireland*, to the Treasury, upon the subject of the Sale of School Books; and of a Treasury Minute thereon.

Mr. *Wilson* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after One of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 22° *die Februarii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

London Corporation Regulation Bill.

THE House being informed, That the Sheriffs of the City of *London* attended at the door, they were called in; and at the Bar presented,—A Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of *London*, in Common Council assembled:—And they then withdrew.

And the said Petition, praying that the Petitioners may be heard, by themselves, their Counsel, Agents and Witnesses, before the Select Committee to whom the *London* Corporation Regulation Bill shall be referred, against the several Clauses thereof, and for the insertion of divers other Clauses therein, and that the said Bill may not pass into a Law as it now stands, was read, and referred to the Select Committee on the Bill.

Fishguard Harbour Improvement.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the *Fishguard* Harbour Improvement Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Portumna Bridge (Ireland) Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the *Portumna* Bridge (*Ireland*) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Plymouth Great Western Docks Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the *Plymouth* Great Western Docks Bill, the Standing Orders have been complied with.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill, that they have Power to make Provision therein pursuant to the prayer of the said Petition.

Public Petitions (Seventh Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 18th and 19th days of this instant February; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Electric Telegraph Company.

A Petition of the Electric Telegraph Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for consolidating and amending the Powers of the Acts relating to the Electric Telegraph Company, and for requiring Notice to be given to the Company before they are assessed to any Parochial or other Rate or Assessment in respect of their Telegraphs, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Stephenson* and Mr. *John Lewis Ricardo*.

North Staffordshire Railway.

A Petition of the North *Staffordshire* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize Arrangements between the North *Staffordshire* Railway Company and certain other Companies, and to authorize the North *Staffordshire* Railway Company to divide and consolidate their Shares into Stock, and to convert their Mortgage Debt into Stock, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Lord *Alfred Paget* and Mr. *John Lewis Ricardo*.

Mid-Kent Railway (Croydon Extension.)

A Petition of the Mid-*Kent* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the Mid-*Kent* Railway Company to make certain Railways from their terminus at *Beckenham* to *Croydon*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Whitbread* and Mr. *Hadfield*.

Chester and Holyhead Railway.

A Petition of the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize Arrangements between the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Company, and *London* and North Western Railway Company, and to authorize the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Kinnaird*, Mr. *Owen Stanley*, Mr. *Jackson* and Mr. *George Alexander Hamilton*.

Darenth Valley Railway.

A Petition of Promoters of the Bill thereinafter mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the *Dartford* Station of the North *Kent* Line of the South Eastern Railway to *Farningham*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Pigott* and Mr. *Neeld*.

Fishguard Harbour Improvement.

A Petition of *William Philip Nicholas*, *Thomas Davies*, *Levi Vaughan*, *William Rowlands Clerk*, *William Dean Wathen*, *Thomas Arthur Nicholas* and *William Vaughan*, being seven of the Provisional Directors of the *Fishguard* Harbour Improvement, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Improvement of the Harbour and Port of *Fishguard*, in the County of *Pembroke*, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Hove Improvement Bill.

A Bill for the Improvement of the Western Parts of the Parish of *Hove*, in the County of *Sussex*, and for establishing more efficient Police Regulations within the whole of the said Parish, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Tyne River Improvement Bill.

A Bill to authorize the Purchase by, and Transfer to, the *Tyne* Improvement Commissioners of the Portion of the Town Dues reserved to the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of *Newcastle-upon-Tyne*, by the *Tyne* Improvement Act, 1850; and to amend the Provisions of the Acts relating to the River *Tyne*, and to the Collection of Dues for the Improvement of the same, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill

East Suffolk, Yarmouth and Haddiscoe, and Lowestoft and Beccles Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

A Bill for the Amalgamation of the Undertakings of the East *Suffolk* Railway Company, the *Yarmouth* and *Haddiscoe* Railway Company, and the *Lowestoft* and *Beccles* Railway Company; for leasing the same, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Bognor Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway from the *Woodgate* Station of the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway to *Bognor*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Wallasey Improvement Bill.

A Bill for enabling the Local Board of Health for the District of *Wallasey* to construct Works and supply their District with Water and Gas; for enlarging their Powers with respect to the acquisition and maintenance of Ferries, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill.

A Bill to confer upon the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company further Powers for raising Money, and to authorize the Purchase and Lease by them of the Undertakings of certain other Railway Companies, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Waterford and Kilkenny Railway (Capital) Bill.

A Bill to confer upon the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway Company facilities for raising Money, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Balby and Worksop Road Bill.

The *Balby* and *Worksop* Road Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Besselsleigh Road Bill.

The *Besselsleigh* Road Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Carron Railway Bill.

The *Carron* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Chiswick Improvement Bill.

The *Chiswick* Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Durham and Cleveland Union Railway Bill.

The *Durham* and *Cleveland* Union Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

East Suffolk Railway Bill.

The East *Suffolk* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ely Valley Railway Bill.

The *Ely* Valley Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Garngad Road Bill.

The *Garngad* Road Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Gorbals Property and Liabilities Bill.

Ordered, That the *Gorbals* Property and Liabilities Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Hampstead Heath Park Bill.

The *Hampstead Heath* Park Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Horsham Turnpike Trust Bill.

The *Horsham* Turnpike Trust Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Llandaff and Canton District Markets Bill.

The *Llandaff* and *Canton* District Markets Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Limerick and Castle Connell Railway Bill.

The *Limerick* and *Castle Connell* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Liverpool Improvement Bill.

The *Liverpool* Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill.

The *London* and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

The *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway (*Shoreham* to *Henfield*, &c.) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Shoreham to Henfield, &c.) Bill.

The *Luton* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Luton Gas Bill.

The *Madras* Irrigation and Canal Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Madras Irrigation and Canal Bill.

The *Maidstone* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Maidstone Gas Bill.

The *Manchester, Hyde* and *Mottram* Road Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Manchester, Hyde and Mottram Road Bill.

The *Northampton* Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Northampton Gas Bill.

The North *British* Railway (*Hawick* and *Carlisle* Junction Railway) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

North British Railway (Hawick and Carlisle Junction Railway) Bill.

The *Stockport, Disley*, and *Whaley* Bridge Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Stockport, Disley and Whaley Bridge Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Stockton and Darlington Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill.

The *Taunton* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Taunton Water Bill.

The *Ulverstone* and *Lancaster* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ulverstone and Lancaster Railway Bill.

The West End of *London* and *Clapham* and *Norwood* Junction Railway (Abandonment) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

West End of London and Clapham and Norwood Junction Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

Ordered, That the *Westminster* Improvements (Sale and Lease, &c.) Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Westminster Improvements (Sale and Lease, &c.) Bill.

The *Yar* Bridge Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Yar Bridge Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *London* Tramway Bill;

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

London Tramway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Saint Leonard, Shoreditch*, Parish Bill;

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

Saint Leonard, Shoreditch, Parish Bill.

The *Wem* and *Bronygarth* Roads Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Wem and Bronygarth Roads Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Wexford* Harbour Embankment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question: — The said

Wexford Harbour Embankment Bill.

proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

Middlesbrough Improvement.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of *Middlesbrough*, and also of the Local Board of Health of the District of *Middlesbrough*, for leave to bring in a Bill to alter and improve the Boundaries of the Municipal Borough and District of *Middlesbrough*; to enable the Local Board of Health of the District to enlarge the Market Place; to enable the Corporation to construct Landing Places on the north side of the River *Tees*, and to establish a Public Passage up and over the said River; to transfer the Powers of the Burial Board to the Local Board; and to confer other Powers on the Local Board and the Corporation, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Cayley* and Colonel *Duncombe*.

Stockton, Middlesbrough and Yarm Water.

A Petition of the *Stockton, Middlesbrough* and *Yarm* Water Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the *Stockton, Middlesbrough* and *Yarm* Water Company; to change the Name of the Company, and authorize the Construction of additional Works, and the raising of further Monies, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Cayley* and Mr. *Pease*.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Eighth Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Sardinian Medal.

Sir *Charles Wood* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—List of Officers and Men of the Royal Navy and Marines selected to receive the War Medal awarded for Military Valour by his Majesty the King of *Sardinia* to the *British* Naval Forces engaged on shore in the *Crimea* during the late War in the East.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ameer Ali Moorad's Claim (Coffey's Petition.)

A Petition of *Edward Lees Coffey*, of *Clifford-street, London*, stating that *Isaac Butt*, Esquire, Queen's Counsel, a Member of the House, did, in or about the months of July or August 1856, corruptly enter into an agreement with his Highness *Ameer Ali Moorad Khan*, Talpoor of *Rhajapoor* in *Scinde*, or his Agents, to the effect that the said *Isaac Butt* should, for a Sum of Money, advocate and prosecute in the House, with the Government and the *East India* Company, the claims of his Highness for the recovery of his Territory of which he had been deprived by annexation by the said Company, and that divers Sums of Money had been actually paid by the said *Ameer Ali Moorad* to the said *Isaac Butt*; and praying that the House will take steps for the purpose of investigating the matters set forth in the said Petition, was offered to be presented;

And Mr. *Butt* being in his place, the said Petition was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be printed, for the use of Members only.

Mr. *Butt* was heard in his place:—And then he withdrew.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Committee of Selection do nominate a Select Committee to inquire into the allegations of the said Petition, and to report their opinion thereupon;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House do forthwith appoint a Select Committee to inquire into the allegations of the said "Petition," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment and Motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be forthwith appointed to inquire into the allegations of the said Petition.

Ordered, That the Committee do consist of Seven Members.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That Mr. *Henley* be one of the Members of the said Committee:—It passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That Lord *John Manners* be one of the Members of the said Committee:—It passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That Mr. *Walpole* be one of the Members of the said Committee:—It passed in the Negative.

Then Sir *James Graham*, Mr. *Sidney Herbert*, Mr. *Bright*, Mr. Serjeant *Kinglake*, Mr. *Bouverie*, General *Codrington* and Colonel *Wilson Patten* were nominated Members of the said Committee; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee.

Ordered, That Mr. *Roebuck* and Mr. Serjeant *Deasy* be appointed to serve upon the said Committee, and to take part in its Proceedings, but without the power of voting.

Foreign Refugees.

Viscount *Palmerston* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Despatch from Her Majesty's Ambassador at *Paris*, relative to Foreign Refugees.

China.

Copy of Correspondence with the *Chinese* High Commissioner *Yeh*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Friday next.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit, notwithstanding the adjournment of the House.

Hudson's Bay Company.

Mr. Secretary *Labouchere* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to the *Hudson's Bay* Company.

New Zealand.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 17th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to *New Zealand*.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Quarantine.

Mr. *Chichester Fortescue* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 17th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to Quarantine.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Prisons.

Mr. *Massey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-third Report of the Inspectors appointed under the Provisions of the Act 5 & 6 *Will.* 4, c. 38, to visit the different Prisons of *Great Britain*:—III. Northern District.

Police (Counties and Boroughs)

Mr. *Massey* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Statements of the Grounds upon which the Secretary of State's Certificates of the efficiency of the Police of Counties and Boroughs have been withheld, for the year ended 29th September 1357.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Corn, &c. (Ireland.)

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the

the 16th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to Corn, &c. (*Ireland*).

East India (Annexation of Oude.)

Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to *East India* (Annexation of *Oude*).

Liverpool Port.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—An Account of the Receipt and Disbursement of Dock and Light Duties at the Port of *Liverpool*, from 25th June 1856 to 24th June 1857.

Probates and Letters of Administration.

Copy of Rules and Orders for regulating the Practice of the County Courts in Proceedings taken under the Provisions of the Act 20 & 21 *Vic.* c. 77, for amending the Law relating to Probates and Letters of Administration in *England*.

Lowestoft Petition (Board of Health.)

Mr. *Cowper* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to the *Lowestoft* Petition (Board of Health).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Police (Scotland.) No. 92.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Police (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant February, be printed.

Duchy of Cornwall. No. 93.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Duchy of *Cornwall*, which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant February, be printed.

East India Loan Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *East India* Loan Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Cowper* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Clerks of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Medical Charities (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Medical Charities (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

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

Grand Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Grand Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

General Board of Health (Skipton.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a certain Provisional Order of the General Board of Health, applying the Public Health Act, 1848, to the District of *Skipton*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*: And that Mr. *Cowper* and Mr. *Massey* do prepare, and bring it in.

Income Tax Returns (London.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of all Correspondence which has taken place upon the subject of the Abstraction of Income Tax Returns in the City of *London*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Oaths Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Wednesday next, on the Oaths Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 10th day of March next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 3d day of March next, the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of March next.

Prescription (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 3d day of March next, the Prescription (*Ireland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of April next.

Public Monies. No. 94.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Treasury Minute, dated the 15th day of February 1858, on the Report of the Select Committee of the House of Commons on Public Monies.

Mr. *Wilson* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Excise Officers and Surveyors, &c. of Taxes (Scotland.) No. 95.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of two Treasury Minutes revising the Salaries of the Excise Officers, and those of the Surveyors and Inspectors of Taxes in *Scotland*.

Mr. *Wilson* accordingly presented the said Papers.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

General Board of Health (Skipton) Bill. Bill 25.

Mr. *Cowper* presented a Bill to confer a certain Provisional Order of the General Board of Health, applying the Public Health Act, 1848, to the District of *Skipton*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Revenue Departments. No. 96.

Mr. *Wilson* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Estimates for the Revenue Departments for the year 1858, ending 31st March 1859.

Ordered, That the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

And then the House adjourned till Friday next.

Veneris, 26° die Februarii;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Beverley Election.

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had this day received a Letter from Messrs. *Durnford* and Company, as Agents for *John Grey*, *William Wilson*, and others, informing him that it is not their intention to proceed with their Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Borough of *Beverley*:—And the said Letter was read, as followeth:

39, *Parliament-street*,
25 February 1858.

Sir,

In compliance with Instructions received from *John Grey*, *William Wilson*, and others, who presented a Petition on the 25th August last, against the Return of *Henry Edwards*, Esquire, as a Member for the Borough of *Beverley*, we beg to inform you that it is not intended to proceed with the said Petition.

We have the honour to be, Sir,
Your very obedient Servants,
Durnford and Co.

To the Right honourable the Speaker of the House of Commons.

The Order for referring the said Petition to the General Committee of Elections, was read, and discharged.

Standing Orders.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Standing Orders have leave to make a Special Report.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the said Committee, That they had agreed to several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Londonderry and Coleraine Railway.

1. That in the case of the *Londonderry* and *Coleraine* Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway.

2. That in the case of the *Ware*, *Hadham* and *Buntingford* Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

Halifax Park and Improvements.

3. That in the case of the *Halifax* Park and Improvements Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

Fishguard Harbour Improvement.

4. That in the case of the *Fishguard* Harbour Improvement Petition, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with

Portumna Bridge (Ireland) Bill.

5. That in the case of the *Portumna* Bridge (*Ireland*) Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, provided that Notices of the application be published forthwith once in the *Dublin* Gazette, and once in each of three successive weeks in a newspaper published in *Dublin* at least two days in the week; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the report of the Bill.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 2.) (Special Report.)

6. That in the case of the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 2) Petition, the Committee had agreed to the following Special Report:—

That in the case of the Petition for the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 2) Bill, it be referred to the Examiners of Petitions to inquire and report whether the Notices proved before the Examiner in the case of the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 1) Petition for Bill, are sufficient to cover the Provisions of the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 2) Bill, and that they correctly state the objects of the intended application as required by the Standing Orders; that the several Parties who have already appeared before the Examiner be permitted to be again heard; and that the Examiner have leave to sit and proceed forthwith.

The second, third, fifth and sixth Resolutions, together with the Special Report, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Controverted Elections.

Sir *Francis Baring* reported from the General Committee of Elections: That they had changed the day and hour appointed by them at their meeting of the 10th February, for choosing a Select Committee to try the *Beverley* Election Petition, and had appointed Tuesday the 23d day of March next, at Three o'clock, for choosing the said Committee, instead of Thursday the 25th day of February instant, having in their judgment deemed it expedient so to do, in consequence of the Agent for the Petitioners having stated to them that he had withdrawn the Petition, by giving Notice under his hand in writing to the Speaker, and to the Agent of the Sitting Member, as required by sec. 8, 11 & 12 *Vic.* c. 98; and that it was only in consequence of the adjournment of the House that the withdrawal had not been communicated to the House, and published in its Votes and Proceedings.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions (Eighth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 22d day of this instant February, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Committee of Selection (Second Report.) No. 97.

Mr. *Deedes* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had formed certain Bills into Groups, and had agreed to report the same to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Andover Canal Railway.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the *Andover* Canal Navigation, and of Promoters of the Undertaking thereinafter mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Construction of a Railway from *Andover* to *Redbridge*, in the County of *Southampton*, and for that purpose to convert the *Andover* Canal into a Railway, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. Alderman *Cubitt*, Mr. *Dudley Fortescue*, Mr. *Beach* and Mr. *Sclater-Booth*.

Halifax Park and Improvements.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for the *Halfax* Park and Improvement Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for confirming the Gift by *Francis Crossley*, Esquire, to the Borough of *Halifax*, of a Park for the benefit of the Inhabitants of the Borough, and for authorizing the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough to maintain and regulate the Park; and to provide, maintain and regulate Public Baths in the Park, and for making a Cemetery, and for making further Provision with respect to the Waterworks and the Gasworks, and the Improvement of the Borough, and for other purposes: And that Sir *Charles Wood*, Mr. *Crossley*, Mr. *Edwards* and Mr. *Akroyd* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for the *Ware*, *Hadham* and *Buntingford* Railway Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the *Hertford* and *Ware* Branch of the Eastern Counties Railway to *Buntingford*: And that Sir *Edward Bulwer Lytton* and Mr. *Puller* do prepare, and bring it in.

Darenth Valley Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway from the *Dartford* Station of the North *Kent* Line of the South Eastern Railway to *Farningham*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill.

A Bill to authorize Arrangements between the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Company, and *London* and North Western Railway Company, and to authorize the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mid-Kent Railway (Croydon Extension) Bill.

A Bill for enabling the Mid-*Kent* Railway Company to make certain Railways from their terminus at *Beckenham* to *Croydon*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Stockton, Middlesbrough and Yarm Water Bill.

A Bill to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the *Stockton*, *Middlesbrough* and *Yarm* Water Company; to change the Name of the Company, and authorize the Construction of additional Works, and the raising of further Monies, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Bill

Middlesbrough Improvement Bill.

A Bill to alter and improve the Boundaries of the Municipal Borough and District of *Middlesbrough*; to enable the Local Board of Health of the District to enlarge the Market Place; to enable the Corporation to construct Landing Places on the North side of the River *Tees*, and to establish a public Passage up and over the said River; to transfer the Powers of the Burial Board to the Local Board, and to confer other Powers on the Local Board and the Corporation, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Electric Telegraph Company Bill.

A Bill for consolidating and amending the Powers of the Acts relating to the Electric Telegraph Company, and for requiring Notice to be given to the Company before they are assessed to any Parochial or other Rate or Assessment in respect of their Telegraphs, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill.

The *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Cornwall Railway Bill.

The *Cornwall* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Corris, Machynlleth and River Dovey Railway Bill.

The *Corris*, *Machynlleth* and River *Dovey* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Devon Valley Railway Bill.

The *Devon* Valley Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Eastern Counties Railway Bill.

The Eastern Counties Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Globe Insurance Company Bill.

The Globe Insurance Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Inverury and Old Meldrum Junction Railway Bill.

The *Inverury* and *Old Meldrum* Junction Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Knighton Railway Bill.

The *Knighton* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Leitrim Railway and Lough Allen Pier Bill.

The *Leitrim* Railway and *Lough Allen* Pier Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Victoria Park Approach) Bill.

The Metropolitan Board of Works (*Victoria* Park Approach) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Redditch Railway Bill.

The *Redditch* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Tees Conservancy Bill.

The *Tees* Conservancy Bill was read a second time; and committed.

West End of London and Crystal Palace Railway Bill.

The West End of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Westminster Improvements (Appointment of Managers, &c.) Bill.

The *Westminster* Improvements (Appointment of Managers, &c.) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Gorbals Property and Liabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Gorbals Property and Liabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of March next.

London Tramway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *London* Tramway Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of March next.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 1) Bill.

The *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 1) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Saint Leonard, Shoreditch, Parish Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Saint Leonard, Shoreditch*, Parish Bill;

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

Stockton and Darlington Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill.

The *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Westminster Improvements (Sale and Lease, &c.) Bill.

The *Westminster* Improvements (Sale and Lease, &c.) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees.

Vide Votes, and Ninth Report.

Duke of Beaufort *v.* Jones.

A Petition of *Francis Philip Hooper*, of *Sackville-street*, in the County of *Middlesex*, Solicitor, was presented, and read; setting forth, That an action is pending in Her Majesty's Court of Exchequer of Pleas, between the Most noble *Henry Charles Fitz-Roy*, Duke of *Beaufort*, Plaintiff, and *Thomas Jones*, Defendant; and it will be necessary for the Plaintiff in the said action to produce certain Documents deposited in the Journal Office of this House; that the Petitioner is the Solicitor of his Grace the Duke of *Beaufort*; and praying the House to give permission to the proper Officer to attend, to produce the said Documents.

Ordered, That leave be given to the proper Officer to attend accordingly.

Poor Rates and Pauperism. No. 98.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Comparative Statement of the Number of Paupers of all Classes (except Lunatic Paupers in Asylums and Vagrants) in receipt of Relief on the 1st day of each Week in the Months of January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December, 1857 and 1858 respectively; also for the Months of January, February and March 1858 and 1859 respectively:—Statement of the Number of Paupers, distinguishing the Number of Adult Able-bodied Paupers, relieved on the 1st day of July 1858:—Similar Statement for the 1st day of January 1859:—Statement of the Amount expended for In-Maintenance and Out-Relief only, half-year ended at Michaelmas 1858:—Similar Statement for the half-year ended at Lady-day 1859:—And, Amount of Poor Rates levied and expended during the year ended at Lady-day 1858.

Mr. *Grey* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Harbour, &c. Bills.

Ordered, That the Board of Trade do present to this House, a Report upon the Private Bills for Harbours, Docks, Navigations, &c., in conformity with the practice in force with respect to Railway Bills.

Endowed Schools (Ireland.)

Mr. *Massey* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of Her Majesty's Commissioners appointed to inquire into the Endowments, Funds and actual condition of all Schools endowed for the purpose of Education in *Ireland*; accompanied by Minutes of Evidence, Documents and Tables of Schools and Endowments.

Non-Parochial Registers.

Copy of Report of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the State, Custody and Authenticity of certain Non-Parochial Registers or Records of Births or Baptisms, Deaths or Burials, and Marriages, in *England* and *Wales* (1857).

Metropolis Rates, &c.

Mr. *Massey* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 5th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return from each Vestry and District Board elected under the Provisions of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855; setting forth,—1st. The Value of Property in each Parish and District as assessed to the County Rate; 2d. The Sum on which the Rates are assessed for the Relief of the Poor; 3d. The Total Amount levied; 4th. The Rate in the Pound levied for each of the several purposes of County, Police, Poor, Baths and Washhouses, Burial Board, Paving, Lighting and Cleansing, Local Sewerage, Debt, Payments to Metropolitan Board of Works, and any other Charges, the Total Amount of Money raised, and the Total expended, for the year ending the 25th day of March 1857:—Of the Names of all Officers employed as Clerks, Surveyors, Collectors, Health Officers, Inspectors of Nuisances, and other Officers employed under such Vestry or District Board; setting forth the Offices they severally hold, with the Amount of Salary, Fees, Poundage, Perquisites, Value of House-rent, and other Benefits enjoyed by such Officers under any General or Local Act, or otherwise:—And, from the Local Board of Health at *Woolwich*, giving like Information.

Aggravated Assaults (Metropolis.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 9th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to Aggravated Assaults (Metropolis).

Registered Electors

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to Registered Electors.

Hampton Court Palace and Kew Gardens.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 17th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to *Hampton Court* Palace and *Kew* Gardens.

Court of Probate (Ireland.)

Mr. *Massey* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Rules, Orders and Instructions for Her Majesty's Court of Probate and its Registries, made under the Provisions of the Act to amend the Law relating to Probates and Letters of Administration in *Ireland*, 20 & 21 *Vic.* c. 79.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Australian Postal Service.

Mr. *Thomas Baring* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to *Australian* Postal Service.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Exports and Imports.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of December last, for a Return relative to Exports and Imports.

Spirits (Scotland.)

Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of December last, for a Return relative to Spirits (*Scotland*).

Kensington Gore Estate.

Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of this instant February, for a Return relative to *Kensington Gore* Estate.

Court of Chancery.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Order of the Court of Chancery, for payment of retiring Pension to Mr. *William Hornidge*, during his life.

Hudson's Bay Company. No. 99.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *Hudson's Bay* Company, which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant February, be printed.

New Zealand. No. 100.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *New Zealand*, which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant February, be printed.

Corn, &c. (Ireland.) No. 101.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Corn, &c. (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant February, be printed.

East India (Annexation of Oude.) No. 102.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Annexation of *Oude*), which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant February, be printed.

Quarantine. No. 103.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Quarantine, which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant February, be printed.

Wrecks and Casualties.

Mr. *Lowe* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—An Abstract of the Returns made to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council of Trade, of Wrecks and Casualties which occurred on and near the Coasts of the United Kingdom, from the 1st January to the 31st December 1857; with a Statement of the Number of Lives lost and saved; of the Amount granted out of the Mercantile Marine Fund as Rewards for the Salvage of Life, for Contributions towards the Maintenance of Life-boats, and for Expenses in connexion with the Mortar and Rocket Apparatus for saving Life, during the same period; and a *Précis* of the special inquiries instituted into the causes of such Wrecks and Casualties, by Order of the Board of Trade; to which is appended, a Wreck Chart of the United Kingdom.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Buckinghamshire Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Buckingham*, in the room of the Right honourable *Benjamin Disraeli*, who, since his Election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of Chancellor and Under Treasurer of Her Majesty's Exchequer.

King's Lynn Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *King's Lynn*, in the room of the Right honourable *Edward Henry Stanley*, commonly called Lord *Stanley*, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Cambridge University Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the University of *Cambridge*, in the room of the Right honourable *Spencer Horatio Walpole*, who, since his Election for the said University, hath accepted the Office of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Droitwich Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Droitwich*, in the room of the Right honourable Sir *John Somerset Pakington*, Baronet, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of First Commissioner for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.

Huntingdon Borough Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Huntingdon*, in the room of Major General the Right honourable *Jonathan Peel*, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Oxfordshire Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Oxford*, in the room of the Right honourable *Joseph Warner Henley*, who, since his Election for the said County,

County, hath accepted the Office of President of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations.

Wilts (Northern Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the Northern Division of the County of *Wilts*, in the room of the Right honourable *Thomas Henry Sutton Sotheron Estcourt*, who, since his Election for the said Division of the said County, hath accepted the Office of Commissioner for administering the Laws for the Relief of the Poor in *England*.

Stafford County (Northern Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the Northern Division of the County of *Stafford*, in the room of the Right honourable *Charles Bowyer Adderley*, who, since his Election for the said Division of the said County, hath accepted the Office of Vice-President of the Committee of Privy Council for Education.

Stamford Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Stamford*, in the room of Sir *Frederic Thesiger*, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Lord High Chancellor of *Great Britain*.

Suffolk (Eastern Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the Eastern Division of the County of Suffolk, in the room of Sir *Fitz Roy Kelly*, who, since his Election for the said Division of the said County, hath accepted the Office of Her Majesty's Attorney General.

Belfast Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Belfast*, in the room of *Hugh M'Calmont Cairns*, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Her Majesty's Solicitor General.

Leicester County (Northern Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the Northern Division of the County of *Leicester*, in the room of the Right honourable *John James Robert Manners*, commonly called Lord *John James Robert Manners*, who, since his Election for the said Division of the said County, hath accepted the Office of First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings.

Salop (Southern Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the Southern Division of the County of *Salop*, in the room of the Right honourable *George Charles Bridgeman*, commonly called Viscount *Newport*, who, since his Election for the said Division of the said County, hath accepted the Office of Vice-Chamberlain of Her Majesty's Household.

Dublin County Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Dublin*, in the room of Colonel *Thomas Edward Taylor*, who, since his Election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of one of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treasurer of *Great Britain*, and Treasurer of the Exchequer in *Ireland*.

Bridgnorth Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Bridgnorth*, in the room of *Henry Whitmore*, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of one of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treasurer of *Great Britain* and Treasurer of the Exchequer in *Ireland*.

Cockermouth Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Cockermouth*, in the room of the Right honourable *Richard Southwell Bourke*, commonly called Lord *Naas*, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*.

Tyrone Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Tyrone*, in the room of the Right honourable *Claud Hamilton*, commonly called Lord *Claud Hamilton*, who, since his Election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of Treasurer of Her Majesty's Household.

Wenlock Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Wenlock*, in the room of Colonel the Right honourable *George Cecil Weld Forester*, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Comptroller of Her Majesty's Household.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit, notwithstanding the adjournment of the House.

East India Loan Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *East India* Loan Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the further consideration of the said Bill be adjourned till Monday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Clerks of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 15th day of March next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Medical Charities (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Medical Charities (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of March next.

Grand Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Grand Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of March next.

Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of March next.

General Board of Health (Skipton) Bill.

The General Board of Health (*Skipton*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Gaols and Houses of Correction Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of this instant February, That the Gaols and Houses of Correction Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday the 12th day of March next.

Oaths Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Wednesday the 10th day of March next, on the Oaths Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 17th day of March next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 1° *die Martii;*

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 2.)

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 2) Bill, the Notices proved before the Examiner in the case of the Petition for the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 1) Bill, are sufficient to cover the Provisions of the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 2) Bill, and do correctly state the objects of the intended application to Parliament, as required by the Standing Orders.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Controverted Elections.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a vacancy has occurred in the General Committee of Elections, in consequence of the Right honourable *Spencer Horatio Walpole* having ceased to be a Member of this House.

Public Petitions (Ninth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 26th day of February last; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Andover Canal Railway Bill.

A Bill to authorize the Construction of a Railway from *Andover* to *Redbridge*, in the County of *Southampton*, and for that purpose to convert the *Andover* Canal into a Railway, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway Bill.

A Bill for making a Railway from the *Hertford* and *Ware* Branch of the Eastern Counties Railway to *Buntingford*, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Halifax Park and Improvements Bill.

A Bill for confirming the Gift by *Francis Crossley*, Esquire, to the Borough of *Halifax*, of a Park for the benefit of the Inhabitants of the Borough, and for authorizing the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough to maintain and regulate the Park, and to provide, maintain and regulate Public Baths in the Park, and for making a Cemetery, and for making further Provision with respect to the Waterworks and the Gasworks, and the Improvement of the Borough, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Ordered, That the *Belfast* (Town and Borough) Improvement Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant March. — Belfast (Town and Borough) Improvement Bill.

The *Bognor* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed. — Bognor Railway Bill.

The *Hesketh* Marsh Bill was read a second time; and committed. — Hesketh Marsh Bill.

The *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill was read a second time; and committed. — London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill.

The *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway (Capital) Bill was read a second time; and committed. — Waterford and Kilkenny Railway (Capital) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Saint Leonard, Shoreditch*, Parish Bill; — Saint Leonard, Shoreditch, Parish Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of this instant March.

Ordered, That the Board of Trade do present to this House, a Report upon the Railway and Canal Bills of this Session, in compliance with the Recommendation contained in the Fifth Report of the Select Committee on Railway and Canal Bills of the Session of 1853. — Railway and Canal Bills.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. — Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees. — Vide Votes, and Tenth Report.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Further Papers (No. 6) (in continuation of No. 4) relative to the Mutinies in the *East Indies*. — East India (Mutinies.)

Mr. *Hamilton* also presented, — Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 9th day of February last, for a Return relative to Immigrants and Liberated *Africans*. — Immigrants and Liberated Africans. No. 104.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 17th day of February last, for a Return relative to *Bermuda*. — Bermuda. No. 105.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Returns relative to Immigrants and Liberated *Africans*, and *Bermuda*, be printed.

Ordered, That Mr. *Jones* have leave of absence till the 15th day of May next, on account of ill health. — Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the Northern Division of the County of *Northumberland*, in the room of the Honourable *Algernon George Percy*, commonly called Lord *Lovaine*, who, since his Election for the said Division of the said County, hath accepted the Office of one of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*. — Northumberland (Northern Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Chichester*, in the room of the Honourable *Henry George Charles Gordon Lennox*, commonly called Lord *Henry Lennox*, who, since his Election for the said City, hath accepted the Office of one of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Treasurer of *Great Britain*, and Treasurer of the Exchequer in *Ireland*. — Chichester Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a new — Enniskillen Writ.

new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Enniskillen*, in the room of *James Whiteside*, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Her Majesty's Attorney General for *Ireland*.

Severn Valley Railway (Extension of Time.)

A Petition of the *Severn* Valley Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for making further Provision with respect to the *Severn* Valley Railway, in order to the completion thereof, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Pritchard* and Mr. *Gaskell*.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Friday the 12th day of this instant March.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit, notwithstanding the adjournment of the House.

East India Loan Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the *East India* Loan Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into further consideration upon Friday the 12th day of this instant March.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 12th day of this instant March, resolve itself into the said Committee.

General Board of Health (Skipton) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the General Board of Health (*Skipton*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 12th day of this instant March, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Copper, &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Exports and Imports of Copper and Copper Ore, and Regulus, Tin and Tin Ores, Lead and Lead Ore, and Spelter, for the Twelve Months ending the 5th day of January 1858.

East India (Public Debt.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of all Notifications of the Government of *India* concerning the Public Debt of *India*, from the 1st day of May 1834 to the date of the last Accounts received:—Accounts of the Public Debt of *India* as it stood on the 1st day of May 1834, and at the date of the last Accounts received, showing separately the Amount of each Loan and the Rate of Interest borne by the same:—And, of all Sums received, and of all Sums paid off in respect of such Loans, and also of all Sums transferred from one Loan to another, during the period above referred to.

Cape of Good Hope.

Mr. *Thomas Baring* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of February last, for a Return relative to the *Cape of Good Hope*.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Ecclesiastical Commission.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Tenth General Report from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for *England*; with an Appendix (under the Acts 13 & 14 *Vic.* c. 94, s. 26; and 17 & 18 *Vic.* c. 116, s. 10).

Tithe Commission.

Copy of the Report of the Tithe Commissioners to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department, dated 30th January 1858 [for the year 1857].

Copyhold Commission.

Copy of Sixteenth Annual Report of the Copyhold Commissioners, 1858.

Inclosure Commission.

Copy of Thirteenth Annual Report of the Inclosure Commissioners, 1858.

Poor Law.

Copy of the Tenth Annual Report of the Poor Law Board, 1857–58.

Poor Law Medical Relief (Scotland.)

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 3d day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns in respect of each Parish or combination of Parishes in *Scotland*, of the Amount paid annually during the last Five years for Medical Relief to Paupers, distinguishing the Amount paid to the Medical Officers from that expended in Purchase of Medicine:—Of the Amount contributed from the Grant in Aid, where the Minimum established by the Board of Supervision has been found by the Parish:—And, of the Amount paid where there is no Contribution from the Grant in Aid.

Income Tax Returns (London.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 22d day of February last, for a Return relative to Income Tax Returns (*London*).

Turnpike Roads (South Wales.)

Mr. *Hardy* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Accounts for 1857, and Estimates for 1858, relative to Turnpike Roads (South *Wales*).

Oxford University.

Copies of Two Ordinances (framed under the 17 & 18 *Vic.* c. 81, and the 19 & 20 *Vic.* c. 31), in relation to the foundation of Mr. *John Snell* within Balliol College, *Oxford*; and amending a former Ordinance in relation to that College.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Duchy of Lancaster.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—An Account of the Income and Expenditure of the Duchy of *Lancaster*, for the year ended 21st December 1857; also a separate Account of the Capital of the said Duchy, for the same period.

Bankruptcy.

A Return showing the Total Amount of Monies paid into the Bank of *England* to the Credit of the Accountant in Bankruptcy, for the year ending the 31st day of December 1857, distinguishing the Amount paid over by Her Majesty's Commissioners of Inland Revenue; also, the Amount paid by Orders of the Lord Chancellor, the Lords Justices and the Commissioners, and the Amount transferred and paid out as Dividends, from the 31st day of December 1856 to the 1st day of January 1858; also, the Balances standing on the following Accounts to the Credit of *Richard Clarke*, Esquire, the Accountant in Bankruptcy, on the 1st day of January 1858; namely, 1st. The General Account of Bankrupts Estates; 2d. The Bankruptcy Fund Account; 3d. The Unclaimed Dividend Account; 4th. The Chief Registrar's Account; together with an Appendix to the last-named Account of the Payments made therefrom, showing to whom made, and whether as Salaries, Compensations, Annuities, Services, Travelling or other Expenses or Allowances.

Quit Rents (Ireland.) No. 106.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Quit Rents (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 18th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, be printed.

Aggravated Assaults (Metropolis.) No. 107.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Aggravated Assaults (Metropolis), which was presented upon the 26th day of February last, be printed.

Registered Electors. No. 108.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Registered Electors, which was presented upon the 26th day of February last, be printed.

Hampton Court Palace and Kew Gardens. No. 109.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Hampton Court* Palace and *Kew* Gardens, which was presented upon the 26th day of February last, be printed.

Exports and Imports. No. 110.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Exports and Imports, which was presented upon the 26th day of February last, be printed.

Spirits (Scotland.) No. 111.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Spirits (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 26th day of February last, be printed.

Kensington Gore Estate. No. 112.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *Kensington Gore* Estate, which was presented upon the 26th day of February last, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till Friday the 12th day of this instant March.

Veneris, 12° *die Martii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Committee of Selection (Third Report.) No. 114.

COLONEL *Wilson Patten* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had formed certain Private Bills into additional Groups; and had agreed to report the same to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Peniston, Thurlstone and Oxspring Gas Bill.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported the *Peniston*, *Thurlstone* and *Oxspring* Gas Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Whitehaven Harbour Bill.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported the *Whitehaven* Harbour Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Cheltenham Water Bill.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported the *Cheltenham* Water Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Edinburgh Life Assurance Company Bill.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported from the Committee on the *Edinburgh* Life Assurance Company Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Birmingham and Staffordshire Gas Bill.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported from the Committee on the *Birmingham* and *Staffordshire* Gas Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by adding two recitals, stating the amount of capital, the number of shares by which the same has been raised, and the amount still due upon the said shares; and by erasing other words in order to describe more accurately the monetary arrangements of the Company; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Waterford and Kilkenny Railway (Power of Purchase, &c.)

A Petition of the *Irish* South Eastern Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the *Irish* South Eastern Railway Company to purchase or lease the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway, or to enter into working arrangements with the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Alexander* and Mr. *Grogan*.

South Eastern Railway and Mid-Kent Railway (Bromley to Saint Mary Cray) Companies.

A Petition of the South Eastern Railway Company, and of the Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary Cray*) Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the leasing of the Undertaking of the Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary Cray*) Company to the South Eastern Railway Company, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Rich* and Mr. *Gilpin*.

Public Petitions (Tenth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 1st day of this instant March, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill.

A Petition of the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Bill, for enabling the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Company to sell their Undertaking to the North Eastern Railway Company, and for that Company to purchase the same, and for other purposes, and for dispensing with Standing Orders Nos. 139, 140 and 135, in respect of such additional Provision and of the said Bill, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Standing Orders.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Isle of Wight Poor Bill.

1. That in the case of the *Isle of Wight* Poor, Petition of *W. Bryden*, for dispensing with Standing Order 109, and for leave to be heard against the Bill, in the case of the Petitions of *James P. Lind* and *Ryde* and *Ventnor* Commissioners, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to be heard on their Petitions against the said Bill, notwithstanding the same shall have been deposited later than seven clear days after the second reading of the Bill.

Cromford and High Peak Railway Bill.

2. That in the case of the *Cromford* and *High Peak* Railway, Petition of *W. Burchell*, for dispensing with Standing Order 109, and for leave to be heard against the Bill on behalf of the North *Staffordshire* Railway Company, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to be heard on their Petition against the said Bill, notwithstanding the same shall have been deposited later than seven clear days after the second reading of the Bill.

Limerick and Foynes Railway.

3. That in the case of the *Limerick* and *Foynes* Railway, Petition for leave to deposit Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to deposit their Petition accordingly.

London Dock Company Bill.

4. That in the case of the *London* Dock Company, Petition of Ship-builders of the Port of *London* and Dock-owners, for dispensing with Standing Orders 88 and 109, the said Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

Tay Fisheries Bill.

5. That in the case of the *Tay* Fisheries, Petition of *Alexander Clayhills*, for dispensing with Standing Order 109, and for leave to be heard against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to be heard on their Petition against the Bill, notwithstanding the same shall have been deposited later than seven clear days after the second reading of the said Bill.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 2.)

6. That in the case of the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 2) Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The first, second, third, fifth and sixth Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 2.)

The House was moved, That the Report which was this day made from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 2) Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to improve the management of the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway: And that Lord *Worsley* and Mr. *Milner Gibson* do prepare, and bring it in.

A Bill

Severn Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

A Bill for making further Provision with respect to the *Severn* Valley Railway, in order to the completion thereof, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill.

The *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Darenth Valley Railway Bill.

The *Darenth* Valley Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

East Suffolk, Yarmouth and Haddiscoe, and Lowestoft and Beccles Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

The East *Suffolk*, *Yarmouth* and *Haddiscoe*, and *Lowestoft* and *Beccles* Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Electric Telegraph Company Bill.

The Electric Telegraph Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Hove Improvement Bill.

Ordered, That the *Hove* Improvement Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Middlesbrough Improvement Bill.

The *Middlesbrough* Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Mid-Kent Railway (Croydon Extension) Bill.

The Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Croydon* Extension) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Stockton, Middlesbrough and Yarm Water Bill.

The *Stockton*, *Middlesbrough* and *Yarm* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Tyne River Improvement Bill.

The *Tyne* River Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Wallasey Improvement Bill.

The *Wallasey* Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Portumna Bridge (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the *Portumna* Bridge (*Ireland*) Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday next.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees.

Vide Votes, and Eleventh Report.

Durham City Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Durham*, in the room of *John Robert Mowbray*, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said City, hath accepted the Office of Her Majesty's Judge Advocate General.

Ameer Ali Moorad's Claim (Coffey's Petition)

No. 115.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on *Ameer Ali Moorad*'s Claim (*Coffey*'s Petition) have Power to report their Opinion thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Sir *James Graham* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and had come to several Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House:—And the Resolutions of the Committee were read, as follow:

1. That *Isaac Butt*, Esquire, Q.C., a Member of this House, did not, as stated in the Petition of *Edward Lees Coffey*, "in or about the months of July or August 1856, corruptly enter into an Agreement with his Highness *Ameer Ali Moorad Khan*, or his Agents, to the effect that the said *Isaac Butt* should for a Sum of Money stipulated to be paid to him, advocate and prosecute in the House of Commons, with Her Majesty's Government and the Honourable *East India* Company, the claims of his Highness for the recovery of his territory, of which he had been deprived by annexation by the Honourable *East India* Company;" nor, "in pursuance of such corrupt Agreement, have divers Sums of Money been actually paid by the said *Ameer Ali Moorad* to the said *Isaac Butt*."

2. That *Isaac Butt*, Esquire, in or about the month of July 1857, did enter into an Agreement with his Highness *Ameer Ali Moorad Khan* to go out to *India* to assist him in prosecuting his claim with the local Government of *Bombay*, in consideration of the Sum of £.10,000, of which the said *Isaac Butt* received £.2,000 (£.1,999 net), and the remainder was to be paid in Bills proposed to be drawn or accepted by the *Ameer*.

3. That *Isaac Butt*, Esquire, did, in the period which elapsed between the month of June 1856 and the month of September 1857, advise and assist his Highness *Ameer Ali Moorad Khan* in prosecuting his claim against the Government of *India*, and with that view had frequent personal interviews, in the year 1857, after the meeting of the present Parliament, with the President of the Board of Control, and also some communications with the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the *East India* Company, and with one other member of that Board.

4. That, on the 11th day of August 1857, *Isaac Butt*, Esquire, received from his Highness *Ameer Ali Moorad Khan* a cheque for another Sum of £.300, but it has not been shown to your Committee that such payment to *Isaac Butt*, Esquire, had any reference to proceedings in Parliament.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Army (Embodied Militia.) No. 116.

General *Peel* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Supplementary Estimate for Embodied Militia, for the year ending 31st March 1858.

Militia.

General *Peel* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 21st day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns of all Regiments of Militia in the United Kingdom who shall not have completed their respective quotas; and also the Number of Men required to complete the establishment in each of such Regiments:—And, of the Number of Men in each Regiment of Militia in the United Kingdom whose period of Service shall expire within six months from the present time.

Sandhurst College.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 8th day of February last, for a Return relative to *Sandhurst* College.

Bands, &c.

General *Peel* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 15th day of February last, for a Return relative to Bands, &c.:

——And, by Command of Her Majesty, Copy of a Circular Memorandum, dated the 29th October 1857, signed by the Adjutant General, and addressed to the Army at home and abroad.

Ordered, That the Papers relative to Militia, *Sandhurst* College, and Bands, &c., do lie upon the Table; and that the Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed.

Army Serjeants.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the last Warrant (February 1858) for raising the Pay of Serjeants in the Army, having reference to the effect of the good conduct Warrant of the 16th day of January 1857, and being the result of a consideration thereof promised to the House of Commons by the late Under Secretary of State for War.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Customs Tariffs.

Mr. *Henley* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of all Alterations made in the Customs Tariffs of Foreign States,

States, and of their Dependencies, as well as of the *British* Possessions, information of which has been received since the last Return; giving the Foreign Weights, Measures, and Monies, as well as the *English* Equivalents, appended to the Description of each Article, the Duty upon which has been altered; and, under the heading of each State, Dependency, or Possessions, the Scale according to which the Reduction into such *English* Equivalents is made; giving, further, the Dates at which each Alteration has been made, the Date of its taking effect, and a Reference to the Document or Publication in which the Official Notice of such Alteration first appeared; stating also, whether or where, in each State, Dependency, or Possession, any fixed Scale for the Valuation of Articles subject to *ad valorem* Duties is used, and the general effect of such use upon the Rate of such Duties (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 120, of Session 1857).

Railway and Canal Bills. No. 117.

Mr. *Henley* also presented, pursuant to Order,—A Report from the Board of Trade relative to Railway and Canal Bills.

A further Report from the Board of Trade relative to Railway and Canal Bills.

Harbour, &c. Bills. No. 113.

Reports from the Board of Trade relative to Harbour, &c. Bills.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Railway and Canal Bills, and Harbour, &c. Bills, be printed.

Church Estates Commission.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Seventh General Report from the Church Estates Commissioners, with an Appendix (under the Acts 14 & 15 *Vic.* c. 104; 17 & 18 *Vic.* c. 116; 19 & 20 *Vic.* c. 74; 20 & 21 *Vic.* c. 74.)

Births, Deaths and Marriages (Scotland.)

Copy of Third Annual Report of the Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, in *Scotland*.

Municipal Corporations.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing, in detail, Receipts and Expenditure by Municipal Corporations in *England* and *Wales*, on account of Public Works and Improvements:

City or Borough of .

Nature of the Work.	£. s. d.	Sources of Income.	£. s. d.	Authorising Statute §
Public Buildings -		Borough or other Rate on a Rental of at in £. - - -		
Harbours - -		Dues on Articles of Consumption - - -		
Docks - - -		Port Dues and Light Charges - - -		
Wharfs - - -		Tolls and Market Dues -		
Piers - - -		Real and Personal Estate in Trust for Municipal Purposes - - -		
Bridges - - -		Fees - - - -		
New Streets - -		Other specified sources of Income - - -		
Sewers - - -				
Paving - - -				
Lighting - -				
Other Works - -				

Court of Chancery.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 3d day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of all Appointments, by Adjournments or otherwise, made by the Taxing Masters of the Court of Chancery, between the 1st day of June 1857 and the 1st day of July 1857; with Dates when the Appointment was applied for and obtained, or the Adjournment made, and the Days for which they were given, and when disposed of:—And, like Return of Appointments made by the Chief Clerks of the Master of the Rolls and each of the Vice-Chancellors, for Proceedings before them or their Junior Clerks, between the 1st day of June 1857 and the 1st day of July 1857; with Dates when applied for and obtained, the Days for which they were given, and when disposed of, and the Nature of the Business, distinguishing the Business done by the Junior Clerk from that done by the Chief Clerk.

Revising Barristers.

Return to several Addresses to Her Majesty, dated the 7th and 14th days of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Names of Barristers appointed to revise the Lists of Electors in *England* and *Wales* in 1854, 1855 and 1856; the Names of the Places or Districts to which the Revising Barristers were respectively appointed; and the Number of Days they sat in Court in each Place or District:——And, for a Return showing the Number of Objections raised and determined in each Court of Revising Barristers in *England* and *Wales* in 1854, 1855, and 1856.

Revising Barristers.

Carrick-on-Shannon Gaol.

Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of February last, for a Return relative to *Carrick-on-Shannon* Gaol.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Pensions to Widows and Wives of Officers.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,— Return to an Order, dated the 5th day of February last, for a Return relative to Pensions to Widows and Wives of Officers.

East India (Castes of Hindoos.)

Return to an Order, dated the 5th day of February last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Castes of *Hindoos*).

Income Tax Collectors (Tynemouth.)

Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of February last, for a Return relative to Income Tax Collectors (*Tynemouth*).

Arundel Port.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—The Report and General Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Monies which have been received and paid by the Commissioners of *Arundel* Port, since the 31st day of December 1856, up to and including the 31st day of December 1857.

Ramsgate Harbour.

An Account of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Royal Harbour of *Ramsgate* Trust, for the year ending 24th June 1857.

Coast Guard Service.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 22d February 1858, granting an increased Pension to *Benjamin Mountefield*, late Boatman Coast Guard Service.

Local Acts. No. 118.

Mr. *Corry* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Reports from the Admiralty relative to Applications for Local Acts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Cape of Good Hope. No. 119.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *Cape of Good Hope*, which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant March, be printed.

Poor Law Medical Relief (Scotland.) No. 120.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Poor Law Medical Relief (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant March, be printed.

Oxford University. No. 121.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *Oxford* University, which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant March, be printed.

Duchy of Lancaster. No. 122.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Duchy of *Lancaster*, which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant March, be printed.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £ 59,380 Men and Boys for the Sea and Coast Guard Services for Four Months, including 15,000 Royal Marines.

2. £. 1,000,000 on account, for Wages to Seamen and Marines.

3. £. 450,000 on account, for Victuals to Seamen and Marines.

4. £. 70,000

4. £. 70,000 on account, for Expenses of the Admiralty Office.

5. £. 60,000 on account, for Coast Guard Service, and for Royal Naval Coast Volunteers.

6. £. 30,000 on account, for Contingent Expenses of Scientific Departments of the Navy.

7. £. 70,000 on account, for Contingent Expenses of Naval Establishments at Home.

8. £. 10,000 on account, for Expenses of Naval Establishments Abroad.

9. £. 450,000 on account, for Wages to Artificers, Labourers, and others in Naval Establishments at Home.

10. £. 20,000 on account, for Wages to Artificers, Labourers, and others in Naval Establishments Abroad.

11. £. 600,000 on account, for Naval Stores for the Building, Repair, and Outfit of the Fleet, the Purchase of Steam Machinery, and for other purposes connected therewith.

12. £. 250,000 on account, for New Works, Improvements, and Repairs in the Naval Establishments.

13. £. 20,000 on account, for Medicines and Medical Stores.

14. £. 30,000 on account, for divers Naval Miscellaneous Services.

15. £. 300,000 on account, for Half Pay, Reserved Half Pay, and Retirement to Officers of the Navy and Royal Marines.

16. £. 200,000 on account, for Military Pensions and Allowances.

17. £. 70,000 on account, for Civil Pensions and Allowances, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

18. £. 250,000 on account, for Freight of Ships, Victualling and Conveyance of Troops, on account of the Army.

19. £. 400,000 on account, for the Packet Service.

20. Land Forces, 130,135 Men (exclusive of the Men employed in the Territorial Possessions of the East India Company), Commissioned and Non-commissioned Officers included.

21. £. 1,227,000 on account, for Pay and Allowances of Her Majesty's Land Forces at Home and Abroad, exclusive of *India*.

22. £. 206,000 on account, for Miscellaneous Charges of Her Majesty's Land Forces at Home and Abroad, exclusive of *India*.

23. £. 100,000 on account, for the Embodied Militia of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.

24. £. 30,000 on account, for Volunteer Corps in *Great Britain*.

25. £. 61,000 on account, for Departments of the Secretary of State for War, and of the General Commanding in Chief.

26. £. 116,000 on account, for Manufacturing Departments, Military Storekeepers, Barrack Masters, &c.

27. £. 180,000 on account, for Wages of Artificers, Labourers, &c.

28. £. 229,000 on account, for Clothing and Necessaries.

29. £. 361,000 on account, for Provisions, Forage, Fuel and Light, Barrack Furniture, Bedding, &c.

30. £. 214,000 on account, for Warlike Stores for Land and Sea Service.

31. £. 93,000 on account, for Fortifications at Home and Abroad.

32. £. 56,000 on account, for Civil Buildings at Home and Abroad.

33. £. 222,000 on account, for Barracks at Home and Abroad.

34. £. 55,000 on account, for Educational and Scientific Branches.

35. £. 9,000 on account, for Rewards for Military Service.

36. £. 20,000 on account, for Pay of General Officers.

37. £. 178,000 on account, for Pay of Reduced and Retired Officers.

38. £. 69,000 on account, for Pensions to Widows of Officers, and of Allowances on the Compassionate List.

39. £. 17,000 on account, for Pensions, Gratuities and Allowances to Officers for Wounds.

40. £. 10,000 on account, for *Chelsea* and *Kilmainham* Hospitals, and the In-Pensioners thereof.

41. £. 400,000 on account, for Charge of Out-Pensioners of *Chelsea* Hospital, &c.

42. £. 44,000 on account, for Superannuation and Retired Allowances.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, That he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

East India Loan Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the *East India* Loan Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Court of Directors to prepare Return annually of Moneys raised on Loan, &c.) was brought up, and read a first and second time, and amended; and made part of the Bill.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Gaols and Houses of Correction Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of February last, That the Gaols and Houses of Correction Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 24th day of this instant March.

General Board of Health (Skipton) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the General Board of Health (*Skipton*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Government of India Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Government of *India* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 22d day of April next.

Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill;

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

Roads, &c. (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Counties in *Scotland* to abolish Tolls and Statute Labour, and to maintain their public Roads and Bridges by Assessment: And that Lord *Elcho*, Mr. *Moncreiff*, and Sir *Edward Colebrooke* do prepare, and bring it in.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 13° *die Martii*, 1858:

Cashel Election.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Petition of *John Joseph Scully*, presented to this House on the 18th day of August last, complaining that general and extensive Bribery prevailed at the last Election for the Borough of *Cashel*, together with the Recognizance entered into in respect of the same Petition, and the Report of the Examiner

Examiner of Recognizances in respect of that Recognizance, be referred to the General Committee of Elections:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That it be referred to the General Committee of Elections to inquire into the circumstances connected with the Petition of *John Joseph Scully*, presented on the 18th day of August last, complaining that general and extensive Bribery prevailed at the last Election for the Borough of *Cashel*, and to report their opinion thereupon to the House.

Probate Districts Map.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Instructions given by the Comptroller of the Stationery Office for the compilation and publication of a Map of the Probate Districts of *England*:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Agricultural Statistics.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Collection of Agricultural Statistics in *England* and *Wales*: And that Mr. *Caird* and Mr. *Garnett* do prepare, and bring it in.

Valuation (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Names of all Officers dismissed, or who shall have resigned, between the 1st day of May 1850, and the 31st day of December last, and Rate of Pay accepted when so dismissed or resigned, and the Names of the several Persons re-appointed, and Date of same:—And of the Names and Rate of Pay of all Superintendents, Accountants, Valuators, Surveyors, Draughtsmen, Clerks, Porters, and others, engaged and in connexion with the General Valuation of *Ireland* on the 31st day of December 1857, showing Length of Service to that date.

Printed Papers. No. 123.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Return of the Cost of printing Reports and Papers presented by Command of Her Majesty during the Sessions of 1857, specifying the Number of Copies printed, with the Name of the Public Department which authorized the same.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Limerick City Election.

A Petition of *Thomas Cochrane*, of *Singland*, in the County of *Limerick*, Miller, and *Edward Hartigan*, of *Barrington-street*, in the County of the City of *Limerick*, Attorney-at-Law, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the City of *Limerick*, was presented, and read [*Vide* Appendix to Votes, No. 1].

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant or Warrants for such persons, papers and records as shall be thought necessary by the several Parties on the hearing of the matter of the said Petition.

Customs Acts.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee on the Customs Acts.

Agricultural Statistics Bill. Bill 26.

Mr. *Caird* presented a Bill to provide for the Collection of Agricultural Statistics in *England* and *Wales*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 28th day of April next; and to be printed.

Controverted Elections. No. 124.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That his Warrant for the Appointment of a Member to serve on the General Committee of Elections was upon the Table:—And the said Warrant was read, as followeth:

Pursuant to the Provisions of "The Election Petitions Act, 1848," I do hereby appoint,

Robert Palmer, Esquire, Member for the County of *Berks*,

To supply the vacancy in the General Committee of Elections, and to be a Member of the said Committee for the present Session.

Given under my hand, this 12th day of March 1858.

JOHN EVELYN DENISON, Speaker.

Ordered, That the said Warrant be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till One of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 15° *die Martii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Bill, the Standing Orders have been complied with.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill, that they have Power to make Provision therein, pursuant to the prayer of the said Petition.

And it appearing that the said Petition also prayed that certain Standing Orders may be dispensed with;

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Public Petitions (Eleventh Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 12th day of this instant March; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 2) Bill.

A Bill to improve the Management of the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

South Eastern Railway and Mid-Kent Railway (Bromley to Saint Mary Cray) Companies Bill.

A Bill to authorize the leasing of the Undertaking of the Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary Cray*) Company to the South Eastern Railway Company, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Waterford and Kilkenny Railway (Power of Purchase, &c.) Bill.

A Bill for enabling the *Irish* South Eastern Railway Company to purchase or lease the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway, or to enter into working Arrangements with the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway Company, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Andover Canal Railway Bill.

The *Andover* Canal Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Halifax Park and Improvements Bill.

Ordered, That the *Halifax* Park and Improvements Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway Bill.

The *Ware*, *Hadham* and *Buntingford* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Belfast (Town and Borough) Improvement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Belfast* (Town and Borough) Improvement Bill;

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

The

Gorbals Property and Liabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Gorbals* Property and Liabilities Bill;

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

London Tramway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *London* Tramway Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

Saint Leonard, Shoreditch, Parish Bill.

The *Saint Leonard, Shoreditch*, Parish Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Wem and Bronygarth Roads Bill.

The Order, That the *Wem* and *Bronygarth* Roads Bill be committed, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Thirteenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Dublin University Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the University of *Dublin*, in the room of the Right honourable *Joseph Napier*, who, since his Election for the said University, hath accepted the Office of Lord High Chancellor of *Ireland*.

Borough Rates.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Borough Rates levied in each Borough for the last Ten years; stating the Amount collected, and the purposes for which each Rate was made.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

East India (King of Oude.) No. 125.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (King of *Oude*), which was presented upon the 28th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, be printed.

Hops.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 9th day of February last, for a Return relative to Hops.

East India.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copies of Acts of the *Indian* Government passed in 1857, with Index.

Court of Session and Teind Court (Scotland.)

Copy of Warrant granting Compensation Allowances to *Thomas Knox Beveridge* and *William Shiell*, Assistant Clerks in the Court of Session, *Scotland*, and to *John Barron*, Depute Clerk of the Teind Court, *Scotland*, year 1857.

East India (Stock Proprietors.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Proprietors of *East India* Stock, distinguishing Males and Females.

Orders of the Day.

Ordered, That Orders of the day have precedence of Notices of Motions To-morrow.

Superintendents of Naval Yards.

Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of February last, for a Return relative to Superintendents of Naval Yards.

Greenwich Hospital.

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of February last, for a Return relative to *Greenwich* Hospital.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Militia. No. 126.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Militia, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant March, be printed.

Sandhurst College. No. 127.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Sandhurst* College, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant March, be printed.

Bands, &c. No. 128.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Bands, &c., which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant March, be printed.

East India (Castes of Hindoos.) No. 129.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Castes of *Hindoos*), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant March, be printed.

Income Tax Collectors (Tynemouth.) No. 130.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Income Tax Collectors (*Tynemouth*), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant March, be printed.

Customs Tariffs. No. 131.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Customs Tariffs, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant March, be printed.

Foreign Refugees.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence respecting Foreign Refugees in *England*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

East India Loan Bill.

The *East India* Loan Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Supply.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Sea and Coast Guard Services.

1. That 59,380 Men and Boys be employed for the Sea and Coast Guard Services, for Four Months ending on the 31st day of July 1858, including 15,000 Royal Marines.

Wages.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £.1,000,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Wages to Seamen and Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Victuals.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £.450,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Victuals to Seamen and Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Admiralty Office.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £.70,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of the Admiralty Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Coast Guard Service, &c.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £.60,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Salaries and Expenses of the Coast Guard Service, and the Charges for the Royal Naval Coast Volunteers, which will come in course of payment

payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Scientific Departments of the Navy.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 30,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of the several Scientific Departments of the Navy, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Naval Establishments at Home.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 70,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of Her Majesty's Naval Establishments at Home, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Naval Establishments Abroad.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 10,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of Her Majesty's Naval Establishments Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Wages to Artificers, &c. at Home.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 450,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Wages to Artificers, Labourers and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments at Home, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Wages to Artificers, &c. Abroad.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 20,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Wages to Artificers, Labourers and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Naval Stores, &c.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 600,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Expense of Naval Stores for the Building, Repair and Outfit of the Fleet, the Purchase of Steam Machinery, and for other purposes connected therewith, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

New Works, &c.

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 250,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of New Works, Improvements and Repairs in the Naval Establishments, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Medicines and Medical Stores.

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 20,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Medicines and Medical Stores, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Naval Miscellaneous Services.

14. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 30,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of divers Naval Miscellaneous Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Half-Pay, &c.

15. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 300,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Half Pay, Reserved Half Pay, and Retirement to Officers of the Navy and Royal Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Military Pensions and Allowances.

16. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 200,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Military Pensions and Allowances, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Civil Pensions and Allowances.

17. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 70,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Civil Pensions and Allowances, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Freight of Ships, &c.

18. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 250,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge for the Freight of Ships, for the Victualling and Conveyance of Troops, on account of the Army, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Packet Service.

19. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 400,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of the Packet Service, for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Land Forces.

20. That a Number of Land Forces, not exceeding 130,135 Men (exclusive of the Men employed in the Territorial Possessions of the *East India* Company), Commissioned and Non-commissioned Officers included, be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Charge of do.

21. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,227,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of the Pay and Allowances of Her Majesty's Land Forces at Home and Abroad, exclusive of *India*, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Miscellaneous Charges of do.

22. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 206,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of the Miscellaneous Charges of Her Majesty's Land Forces at Home and Abroad, exclusive of *India*, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Embodied Militia.

23. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 100,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of the Embodied Militia of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Volunteer Corps.

24. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 30,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Volunteer Corps in *Great Britain*, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Departments of the Secretary of State for War, &c.

25. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 61,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of the Departments of the Secretary of State for War, and of the General Commanding in Chief, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Manufacturing Departments, &c.

26. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 116,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of the Manufacturing Departments, Military Storekeepers, Barrack Masters, &c., which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Wages of Artificers, &c.

27. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 180,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of the Wages of Artificers, Labourers, &c., which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Clothing and Necessaries.

28. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 229,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Clothing and Necessaries, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Provisions, Forage, &c.

29. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 361,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Provisions, Forage, Fuel and Light, Barrack Furniture, Bedding, &c., which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Warlike Stores.

30. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 214,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying

fraying the Charge of Warlike Stores for Land and Sea Service, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Fortifications. 31. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 93,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Fortifications at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Civil Buildings. 32. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 56,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Civil Buildings at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Barracks. 33. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 222,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Barracks at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Educational and Scientific Branches. 34. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 55,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of the Educational and Scientific Branches, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Rewards for Military Service. 35. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 9,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of the Rewards for Military Service, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Pay of General Officers. 36. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 20,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of the Pay of General Officers, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Pay of Reduced and Retired Officers. 37. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 178,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of the Pay of Reduced and Retired Officers, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Pensions to Widows, &c. 38. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 69,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Pensions to Widows of Officers, and of Allowances on the Compassionate List, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Pensions, &c. for Wounds. 39. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 17,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Pensions, Gratuities and Allowances to Officers for Wounds, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals. 40. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 10,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of *Chelsea* and *Kilmainham* Hospitals, and the In-Pensioners thereof, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Out-Pensioners of Chelsea Hospital, &c. 41. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 400,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of the Out-Pensioners of *Chelsea* Hospital, &c., which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Superannuation and Retired Allowances. 42. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 44,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge of Superannuation and Retired Allowances, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Regulation of Her Majesty's Royal Marine Forces while on shore: And that Mr. *FitzRoy*, Sir *John Pakington* and Mr. *Corry* do prepare, and bring it in. Marine Mutiny.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for punishing Mutiny and Desertion, and for the better Payment of the Army and their Quarters: And that Mr. *FitzRoy*, General *Peel* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in. Mutiny.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty. Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 500,000 for the Embodied Militia.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 849,285, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Customs Department, which will come in course of payment during the year ending the 31st day of March 1859:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

2. £. 1,00,000, on account, for Post Office Services.

3. £. 650,000, on account, for the Inland Revenue Department.

4. £. 242,700, on account, for Superannuations and Compensation Allowances, Pensions and other Non-effective Charges, in the Departments of Customs, Inland Revenue and Post Office.

5. £. 425,000, on account, for the Customs Department.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Customs Acts; Customs Acts.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill; Clerks of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 12th day of April next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Medical Charities (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill; Medical Charities (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Grand Juries (*Ireland*) Bill; Grand Juries (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of April next.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill; Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of April next.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue an Act of the last Session, to authorize the embodying of the Militia: And that General *Peel* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in. Militia Act Continuance.

Cambridge University Matriculation and Degrees.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the Stamp Duties payable on Matriculation and Degrees in the University of *Cambridge*: And that Mr. *Hamilton* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

General Board of Health (Skipton, &c.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a certain Provisional Order of the General Board of Health, applying the Public Health Act, 1848, to the District of *Skipton*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*; and to further declare the Limits of the District of *Toxteth* Park, in the County Palatine of *Lancaster*, for the purposes of the said Act: And that Mr. *Adderley* and Mr. *Hardy* do prepare, and bring it in.

Roads (Scotland.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Miles of Roads in each County of *Scotland*, both Turnpike and Commutation; specifying, when certain Roads are partly situated in two Counties, the Length, as near as possible, in each, and distinguishing any case when Roads wholly or partially within one County are for purposes of Management considered in another; also, the comparative Cost *per* Mile for the last Three years of keeping in Repair and Management of each Class of Road.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Army.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names and Services of all Colonels of Regiments in Her Majesty's Army, with the Number of Years passed by each in the performance of Staff or Regimental Duty, and specifying whether such Duty was at Home or Abroad:—Copy of the Royal Warrant now in force for regulating the Pay and Allowances of the Foot Guards:— And, comparative Tabular Statement showing the Pay and Allowance of Officers of the several Ranks in the Foot Guards and Infantry of the Line.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

East India (Coinage, &c.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of all Acts, Notifications and Proclamations of the Government of *India*, concerning the Coinage, Currency and Legal Tender of the Territories under the said Government, from the 1st day of May 1834 to the Date of the latest Accounts received.

East India (Ameer Ali Moorad.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of any Correspondence between the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company and the *Ameer Ali Moorad* of *Khyrpore*, and between the Court of Directors and the Board of Commissioners for the Affairs of *India*, relating to the Case of the said Ameer; together with any Protests or Dissents of individual Members of the Court of Directors relating to the aforesaid Correspondence; and of any Despatches to the Government of *India*, or the Government of *Bombay*, relating to the Case of *Ali Moorad* of *Khyrpore*, not already on the Table of this House.

Education.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of the Six Schools in *Great Britain* which have received the largest Amount of "Capitation Money" for the year ending December 1857; specifying the Sums received by each, the Number of Scholars in average attendance at each, the Number on whom the Capitation was granted, and the Population of each Parish:—And, similar Return for the Six Schools which have received the smallest Amount of "Capitation Money."

Batterseа Park, &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of whole outlay expended on *Battersea* Park, *Chelsea* Bridge, and *Chelsea* Embankment, respectively, showing Amount paid for Purchase of Land; Quantity of Land; Amount expended on Land; on *Chelsea* Bridge; on *Chelsea* Embankment, and any other Expenses connected with the above;—Amount received (or owing) from Sale of Land; Quantity of Land sold; of Land set apart for Park;—Quantity of Land unsold;—Estimated yearly Income from Toll, and Estimated Cost of Collection of Toll.

Commons' Inclosure.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize the Inclosure of certain Lands, in pursuance of a Report of the Inclosure Commissioners for *England* and *Wales*: And that Mr. *Hardy* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Savings Banks.

Ordered, That Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt* be added to the Select Committee on Savings Banks.

Harbours of Refuge.

Ordered, That Mr. *Duff* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Harbours of Refuge.

Ordered, That Lord *John Hay* be added to the Committee.

Forgery, &c.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Prosecutions for Forgery of Bank Notes payable on demand in *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland* respectively, and of the Prosecutions for making or uttering Base Coin, or otherwise for Offences in connexion with the Mint, in each of the last Ten years.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Army Serjeants.

The Order made upon the 12th day of this instant March, for presenting to Her Majesty an humble Address, that She would be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return relative to Army-Serjeants, was read, and discharged.

Army Serjeants.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the last Warrant (February 1858) for raising the Pay of Serjeants in the Army, having reference to the effect of the good conduct Warrant of the 16th day of January 1857.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Marine Mutiny Bill.

Mr. *Corry* presented a Bill for the Regulation of Her Majesty's Royal Marine Forces while on Shore: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Mutiny Bill.

General *Peel* presented a Bill for punishing Mutiny and Desertion, and for the better Payment of the Army and their Quarters: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Mr.

Commons' Inclosure Bill. Bill 27.

Mr. *Hardy* presented a Bill to authorize the Inclosure of certain Lands, in pursuance of a Report of the Inclosure Commissioners for *England* and *Wales:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Cambridge University Matriculation and Degrees Bill. Bill 28.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill to repeal the Stamp Duties payable on Matriculation and Degrees in the University of *Cambridge:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

General Board of Health (Skipton, &c.) Bill. Bill 29.

Mr. *Adderley* presented a Bill to confirm a certain Provisional Order of the General Board of Health applying the Public Health Act, 1848, to the District of *Skipton*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*; and to further declare the Limits of the District of *Toxteth* Park, in the County Palatine of *Lancaster*, for the purposes of the said Act: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Militia Act Continuance Bill. Bill 30.

General *Peel* presented a Bill to continue an Act of the last Session to authorize the embodying of the Militia: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Railway Acts. No. 132.

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Return of the Railway Acts passed in the Sessions 1 and 2, 1857; showing the Length of each Line; the Capital Stock; the Sum authorized to be raised on Loan; and other principal Provisions contained therein.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Martis, 16° *die Martii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Gosport Water Bill.

Mr *FitzRoy* reported the *Gosport* Water Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ulverstone and Lancaster Railway Bill.

A Petition of the *Ulverstone* and *Lancaster* Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the *Ulverstone* and *Lancaster* Railway Bill for Power to cross *Beetham* Road on the level, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Portumna Bridge (Ireland) Bill.

The *Portumna* Bridge (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee.

Gorbals Property and Liabilities Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Gorbals* Property and Liabilities Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Halifax Park and Improvements Bill.

The *Halifax* Park and Improvements Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Road Bills.

Ordered, That Standing Order No. 90 be suspended, so far as regards Road Bills; and that the Committee of Selection have Power to refer all Road Bills, whether Opposed or Unopposed, to Committees of Selected Members.

Standing Orders.

Ordered, That Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt* be added to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ely Valley Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Ely* Valley Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Thirteenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Hops. No. 133.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Hops, which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant March, be printed.

Superintendents of Naval Yards. No. 134.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Superintendents of Naval Yards, which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant March, be printed.

Greenwich Hospital. No. 135.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Greenwich* Hospital, which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant March, be printed.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Sir *James Duke* have leave of absence for a fortnight, on account of illness in his family.

Cashel Election.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had this day received a Letter from Mr. *St. P. B. Hook*, as Agent for *John Joseph Scully*, Esquire, informing him that it is not his intention to proceed with his Petitions presented on the 7th and 18th days of August last, complaining that general and extensive bribery prevailed at the last Election for the Borough of *Cashel:*—And the said Letter was read, as followeth:—

9, Lincoln's Inn Fields, London,
16th March 1858.

Sir,

As Agent for *John Joseph Scully*, Esquire, the Petitioner in the matter of the Petitions presented on the 7th and 18th August last, complaining that bribery, &c., prevailed at the last Election for the Borough of *Cashel*, I hereby beg to inform you that it is not the intention of the said Petitioner to proceed with the said Petitions.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your very obedient servant,
St. P. B. Hook.

To the Right honourable the Speaker
of the House of Commons.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Letter be referred to the General Committee of Elections, to whom it was referred to inquire into the circumstances connected with the Petition of *John Joseph Scully*, presented on the 18th day of August last:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Tuesday next.

East India (Nawáb of Surat.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Correspondence between *Meer Jafen Ali Khan* and the Court of Directors, and between the Court and the Board of Control, respecting the Property of the late Nawáb of *Surat* (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 31, of Session 2, 1857); together with any Dissents recorded by Members of the Court of Directors on the subject.

Aldershot Camp.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Contract under which Coals and Fuel are provided to the Camp at *Aldershot*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Operations in India.

The House was moved, That the Resolution of the House of the 8th day of February last, That the Thanks of this House be given to the Right

honourable Viscount *Canning*, Governor General of the *British* Possessions in the *East Indies*; the Right honourable Lord *Harris*, Governor of the Presidency of *Madras*; the Right honourable Lord *Elphinstone*, Governor of the Presidency of *Bombay*; Sir *John Laird Mair Lawrence*, G.C.B., Chief Commissioner of the *Punjaub*, and *Henry Bartle Edward Frere*, Esquire, Commissioner of *Scinde*, for the energy and ability with which they have employed the resources at their command to suppress the widely-spread Mutiny in Her Majesty's *Indian* Dominions, might be read; and the same being read;

Resolved, *Nemine Contradicente*, That the like Thanks be given to the Honourable *Frederick James Halliday*, Lieutenant Governor of *Bengal*.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, after the Order of the day for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Embodied Militia.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £.500,000, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Charge of the Embodied Militia of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, which will come in course of payment in the year to the 31st day of March 1858.

Post-office Services.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £.1,000,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charges for Post-office Services, and the Collection of the Revenue, which will come in course of payment during the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

Inland Revenue Department.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £.650,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Salaries and Expenses of the Inland Revenue Department, which will come in course of payment during the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

Superannuations, &c. in Revenue Departments.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £.242,700, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge for Superannuations and Compensation Allowances, Pensions and other Non-effective Charges, in the Departments of Customs, Inland Revenue, and Post-office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

Customs Department.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £.425,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Salaries and Expenses of the Customs Department, which will come in course of payment during the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Consolidated Fund (£.500,000) Bill.

1. *Resolved*, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, for the deficiency in the Grants for the service of the year ending the 31st day of March 1858, the Sum of £.500,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.

Consolidated Fund (£.10,000,000) Bill.

2. *Resolved*, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Sum of £.10,000,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Marine Mutiny Bill.

The Marine Mutiny Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Mutiny Bill.

The Mutiny Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Commons' Inclosure Bill.

The Commons' Inclosure Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

General Board of Health (Skipton, &c.) Bill.

The General Board of Health (*Skipton*, &c.) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Militia Act Continuance Bill.

The Militia Act Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Colonisation and Settlement (India.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Progress and Prospects, and the best means to be adopted for the Promotion of *European* Colonisation and Settlement in *India*; especially in the Hill-districts and healthier climates of that country; as well as for the Extension of our Commerce with Central *Asia*.

Dunfanaghy Union.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Correspondence between the Guardians of the *Dunfanaghy* Union and the Poor Law Commissioners, respecting the state of that District:—And, of the Report of Mr. *Hamilton*, the Poor Law Inspector.

Savings Banks.

Ordered, That Mr. *Thomas Baring* and Mr. *Gregson* be added to the Select Committee on Savings Banks.

Bank Acts.

Ordered, That Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer be added to the Select Committee on the Bank Acts.

Medical Profession.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Laws regulating the Medical Profession: And that Lord *Elcho*, Mr. *Craufurd* and Mr. *FitzRoy* do prepare, and bring it in.

Silver, &c. (China.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of any Correspondence which has been received at the Colonial Office and the Foreign Office upon the subject of the supply of Silver in the markets of *China*, the Rates of Exchange at *Shanghai* and *Canton*, and in reference to proposals for remedying the inconveniences experienced from the high Rate of Exchange at *Shanghai*; and of any Treasury Minutes having reference thereto.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Monetary Convention (Austria, &c.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of Despatches from Her Majesty's Ministers Abroad regarding the Convention of the 24th day of January 1857, between the *Austrian* Government and the Principality of *Lichtenstein* on one side, and the States of the *Zollverein*, Parties to the Monetary Convention of the 30th day of July 1838, on the other, and regarding the Proceedings

ceedings which have been adopted in consequence in any of the States which were Parties to the Convention.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Army.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Names of all Officers who have received permission to raise Regiments or Battalions or other Bodies of Men for Her Majesty's Service, with the Names of all Officers belonging to such Regiments, Battalions, or Bodies of Men, with the Number of Men each such Officer brought to any such Corps, distinguishing the Officers who passed the regular examination from those who were appointed without such previous Examination.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Medical Profession Bill. Bill 31.

Lord *Elcho* presented a Bill to alter and amend the Laws regulating the Medical Profession: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of April next; and to be printed.

Railway Accidents.

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, upon the Accidents which have occurred on Railways during the year 1857.

Railway and Canal Bills. No. 117.

Mr. *Henley* also presented, pursuant to Order,—Further Reports from the Board of Trade relative to Railway and Canal Bills.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the last be printed.

Standing Orders.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Limerick and Castle Connell Railway Bill.

1. That in the case of the *Limerick* and *Castle Connell* Railway, Petition of *P. D. Jeffers* for dispensing with Standing Order 109, in the case of the Petition of *H. Franks* and *Finch White* against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to be heard on their Petition against the Bill, notwithstanding the same shall have been deposited later than seven clear days after the second reading of the Bill.

Clyde Navigation Bill.

2. That in the case of the *Clyde* Navigation, Petition of Lord *Blantyre* for dispensing with Standing Order 109, the said Standing Order ought not to be dispensed with.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill.

3. That in the case of the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts), Petition of *W. C. Morgan* for dispensing with Standing Order 109, in the case of the Petition of *W. C. Morgan* (on behalf of the Steam Shipowners' Association of London), the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to be heard on their Petition against the Bill, notwithstanding the same shall have been deposited later than seven clear days after the second reading of the Bill.

Formartine and Buchan Railway Bill.

4. That in the case of the *Formartine* and *Buchan* Railway, Petition of *H. F. Leslie* to dispense with Standing Order 109, in the case of his Petition against the Bill, the said Standing Order ought not to be dispensed with.

The first and third Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Journal.

Ordered, That the Journal of this House, from the end of the last Session to the end of the present Session, with an Index to the 113th Volume, be printed.

Ordered, That one thousand copies of the said Journal and Index be printed, by the appointment and under the direction of Sir *Denis Le Marchant*, the Clerk of this House.

Ordered, That the said Journal and Index be printed by such Person as shall be licensed by Mr. Speaker, and that no other Person do presume to print the same.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Mercurii, 17° *die Martii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Public Petitions (Twelfth Report.)

Mr. *Charles Forster* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 15th day of this instant March; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Severn Valley Railway (Extensions of Time) Bill.

Ordered, That the *Severn* Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Portumna Bridge (Ireland) Bill.

The Select Committee on the *Portumna* Bridge (*Ireland*) Bill was nominated of Mr. *Hamilton*, Sir *Thomas Burke*, Mr. *Gregory*, The *O'Donoghoe*, Mr. *Waldron*, Mr. *Bagwell*, and Five Members to be added by the Committee of Selection; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes and Thirteenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Revising Barristers. No. 136.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Revising Barristers, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant March, be printed.

Water Companies. No. 137.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Water Companies, which was presented upon the 4th day of February last, be printed.

Oaths Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Oaths Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Consolidated Fund (£.500,000) Bill.

1. That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, for the Deficiency in the Grants for the Service of the year ending the 31st day of

March 1858, the Sum of £. 500,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.

Consolidated Fund (£. 10,000,000) Bill.

2. That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Sum of £. 10,000,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Bills be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. *FitzRoy*, Mr. *Hamilton*, and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring them in.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Consolidated Fund (£. 10,000,000) Bill.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Fifty-eight: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Consolidated Fund (£ 500,000) Bill.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year ending the Thirty-first day of March, One thousand eight hundred and Fifty-eight: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Harbour, &c. Bills. No. 113.

Mr. *Henley* presented, pursuant to Order,—A further Report from the Board of Trade relative to Harbour, &c. Bills.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 18° *die Martii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Midland Great Western Railway of Ireland Bill.

MR. *FitzRoy* reported the Midland Great Western Railway of *Ireland* Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Dundalk and Enniskillen Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Dundalk* and *Enniskillen* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by inserting an additional recital stating the Act under which Preferential Shares have been created; and by making alterations to show more specifically the amount of the Capital raised and Sums borrowed up to the present time; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Eden Valley Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Eden* Valley Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Committee of Selection (Fourth Report.) No. 138.

Mr. *Deedes* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had made certain alterations in the Groups of Private Bills already formed, and had made additional Groups, which they had agreed to report to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Severn Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

The *Severn* Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Fourteenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees.

Education.

The Order made upon the 15th day of this instant March, That there be laid before this House, a Return relative to Education, was read, and discharged.

Education.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of the Six Schools in *Great Britain* which have received the largest Amount of "Capitation Money" for the year ending December 1857; specifying the Sums received by each, the Number of Scholars in average attendance at each, the Number on whom the Capitation was granted, and the Population of each Parish:—And, similar Return for the Six Schools which have received the smallest Amount of "Capitation Money."

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Controverted Elections.

Robert Palmer, Esquire, being the Member appointed by Mr. Speaker to serve on the General Committee of Elections, in the place of the Right honourable *Spencer Horatio Walpole*, and not objected to by the House, was sworn at the Table by the Clerk.

East India (Murza Ali Akbar.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of all Correspondence between the Court of Directors and the Government of *Bombay*, respecting the dismissal of *Murza Ali Akbar* (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 615, of Session 1853); including Memorial of *Murza Ali Akbar* to the Court of Directors, presented through the *Bombay* Government in the year 1855; also the Letter of *Murza Ali Akbar* to Sir *James Melvill*, K.C.B., Secretary to Court, with the Court's Answer.

Australian Mails.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Supplemental Contract made since July 1857 with either the *European* and *Australian* Mail Company or the Royal Mail Company, or both, for the Conveyance of Mails to and from the *Australian* Colonies.

Army Clothing, &c.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns from the various Commanding Officers of Regiments and Depôt Battalions in this Country and in *Ireland* of the several Requisitions made by them between the 1st day of September 1857 and the 28th day of February 1858, in the War Department, for supplies of Clothing and Necessaries, with the Dates of the same, and when the said Articles were received from the War Department:—And, of the Number of Letters written to and received from the War Department on the subject.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Barracks (Metropolis.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give

give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Sums of Money voted during the last three years for Barracks in or near the Metropolis, and how the Sums have been appropriated.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Civil Service.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Third Report of Her Majesty's Civil Service Commissioners, together with Appendices.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Shipping. No. 139.

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Return of *British* Ships employed in the Trade of the United Kingdom, in the years 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856 and 1857, and of the Number of Men actually employed in them.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Metropolis Roads (North of the Thames.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of February last, for a Return relative to Metropolis Roads (North of the *Thames*).

Dublin Metropolitan Police.

Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of February last, for a Return relative to *Dublin* Metropolitan Police.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Godrevy Lighthouse.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the circumstances connected with the erection of the *Godrevy* Lighthouse, and to report their Opinion as to the proper position for the same:—It passed in the Negative.

Working Classes.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That it is expedient to establish a Standing Committee, or Unpaid Board or Commission, to consider and report from time to time on practical suggestions likely to be beneficial to the Working Classes:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

East India (Mutinies.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That there be laid before this House, Copies of any Report or Despatch relative to the protection afforded by *Maun Singh* and others to fugitive *Europeans* at the Outbreak of the Sepoy Mutiny:—Of any Instructions given to Officers in command of Troops as to the treatment of mutinous Sepoys or Deserters:—And, as to Natives of *Oude* (not being Sepoys) found in arms within the Territory of *Oude*:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

East India (Mutinies.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Report or Despatch relative to the protection afforded by *Maun Singh* and others to fugitive *Europeans* at the Outbreak of the Sepoy Mutiny.

Galway Freemen Disfranchisement.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Disfranchisement of the Freemen of the County of the Town of *Galway*: And that Mr. *George Clive* and Lord *Lovaine* do prepare, and bring it in.

Royal British Bank.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Expenses attendant on the Prosecution of the Royal *British* Bank Directors:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Contracts (Public Departments.)

The Select Committee on Contracts (Public Departments) was nominated of Colonel *Boldero*, Mr. *Baring*, General *Codrington*, Viscount *Duncan*, Colonel *Gilpin*, Lord *Claud Hamilton*, Mr. *Jackson*, Mr. *Liddell*, Lord *Lovaine*, Mr. *Monsell*, Sir *Charles Napier*, Mr. *Newdegate*, Lord *Clarence Paget*, Mr. *Westhead* and Sir *John Ramsden*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 19° *die Martii*, 1858:

London Corporation Regulation Bill.

The Select Committee on the *London* Corporation Regulation Bill was nominated of Lord *John Russell*, Sir *George Grey*, Mr. Secretary *Walpole*, Mr. *Thomas Baring*, Mr. Alderman *Cubitt*, Sir *James Duke*, Sir *John Shelley*, Mr. *Baines*, Mr. *Milner Gibson*, Sir *William Heathcote*, Mr. *Hankey*, Mr. *Edward Egerton*, Mr. *Ker Seymer*, Mr. *Lyall* and Mr. *George Clive*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Cruelty to Animals Act Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of the seventeenth and eighteenth years of Her Majesty, chapter sixty, for the more effectual Prevention of Cruelty to Animals: And that Viscount *Raynham* and Sir *James East* do prepare, and bring it in.

Cambridge University Matriculation and Degrees Bill.

The *Cambridge* University Matriculation and Degrees Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Marine Mutiny Bill, Mutiny Bill, Commons' Inclosure Bill, and Militia Act Continuance Bill.

The Orders of the day being read, for the Committees on the Marine Mutiny Bill, the Mutiny Bill, the Commons' Inclosure Bill, and the Militia Act Continuance Bill;

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to the same Committee.

Marine Mutiny Bill.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Marine Mutiny Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Mutiny Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also reported, That the Committee had gone through the Mutiny Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Commons' Inclosure Bill, and Militia Act Continuance Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also reported, That the Committee had gone through the Commons' Inclosure Bill, and the Militia Act Continuance Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bills be read the third time this day.

Consolidated Fund (£. 10,000,000) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (£. 10,000,000) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Consolidated Fund (£. 500,000) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (£. 500,000) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Galway Freemen Disfranchisement Bill. Bill 32.

Lord *Lovaine* presented a Bill for the Disfranchisement of the Freemen of the County of the Town of *Galway*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Cruelty to Animals Act Amendment Bill. Bill 33.

Lord *Raynham* presented a Bill to amend the Act of the seventeenth and eighteenth years of Her Majesty, chapter sixty, for the more effectual Prevention of Cruelty to Animals: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

London Corporation Regulation Bill.

Ordered, That all Petitions which have been presented to the House relative to the *London* Corporation Regulation Bill, be referred to the Select Committee on the Bill.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 19° *die Martii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Jewish Disabilities.

THE House being informed, That the Sheriffs of the City of *London* attended at the door, they were called in; and at the Bar presented,—A Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of *London*, in Common Council assembled:—And then they withdrew.

And the said Petition, praying that the House will be pleased to take such measures as to their wisdom may seem meet, to enable the Baron *Lionel Rothschild*, and all persons professing the *Jewish* Religion when elected, to take their seats in the House, was read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Cashel Election.

Ordered, That the General Committee of Elections, to whom it was referred to inquire into the circumstances connected with the Petition of *John Joseph Scully*, Esquire, relative to the *Cashel* Election, which was presented upon the 18th day of August last, have Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Caledonian Railway (Dalmarnock Branch) Bill.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported the *Caledonian* Railway (*Dalmarnock* Branch) Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions (Thirteenth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 16th and 17th days of this instant March; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Middlesbrough Water.

A Petition of Subscribers to and Promoters of the Undertaking or Company thereinafter mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill for supplying Water for manufacturing and trading purposes in the Borough of *Middlesbrough*, and the Environs and Neighbourhood thereof, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Cayley* and Colonel *Duncombe*.

Birmingham and Staffordshire Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Birmingham* and *Staffordshire* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Edinburgh Life Assurance Company Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Edinburgh* Life Assurance Company Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Whitehaven Harbour Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Whitehaven* Harbour Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Hove Improvement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Hove* Improvement Bill;

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

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Fourteenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Metropolis Roads (North of the Thames.) No. 140.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Metropolis Roads (North of the *Thames*), which was presented upon the 18th day of this instant March, be printed.

Orders of Removal.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Number of Orders of Removal from Parishes signed by Justices and executed in *England* and *Wales*, during the year ending the 25th day of March 1857; stating the Number of Persons removed, the Nature of alleged Settlement, and the Amount of Expenses incurred in the Removal, including the Cost of obtaining the Orders, serving the same, and Travelling Expenses of the Paupers removed, but not the Cost of Relief before Removal; distinguishing the Orders so executed between Parishes in the same Union and between Parishes in different Unions; stating also the Number of Orders of Removal of *Scotch* and *Irish* Paupers, and Paupers belonging to the Channel Islands and the *Isle of Man*, during the same period (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 436, of Session 1856).

Army and Marines.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Lieutenants and Ensigns of the Guards, the Line, the Rifles and Royal Marines; with a Statement of the Pay received by each, and the Gross Amount paid on that Account:—Similar Return of Lieutenants and Cornets of Cavalry:—And, Return of the Number of Ensigns who have resigned their Commissions since the close of the *Crimean* War.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Army Stores.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, an Explanatory Statement of the Services for which the Sum of £. 510,964, inserted in the Army Estimates for 1858-9 (Vote 11), for the purchase of Miscellaneous Stores, is required.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Coals (Aldershot.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Reports made by any weekly Board of Survey, condemnatory of the quality of the Coals provided under Contract for the use of the Troops at *Aldershot*, with the Dates of such Reports, since the 1st day of November 1857.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Reformatory Schools.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return giving a tabulated List, alphabetically arranged, in their respective Counties, of all Reformatory Schools which have been certified and sanctioned by the Secretary of State under the Statutes 17 & 18 *Vic.* c. 74, and 17 & 18 *Vic.* c. 86, respectively,

respectively, with the Date of Certificate; also the Number of Juveniles (distinguishing Boys from Girls) which each of such Schools is capable of accommodating, and the Number contained in each, at the latest Date for which the Return can be given, according to the following Form:—

No.	County or Town.	Name of School.	Date of Certificate.	Accommodation.			Actual Number of Inmates.			Date of Return.
				Boys.	Girls.	Total.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.	
Total										

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Sandhurst Royal Military Academy.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Rules and Regulations under which Candidates are admitted to compete for Admission into the Royal Military Academy at *Sandhurst*, and those under which the Examinations for Admission are conducted; also, a detailed Report of the Examinations held during the present year; the Names of the Examiners; the Names of the Candidates; the Places of previous Education of each of them; the Number of Marks obtained by each in the various Subjects of Examination; the final Order of Merit in which the Candidates were arranged; and any general Report on the Examinations which has been made by the Examiners and by the Council of Military Education:—And, Similar Return with regard to the Examinations for Entrance to the Staff College, substituting for the Place of Education of the Candidates the Names of the Regiments to which they belong.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Woolwich Royal Military Academy.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report made by the Reverend Canon *Moseley* on the Examination for Admission to the Royal Military Academy at *Woolwich*, held on the 20th day of June 1857, and of the Examination Papers.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Police Certificates.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of all Special Letters (other than mere Circulars) from the Home Office to the Clerks of the Peace of Counties, or the Town Clerks of Boroughs, in cases where the Certificate of the efficiency of the Police has been granted.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

East India (Army.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Sea Kit supplied to Soldiers on embarking for *India*, setting forth the different Articles, and the Charge for each respectively, and showing how the Expense is defrayed; also, the *India* Kit and Bedding (adapted to the Climate) as supplied to the Queen's Troops on arriving in *India*, setting forth the Articles supplied, the Prices of each, and how the Expense is defrayed.

Emigration.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies or Extracts of Despatches relative to Emigration to the *North American* Colonies (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 125, of Session 2, 1857).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Chines Prisoners (Hong Kong.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of, or Extract from, a Despatch from Governor Sir *John Bowring* to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated the 31st day of July 1857, on the subject of the Confinement of *Chinese* Prisoners at *Hong Kong* (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 155, of Session 2, 1857).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Australian Mails.

Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to *Australian* Mails.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Consolidated Fund (£. 10,000,000) Bill, and Consolidated Fund (£. 500,000) Bill.

The Orders of the day being read, for the Committees on the Consolidated Fund (£. 10,000,000) Bill, and the Consolidated Fund (£. 500,000) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to the same Committee.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bills, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bills be read the third time upon Monday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Customs Acts.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Customs Acts.

(In the Committee.)

1. *Resolved*, That, in lieu of the Duties of Customs now chargeable on the undermentioned articles, on their Importation into *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, the following Duties shall be charged, *viz.*

	£.	s.	d.
Bonnets of Felt - - - each	-	-	6
Caoutchouc, Manufactures of - per lb.	-	-	2

2. *Resolved*, That the Duties of Customs now chargeable on the undermentioned articles, on their Importation into *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, shall cease and determine, *viz.*:

Chloride of Lime.
Platina Wire.

3. *Resolved*, That, on and after the 5th day of April 1858, the following Duties of Customs shall be charged on the articles undermentioned, on the

the Importation thereof into the United Kingdom, *viz.*:

	£.	s.	d.
Stearine - - - - - the cwt.	-	3	6
Candles; *viz.* ——— Stearine - - - the cwt.	-	3	6

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Marine Mutiny Bill. The Marine Mutiny Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mutiny Bill. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Mutiny Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Militia Act Continuance Bill. The Militia Act Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Commons' Inclosure Bill. The Commons' Inclosure Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

General Board of Health (Skipton, &c.) Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the General Board of Health (*Skipton*, &c.) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill;

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

Cambridge University Matriculation and Degrees Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Cambridge* University Matriculation and Degrees Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Edinburgh, &c. Annuity Tax. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish the Ministers' Money or Annuity Tax levied within the City of *Edinburgh*, Parish of *Canongate*, and Burgh of *Montrose*, as vacancies occur among the present Ministers, and to make Provision for their successors: And that Mr. *Black* and Mr. *Baxter* do prepare, and bring it in.

Galway Freemen Disfranchisement Bill. *Ordered*, That a printed Copy of the *Galway* Freemen Disfranchisement Bill, and a Copy of the Order for reading the said Bill a second time, be served upon the Returning Officer for the County of the Town of *Galway*.

Science and Art. Mr. *Adderley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifth Report of the Department of Science and Art.

Education. Mr. *Adderley* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 18th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to Education.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 22° *die Martii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Message from the Lords. MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Lady Havelock and Sir Henry Havelock's Annuities Bill. The Lords have agreed to Lady *Havelock* and Sir *Henry Havelock*'s Annuities Bill, without any Amendment:

East India Loan Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *East India* Loan Bill, without any Amendment.

Public Petitions (Fourteenth Report.) Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 18th and 19th days of this instant March; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Middlesbrough Water Bill. A Bill for supplying Water for manufacturing and trading purposes in the Borough of *Middlesbrough* and the Environs and Neighbourhood thereof, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Cheltenham Water Bill. The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Cheltenham* Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ely Valley Railway Bill. The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Ely* Valley Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Gosport Water Bill. The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Gosport* Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 2) Bill. The *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 2) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

South Eastern Railway and Mid-Kent Railway (Bromley to Saint Mary Cray) Companies Bill. The South Eastern Railway and Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary Cray*) Companies Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Waterford and Kilkenny Railway (Power of Purchase, &c.) Bill. The *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway (Power of Purchase, &c.) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Belfast (Town and Borough) Improvement Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Belfast* (Town and Borough) Improvement Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Edinburgh, &c. Annuity Tax. *Ordered*, That Mr. *Cowan* be added to the Gentlemen appointed to prepare, and bring in the *Edinburgh*, &c. Annuity Tax Bill.

Several

Public Petitions.

Vide Votes, and Fifteenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by Sir *Augustus Clifford*, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

Lady Havelock and Sir Henry Havelock's Annuities Bill.

An Act to settle Annuities on Lady *Havelock* and Sir *Henry Marshman Havelock*, in consideration of the eminent Services of the late Major General *Havelock:*

East India Loan Bill.

An Act for enabling the *East India* Company to raise Money in the United Kingdom for the Service of the Government of *India*.

Patriotic Fund.

General *Peel* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies of First and Second Reports of the Royal Commissioners of the Patriotic Fund to Her Majesty the Queen.

Army Stores. No. 142.

General *Peel* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to Army Stores.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the last be printed.

Railway and Canal Bills (First Report) No. 141.

Lord *Hotham* reported from the General Committee on Railway and Canal Bills; That they had formed the List of Railway and Canal Bills into certain Groups.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Civil Services. No. 143.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted "on account" for or towards defraying the Charge for the therein-mentioned Civil Services, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Bury and Radcliffe Water Bill.

Mr. *Hope Johnstone* reported from the Committee on Group B. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Bury* and *Radcliffe* Water Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by setting forth more clearly the Powers exercised by the *Bury* Waterworks Company with regard to raising Money beyond their authorized share capital; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Malvern Improvement Bill.

Mr. *Hope Johnstone* reported the *Malvern* Improvement Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Edinburgh, &c. Annuity Tax Bill. Bill 34.

Mr. *Black* presented a Bill to abolish the Ministers' Money or Annuity Tax levied within the City of *Edinburgh*, Parish of *Canongate*, and Burgh of *Montrose*, as Vacancies occur among the present Ministers, and to make Provision for their Successors: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Akroyd* have leave of absence for a week;—and, Mr. *George Cavendish* three weeks, on account of domestic affliction.

Coinage.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 9th day of February last, for a Return relative to Coinage.

Copper, &c.

Return to an Order, dated the 1st day of this instant March, for a Return relative to Copper, &c.

East India (Coinage, &c.)

Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to *East India* (Coinage, &c.)

Lunacy.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to the Lord Chancellor, under the 8 & 9 *Vic.* c. 100, s. 88, of the Number of Visits made, the Number of Patients seen, and the Number of Miles travelled by the several Commissioners in Lunacy, during the Six Months ending on the 31st December 1857.

Australian Postal Service. No. 144.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Australian* Postal Service, which was presented upon the 26th day of February last, be printed.

Australian Mails. No. 144.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Australian* Mails, which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant March, be printed.

Education. No. 145.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Education, which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant March, be printed.

Charity Commission.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fifth Report of the Charity Commissioners for *England* and *Wales*; with an Appendix, 1858.

Turnpike Trusts.

Copy of First Report, with Abstracts of Accounts relating to the circumstances of the undermentioned Turnpike Trusts applying for Local Acts in the present Session of Parliament, made by direction of the Secretary of State for the Home Department, under the Powers conferred upon him by the Act of 3 & 4 *Will.* 4, c. 80:—

No. 1. *Besselsleigh* and *Hungerford* Road.
2. *Rochdale* and *Manchester* Road.
3. *Horsham* Roads.
4. *Balby* and *Worksop* Road.

Committals (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Returns from the Clerks of the Crown and Clerks of the Peace of the several Counties in *Ireland*, of the Number of Persons committed to the different Gaols thereof for Trial, in the year 1857.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Consolidated Fund (£.10,000,000) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (£. 10,000,000) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to apply the Sum of Ten Millions out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Consolidated Fund (£.500,000) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (£. 500,000) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to apply the Sum of Five hundred thousand pounds out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year ending the Thirty-first day of

of March One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Customs Acts. The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee on the Customs Acts;

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mutiny Bill. The Mutiny Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

General Board of Health (Skipton, &c.) Bill. The General Board of Health (*Skipton*, &c.) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Cambridge University Matriculation and Degrees Bill. The *Cambridge* University Matriculation and Degrees Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Oaths Bill. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Oaths Bill, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 3, by inserting, after the word "Law," the words "and instead of the Oath now taken by "Roman Catholics under the 10th of *George* the "Fourth, c. 7."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Cogan*, Mr. *Collins:*	66.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *John Abel Smith*, Sir *William Hayter:*	345.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 8, by inserting, after the word "Potentate," the word "rightfully."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "rightfully" be there inserted:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by leaving out Clause 5.

And the Question being put, That Clause 5 stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Hayter*, Mr. *John Abel Smith:*	297.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Newdegate*, Mr. *Wigram:*	144.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 23° *die Martii*, 1858:

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by leaving out Clause 6.

And the Question being put, That Clause 6 stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday the 12th day of April next.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts of all Receipts and Disbursements by the Corporation for preserving and maintaining the Port of *Dublin*, from the 31st day of December 1856 to the latest period to which the same have been made up; distinguishing the same under different heads, and under what authority:—Of all Monies borrowed by Debenture or otherwise under the authority of the Act 26 *Geo.* 3, c. 19, and of the Act 32 *Geo.* 3, c. 35, or of any other Act; the Rate of Interest at which the same was borrowed; what part of the same has been paid off; and the Annual Amount of the Interest payable on the subsisting Debt or Debts:—And, Statement of the Surplus Receipts above Disbursements for the year ending on the 31st day of December 1857, and of the Total Surplus on the above day, and of the application or investment of such Surplus, and the Dates thereof, and of the Dividends received therefrom (in continuation of Parliamentary Papers, No. 57, of Session 1851; No. 105, of Session 1853; and No. 271, of Session 1855). **Dublin Port.**

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Consular Service and Consular Appointments. **Consular Service and Appointments.**

The Select Committee on Colonisation and Settlement (*India*) was nominated of Mr. *William Ewart*, Mr. *Henry Baillie*, Mr. *Campbell*, Mr. *Gregson*, Mr. *Kinnaird*, Mr. *Knight*, Mr. *Lowe*, Mr. *Lygon*, Mr. *Mangles*, Sir *Erskine Perry*, Mr. *Seymour*, Mr. *John Benjamin Smith*, Mr. *William Vansittart*, Mr. *Villiers*, and Mr. *Willoughby*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records. **Colonisation and Settlement (India.)**

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the operation of the present System for the Billeting of Troops, and to report whether any, and, if any, what Modifications and Improvements might be made therein. **Billeting System.**

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill, was read, and discharged. **Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.**

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 28th day of April next.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Cruelty to Animals Act Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged. **Cruelty to Animals Act Amendment Bill.**

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 13th day of April next.

The Order made upon the 15th day of this instant March, for presenting to Her Majesty an humble Address, that She would be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return relative to Borough Rates, was read, and discharged. **Borough Rates.**

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Accounts relating to Trade and Navigation for the Month ended 28th February 1858, and for Two Months ended 28th February 1858. **Trade and Navigation. No. 68.**

Ordered,

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 23° *die Martii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Selkirk and Galashiels Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Selkirk* and *Galashiels* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by setting forth therein that there is no existing preference or priority granted by the Company in respect of any interest or dividend; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Haslingden and Rawtenstall Water Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Haslingden* and *Rawtenstall* Water Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Merthyr Tydfil Water Bill.

Mr. *Hope Johnstone* reported the *Merthyr Tydfil* Water Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Vauxhall Bridge Road Bill.

A Petition of Owners or Occupiers of Property within the District of the Board of Works for the *Westminster* District, praying that Provision may be made in the *Vauxhall* Bridge Road Bill for enabling the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests and Land Revenues to agree with the Board of Works for *Westminster* District for the Maintenance and Repair of the Road from *Millbank-row* to the Penitentiary, and other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ulverstone and Lancaster Railway Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the *Ulverstone* and *Lancaster* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Limerick and Foynes Railway.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the *Limerick* and *Foynes* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Birmingham and Staffordshire Gas Bill.

The *Birmingham* and *Staffordshire* Gas Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Edinburgh Life Assurance Company Bill.

The *Edinburgh* Life Assurance Company Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Whitehaven Harbour Bill.

The *Whitehaven* Harbour Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Hove Improvement Bill.

The *Hove* Improvement Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Liverpool Improvement Bill.

Ordered, That the *Liverpool* Improvement Bill be removed from Group D.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, and Sixteenth Report.

Private Bills Group (B.)

Mr. *Hope Johnstone* reported from the Committee on Group (B.) of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of the Members, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday next, at Twelve o'clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Committee of Selection (Fifth Report.) No. 146.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had made certain alterations in the Groups of Private Bills already formed, and had agreed to report the same to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Standing Orders.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Warrington and Stockport Railway Bill.

1. That in the case of the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway, Petition of *Birkenhead* and *Cheshire* Junction Railway Company for dispensing with Standing Order 109, the said Standing Order ought not to be dispensed with.

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill.

2. That in the case of the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway, Petition for dispensing with Standing Orders 139, 135 and 140, the said Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

South Eastern Railway (Dartford, New Cross, &c.) Bill.

3. That in the case of the South Eastern Railway (*Dartford, New Cross*, &c.), Petition of *Nathaniel William John Strode*, for dispensing with Standing Orders 88 and 109, the said Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill.

4. That in the case of the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway (Capital &c.), Petition for dispensing with Standing Order 140, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with, so far as respects the *East Grinstead* Railway, the *Wimbledon* and *Croydon* Railway, and the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway.

The fourth Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report to lie upon the Table.

Constabulary and Revenue Police (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Constabulary Force in *Ireland* on the 1st day of February in each of the years 1856, 1857 and 1858, arranged by Counties, showing for each County and for each Year the Number of County Inspectors, Sub-Inspectors, Head Constables, and other Constables or Sub-Constables, and the Number of Stations, and distinguishing the Number of Men and of Stations allocated for Revenue Duty, with the Totals:—Similar Return of the Revenue Police in *Ireland*, similarly arranged, showing the Number of Second Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors, Lieutenants, and Sub-Officers, Serjeants, and Men, and the Number of Stations, with the Totals:—Return of the Cost of the County Inspectors, Sub-Inspectors, Head Constables, and all other Constables of the Constabulary Force, in each of the years 1856 and 1857, with the estimated Cost for 1858, arranged by Counties, after deducting in each year the Sums repaid, or required to be repaid, by the several Counties, Public Companies, &c., and including the Hire of Barracks, Repair of Arms, and all other contingencies, with the Totals:—And, similar Return of the Second Inspectors, Sub-Inspectors, Lieutenants, Sub-Officers, Serjeants, and Men, arranged in a similar manner, and including the same Charges, with the Totals.

The above Returns to be in accordance with the following Tabular Form:

CONSTABULARY (IRELAND).

Name of County.	Number of County Inspectors.			Number of Sub-Inspectors.			Number of Head Constables.			Number of other Constables.			Number of Revenue Men.			Total of Force for each County.		
	1856.	1857.	1858.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1856.	1857.	1858.
Total for all Ireland																		

REVENUE POLICE (IRELAND).

Name of County.	Number of Inspectors and Sub-Inspectors.		Number of Lieutenants and Sub-Officers.		Number of Serjeants.		Number of Men.		Total of Force in each County.	
	1856.	1857.	1856.	1857.	1856.	1857.	1856.	1857.	1856.	1857.
Total for all Ireland										

RETURN OF STATIONS (IRELAND).

Name of County.	Constabulary.			Constabulary Revenue Force.			Revenue Police.			Totals for each County.		
	1856.	1857.	1858.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1856.	1857.	1858.
Total for all Ireland												

RETURN OF COST (IRELAND).

Name of County.	Expense of Constabulary.			Expense of Revenue Men in Constabulary.			Expense of Revenue Police.			Total for each County.		
	1856.	1857.	1858.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1856.	1857.	1858.
Total for all Ireland												

Limerick and Foynes Railway.

A Petition of the *Limerick* and *Foynes* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to afford facilities to the *Limerick* and *Foynes* Railway Company for raising the Funds necessary to enable them to execute their Undertaking, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Customs Department (Port of London.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Dates, Rank, Salaries, and Particulars of the Cases of all Persons employed in the Customs Department of the Port of *London*, who, from January 1830 to December 1857, have been removed from Office by the Board of Customs, and have been permitted to resume their duties without punishment; or who have been reprimanded or reduced in rank, but retained in the Service; or dismissed or superseded, and who have been subsequently reinstated; or have been granted a Superannuation Allowance upon their removal from Service.

Endowed Schools (Ireland.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Letter of Mr. *Stephens*, one of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the Endowed Schools in *Ireland*, to the Secretary for the Home Department.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Enrolled Pensioners, &c.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of the Enrolled Pensioners and Dockyard Battalions.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Army (Regimental Establishments.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return, in detail, of the Charge of the Regimental Establishments of the Land Forces, at Home and Abroad, made out in the same Form as in the Army Estimates, for the year 1855-56, and previous years.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Army. No. 147.

General *Peel* presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Supplementary Army Estimate for the year 1858-59.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Gaols and Houses of Correction Bill.

The Order for resuming, To-morrow, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of February last, That the Gaols and Houses of Correction Bill be now read a second time, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 14th day of April next.

Intoxication (Scotland.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 12th day of December last, for a Return relative to Intoxication (*Scotland*).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

East India (Stock Proprietors.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to *East India* (Stock Proprietors).

Loan Societies.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Abstract of Accounts of Loan Societies in *England* and *Wales*, to the 31st December 1857; by *John Tidd Pratt*, Esquire, the Barrister appointed to certify the Rules of Savings Banks.

Highland Roads and Bridges. No. 148.

The Forty-fourth Report of the Commissioners for Repair of Roads and Bridges in *Scotland*.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Highland Roads and Bridges be printed.

Metropolis Rates, &c. No. 149.

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Return relative to Metropolis Rates, &c., which was presented upon the 26th day of February last, be printed.

Coinage. No. 150.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Coinage, which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant March, be printed.

Copper, &c. No. 151.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Copper, &c., which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant March, be printed.

East India (Coinage, &c.) No. 152.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Coinage, &c.), which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant March, be printed.

Passports.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to

to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of Correspondence between Her Majesty's Government and that of the Emperor of the *French*, on the late alterations in the Passport System:—Of the several Regulations respecting Passports issued by the Foreign Office since 1815, with the Fees charged on their delivery:—And, Copies or Extracts of any Communication received at the Foreign Office since the 1st day of January 1856, relative to the inconvenience sustained by *British* Workmen who had arrived in *France* with Passports given by *French* Consular Agents in *Great Britain*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Marriage Law Amendment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to legalise Marriage with a deceased Wife's Sister;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Viscount *Bury*, Mr. *Schneider*: } 105.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Divett*, Mr. *Hope*: } 62.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative:—And that Viscount *Bury*, Mr. *Schneider* and Mr. *Monckton Milnes* do prepare, and bring it in.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Militia Act Continuance Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Militia Act Continuance Bill, without any Amendment:

Church of England Special Services Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for Special Services in the Church of *England*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Trustees' Relief Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the better Protection of Trustees, Executors and Administrators acting *bonâ fide* in the discharge of their Office; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Poor Rates (Metropolis.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide a Remedy for the Inequality in the Rates for the Relief of the Poor in the Metropolis: And that Mr. *Ayrton* and Mr. *John Locke* do prepare, and bring it in.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurii, 24° *die Martii*, 1858:

Medical Practitioners.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the Qualifications of Practitioners in Medicine and Surgery: And that Mr. *Cowper*, Mr. *Kinnaird* and Mr. *Brady* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ship "Ganges," &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Dates of commissioning the *Ganges*, *Renown*, *Diadem*, *Marlborough*, and *Euryalus*; and the Number of Men and Boys entered each Week, with their Ratings.

Navy.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Money saved in Wages by paying off eight Line of Battle Ships in the Spring of 1857.

Navy.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Expense of re-fitting, for recommissioning, in 1858, the following Ships paid off in 1857, in which is to be included the value of the Stores returned as no longer serviceable when paid off, and also of those supplied in lieu thereof:—*Duke of Wellington*, *Exmouth*, *Nile*, *Cressy*, *Euryalus* and *Arrogant*.

East India (Transport of Troops.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Sclater-Booth*, Lord *John Hay* and Mr. *Adderley* be added to the Select Committee on *East India* (Transport of Troops).

Bleaching and Dyeing Works.

Ordered, That Lord *John Manners* be added to the Select Committee on Bleaching and Dyeing Works.

Cashel Election.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of this instant March, relative to the *Cashel* Election;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Friday next.

Customs Acts.

Mr. *Hamilton* reported from the Committee on the Customs Acts, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That, in lieu of the Duties of Customs now chargeable on the undermentioned articles, on their Importation into *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, the following Duties shall be charged, *viz.*:

	£.	s.	d.
Bonnets of Felt - - - each	–	–	6
Caoutchouc, Manufactures of - per lb.	–	–	2

2. That the Duties of Customs now chargeable on the undermentioned articles, on their Importation into *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, shall cease and determine, *viz.*:

Chloride of Lime.
Platina Wire.

3. That, on and after the 5th day of April 1858, the following Duties of Customs shall be charged on the articles undermentioned, on the Importation thereof into the United Kingdom, *viz.*:

	£.	s.	d.
Stearine - - - - - the cwt.	–	3	6
Candles; *viz.* ——— Stearine - - - the cwt.	–	3	6

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. *Fitz Roy*, Mr. *Hamilton* and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring it in.

Marriage Law Amendment Bill. Bill 35.

Viscount *Bury* presented a Bill to legalize Marriage with a deceased Wife's Sister: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 5th day of May next; and to be printed.

Poor Rates (Metropolis) Bill. Bill 36.

Mr. *Ayrton* presented a Bill to provide a Remedy for the Inequality in the Rates for the Relief of the Poor in the Metropolis: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of May next; and to be printed.

Medical Practitioners Bill. Bill 37.

Mr. *Cowper* presented a Bill to regulate the Qualifications of Practitioners of Medicine and Surgery: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 19th day of May next; and to be printed.

Customs Duties Bill. Bill 38.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill for the Alteration of certain Duties of Customs: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday next, the Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Mercurii, 24° die Martii;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions (Fifteenth Report.)

MR. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 22d day of this instant March, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill.

A Petition of the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour Board, praying that Provision may be made in the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill for the regulation of Pilots and Pilot Boats, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Dundalk and Enniskillen Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Dundalk* and *Enniskillen* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Midland Great Western Railway of Ireland Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Midland Great Western Railway of *Ireland* Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Private Bills.

Ordered, That whenever a Recommendation shall have been made to a Committee on a Private Bill, in a Report from a Department of the Government referred to the Committee, the Committee shall notice such Recommendation in their Report, and shall state their Reasons for dissenting, should such Recommendation not be agreed to.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Sixteenth Report.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Contracts for Public Departments (1856 and 1857.)

Ordered, That the Reports from the Select Committees on Contracts for Public Departments in Sessions 1856 and 1857, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, be referred to the Select Committee on Contracts (Public Departments).

East India (King of Delhi.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Evidence taken before the Court appointed for the Trial of the King of *Delhi*.

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway (Wigan Station.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Memorial from the Mayor and Corporation of *Wigan* to the Board of Trade, on the subject of the *Wigan* Station of the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Company:—And, of Captain *Tyler*'s Report upon that Station; together with any Correspondence which has taken place with the Board of Trade on the subject.

Trustees' Relief Bill. Bill 39.

The Trustees' Relief Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

East India (Ameer Ali Moorad.)

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to *East India* (*Ameer Ali Moorad*).

East India (Murza Ali Akbar.)

Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to *East India* (*Murza Ali Akbar*).

Income Tax Returns (London.) No. 153.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Income Tax Returns (*London*), which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant March, be printed.

Intoxication (Scotland.) No. 154.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Intoxication (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 23d day of this instant March, be printed.

East India (Stock Proprietors.) No. 155.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Stock Proprietors), which was presented upon the 23d day of this instant March, be printed.

Loan Societies. No. 156.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Loan Societies, which was presented upon the 23d day of this instant March, be printed.

Heirs (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Heirs (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of May next.

Valuation of Lands (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Valuation of Lands (*Scotland*) Act Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Trinity College (Dublin.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Report of the *Dublin* Police Commissioners to the Chief or Under Secretary for *Ireland*, on the recent Riots at Trinity College, *Dublin*:—Of Warrant authorizing an Inquiry by the Solicitor General for *Ireland* and Mr. *Stronge*, J. P.:—And, of Instructions (if any) to govern the Inquiry:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned:—And the said Motion and Original Question were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Trinity College (Dublin.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Warrant authorizing an Inquiry by the Solicitor General for *Ireland* and Mr. *Stronge*, J. P., into the recent Riots at Trinity College, *Dublin*.

Local Acts. No. 118.

Mr. *Corry* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Further Reports from the Admiralty relative to Applications for Local Acts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Medical Profession Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday the 12th day of April next, the Medical Profession Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of May next.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 25° die Martii;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Group E.)

ORDERED, That the Committee on Group E. of Private Bills have leave to sit this day till Five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Liverpool Exchange Bill.

Mr. *Yorke* reported from the Committee on Group D. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Liverpool* Exchange Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, in order to make the allegations thereof regarding the reserved fund consistent with the subsequent amended enactments of the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Liskeard and Looe Union Canal Company's Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Liskeard* and *Looe* Union Canal Company's Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Alyth Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Alyth* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Knighton Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Knighton* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out, in pursuance of the suggestion to that effect contained in a Report upon the said Bill by the Board of Trade, the recital with respect to the proposed Power to the Company to use a portion of the *Shrewsbury* and *Hereford* Railway; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Madras Irrigation and Canal Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Madras* Irrigation and Canal Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by omitting the words "*Cochin*," "*Hyderabad*" and "*Travancore*" in the description of the limits within which the Company proposes to work, in order to make the same in accordance with the Provisions of the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Newport (Salop) Markets, Town Hall, &c. Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Newport* (*Salop*) Markets, Town Hall, &c. Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Cheltenham Water Bill.

The *Cheltenham* Water Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ely Valley Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the *Ely* Valley Railway Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Gosport Water Bill.

The *Gosport* Water Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Sunderland Dock Bill.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Report of the Inspecting Officer to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty on the *Sunderland* Dock Bill.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees.

Vide Votes, and Seventeenth Report.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by Mr. *Pulman*, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to an Act agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the Act therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Act, as followeth:

Militia Act Continuance Bill.

An Act to continue an Act of the last Session to authorize the embodying of the Militia.

Aberdare Water Bill.

Mr. *Hope Johnstone* reported the *Aberdare* Water Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sculcoates and Kingston-upon-Hull Gas Bill.

Mr. *Liddell* reported the *Sculcoates* and *Kingston-upon-Hull* Gas Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Stoke Fenton and Longton Gas Bill.

Mr. *Liddell* reported from the Committee on Group A. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Stoke Fenton* and *Longton* Gas Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by inserting various Provisions relating to Preferential Shareholders, with a view to specify more fully the Capital of the Company; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Staffordshire Potteries Gas Bill.

Mr. *Liddell* reported the *Staffordshire* Potteries Gas Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Cashel Election.

Ordered, That the General Committee of Elections, to whom it was referred to inquire into the circumstances connected with the Petition of *John Joseph Scully*, Esquire, relative to the *Cashel* Election, presented on the 18th day of August last, have leave to sit this day till Five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Soulages' Collection.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Correspondence with the Treasury, and any Memorials addressed to the Treasury, respecting the Purchase of *Soulages'* Collection by the Government.

East India (Railways.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Sums disbursed by the Government of *India* on account of Interest upon Railway Capital of Companies carrying on Works in *India*, from the commencement of Railway operations in that Country to the present time, so far as the same can be obtained in this Country without reference to *India*; and stating the Aggregate Amount paid to the Shareholders of each separate Company, and the Total Amount of Capital raised by each Company, and paid by them into the Home and *Indian* Treasuries.

Army (Civil Administration.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Letters Patent vesting the Civil

Administration of the Army in the hands of the Secretary for War.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Barracks.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies or Extracts of any Correspondence which has passed between the Horse Guards and the War Office, during the years 1856 and 1857, suggesting general measures of Barrack Improvement, or complaining of Deficiencies in the existing Barrack Arrangements, so far as those Deficiencies are of general application, and do not relate to minute details of particular Barracks.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Westminster New Palace.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Letter from Sir *Charles Barry* to the Secretary of the Office of Works and Public Buildings, dated the 18th day of February 1858, in relation to the Expenditure at the New Palace of *Westminster*:—Of the Answer sent to Sir *Charles Barry*, dated the 19th day of February 1858:—And, of a Minute left in the Office of Works, by the late First Commissioner, in relation thereto, and dated the 24th day of February 1858 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 49, of the present Session).

East India (Retired Officers, &c.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Despatch addressed by the Court of Directors to the Government of *India*, on the 3d day of September 1856, and of the Letter addressed to Her Majesty's Government, regarding the advantages held out to Retired Officers of the *Indian* Armies on settling in Her Majesty's Colonies; and of the Reply received to it, referred to in the abovementioned Despatch:—And, of the Military Letter from the Government of *India*, dated the 5th day of October 1857 (98 and 99), and its accompanying Reports from the several Local Governments, on the Project of holding out advantages to *European* Officers and Soldiers, Retired or Discharged, to settle in *India*.

Post-office.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Fourth Report of the Postmaster General on the Post-office.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

East India (Ameer Ali Moorad.) No. 158.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (*Ameer Ali Moorad*), which was presented upon the 24th day of this instant March, be printed.

East India (Murza Ali Akbar.) No. 159.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (*Murza Ali Akbar*), which was presented upon the 24th day of this instant March, be printed.

Emigration.

Lord *Stanley* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to Emigration.

Chinese Prisoners (Hong Kong.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to *Chinese* Prisoners (*Hong Kong*).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

East India (Nawáb of Surat.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to *East India* (*Nawáb* of *Surat*).

Increase and Diminution (Public Offices.)

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Accounts of every Increase and Diminution which has taken place in the year 1857, in the Number of Persons employed, or in the Salaries, Emoluments, Allowances and Expenses in all Public Offices or Departments.

Superannuations (Public Offices.)

An Account of all Allowances or Compensations granted as Retired Allowances or Superannuations in all Public Offices or Departments which remained payable on the 1st of January 1857; the Annual Amount which was granted in the year 1857; the Annual Amount which ceased within the year; and the Total Amount remaining payable on the 31st of December 1857.

Endowed Schools (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Letter to the Right honourable Sir *George Grey*, Bart., M.P., G.C.B., Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, &c. &c. &c. By *Archibald John Stephens*, Esquire, one of Her Majesty's late Commissioners of Inquiry into the Endowed Schools of *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the Office of Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* ought to be abolished, and the Office of Secretary of State for *Ireland* to be at once created.

And the Previous Question being put, That that Question be now put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Roebuck*, Mr. *Baxter*:	116.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Stearne Ball Miller*, Mr. *Grogan*:	243.

So it passed in the Negative.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Consolidated Fund (£. 10,000,000) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (£. 10,000,000) Bill, without any Amendment:

Consolidated Fund (£. 500,000) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (£. 500,000) Bill, without any Amendment:

Mutiny Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Mutiny Bill, without any Amendment:

Marine Mutiny Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Marine Mutiny Bill, without any Amendment:

Commons' Inclosure Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Commons' Inclosure Bill, without any Amendment:

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to substitute in certain cases the Bishop of one Diocese for the Bishop of another as a Trustee of certain Trusts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Model Barracks and Public Offices.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Memorial presented to the Treasury, the War Department, and the Office of Public Works, from the Royal Institute of *British* Architects, in reference to the recent Competitions for Model Barracks and for Public Offices.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Colonisation and Settlement (India.)

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Colonisation and Settlement (*India*) do consist of Sixteen Members.

Ordered, That Mr. *De Vere* be added to the Committee.

Ordered,

Game Certificates (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Game Certificates taken out in *Ireland* in each of the Four years ending March 1858; of the Number of Prosecutions instituted by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue against Persons for shooting, killing, or being in pursuit of Game, without License; of the Number of Convictions obtained; of the Amount of Fine or Punishment awarded, and of the Amount of Fine levied or Punishment inflicted in each case of Conviction, during the Four above years.

Endowed Schools (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Cost of printing and distributing the Report of the Evidence on the Endowed Schools of *Ireland*, in four folio volumes, comprising 2,680 pages, and by whose Authority the same was printed.

Agricultural Statistics (Scotland.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That there be laid before this House, Further Papers relative to Agricultural Statistics in *Scotland*:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 26° *die Martii*, 1858:

Navy.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Continuance Service Men in the Fleet on the 1st day of January 1857, and the Number discharged that year, and whether discharged by Survey or not:—Of the Number of Continuance Service Men in the Fleet on the 1st day of January 1858, and the Number since entered:—And, of the Number of First and Second Class Boys in the Service on the 1st day of January 1857, whether Apprentices or not, and the Number discharged with their own Consent or by Survey; also, of the Number on the 1st day of January 1858:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Navy.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Continuance Service Men in the Fleet on the 1st day of January 1857, and the Number discharged that year, and whether discharged by Survey or not:—Of the Number of Continuance Service Men in the Fleet on the 1st day of January 1858, and the Number since entered:—And, of the Number of Boys in the Service on the 1st day of January 1857, and the Number discharged; also, of the Number on the 1st day of January 1858.

Galway Freemen Disfranchisement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Galway* Freemen Disfranchisement Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday the 20th day of April next.

English Episcopal Chapel (Paris.)

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of February last, for a Return relative to the *English* Episcopal Chapel (*Paris*).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Cashel Election. No. 157.

Ordered, That the General Committee of Elections, to whom it was referred to inquire into the circumstances connected with the Petition of *John Joseph Scully*, Esquire, relative to the *Cashel* Election, presented on the 18th day of August last, have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Sir *Francis Baring* reported from the said Committee; That, in compliance with the Order of the House of the 12th March instant, they had inquired into those circumstances, and had agreed to a Report, which they had directed him to make to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 26° *die Martii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Chester Gas Bill.

MR. *Yorke* reported the *Chester* Gas Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Barnstaple New Waterworks Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Barnstaple* New Waterworks Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Standing Orders.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Ulverstone and Lancaster Railway Bill.

1. That in the case of the *Ulverstone* and *Lancaster* Railway, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision accordingly, if the Committee on the Bill shall think fit.

Limerick and Foynes Railway.

2. That in the case of the *Limerick* and *Foynes* Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill.

3. That in the case of the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway, Petition of *Joseph Guy*, for dispensing with Standing Order 109, on the Petition of the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway Company, the Standing Order ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to be heard on their Petition against the Bill, notwithstanding the same shall have been deposited later than seven days after the second reading of the said Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Public Petitions (Sixteenth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 23d and 24th days of this instant March, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sunderland Dock Bill.

Mr. *Poulett Scrope* reported from the Committee no Group C. of Private Bills That in the case of the

the *Sunderland* Dock Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by altering the recital as to the Capital of the Company, in order to make the same consistent with the facts of the case; and by omitting the 10th, 11th and 12th paragraphs thereof, which the Committee were of opinion had not been proved to their satisfaction; and found the same, as amended, to be true; but the Parties promoting the Bill had stated to the Committee that it was not their intention to proceed further with the same.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Vauxhall Bridge Road Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the *Vauxhall* Bridge Road Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Limerick and Foynes Railway.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for the *Limerick* and *Foynes* Railway Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to afford Facilities to the *Limerick* and *Foynes* Railway Company for raising the Funds necessary to enable them to execute their Undertaking: And that Mr. *De Vere* and Mr. *Francis Russell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Blyth Harbour and Dock Bill.

A Petition of the *Blyth* Harbour and Dock Company, praying that Provision may be made in the *Blyth* Harbour and Dock Bill for regulating the limit of Jurisdiction, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ely Valley Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the *Ely* Valley Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday the 12th day of April next.

Caledonian Railway (Dalmarnock Branch) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Caledonian* Railway (*Dalmarnock* Branch) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Before commencement of viaduct across *Clyde*, working drawings to be approved by Admiralty), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Carlisle and Hawick Railway Bill (1857.)

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee on the *Carlisle* and *Hawick* Railway Bill, in Session 1857, be referred to the Committee on Group 13 of Railway and Canal Bills, in reference to the *Carlisle*, *Langholm* and *Hawick* Railway Bill, and the North *British* Railway (*Hawick* and *Carlisle* Junction Railway) Bill.

Folkestone Water Bill.

Mr. *Barrow* reported the *Folkestone* Water Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Roads, &c. (Scotland) Bill. Bill 40.

Lord *Elcho* presented a Bill to enable Counties in *Scotland* to abolish Tolls and Statute Labour, and to maintain their Public Roads and Bridges by Assessment: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 28th day of April next; and to be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Seventeenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by Mr. *Pulman*, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

An Act to apply the Sum of Ten Millions out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Fifty-eight: **Consolidated Fund (£.10,000,000) Bill.**

An Act to apply the Sum of Five hundred thousand pounds out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year ending the Thirty-first day of March, One thousand eight hundred and Fifty-eight: **Consolidated Fund (£.500,000) Bill.**

An Act for punishing Mutiny and Desertion, and for the better Payment of the Army and their Quarters: **Mutiny Bill.**

An Act for the Regulation of Her Majesty's Royal Marine Forces while on Shore: **Marine Mutiny Bill.**

An Act to authorize the Inclosure of certain Lands, in pursuance of a Report of the Inclosure Commissioners for *England* and *Wales*. **Commons' Inclosure Bill.**

Mr. *Liddell* reported the *Nottingham* Gas Bill, with Amendments. **Nottingham Gas Bill.**

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Lord *Stanley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Further Papers on the subject of the Despatch of Troops to *India* from the Colonies of the *Cape of Good Hope*, *Ceylon* and *Mauritius*; in continuation of Papers presented December 1857. **East India (Despatch of Troops.)**

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Lord *John Manners* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 25th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to *Westminster* New Palace. **Westminster New Palace. No. 160.**

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence respecting *British* Engineers captured on board the *Sardinian* Merchant Steamer *Cagliari*, and subsequently imprisoned and tried in the Kingdom of the *Two Sicilies*; with an Appendix. **Cagliari Steamer.**

Papers respecting the Excavations at *Budrum*. **Budrum Excavations.**

Abstract of the Sums expended under the head of Civil Contingencies in the years 1856 and 1857; Detailed Account of the Expenditure in the year 1857 ending 31st March 1858; and an Estimate of the Amount required to be voted for 1858–59. **Civil Contingencies. No. 161.**

Estimates for Civil Services, year ending March 31st, 1859: **Civil Services. No. 162.**

I.—Public Works and Buildings.
II.—Salaries and Expenses, Public Departments.
III.—Law and Justice.
IV.—Education, Science and Art.
V.—Colonial and Consular Services.
VI.—Superannuations, &c.
VII.—Miscellaneous, Special and Temporary Objects.

Ordered, That the Papers relative to the *Cagliari* Steamer, and *Budrum* Excavations, do lie upon the Table;

Table; and that the Papers relative to Civil Contingencies, and Civil Services, be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Medical Charities (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Sixth Annual Report of the Commissioners for administering the Laws for Relief of the Poor in *Ireland*, under the Medical Charities Act, 14 & 15 *Vic.* c. 68.

Banks. No. 4–I.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Supplemental Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Name of every Bank, other than Private Banks, whether unincorporate or incorporate, trading in the United Kingdom or the Colonies, specifying the Nature of the Liability of the Shareholders in every such Bank, whether the Liability is limited or unlimited; and, if limited, to what extent (so far as relates to the Colonies).

Dunfanaghy Union.

Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of this instant March, for a Return relative to *Dunfanaghy* Union.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to Banks be printed.

Patriotic Fund. No. 163.

Ordered, That the Papers relative to the Patriotic Fund, which were presented upon the 22d day of this instant March, be printed.

Game Laws. No. 164.

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Return relative to the Game Laws, which was presented upon the 4th day of February last, be printed.

Emigration. No. 165.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Emigration, which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant March, be printed.

Chinese Prisoners (Hong Kong.) No. 166.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Chinese* Prisoners (*Hong Kong*), which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant March, be printed.

East India (Nawâb of Surat.) No. 167.

Ordered That the Return relative to *East India* (*Nawâb* of *Surat*), which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant March, be printed.

Increase and Diminution (Public Offices.) No. 168.

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Accounts relative to Increase and Diminution (Public Offices), which were presented upon the 25th day of this instant March, be printed.

Superannuations (Public Offices.) No. 169.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Superannuations (Public Offices), which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant March, be printed.

East India Company.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Statement setting out severally, under separate Heads, all the Liabilities of the *East India* Company (not including the Public Debt), in the nature of Interest guaranteed under Contracts with Railway Companies, Contributions to the Provident Funds of the Civil, Military, Naval and other branches of the Public Service, and to charitable and other similar Institutions, or otherwise.

East India (Press.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Letter from the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the *East India* Company to the Right honourable *Charles Watkin Williams Wynn*, dated the 17th day of January 1823, on the subject of the Press in *India*:—Of Reply of Mr. *Wynn* to the foregoing, dated the 5th day of April 1823:—Of any Despatch or Despatches from the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company to the Government of *India*, relating to Act XI. of 1835:—Of a Notification issued by the Government of *India* on the 18th day of June 1857, with reference to the Provisions of Act No. XV. of 1857, that application for Licenses to keep or use Printing Presses must in future be made to certain Authorities named therein, and naming the ordinary conditions on which such Licenses may be had; also, of any Notifications, similar in terms or tenor to the foregoing, which have been since issued by the Government of *Madras* or the Government of *Bombay*:—Of any Memorial or Remonstrance addressed to the *East India* Company, praying for the Disallowance of Act XV. of 1857, and the Reply or Replies of the *East India* Company to the same:—And, of any Records of Proceedings by the Supreme Government, or any of the Local Governments in *India*, taken with reference to enforcing the Provisions of Act XV. of 1857, and of any Notices or Warnings to Printers or Publishers; with any Articles or Writings inculpated under the same.

Chinese, &c. Emigrants.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of any recent Communications to or from the Foreign Office, Colonial Office, Board of Trade, and any other Department of Her Majesty's Government, on the subject of Mortality on board *British* Ships carrying Emigrants from *China* or *India* (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 147, of Session 1, 1857).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Education.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Trade, Calling or Employment of the Fathers of all the Children in the Six Schools which received the largest Capitation Grant during the year 1857.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Manhood Suffrage, &c. (Victoria.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Act passed last year by the Legislature of the Colony of *Victoria*, establishing Manhood Suffrage and a Plurality of Votes to Freeholders.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Board of Health.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of all Expenses of Printing, Postage, Publishing, and all other outlay or disbursements of the Weekly Return or Newspaper of the Board of Health, from the first Number to the present time:—Of all Salaries paid or payable to the Officers of the present Board of Health for 1847:—And, of the Number of Provisional Orders issued by the Board since January 1857.

London Mechanics' Institution. No. 170.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report of Dr. *Lyon Playfair*, as to the state of the *London* Mechanics' Institution in *Southampton Buildings*.

Mr. *Adderley* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 25,000 on account, for the Surveys of the United Kingdom, and for the Topographical Department.

2. £. 477,000 on account of the following Civil Services :—

Service.		Amount.
		£.
Class II.	Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Secretary of State for the Foreign Department -	15,000
Class III.	County Courts, Salaries and Expenses -	100,000
	Dublin Metropolitan Police, Salaries and Expenses	12,000
	Constabulary, Ireland, Salaries and Expenses -	150,000
Class IV.	Public Education, Great Britain - - -	100,000
	Science and Art Department - - - -	10,000
Class V.	Consuls Abroad, including China, &c. - -	70,000
	Extraordinary Expenses of Ministers at Foreign Courts - - - - - - - - -	20,000
	Total - - £.	477,000

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday the 12th day of April next.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 12th day of April next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 12th day of April next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Customs Duties Bill. The Customs Duties Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday the 12th day of April next.

Trustees' Relief Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Trustees' Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of April next.

Cashel Election. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of this instant March, relative to the *Cashel* Election;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 12th day of April next.

Government of India (No. 2.) *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to transfer the Government of *India* from the *East India* Company to Her Majesty the Queen: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Lord *Stanley* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Billeting System. The Select Committee on the Billeting System was nominated of Mr. *Eliot Yorke*, General *Codrington*, Mr. *Black*, Mr. *Blackburn*, Sir *John Ramsden*, Colonel *North*, Mr. *Smith Child*, Mr. *Cobbett*, Colonel *Taylor*, Mr. *Baxter*, Captain *Esmonde*, Mr. *Ridley* and Sir *Frederick Smith*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum.

Loan Societies. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue an Act of the third and fourth years of Her Majesty, chapter one hundred and ten, to amend the Laws relating to Loan Societies: And that Mr. *Hardy* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Bands. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the War Office Letter of October 1857, declining to sanction the Recommendation of the General Commanding in Chief, on the subject of Regimental Bands.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

New England Company. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Income and Expenditure of the *New England* Company; together with Copies of the Charter of Incorporation, and of any subsequent Charters, Leases, Bequests, or other Grants, from which the present Income of the Company is derived.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Bankruptcy. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Returns from the Accountant in Bankruptcy, showing the Revenue and Expenditure of the Court of Bankruptcy in the years ending respectively the 31st day of December 1854, 1855, 1856 and 1857 (in the form and in continuation of the Returns printed in the Report of the Bankruptcy Inquiry Commission, 1854, Appendix C, pp. 493-6):—And, showing in what manner the Deficit (if any) of the Revenue of the Court was made up in the years ending respectively the 31st day of December 1854, 1855, 1856 and 1857 (in the form and in continuation of the Return printed in the same Report, Appendix C, p. 496):—And, from the Chief Registrar in Bankruptcy, showing the Number of Petitions for Adjudication of Bankruptcy filed in each of the Four years preceding the 11th day of October 1857; distinguishing the Petitions of the Trader himself, and also those prosecuted to Adjudication; and the Number of Petitions for Arrangement between Debtors and their Creditors, under the Superintendence and Control of the Court, in each year during the same period (in the form and in continuation of the Return printed in the Report of the Bankruptcy Inquiry Commission, 1854, Appendix C, pp. 498-500):—Showing the Amount of the Remuneration of the several Official Assignees of the Court in the years ending respectively the 11th day of October 1855, 1856 and 1857 (in the form and in continuation of the Returns printed in the same Report, Appendix C, pp. 522-530):—And, showing the Amount of the Remuneration of the several Messengers of the Court in the years ending respectively the 11th day of October 1854, 1855, 1856 and 1857 (in the form and in continuation of the Return printed in the same Report, Appendix C, pp. 533-6).

Consular Service and Appointments. The Select Committee on Consular Service and Appointments was nominated of Mr. *Seymour Fitz-Gerald*, Mr. *Monckton Milnes*, Viscount *Palmerston*, Mr. *Henley*, Mr. *Horsfall*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Wise*, Mr. *Bramley-Moore*, Mr. *Kinnaird*, Sir *John Walsh*, Mr. *Lindsay*, Lord *Claud Hamilton*, Lord *Robert Cecil*, Mr. *Gregory* and Sir *Minto Farquhar*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

East India (North West Provinces.) *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Despatch from the Governor General of *India*, dated the 25th day of November 1842, and of the Reports of Mr. *Bird* and Mr. *Robertson*, upon the Settlement of the North West Provinces, enclosed therein; also of the Despatch of the Court of Directors, dated the 13th day of August 1851, in reply thereto.

Ordered,

General Board of Health.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of Orders in Council relating to the Board of Health Department; Sanctions to and Refusals of Mortguges of Rates by Local Boards; Examinations of Localities, Plans, Surveys and Works; Reports made; Bills prepared; and Duties discharged connected with Temporary Commissions in that Department, since January 1857.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday the 12th day of April next.

County Courts.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns from every County Court throughout *England* and *Wales*, established under the Act 9 & 10 *Vic.* c. 95, of the Total Number of Plaints entered in each Court, from the 1st day of January 1857 to the 31st day of December 1857, both days inclusive:—Of the Total Number of Plaints entered in each Court above £.20 and not exceeding £.50, from the 1st day of January 1857 to the 31st day of December 1857, both days inclusive:—Of the Total Number of Plaints entered in each Court, during the same period, under the 23d section of the Act 19 & 20 *Vic.* c. 108:—Of the Total Number of Causes tried by each Court, during the same period, upon which the Hearing Fee of Two Shillings in the Pound was taken:—Of the Total Number of Causes in which, from admission or confession, the Fee of One Shilling in the Pound was taken on the Judgment, during the same period:—Of the Total Number of Causes in which Judgment by Default was entered up under the 28th section of the Act 19 & 20 *Vic.* c. 108, during the same period:—Of the Total Number of Causes in which Judgment by Default was entered up on Plaints entered under the Summary Procedure on Bills of Exchange Act, 1855, during the same period:—Of the Total Number of Causes tried by each Court, during the same period, above £.20 and not exceeding £.50:—Of the Total Number of Causes sent for Trial in a County Court by the Judge of a Superior Court, under the 26th section of the Act 19 & 20 *Vic.* c. 108, during the same period:—Of the Total Number of Causes in which Defendants have objected to Trial and given Security, under the Provisions of the 39th section of the Act 19 & 20 *Vic.* c. 108:—Of the Total Number of Causes tried by each Court during the same period, under the 23d section of the Act 19 & 20 *Vic.* c. 108:—Of the Total Number of Appeals to the Superior Courts pending on the 1st day of October 1856, and the Total Number made from the 1st day of January 1857 to the 31st day of December 1857, both days inclusive, from the Decisions of each Court, and whether such Decisions were confirmed or reversed, and the Number of Appeals dropped or remaining undecided on the 31st day of December 1856:—Of the Total Number of Days that each Court has sat, from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December 1857, both days inclusive, and the Average Number of Hours comprised in each Sitting:—Of the Total Number of such Sittings held before a Deputy Judge:—Of the Total Amount of Monies for which the Plaints were entered in each Court during the last-mentioned period:—Of the Total Amount of Monies, exclusive of Costs, for which Judgment has been obtained or entered up in each Court during the same period, and also the Amount of such Costs, exclusive of Fees of Court:—Of the Total Amount of Monies paid into each Court during the same period, in satisfaction of Debts sued for, without proceeding to Judgment:—Of the Amount of Fees received in each Court during such period:—Of the Gross Total Amount of Monies received in each Court to the credit of Suitors, and the Amount paid out to Suitors, during such period:—Of the Total Number of Causes tried in each Court during the same period with the assistance of a Jury, specifying the Number of such Causes in which a Verdict has been given in favour of the Party requiring a Jury to be summoned:—Of the Total Number of Executions issued by the Registrar of each Court during the same period against the Goods of Defendants:—Of the Total Number of Judgment Summonses issued by each Court during the same period:—Of the Total Number of Judgment Summonses heard by each Court during the same period:—Of the Total Number of Warrants of Commitment issued by the Registrar of each Court during the same period:—And, of the Number of Persons actually taken to Prison under such Warrants during the same period.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Government of India (No. 2) Bill. Bill 41.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill to transfer the Government of *India* from the *East India* Company to Her Majesty the Queen: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 19th day of April next; and to be printed.

Loan Societies Bill. Bill 42.

Mr. *Hardy* presented a Bill to continue an Act of the third and fourth years of Her Majesty, chapter one hundred and ten, to amend the Laws relating to Loan Societies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of April next; and to be printed.

And then the House adjourned till Monday the 12th day of April next.

Lunæ, 12° *die Aprilis*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Limerick City Election.

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had this day received a Report from the Examiner of Recognizances, stating that the Recognizance to the Election Petition of *Thomas Cochrane* and *Edward Hartigan*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of the City of *Limerick*, is unobjectionable.

Edinburgh, &c. Annuity Tax Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the *Edinburgh*, &c., Annuity Tax Bill, no Standing Orders are applicable.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 22d day of this instant April.

Blyth Harbour and Docks Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the *Blyth* Harbour and Docks Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill, the Standing Orders have been complied with.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill, that they have Power to make Provision therein pursuant to the prayer of the said Petition.

Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill.

A Petition of the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Bill for authorizing the said Company to create Debenture Shares or Debenture

Debenture Stock for paying off certain mortgage debts, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Dundalk and Enniskillen Railway Bill.

The *Dundalk* and *Enniskillen* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Midland Great Western Railway of Ireland Bill.

The Midland Great Western Railway of *Ireland* Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ely Valley Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the *Ely* Valley Railway Bill;

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

Bury and Radcliffe Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Bury* and *Radcliffe* Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Eden Valley Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Eden* Valley Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Haslingden and Rawtenstall Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Haslingden* and *Rawtenstall* Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Madras Irrigation and Canal Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Madras* Irrigation and Canal Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Malvern Improvement Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Malvern* Improvement Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Sculcoates and Kingston-upon-Hull Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Sculcoates* and *Kingston-upon-Hull* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Staffordshire Potteries Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Staffordshire* Potteries Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Stoke Fenton and Longton Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Stoke Fenton* and *Longton* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Middlesbrough Water Bill.

The *Middlesbrough* Water Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Limerick and Foynes Railway Bill.

A Bill to afford Facilities to the *Limerick* and *Foynes* Railway Company for raising the Funds necessary to enable them to execute their Undertaking, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Public Income and Expenditure. No. 171.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Gross Public Income and Expenditure for the year ended the 31st day of March 1858, together with the Balance in the Exchequer at the commencement and at the termination of the year, and the Amount of Funded or Unfunded Debt created or redeemed in the said year.

Mr. *Hamilton* accordingly presented the said Account.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Exchequer Bills. No. 172.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of all Exchequer Bills raised, or authorized to be raised, charged on the Aids or Supplies of 1858, unprovided for.

Mr. *Hamilton* accordingly presented the said Account.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions (Seventeenth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 25th and 26th days of March last; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, 22nd Eighteenth Report.

Canterbury, London, &c. Dioceses.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report from the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the state of the several Dioceses of *Canterbury*, *London*, *Winchester*, and *Rochester*.

Turnpike Trusts.

Copy of Second Report, with Abstracts of Accounts relating to the circumstances of the undermentioned Turnpike Trusts, applying for Local Acts in the present Session of Parliament, made by direction of the Secretary of State for the Home Department, under the Powers conferred upon him by the Act of the 3 & 4 *Will.* 4, c. 80:

No. 5. *Windsor* New Road.

No. 6. *Manchester*, *Hyde* and *Mottram* Road.

No. 7. Forest of *Dean* Roads.

Trinity College (Dublin.)

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 24th day of March last, for a Return relative to Trinity College (*Dublin*).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Newspapers.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of December last, for a Return relative to Newspapers.

Spirits.

Return to an Order, dated the 9th day of February last, for a Return relative to Spirits.

Bullion.

Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of February last, for a Return relative to Bullion.

East India (Public Debt.)

Return to an Order, dated the 1st day of March last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Public Debt).

East India (Retired Officers, &c.)

Return to an Order, dated the 25th day of March last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Retired Officers, &c.)

East India (North West Provinces.)

Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of March last, for a Return relative to *East India* (North West Provinces).

Bankruptcy.

Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of March last, for a Return relative to Bankruptcy.

Entails, &c. (Scotland.)

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Warrant granting Compensation to Mr. *William Pitt Dundas*, for loss of Fees sustained by him as Keeper of the Register of Entails, &c., in *Scotland*, year ending 15th November 1857.

Bankruptcy.

Returns of the Official Assignees of the Court of Bankruptcy, showing the Total Amounts of their Receipts and Payments for the year ending the 31st December 1856, upon every Estate under their Charge as such Official Assignees; and also, the Balances appearing by their Books to be then in the Bank of *England*, standing to the credit of the Accountant in Bankruptcy of every such Estate; and also the Balances of every such Estate then in the hands or under the power or control of such Official Assignees; together with the Returns showing

showing the several Sums allowed to them as Official Assignees for Remuneration and for Petty Expenses, under every Estate under their Charge, during the year 1856.

Corn (Measures and Weights.)

Mr. *Henley* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of December last, for a Return relative to Corn (Measures and Weights).

Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway (Wigan Station.)

Return to an Order, dated the 24th day of March last, for a Return relative to the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway (*Wigan* Station).

Harbour, &c. Bills. No. 113.

Mr. *Henley* also presented, pursuant to Order,—A further Report from the Board of Trade relative to Harbour, &c. Bills.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Corn do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Harbour, &c. Bills do lie upon the Table, and be printed; and that the Return relative to the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway (*Wigan* Station) be referred to the Committee on the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* and East *Lancashire* Railway Companies Bill.

Army. No. 173.

General *Peel* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—A Paper, intituled, "Proposed alterations in the Army Estimates, 1858-59."

Aldershot Camp.

General *Peel* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of March last, for a Return relative to *Aldershot* Camp.

Army.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of March last, for a Return relative to the Army.

Coals (Aldershot.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of March last, for a Return relative to Coals (*Aldershot*).

Army (Regimental Establishments.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 23d day of March last, for a Return relative to Army (Regimental Establishments).

Ordered, That the Paper relative to proposed alterations in the Army Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed; and that the Returns do lie upon the Table.

Ship "Ganges," &c.

Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 23d day of March last, for a Return relative to the Ship "*Ganges*," &c.

Sunderland Dock Bill.

Return to an Order, dated the 25th day of March last, for a Return relative to the *Sunderland* Dock Bill.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Education.

Mr. *Adderley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—A Paper, intituled, "Continuation, up to the present time, of a Return (No. 158, Session 1855) of all Minutes of the Privy Council on Education, arranged in Chronological Order, with marginal headings of Subjects."

A Paper, intituled, "Consolidation (with References) of the Minutes and Regulations now in force of the Committee of the Privy Council on Education for the Establishment, Maintenance and Inspection of Elementary and Normal Schools."

Oxford University.

Mr. *Adderley* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of Ordinances, dated 9th January 1858, framed by the *Oxford* University Commissioners under the 17 & 18 *Vic.* c. 81, in relation to Christ Church and Queen's University and Brasenose Colleges.

Copy of an Ordinance framed by the University of *Oxford* under the 17 & 18 *Vic.* c. 81, in relation to the Scholarships of *John* Lord *Craven*'s Foundation.

Royal Navy.

Copy of an Order in Council of 6th April 1858, approving certain Regulations under the 17 *Vic.* c. 19, in respect of a new system of recording Services, and accounting for Pay, Clothing and Victualling in the Royal Navy.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Supply.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Surveys and Topographical Department.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 25,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, towards defraying the Charge for the Surveys of the United Kingdom, and for the Topographical Department, which will come in course of payment from the 1st day of April 1858 to the 31st day of March 1859, inclusive.

Civil Services.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 477,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account, for or towards defraying the Charge, to the 31st day of March 1859, of the following Civil Services:—

	Service.	Amount.
		£.
Class II.	Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Secretary of State for the Foreign Department - - - -	15,000
Class III.	County Courts, Salaries and Expenses - - -	100,000
	Dublin Metropolitan Police, Salaries and Expenses -	12,000
	Constabulary, Ireland, Salaries and Expenses - -	150,000
Class IV.	Public Education, Great Britain - - - -	100,000
	Science and Art Department - - - - -	10,000
Class V.	Consuls Abroad, including China, &c. - - -	70,000
	Extraordinary Expenses of Ministers at Foreign Courts -	20,000
	Total - - £.	477,000

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Army and Navy Estimates.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "the Army and Navy Estimates be referred to a "Select Committee," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore*: } 161.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *William Williams*, Mr. *Kershaw*: } 24.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. 59,380 Men and Boys for the Sea and Coast Guard Services for eight months, including 15,000 Royal Marines.

2. £. 1,401,599, to complete the Sum for Wages to Seamen and Marines.

3. £. 577,357, to complete the Sum for Victuals to Seamen and Marines.

Resolutions to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 13° *die Aprilis*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Customs Duties Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Customs Duties Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Trustees' Relief Bill.

The Trustees' Relief Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Clerks of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Medical Charities (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Medical Charities (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

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

Grand Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Grand Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Oaths Bill.

The Oaths Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Cashel Election.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 16th day of March last, That the Letter of Mr. *Saint P. B. Hook* be referred to the General Committee of Elections, to whom it was referred to inquire into the circumstances connected with the Petition of *John Joseph Scully*, relative to the *Cashel* Election, presented on the 18th day of August last;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Loan Societies Bill.

The Loan Societies Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Chelsea Hospital and Waterworks Exchange of Lands.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to effect an Exchange between the Commissioners of *Chelsea* Hospital and the Governor and Company of *Chelsea* Waterworks, of Lands in the Parishes of *Saint George*, *Hanover-square*, and *Saint Margaret*, *Westminster*, in the County of *Middlesex*: And that Mr. *Henley* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Accidents on Railways.

Ordered, That Mr. *Clive* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Accidents on Railways.

Ordered, That Lord *Alfred Paget* be added to the Committee.

Chelsea Hospital and Waterworks Exchange of Lands Bill. Bill 43.

Mr. *Henley* presented a Bill to effect an Exchange between the Commissioners of *Chelsea* Hospital and the Governor and Company of *Chelsea* Waterworks, of Lands in the Parishes of *Saint George*, *Hanover-square*, and *Saint Margaret*, *Westminster*, in the County of *Middlesex*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Statistical Abstract.

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Statistical Abstract for the United Kingdom, in each of the last Fifteen years, from 1843 to 1857: Fifth Number.

Pilotage. No. 174.

Mr. *Henley* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—A Return of all Bye-laws, Regulations, Orders or Ordinances relating to Pilots or Pilotage for the time being in force issued by the respective Pilotage Authorities of the United Kingdom:—Of the Names and Ages of the Pilots or Apprentices licensed or authorized to act by the respective Pilotage Authorities, and of all Pilots or Apprentices acting either mediately or immediately under such Authorities, whether so licensed or authorized or not:—Of the Service for which each Pilot or Apprentice is licensed:—Of the Rates of Pilotage for the time being in force, at the Ports under the Jurisdiction of the respective Pilotage Authorities, including therein the Rates and Descriptions of all Charges upon Shipping made for or in respect of Pilots or Pilotage:—Of the Total Amount received for Pilotage at the respective Ports aforesaid; distinguishing the several Amounts received from *British* Vessels and from Foreign Vessels respectively, and the several Amounts received in respect of different Classes of Vessels paying different Rates of Pilotage, according to the Scale of such Rates for the time being in force, and the several Amounts received for the several Classes of Service rendered by Pilots; and also the Amount paid by such Vessels (if any) as have, before reaching the limits of Pilotage Water, if Outward bound, or their Port of Destination, if Inward bound, to take or pay for two or more Pilots, whether licensed by the same or by different Pilotage Authorities; together with the Numbers of the Vessels of each of the several Classes paying such several Amounts as aforesaid:—Of the Receipt and Expenditure of all Monies received by or on behalf of the respective Pilotage Authorities aforesaid, or by or on behalf of any Sub-Commissioners appointed by them in respect of Pilots or Pilotage (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 5, Session 2, of 1857).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the last be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 13° *die Aprilis*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Vale of Towy Railway Bill.

MR. *FitzRoy* reported the Vale of *Towy* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Symington, Biggar and Broughton Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Symington*, *Biggar* and *Broughton* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Caledonian Railway (Dalmarnock Branch) Bill.

The *Caledonian* Railway (*Dalmarnock* Branch) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The

Ely Valley Railway Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the *Ely* Valley Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

Chester Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Chester* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Knighton Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Knighton* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Newport (Salop) Markets, Town Hall, &c. Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Newport* (*Salop*) Markets, Town Hall, &c. Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Nottingham Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Nottingham* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Border Counties Railway Bill (1854.)

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee on the Border Counties Railway Bill in Session 1854, be referred to the Committee on Group 13 of Railway and Canal Bills, in reference to the Border Counties Railway Bill.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Nineteenth Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees.

Standing Orders.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

London and South Western Railway Bill.

1. That in the case of the *London* and South Western Railway, Petition of *Bircham*, *Dalrymple* and *Drake* for dispensing with Standing Order 140, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

Salisbury and Yeovil Railway Bill.

2. That in the case of the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway, Petition of the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway Company for dispensing with Standing Order 140, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

Vauxhall Bridge Road Bill.

3. That in the case of the *Vauxhall* Bridge Road Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision accordingly, if the Committee on the Bill shall think fit.

Luton, Dunstable and Welwyn Junction and Hertford and Welwyn Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

4. That in the case of the *Luton*, *Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction, and *Hertford* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation, Petition of the *Luton*, *Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Company for dispensing with Standing Order 140, the said Standing Order ought not to be dispensed with.

Manchester Corporation Water Bill.

5. That in the case of the *Manchester* Corporation Water, Petition of Corporation of *Stockport* for dispensing with Standing Orders 88 and 109, the said Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill.

6. That in the case of the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts), Petition of *Nathan Litherland* for dispensing with Standing Order 109, the said Standing Order ought not to be dispensed with.

Trent Navigation Bill.

7. That in the case of the *Trent* Navigation, Petition of *John Read* and others for dispensing with Standing Order 109, the said Standing Order ought not to be dispensed with.

The first, second and third Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills Group G.)

Mr. *Adair* reported from the Committee on Group G. of Private Bills; That there being no Bill for consideration before the 16th instant, the Committee had adjourned until that day, at Twelve o'clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group F.)

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee on Group F. of Private Bills; That, at the meeting of the Committee this day, a Letter was received from Mr. *Davey*, one of the Members of the said Committee, stating that he was unable, on account of illness, to attend the Committee this day.

Ordered, That Mr. *Davey* be discharged from further attendance on the said Committee.

Railway and Canal Bills (Group 8.)

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway and Canal Bills; That, for the convenience of Members, the Committee had adjourned to Thursday the 15th day of April, at Twelve o'clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway and Canal Bills (Group 8.)

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway and Canal Bills; That Mr. *Butler Johnstone*, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present during the sitting of the Committee this day.

Ordered, That Mr. *Butler Johnstone* do attend the said Committee upon Thursday next.

Public Accountants.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—An Account of the Arrears and Balances due to and from all Public Accountants, arising upon Final Accounts which have been stated or declared, or signed and passed; so far as the said particulars can be ascertained from the Books of the Commissioners for auditing the Public Accounts, completed to 5th January 1858.

Return of Accounts depending in the Office of the Commissioners for auditing the Public Accounts which have not been audited, stated, declared, or signed and passed, completed to 28th February 1858.

Return of Officers and Departments whose Accounts are audited or inspected by the Commissioners for auditing the Public Accounts.

National Debt.

An Account of the Gross Amount of all Sums received and paid by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, on account of Banks for Savings and Friendly Societies in *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, from their commencement at 6th August 1817 to the 20th November 1857, inclusive:—Also, an Account of all Expenses incurred by the said Commissioners, for Salaries of Clerks or other Incidental Expenses, during the preceding year.

An Account of the Gross Amount of all Bank Annuities and Long Annuities, and any other Annuities for Terms of Years transferred, and of all Sums of Money paid to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, and the Gross Amount of Annuites for Lives and for Terms of Years which have been granted for the same, under the Provisions of the Acts of 10 *Geo.* 4, c. 24, 3 *Will.* 4, c. 14, and 15 & 16 *Vic.* c. 45, within the year ending 5th January 1858.

An Account of the Gross Amount of all Monies received and paid by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, and of the Gross Amount of Stock bought by and transferred to the said Commissioners on account of the Fund for the Military Savings Banks, from the 19th September 1845 to the 5th January 1858, both days inclusive.

Royal Navy. No. 175.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Royal Navy, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

Corn (Measures and Weights.) No. 176.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Corn (Measures and Weights), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

Army. No. 177. *Ordered*, That the Return of the Number of Lieutenants and Ensigns of the Guards and other Officers of the Army, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

Army (Regimental Establishments.) No. 178. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to Army (Regimental Establishments), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

East India (Public Debt) No. 179. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to *East India* (Public Debt), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

East India (Retired Officers, &c.) No. 180. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to *East India* (Retired Officers, &c.), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

East India (North West Provinces.) No. 181. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to *East India* (North West Provinces), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

Oxford University. No. 182. *Ordered*, That the Copies of Ordinances relating to Christ Church and other Colleges in the University of *Oxford*, which were presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

Oxford University. No. 183. *Ordered*, That the Copy of Ordinance relating to Scholarships of Lord *Craven*'s Foundation in the University of *Oxford*, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

Ship "Ganges," &c. No. 184. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to the Ship "*Ganges*," &c., which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

Spirits. No. 185. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to Spirits, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

Newspapers. No. 186. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to Newspapers, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

Bullion. No. 187. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to Bullion, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

Trinity College (Dublin.) No. 188. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to Trinity College (*Dublin*), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

Bankruptcy. No. 189. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to the Revenue and Expenditure of the Court of Bankruptcy, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

Roads, &c. (Scotland.) Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 12th day of December last, for a Return relative to Roads, &c. (*Scotland*).

Police Certificates. Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of March last, for a Return relative to Police Certificates.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Local Acts. No. 118. Mr. *Corry* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Further Reports from the Admiralty relative to Applications for Local Acts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

East India (Education in Behar.) No. 190. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Letter from the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company to the Governor General of *India* in Council, in the Public Department, dated the 13th day of April 1858, relating to Educational Proceedings in *Behar*.

Mr. *Henry Baillie* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Medical Practitioners Bill. The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday the 19th day of May next, the Medical Practitioners Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2d day of June next.

East India (Revenues, &c.) *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Gross and Net Produce of the Revenues of *Bengal*, the North Western Provinces, *Madras* and *Bombay* combined, and the Gross and Net Charges defrayed out of those Revenues, from the year 1850-51 to 1855-56, and estimated for 1856-57; with Appendices:—Statements showing the Progress of the *Indian* Debt, and of the Home Bond Debt of the *East India* Company, since the 1st day of May 1850; the Rates at which Money has been borrowed, and the Amount owing at the latest Dates, with the Rates of Interest payable thereon; also, the Amount subscribed to the Five *per cent.* Loan, now open:—Showing the present state of the Fund established, under the Act 3 & 4 *Will.* 4, c. 85, s. 14, as a Security for the Capital Stock of the *East India* Company:—Of the mode in which the Home Treasury has been supplied, with the Amount obtained for the Supply of that Treasury in each year, and the Rate of Exchange at which that Supply was obtained, from 1850-51 to the latest period:—Of the Cash Balances in the *Indian* Treasuries on the 30th day of April in each year from 1850 to 1856, and as estimated for 1857:—Of the Cash Balances at Home, and Value of Government or other Securities at the disposal of the Court of Directors on the 30th day of April in each year since 1850:—Of the Amount remitted from or to *India*, in Coin or Bullion, from 1850 to 1857, with the Charge *per cent.* of Remittance:—Of the Amount raised in *England* in each year from 1850-51 to 1856-57, by Drafts upon *India*, and the Rate of Exchange at which such Drafts have been drawn:—Of the Amount remitted from *India* from the 1st day of May 1850 to the 30th day of April 1857, by means of Advances in *India*, to Her Majesty's Government, or by any other mode of Remittance not above specified:—Of the Average Out-turn of the Rupee remitted in each year by each different mode of Remittance, and general Out-turn of the Remittances in each year:—Of the Amount raised by Issue of *East India* Bonds in each year since the 1st day of May 1850:—Account of the Value of Imports and Exports between the several Presidencies of *British India* and the United Kingdom and other Countries, in each year from 1850-51 to the latest period:—Statements of the Tariff of Duties now in force in *British India*:—Of the Sums subscribed to each of the Public Loans open in *India*, in each Month from the 1st day of January 1851 to the latest period:—Of the Territories and Tributaries in *India* acquired since the 1st day of May 1851, with the Area of such Territories, the Population, the Revenue, and the Civil Charges:—Showing the Number of the Natives of *India*, distinguishing the *Indo-Britons* from other Natives, employed in the Civil Administration of *British India*, specifying the several Departments, in the year 1851, and at the present time:—Of the Amount of Government Stock in *India* held by *Europeans* and Natives respectively in 1851 and 1857, and of the Number of *Europeans* and Natives holding Stock in each of those years:—Of the Number of Military and Marine Officers on the Retired List of each of the three Presidencies in January 1858:—Of the Number of Officers of each of the Armies of *Bengal*, *Madras* and *Bombay*, on Furlough, on the 30th day of April 1851, and in January 1858:—Of the Number of Officers of each Army employed in 1851 and in 1857, on Detached Service, Civil and Political and Military, respectively, distinguishing their Ranks:—Of the Number of Officers of the Retired List and on Furlough who have actually served Ten years in *India*:—Account of the Military Force employed under each Presidency in *British India*, in each year from 1850-51 to the latest period; distinguishing the Royal

Royal Troops from the *East India* Company's, and the Cavalry from the Infantry and the Artillery, the *European* from the Native Troops, and the Regular Corps from the Irregular:—Statements of the Distribution of the Army in *India*, according to the latest Returns:—Of the Total Annual Expense of the Military Force under each Presidency, in each year from 1850–51, according to the Annual Military Statements received from *India*:—Of the Number of Effective Officers and Men of Her Majesty's and the *East India* Company's Armies in *India*, in Cavalry, Artillery and Infantry, by the latest Returns:—Returns of the Number of Drafts or additional Corps sent out since the date of the above Returns:—Of the Number of Recruits for the Company's Army now in *England*:—Memorandum of the manner in which Recruits for the *East India* Company's Service have been and are obtained:—Of the Number recruited for the *East India* Company's Service in the last Five years:—Of the Number of Bounty and of advantages offered on Enlistment, as compared with the Bounty and other advantages in Her Majesty's Service:—Of the Number of Officers of the *Indian* Navy, on the Retired List and on Furlough respectively, who have actually served Ten years in *India*:—Of the Number of Officers of the *Indian* Navy, and the Pay and Allowance of each Rank:—Of the Names, Tonnage, Horse-power and Guns of Ships and Vessels of the *Indian* Navy:—Of the Number and Description of Ships and Vessels of the *Indian* Navy in Commission in each year from 1850 to 1857:—Of the *European* and Native Establishments of each Description of Ship and Vessel of the *Indian* Navy, when in Commission, in Peace, and in War:—Statements of the Amount of Charges at Home in each year from 1851 to the latest period, distinguishing Permanent and Fixed Charges from those varying in Amount:—Of the Amount of Extraordinary Charges incurred in each year, under the several Heads of Subscriptions, Presents, Gratuities, House Dinners, Entertainments, and Miscellaneous, from 1851 to 1857:—Of the Number of Proprietors of *East India* Stock entitled to vote at the Election of Directors in April 1857:—Of the Number of Proprietors who are or have been in the Civil and Military Service of the Governments in *India*:—Of the Number of Proprietors who have more than one Vote:—Of the Total Number of Votes of Proprietors of *East India* Stock:—Of the Number of Writerships, Cadetships and Appointments to the *Indian* Navy, allotted to the Members of the Court of Directors and the President of the Commissioners for the Affairs of *India*, respectively, in each year from 1851 to the latest period, and of the Number of such Appointments not actually filled up on the 1st day of March 1858:—Of the Number of Writerships and Cadetships given by the Court on account of Special Service, from 1851 to 1858:—Of the Number of Writerships given by the Court to Sons of Civil and Military Officers of the *East India* Company respectively, as far as the same can be ascertained, from 1851 to 1858:—Of the Number of Cadetships given by the Court, as above, from 1851 to 1858:—Of the Extent of the several Lines of Railway in the *Bengal*, *Madras* and *Bombay* Presidencies respectively; together with an Account of the Progress made, and of the Expense incurred, in the prosecution of those Undertakings:—And, of the Number of Persons registered as Proprietors of Stock of Railway Companies for *India* of and above 2,000 *l*.

Civil Service Commission.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of all Persons who, having been nominated for Junior Situations in any of Her Majesty's Civil Establishments subsequent to the date of the Order in Council of the 21st day of May 1855, and not having obtained Certificates of Qualification from the Civil Service Commissioners, have been employed, and paid for such employment, in such Establishments; distinguishing, in each case, under separate Columns, the Name of the Establishment, the Name of the Person employed, the Nature of his Situation, whether Temporary or Permanent, the Period of his Employment, the Amount of his Pay, the Authority under which such Pay has been issued and allowed, and whether the Person failed to obtain a Certificate of Qualification, or did not present himself for Examination before the Civil Service Commissioners:—And, of all Persons who, having obtained Certificates of Qualification from the Civil Service Commissioners, have been employed and paid for a period prior to the date of such Certificate, and subsequent to the date of the Order in Council of the 21st day of May 1855; distinguishing, in each case, under separate Columns, the Name of the Establishment, the Name of the Person employed, the Nature of his Situation, whether Temporary or Permanent, the Period of his Employment, the Amount of his Pay, the Authority under which such Pay has been issued and allowed, and the Date of the Certificate of Qualification.

Small Arms.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of all Orders given and Contracts entered into by the War Department, for Small Arms, from the 31st day of May 1856 to the 31st day of March 1858, including all Contracts for Finished Arms, and for setting up the same, with the Date of Contract and Quantity ordered; specifying separately, *London*, *Birmingham*, *Belgium*, *France*, and *America*:—And, of all Muskets, Rifles, and other Descriptions of Small Arms received by the War Department, from the 31st day of May 1856 to the 31st day of March 1858; specifying separately, *London*, *Birmingham*, *Belgium*, *France*, and *America*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Enfield Factory.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Statements of the Total Sum expended at *Enfield* Factory, from the 1st day of January 1854 to the 31st day of March 1858; the Amounts under the following heads to be separately specified, viz., Building, Machinery, Stores of all kinds, Salaries, Wages, Miscellaneous Expenses:—And, of the Number of Guns delivered into Store, up to the 31st day of March 1858, from *Enfield*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

National Debt.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of National Debt existing on the 5th day of April, since the year 1856; specifying the Description of Stock, the Interest payable on each Description, the Reduction or Increase of Interest payable each year, with the Cause of such Reduction or Increase, and showing the Amount of Stock created or redeemed in each year; and of the Amount of Stock cancelled each year in exchange for Terminable Annuities, since their creation; specifying the Amount of Terminable Annuities in existence in each year, ending the 5th day of January, since their creation up to the year 1855, and on the 5th day of April in all subsequent years, up to April 1858 inclusive (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 416, of Session 1856).

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Walter* and Mr. *Elphinstone Grant Duff* have leave of absence for a fortnight, on account of illness in family.

East India (Army.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Actual Strength, both of the Queen's and the *East India* Company's Forces in the three Presidencies, and in the Punjaub, at the Date of the last Returns received from thence.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Customs.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Second Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Customs on the Customs.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sewage of Towns.

Lord *John Manners* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Preliminary Report of the Commission appointed to inquire into the best mode of distributing the Sewage of Towns, and applying it to beneficial and profitable uses.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Sardinian Medals.

General *Peel* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Supplemental List of Officers of Her Majesty's Army, selected to receive War Medals presented by the King of *Sardinia*.

Sandhurst Royal Military Academy.

General *Peel* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of March last, for a Return relative to *Sandhurst* Royal Military Academy.

Woolwich Royal Military Academy.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of March last, for a Return relative to *Woolwich* Royal Military Academy.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Army.

The Order made upon the 11th day of February last, for referring the Army Estimates to the Committee of Supply, was read, and discharged.

Straits of Malacca.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of any Correspondence which may have taken place between Her Majesty's Government and the *East India* Company on the subject of the Settlements in the Straits of *Malacca*.

Stade Dues.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, respectfully representing the Injury to *British* Commerce inflicted by the Tax levied by *Hanover* on Merchandise and Shipping ascending the River *Elbe*, under the denomination of the Stade Dues, and praying that Her Majesty will be pleased to give directions to Her Ministers to give Notice of the Termination of the Treaty between the United Kingdom and *Hanover*, of the 22d day of July 1844, according to the Terms of the Eighth Article of that Treaty:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Rewards to Members.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the receipt of any species of Reward by a Member, in consideration of the exercise of his influence in that capacity, is calculated to lower the Dignity and Authority of this House, and is a high breach of the Privilege of Parliament:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Juries (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Juries in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *John FitzGerald*, Mr. *Monsell* and Mr. *Bland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Allotment of the Commonable Lands within the Boundaries of the late Forest of *Hainault*, in the County of *Essex*: And that Mr. *Hamilton* and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring it in.

Enlistment of Negroes.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of all Instructions for the Engagement of Natives of *Africa* in the *Indian* Service:—And, Return of the alterations in the annual Mutiny Act which such Engagements would render necessary:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Enlistment of Krewmen.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Letter of Mr. *Spence*, relative to the Enlistment of *Krewmen*:—And, Memorandum of Interview between the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company and Mr. *Spence* relative thereto, and all subsequent Correspondence and Instructions relative thereto; together with Memorandum of the Amendment required in the Mutiny Act to enable the *East India* Company to enlist and attest in the same manner as Her Majesty's Government.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Acton's Naturalization Act Amendment Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to repeal so much of an Act passed in the seventh year of the reign of his late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, and in the first year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, "An Act for naturalizing Dame *Marie Louise Pelline De Dalberg Acton*, and her Infant Son Sir *John Emerich Edward Dalberg Acton*, Baronet," as enacts that the said Sir *John Emerich Edward Dalberg Acton*, Baronet, shall not thereby be enabled to be of the Privy Council, or a Member of either House of Parliament, or to take any Office or Place of Trust either Civil or Military, or to have any Grant of Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments, from the Crown to himself or any other Person or Persons in trust for him; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Cruelty to Animals Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Cruelty to Animals Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 22d day of this instant April.

Supply.

Mr. *Hamilton* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Sea and Coast Guard Services.

1. That 59,380 Men and Boys be employed for the Sea and Coast Guard Services for Eight Months, commencing on the 1st day of August 1858, and ending on the 31st day of March 1859, including 15,000 Royal Marines.

Wages.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,401,599, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Wages to Seamen and Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Victuals.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 577,357, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Victuals to Seamen and Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Customs Duties Bill.

The Customs Duties Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved,

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Juries (Ireland) Bill. Bill 44.

Mr. *John FitzGerald* presented a Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Juries in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill. Bill 45.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill to provide for the Allotment of the Commonable Lands within the Boundaries of the late Forest of *Hainault*, in the County of *Essex*: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Mercurii, 14° *die Aprilis*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Public Petitions (Eighteenth Report.)

Mr. *Wise* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Aberdare Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Aberdare* Water Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Liverpool Exchange Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Liverpool* Exchange Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Merthyr Tydfil Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Merthyr Tydfil* Water Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Bradford Waterworks Bills (1853, 1854, and 1855.)

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committees on the *Bradford* Waterworks Bills in Sessions 1853, 1854 and 1855, be referred to the Committee on Group F. of Private Bills.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Twentieth Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Railway and Canal Companies.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Total Share Capital of every Railway and Canal Company on the 31st day of December 1857; distinguishing the Amount of Ordinary and Preferential Share Capital, and showing the Rate of Dividend paid by each such Company on each Description of Capital for the year ending the 31st day of December 1857, and the Amount applied to the Payment of Dividends on each Description of Capital of each Company during that year; also showing the Amount of Parochial Rates and Taxes, and of Passenger Duty, paid by each such Company during that year, and the percentage which the Sums paid for such Taxes and Duty amounts to upon the Sums paid as Dividend on the Total and the Ordinary Share Capital respectively in each such Company during that year.

Acton's Naturalization Act Amendment Bill.

Acton's Naturalization Act Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Education, being continuation of a Return of Minutes of the Privy Council, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed. Education. No. 191.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Education, being Consolidation of Minutes and Regulations of the Committee of Privy Council, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed. Education. No. 192.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the National Debt, which were presented upon the 13th day of this instant April, be printed. National Debt. No. 193.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the *Sardinian* Medals, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant April, be printed. Sardinian Medals. No. 194.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Sandhurst* Royal Military Academy, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant April, be printed. Sandhurst Royal Military Academy. No. 195.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Woolwich* Royal Military Academy, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant April, be printed. Woolwich Royal Military Academy. No. 196.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Tenants' Compensation (*Ireland*) Bill; Tenants' Compensation (Ireland) Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Wednesday the 9th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Ecclesiastical Residences (*Ireland*) Bill; Ecclesiastical Residences (Ireland) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill; Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of February last, That the Gaols and Houses of Correction Bill be now read a second time; Gaols and Houses of Correction Bill.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply; Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; Ways and Means.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That Mr. *James Brown* have leave of absence for a month, on account of a domestic affliction;—and, Mr. *Pigott* a week, on account of ill health. Leave of Absence.

The Order made upon the 26th day of March last, That there be laid before this House, Returns relative to the Board of Health, was read, and discharged. Board of Health.

Board of Health.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of all Expenses of Printing, Postage, Publishing, and all other Outlay or Disbursements of the Weekly Return or Newspaper of the Board of Health, from the first Number to the present time: —Of all Salaries paid or payable to the Officers of the present Board of Health for 1857 :—And, of the Number of Provisional Orders issued by the Board since January 1857.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 15° *die Aprilis* ;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Burghead Harbour Bill.

MR. *Fitz Roy* reported from the Committee on the *Burghead* Harbour Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same verbally; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; that a Report from the Board of Trade in regard to the Bill had been referred by the House to the Committee; but from the evidence adduced before the Committee with regard to rates for Pilotage in the Harbours neighbouring to *Burghead*, it did not appear to them that the suggestions therein contained should be adopted.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Royal Mail Steam Packet and European and Australian Royal Mail Companies Bill.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported from the Committee on the Royal Mail Steam Packet and *European* and *Australian* Royal Mail Companies Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by the omission of an allegation as to the mode in which the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company are fulfilling certain Contracts, which, if passed, might possibly have been held to prejudice any question arising under those Contracts; and by inserting words to show that the estimated value of the Assets of the *European* and *Australian* Royal Mail Company mentioned in the Preamble includes an addition to their Capital proposed in the Bill; and by making verbal alterations; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported from the Committee on the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill; That, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 23d day of March last, evidence in reference to the 140th Standing Order, and the Powers of Sale and Lease contained in the said Bill, was produced to the Committee, showing that it had been proved to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade previously to the sitting of this Committee, that the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company, and the *East Grinstead* and *Wimbledon* and *Croydon* Railway Companies had respectively paid up one-half of the Capital authorized by their respective Acts to be raised by means of Shares, and had expended for the purposes of such Acts a Sum equal thereto; and the Committee, in execution of the Power given to them by that Resolution, had retained in the Bill the Powers of purchasing and leasing the Undertakings of those Companies; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by omitting the references to the *Lewes* and *Uckfield* Railway Company, which was omitted from the Provisions of the Bill relative to Sales and Leases as submitted to the Committee, and by making some other verbal alterations; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

London Dock Company Bill.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported from the Committee on the *London* Dock Company Bill; That a Report from the Board of Trade in regard to the Bill had been referred to the Committee; and that the Committee had adopted the suggestion contained in that Report, that the Section reserving the operation of General Acts should be extended to Acts now in force, so far as regards Acts relating to Docks; but had not adopted the suggestion that it should be extended to all General Acts relating to Dues on Shipping, or Goods carried in Ships, or the suggestion that Provision should be made relative to the publication and audit of accounts and the revision of rates, because it appeared that no such Provisions were required in a Bill of this nature; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by making additions and alterations to show more fully the amount of capital created by the Company under their existing Acts, and the extent to which it is proposed to amend those Acts; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway Bills (Group 5.)

The Earl of *March* reported from the Committee on Group 5 of Railway Bills; That, there being no Bill for consideration before the 19th instant, the Committee had adjourned until that day, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Controverted Elections.

Sir *Francis Baring* reported from the General Committee of Elections; That they had appointed Tuesday, the 4th day of May next, to choose from Panel No. 2, a Select Committee to try and determine the County of the City of *Limerick* Election Petition.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Bury and Radcliffe Water Bill.

The *Bury* and *Radcliffe* Water Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Eden Valley Railway Bill.

The *Eden* Valley Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Haslingden and Rawtenstall Water Bill.

The *Haslingden* and *Rawtenstall* Water Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Madras Irrigation and Canal Bill.

The *Madras* Irrigation and Canal Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Malvern Improvement Bill.

The *Malvern* Improvement Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Sculcoates and Kingston-upon-Hull Gas Bill.

The *Sculcoates* and *Kingston-upon-Hull* Gas Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The

Staffordshire Potteries Gas Bill.

The *Staffordshire* Potteries Gas Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Stoke Fenton and Longton Gas Bill.

The *Stoke Fenton* and *Longton* Gas Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ely Valley Railway Bill.

The *Ely* Valley Railway Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Folkestone Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Folkestone* Water Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Liskeard and Looe Union Canal Company's Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Liskeard* and *Looe* Union Canal Company's Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Where the centre line of Railway passes below high-water mark into the Estuary of the River *Looe*, the riverward side of the Railway to be made of pitched Stonework), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Previously to commencing the riverward side of the Railway, Plans to be deposited at the Admiralty), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Admiralty may order a local survey), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (If Works abandoned, &c., Admiralty may remove same), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Selkirk and Galashiels Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Selkirk* and *Galashiels* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Twentieth Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees.

Railway and Canal Bills (Group 8.)

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway and Canal Bills; That the Parties promoting the *Manchester*, *Sheffield*, and *Lincolnshire*, and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill, had stated that the evidence of Mr. *Cornelius Willis Eboral*, South Eastern Railway Company's Office, *London* Bridge Station, and of Mr. *John Stevenson*, *Morley's* Hotel, *London*, was essential to enable them to establish their case; and it having been proved that their attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move, That the said Mr. *Cornelius Willis Eboral* and Mr. *John Stevenson* do attend the said Committee on Friday the 16th day of April, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cornelius Willis Eboral* and Mr. *John Stevenson* do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

Private Bills (Group L.)

Mr. *Buller* reported from the Committee on Group L. of Private Bills; That, in consequence of there being no Bill for consideration before the 19th of April, the Committee had adjourned until that day, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Henry Baillie* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Supplement to Papers (No. 6), relative to the Mutinies in the *East Indies*. East India (Mutinies.)

Further Papers (No. 7), (in continuation of No. 5), relative to the Mutinies in the *East Indies*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Lord *Stanley* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of March last, for a Return relative to Manhood Suffrage, &c. (*Victoria*). Manhood Suffrage, &c. (Victoria.) No. 197.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Three Returns to an Order, dated the 13th day of this instant April, for Returns relative to *East India* (Revenues, &c.) East India (Revenues, &c.)

Mr. *Henley* presented, pursuant to Order,—A Further Report from the Board of Trade relative to Harbour, &c. Bills. Harbour, &c. Bills. No. 113.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 25th day of March last, for a Return relative to Army (Civil Administration). Army (Civil Administration.)

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Nineteenth Report of the Deputy Keeper of the Public Records (22d March 1858). Public Records.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of March last, for a Return relative to Reformatory Schools. Reformatory Schools.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Accounts of Presentments made by the Grand Juries of the several Counties, Cities and Towns of *Ireland*, for the year 1857. Grand Jury Presentments (Ireland.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Dunfanaghy* Union, which was presented upon the 26th day of March last, be printed. Dunfanaghy Union. No. 198.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Coals (*Aldershot*), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed. Coals (Aldershot.) No. 199.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee for the purpose of considering an Address to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to direct that measures may be taken for giving effect to the recommendation of the Select Committee on Lighthouses of 1845, namely, "That all expenses for the erection and maintenance of Lighthouses, Floating Lights, Buoys and Beacons, on the Coast of the United Kingdom, be henceforth defrayed out of the Public Revenue:"—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn. Lighthouses, &c.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire respecting the expediency of establishing Tribunals of Commerce, or of otherwise improving the administration of Justice in causes relating to Commercial Disputes. Tribunals of Commerce, &c.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of the successful Examinations (Army.)

Candidates who have been examined at competitive Examinations (held under the direction of the Minister for War) for Commissions in Her Majesty's Royal Artillery and Engineers, specifying the University, College or School from which they entered themselves for Examination, likewise of the Dates of such Examinations respectively, and of the Number of Marks allotted to each Candidate, according to the following Tabular Form:—

Name of Successful Candidate.	Date of Examination.	Where Educated.	Number of Marks.

—And, Similar Return in such cases as competitive Examinations have been held for admission into the Royal Military Academy.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Chancery Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the course of Procedure in the High Court of Chancery: And that Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Attorney General and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Chelsea Hospital (Purchase of Lands.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm a Contract for the Sale, by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works, of certain Lands to the Commissioners of *Chelsea* Hospital: And that Lord *John Manners* and Mr. *Henley* do prepare, and bring it in.

Constantinople and Bassorah Telegraph.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies or Extracts of Correspondence that may have passed between Her *Britannic* Majesty's Embassy at *Constantinople* and the Foreign Office, during the last Six Months, on the subject of the Establishment of a Line of Telegraph between *Constantinople* and *Bassorah*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Fire Insurance.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Sums paid into the Inland Revenue Office in *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, for Duty on Insurances against Fire, for the Quarters ending severally the 25th day of March, the 24th day of June, the 29th day of September, and the 25th day of December 1857 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 142, of Session 2, 1857).

Clerks of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 26th day of this instant April, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Medical Charities (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Medical Charities (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Grand Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Grand Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Passports.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented,— Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 23d day of March last, for a Return relative to Passports.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Chancery Amendment Bill.

Mr. Solicitor General presented a Bill to amend the course of Procedure in the High Court of Chancery: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Bill 46.

Chelsea Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill.

Lord *John Manners* presented a Bill to confirm a Contract for the Sale, by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works, of certain Lands to the Commissioners of *Chelsea* Hospital: And the same was read the first time.

Bill 47.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Mersey Docks and Harbour Board.

A Petition of *William Titherington*, of *Dee Hills*, *Chester*, Esquire, for leave to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the Docks at *Liverpool*, in the County of *Lancaster*, and at *Birkenhead*, in the County of *Chester*, was presented, and read; and a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Milner Gibson*, Mr. *Kershaw* and Mr. *Schneider*.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Veneris, 16° *die Aprilis*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions (Nineteenth Report.)

MR. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 13th and 14th days of this instant April, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Committee of Selection (Sixth Report.)

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had made certain alterations in the Groups of Private Bills already formed, which they had directed him to report to the House.

No. 200.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Brentford Gas Bill.

Mr. *Barrow* reported from the Committee on Group E. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Brentford* Gas Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same in the 3d and 4th pages, by striking out the words "except only that the last "call of £. 2 a share on those 800 of £. 25 each, is "still unpaid on a few of those shares;" by reciting that the Company have expended upwards of £. 40,000 in the purchase of lands, instead of £. 34,500; by setting forth that the Company were desirous, and that it was expedient, that the sum of £. 32,200, part of the said sum of £. 40,000, instead of £. 34,500 which had been expended, be capitalised; that the nominal capital of the Company should be raised from £. 55,000 to £. 89,700, instead of £. 92,000, and raising the nominal amount of £. 37,500 to £. 58,500, instead of £. 60,000, and the nominal amount of every £. 50 share to £. 78, instead of £. 80, and by raising the nominal amount of the sum of £. 20,000, residue thereof, to the sum raised by 800 shares of £. 25 each to £. 31,200, instead

instead of £. 32,000, and the nominal amount of every £. 25 share to £. 39, instead of £. 40; such amendments being in accordance with the facts; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Whitehaven Junction Railway Bill.

A Petition of the *Whitehaven* Junction Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the *Whitehaven* Junction Railway Bill for making an alteration in the line or course of the Branch Railway, firstly thereinafter described, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Chester Gas Bill.

The *Chester* Gas Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Knighton Railway Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Knighton* Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Colonel *Forester*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Newport (Salop) Markets, Town Hall, &c. Bill.

The *Newport* (*Salop*) Markets, Town Hall, &c., Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Nottingham Gas Bill.

The *Nottingham* Gas Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Barnstaple New Waterworks Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Barnstaple* New Waterworks Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Bradford Corporation Water Bill.

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee on Group F. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Bradford* Corporation Water Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out (in page 5, line 21), the words "and to be taken "under the power of this Act," with the view of limiting the supply of water to that already provided for under the existing Acts; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Northampton Gas Bill.

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee on Group F. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Northampton* Gas Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group F.)

Mr. *Jackson* reported from the Committee on Group F. of Private Bills; That, in order to consult the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned until Tuesday the 20th April, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, and Twentieth Report.

Poor Rate, &c. (Metropolitan Districts)

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return showing the Gross estimated Rental and Net Rateable Value of Property assessed to the Poor Rate; also the Annual Value thereof assessed to the Income Tax under Schedule (A.) in the year 1856; the Gross Amount expended from Poor's Rate, and the Amount expended in Relief of the Poor, and the Rate in the Pound on the Gross estimated Rental, and on the Net Rateable Value respectively of each Amount, in every Parish, and in every Extra-parochial Place within the Metropolitan Districts, as defined by the Act 18 & 19 *Vic.* c. 140, called "The Metropolitan Local Management Act," for the years ending the 29th day of March in 1830, 1835, 1840, 1845, and from 1850 to 1857; the Parishes in Unions being placed under the Head of their respective Unions.

East India (Revenues, &c.) No. 201.

Four further Returns to an Order, dated the 13th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to *East India* (Revenues, &c.)

Enlistment of Krewmen.

Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to the Enlistment of *Krewmen*.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to *East India* (Revenues, &c.) be printed.

Dublin Hospitals.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of First Annual Report of the Board of Superintendence of *Dublin* Hospitals; with Appendices.

Queen's College (Cork.)

Copy of the Report of the President of Queen's College, *Cork*, for the Academic year of 1856-57.

Turnpike Trusts (Scotland.)

An Abstract of the General Statements of the Income and Expenditure of the several Turnpike Trusts in *Scotland*, between the Term of Whitsunday 1854, and the Term of Whitsunday 1855, pursuant to the Act 12 & 13 *Vic.* c. 31.

Vaccine Board.

Copy of Annual Report of the National Vaccine Board, for the year 1857.

Gaols.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies of all Reports and of Schedules (B.) relative to Gaols, transmitted to the Secretary of State, 1856 and 1857.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Prince Edward Island No. 202.

Lord *Stanley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Papers on the subject of affording the Imperial Guarantee to a Loan for the Service of *Prince Edward* Island.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

East India (Revenues, &c.) No. 201.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to *East India* (Revenues, &c.) which were presented upon the 15th day of this instant April, be printed.

Army (Civil Administration.) No. 203.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Army (Civil Administration), which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant April, be printed.

Reformatory Schools. No. 204.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Reformatory Schools, which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant April, be printed.

Grand Jury Presentments (Ireland.) No. 205.

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Accounts relative to Grand Jury Presentments (*Ireland*), which were presented upon the 15th day of this instant April, be printed.

Smithfield Market Site.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Statement addressed to the Secretary for the Home Department by the Governors of *Saint Bartholomew*'s Hospital, relative to the proposed appropriation of the Site of *Smithfield* Market by the Corporation of the City of *London* to the purposes of a Dead Meat Market.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Belfast Municipal Franchise.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns from the Town Clerk of *Belfast* of the Number of Persons appearing entitled to the Municipal Franchise in *Belfast* on the 31st day of August in each year from 1842 to 1857, both inclusive, by the Occupation of Premises of the Annual Value of £.10 and upwards; specifying the Numbers afterwards enfranchised and disfranchised, and showing, with regard to Persons disfranchised, the following particulars: *viz.*—Of the Total Number disfranchised for other Causes than the Non-payment of Rates:—Of the Number disfranchised for Non-payment of Rates:—Of the Denominations of the different Rates; the Names of the Bodies by which such Rates were struck; the Amounts thereof; the Days when the same became payable; and the Names of the Collectors of each Municipal Ward:—Of the Number of Persons disfranchised for Non-payment of each Rate; specifying how many paid the Rate after Disfranchisement:—Of the Gross Amount of each Rate remaining due on the 31st day of August in each year by Persons entitled to the Municipal Franchise:—And, of the Amount of such Rate so remaining due which was afterwards paid, and the Amount which was returned as not recoverable by the Collectors of the different Rates inflicted by the authority of the *Belfast* Municipal Corporation.

Army.

General *Peel* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Statement of Sums paid to Relatives of deceased Officers of Her Majesty's Army in lieu of Pensions, &c., during the year 1857–58.

Patriotic Fund.

Copies of Correspondence relative to the Second Report of the Royal Commissioners of the Patriotic Fund.

Foot Guards.

General *Peel* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of February last, for a Return relative to the Foot Guards.

Army.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of March last, for a Return relative to the Army.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Railway Accidents.

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, upon certain Accidents which have occurred on Railways during the Months of November and December 1857 (Part Fifth).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Standing Orders.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Blyth Harbour and Docks Bill.

That in the case of the *Blyth* Harbour and Docks Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision accordingly, if the Committee on the Bill shall think fit.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Rochdale and Manchester Road Bill.

Mr. *Wrightson* reported from the Committee on Group P. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Rochdale* and *Manchester* Road Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Portumna Bridge (Ireland) Bill. Bill 48.

Mr. *Hamilton* reported from the Select Committee on the *Portumna* Bridge (*Ireland*) Bill; That the Order of the House of the 26th February last had been complied with; that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Exchequer Bills.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Exchequer Bills, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be referred to the Committee.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. £.20,911,500, for Exchequer Bills.

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.70,439, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of the Admiralty Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the item for Salaries of the Lords Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral be reduced by the Sum of £.3,000.

Question, That the said item be so reduced—— put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

3. £.118,592, to complete the Sum for Salaries and Expenses of the Coast Guard Service, and the Charges for the Royal Naval Coast Volunteers.

4. £.30,615, to complete the Sum for Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of the several Scientific Departments of the Navy.

5. £.81,634, to complete the Sum for Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of Her Majesty's Naval Establishments at Home.

6. £.17,279, to complete the Sum for Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of Her Majesty's Naval Establishments Abroad.

7. £.516,921, to complete the Sum for Wages to Artificers, Labourers and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments at Home.

8. £.2,454,027, to complete the Sum for Pay and Allowances of Her Majesty's Land Forces at Home and Abroad, exclusive of *India*.

9. £.409,661, to complete the Sum for Miscellaneous Charges of Her Majesty's Land Forces at Home and Abroad, exclusive of *India*.

10. £.50,000, to complete the Sum for the Embodied Militia.

11. £.58,000, to complete the Sum for the Volunteer Corps in *Great Britain*.

Resolutions to be reported.

And

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 17° *die Aprilis*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Loan Societies Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Loan Societies Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 19° *die Aprilis*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Public Petitions (Twentieth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 15th and 16th days of this instant April; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Trent Navigation Bill.

Mr. *Buller* reported the *Trent* Navigation Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group L.)

Mr. *Buller* reported from the Committee on Group L. of Private Bills; That Mr. *Lyall*, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present during the sitting of the Committee this day.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lyall* be discharged from further attendance on the said Committee.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill.

A Petition of the *London* and North Western and Great Western Railway Companies, praying that Provision may be made in the *London* and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill, for enabling the *London* and North Western Railway Company and the Great Western Railway Company to make agreements for appropriation of a joint station at *Wolverhampton*, and other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Aberdare Water Bill.

The *Aberdare* Water Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Folkestone Water Bill.

The *Folkestone* Water Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Liverpool Exchange Bill.

The *Liverpool* Exchange Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Liskeard and Looe Union Canal Company's Railway Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Liskeard* and *Looe* Union Canal Company's Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Colonel *Forester*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, That the interest of the Prince of *Wales*, as Duke of *Cornwall*, is concerned therein;

Mr. *Whitmore*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as the Prince of *Wales*'s interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Merthyr Tydfil Water Bill.

The *Merthyr Tydfil* Water Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Selkirk and Galashiels Railway Bill.

The *Selkirk* and *Galashiels* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Acton's Naturalization Act Amendment Bill.

Acton's Naturalization Act Amendment Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Limerick and Foynes Railway Bill.

The *Limerick* and *Foynes* Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Acton's Naturalization Act Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That Standing Orders 178 and 204 be suspended in the case of *Acton*'s Naturalization Act Amendment Bill; and that it be an Instruction to the Committee of Selection, that they have Power to appoint the Committee on the Bill for any day, provided there be not less than three clear days between the second reading and the Committee, and one clear day's notice of Committee be given by the Clerk to the Committee of Selection.

Railway Bills (Group 5.)

Mr. *Cowper* reported from the Committee on Group No. 5 of Railway Bills; That the Parties promoting the East *Kent* Railway (Western Extension) Bill had stated that the evidence of Captain *Luke Smithett* was essential to enable them to establish their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move, That the said Captain *Luke Smithett* do attend the said Committee on Tuesday the 20th day of April, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That Captain *Luke Smithett* do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, and Twenty-first Report.

Manchester Poor Bill.

Mr. *Adair* reported from the Committee on Group G. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Manchester* Poor Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out all that related to vesting a certain charitable estate in the Overseers and Churchwardens of *Manchester*, as the Promoters of the Bill had abandoned that portion of the Bill which related to the vesting of such charitable estate; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group P.)

Mr. *Wrightson* reported from the Committee on Group P. of Private Bills; That, at the meeting of the Committee this day, a Letter was received from Mr. *Colvile*, one of the Members of the said Committee, stating that he was unable, on account of urgent private business, to attend the Committee this day.

Ordered, That Mr. *Colvile* do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

Army. No. 206.

General *Peel* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Revised Army Estimates of Effective and Non-effective Services, for 1858-59.

Army. No. 207.

Return of Officers who have been allowed to receive their Half-pay since the 1st April 1857 to the 31st March 1858, with Civil Situations, under the Provisions of the Act 20 & 21 *Vic.* c. 66, s. 29.

Barracks

General *Peel* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of February last, for a Return relative to Barracks.

Bands.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of March last, for a Return relative to Bands.

Ordered, That the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply, and be printed; that the Returns do lie upon the Table; and that the Return relative to Half-pay Officers of the Army be printed.

East India (Letters and Collections, &c)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Statements showing the Number of Letters and Collections received by the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company from their several Governments in *India*, during each of the years from 1853 to 1857 inclusive:—Showing the Number of Draft Despatches to *India* approved by the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company, in each of the years from 1853 to 1857 inclusive, specifying the Numbers passed by each of the several Committees of the Court:—Showing the Number of Drafts of Letters approved by the Court of Directors, or adopted in consequence of the Court's Resolutions in the "Home Correspondence," from the years 1853 to 1857 inclusive:—And, showing the Number of Memorials and Petitions addressed to the Court of Directors, from the year 1853 to 1857 inclusive, distinguishing the Departments in which they were received.

Public Income and Expenditure.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts of the Net Public Income and Expenditure of the United Kingdom for the several years ending the 31st day of March 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857 and 1858 respectively (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 492, of Session 1853):—Of Public Revenue and Expenditure, from the year 1851 to the year 1857 inclusive, showing, First, the Amount received in each year from the ordinary Revenue; Second, the Amount received from other sources; Third, the Total Revenue in each year, deducting Drawbacks and Repayments; Fourth, the Charges of Collection and other Payments out of the Revenue; Fifth, the Charge of the Public Debt, Funded and Unfunded; Sixth, the Amount of all other Expenditure; Seventh, the Total Expenditure for each year, showing the Surplus of Revenue or Expenditure:—And, of the Expenditure for the Army, Navy, Ordnance and Militia, from 1851 to 1857 inclusive, distinguishing Effective from Non-effective Expenditure (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 505, of Session 1852).

Lunatic Asylums.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of Lunatic Asylums in *England* and *Wales*, with Date of Establishment; showing respectively, Population of Counties to which each Asylum belongs; Amount of Land attached to each Asylum, and how used; Cost of Land, or Rent; Expense of Buildings up to last year; Average Number of Patients, distinguishing Males and Females, on the 1st day of January 1858; Total annual Expense per Head; Expense of Medical Staff; Per-centage of Cure; Comparative Numbers of curable and incurable; Cost of the Building per Head of the four last Asylums erected, and estimated Cost of four Asylums now being erected, stating where they are, the Quantity of Land attached to them, and the Number of Patients they are intended for.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Poor Rate, &c. (Metropolitan Districts.) No. 208.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Poor Rate, &c. (Metropolitan Districts), which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant April, be printed.

Enlistment of Krewmen. No. 209.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Enlistment of Krewmen, which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant April, be printed.

Army. No. 210.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Sums paid to Families of deceased Officers of the Army, which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant April, be printed.

Foot Guards. No. 211.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Foot Guards, which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant April, be printed.

Army. No. 212.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Names of Officers who have received permission to raise Regiments for the Army, which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant April, be printed.

Police Certificates. No. 213.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Police Certificates, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant April, be printed.

East India (Revenues, &c.) No. 201.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Two further Returns to an Order, dated the 13th day of this instant April, for Returns relative to *East India* (Revenues, &c.)

Ordered, That the said Returns be printed.

Supply.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Exchequer Bills.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £.20,911,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay off and discharge Exchequer Bills charged on the Aids of 1858, unprovided for.

Admiralty Office.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £.70,439, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of the Admiralty Office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Coast Guard Service, and Royal Naval Coast Volunteers.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £.118,592, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Coast Guard Service, and the Charges for the Royal Naval Coast Volunteers, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

4. That

Scientific Departments of the Navy.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 30,615, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of the several Scientific Departments of the Navy, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Naval Establishments at Home.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 81,634, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of Her Majesty's Naval Establishments at Home, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Ditto Abroad.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 17,279, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of Her Majesty's Naval Establishments Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Wages to Artificers, &c. at Home.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 516,921, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Wages to Artificers, Labourers and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments at Home, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Charge of Land Forces.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,454,027, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of the Pay and Allowances of Her Majesty's Land Forces at Home and Abroad, exclusive of *India*, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 409,661, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of the Miscellaneous Charges of Her Majesty's Land Forces at Home and Abroad, exclusive of *India*, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Embodied Militia.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 50,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of the Embodied Militia of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Volunteer Corps.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 58,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Volunteer Corps in *Great Britain*, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Excise.

1. *Resolved*, That, towards raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty, there shall be charged and paid the following additional Duty of Excise, (that is to say):—

For and upon every gallon of Spirits of the strength of hydrometer proof which, on or after the 19th day of April 1858, shall be distilled in *Ireland*, or be in the stock, custody or possession of any distiller in *Ireland*, or of any person in trust for him, or for his use, benefit or account, or which having been distilled in *England*, *Scotland* or *Ireland*, shall, on or after the said day, be in warehouse in *Ireland*, and be taken out of warehouse for consumption in *Ireland*, or which having been taken out of warehouse in *England* or *Scotland* for removal to *Ireland*, shall, on or after the said day, be brought into *Ireland*, the additional duty of One shilling and tenpence, and so in proportion for any greater or less degree of strength, or any greater or less quantity.

2. *Resolved*, That, towards raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty, there shall be charged and paid, on and after the 19th day of April 1858, in lieu of the Countervailing Duties now chargeable under any Act or Acts in force, on Spirits of the nature or quality of *British* Spirits manufactured or distilled in the Islands of *Guernsey*, *Jersey*, *Alderney* and *Sark* respectively, and imported from any of the said Islands into *Ireland*, the following Countervailing Duty, (that is to say):—

For and upon every gallon of such last mentioned Spirits of the strength of hydrometer proof imported into *Ireland*, the sum of Nine shillings, and so in proportion for any greater or less degree of strength, or any greater or less quantity.

3. *Resolved*, That no Drawback of Excise shall be allowed or paid for or upon any Made Wines which, on or after the 19th day of April 1858, shall be removed from *England* or *Scotland* to *Ireland*.

Customs.

4. *Resolved*, That, towards raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the following Duties of Customs shall be charged, on and after the 19th day of April 1858, on the articles under-mentioned, on their importation into *Ireland*, in lieu of the Duties now payable thereon; *viz.*:

	s.	*d.*
Spirits,		
—— not being sweetened or mixed with any article so that the degree of strength thereof cannot be ascertained by *Sykes's* hydrometer; for every gallon of the strength of proof by such hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater or less strength than the strength of proof, and for any greater or less quantity than a gallon, of and from a *British* Possession in *America* or the Island of *Mauritius*, and Rum of and from any *British* Possession within the limits of the *East India* Company's Charter, in regard to which the conditions of the Act 4 *Vic.* c. 8, have or shall have been fulfilled - the gallon	8	2
—— Rum-Shrub, Cordials and Liqueurs of and from a *British* Possession in *America*, or the Island of *Mauritius*, or a *British* Possession within the limits of the *East India* Company's Charter, qualified as aforesaid - - - - - the gallon	8	2

Excise and Stamps.

5. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Laws relating to the Duties of Excise and Stamps.

Exchequer Bills.

6. *Resolved*, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Sum of £. 20,911,500 be raised by Exchequer Bills for the service of the year 1858.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 2,000,000, to pay off Exchequer Bonds.

2. £. 34,671, to complete the Sum for Wages to Artificers, Labourers and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments Abroad.

3. £. 789,742, to complete the Sum for Naval Stores for the Building, Repair and Outfit of the Fleet, the Purchase of Steam Machinery, and for other purposes connected therewith.

Resolutions to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 20° *die Aprilis*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Loan Societies Bill.

The Loan Societies Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Government of India (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Government of *India* (No. 2) Bill;

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

Trustees' Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Trustees' Relief Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Portumna Bridge (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Portumna* Bridge (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bleaching and Dyeing Works.

Ordered, That Colonel *Forde* be added to the Select Committee on Bleaching and Dyeing Works.

Poor Law Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of the fifty-ninth year of King *George* the Third, chapter twelve, to amend the Laws for the Relief of the Poor: And that Mr. *Cross* and Mr. *Collins* do prepare, and bring it in.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 20° die Aprilis;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Tay Fisheries Bill.

MR. *Fitz Roy* reported the *Tay* Fisheries Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Manchester Assize Court-house Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Manchester* Assize Court-house Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by substituting certain recitals describing the objects of the Bill, for those in the Bill, in order to make the same more accurately in accordance with the Provisions of the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Manchester Improvement Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Manchester* Improvement Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out a recital detailing the objects and means of improvement, and inserting a recital that the Corporation had expended in gas works monies applicable to improvement; that the same amount should be raised on the credit of the same, to be applied for improvement, in order more clearly to state the position of the Corporation of *Manchester*, and the objects of the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Manchester Corporation Water Bill.

The Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means having informed the House, that in his opinion the *Manchester* Corporation Water Bill ought to be treated as an Opposed Private Bill;

Ordered, That the said Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Private Bills (Group J.)

Sir *Benjamin Hall* reported from the Committee on Group J. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, they had adjourned until Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway and Canal Bills (Group 8.)

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway and Canal Bills; That, in consequence of the early sitting of the House on Wednesday, the Committee had adjourned to Thursday the 22d of April, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway Bills (Group 4.)

Mr. *Fergus* reported from the Committee on Group 4 of Railway Bills; That, there being no Bill for consideration before the 23d instant, the Committee had adjourned until that day, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway Bill.

Mr. *Fergus* reported the *Ware, Hadham* and *Buntingford* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Symington, Biggar and Broughton Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Symington, Biggar* and *Broughton* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Twenty-second Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees.

Barracks. No. 214.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Barracks, which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant April, be printed.

Bands. No. 215.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Bands, which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant April, be printed.

Soulages' Collection.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 25th day of March last, for a Return relative to the *Soulages'* Collection.

East India (Revenues, &c.) No. 201.

Fourteen further Returns to an Order, dated the 13th day of this instant April, for Returns relative to *East India* (Revenues, &c.)

Coast Guard.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 12th March 1858, relative to an increased Superannuation Allowance granted to *Thomas Siggins*, formerly a Commissioned Coast Guard Boatman.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to *East India* (Revenues, &c.) be printed.

Harbour, &c. Bills. No. 113.

Mr. *Henley* presented, pursuant to Order,—A further Report from the Board of Trade relative to Harbour, &c. Bills.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Queen's College (Belfast.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the President of Queen's College (*Belfast*), for the year 1856-57.

Queen's University (Ireland.)

Copy of Report on the Condition and Progress of the Queen's University in *Ireland*, from 1st September 1856 to 1st September 1857, by the Honourable *Maziere Brady*, Vice-Chancellor of the University, and Lord High Chancellor of *Ireland*.

Mr.

Education.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of March last, for a Return relative to Education.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Poor Law Amendment Bill. Bill 49.

Mr. *Cross* presented a Bill to amend the Act of the fifty-ninth year of King *George* the Third, chapter twelve, to amend the Laws for the Relief of the Poor: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

British Museum.

A Petition of the Trustees of the *British* Museum being offered to be presented;

Mr. Secretary *Walpole*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the contents of the said Petition, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Then the said Petition was brought up, and read; setting forth, That the only Funds belonging to the Petitioners for the support of the *British* Museum consist of Thirty thousand pounds, Three *per centum* Reduced Bank-Annuities, the annual dividend whereof amounts to Nine hundred pounds; of a bequest of the late Earl of *Bridgewater*, the annual proceeds of which amount to about Four hundred and fifteen pounds; and also of a bequest of the late Lord *Farnborough*, the annual proceeds of which amount to Eighty-six pounds three shillings and fourpence; that the establishment is necessarily attended with an expense far beyond the annual produce of the above-mentioned Sums, and the trust cannot, with benefit to the Public, be carried on without the aid of Parliament; and praying the House to grant them such further support towards enabling them to carry on the execution of the trust reposed in them by Parliament for the general benefit of learning and useful knowledge as to the House shall seem meet.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

British Museum.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Income and Expenditure of the *British* Museum for the Financial Year ending the 31st day of March 1858; of the Estimated Charges and Expenses for the year ending the 31st day of March 1859; of the Sum necessary to discharge the same; and of the Number of Persons admitted to visit the *Museum* in each year, from 1852 to 1857, both years inclusive; together with a Statement of the Progress made in the arrangement of the Collections, and an Account of Objects added to them in the year 1857.

Garngad Road Bill.

Mr. *Wrightson* reported from the Committee on Group P. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Garngad* Road Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by making alterations in the portions of roads to be maintained and managed, and by declaring the expediency of appointing new Trustees; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group P.)

Mr. *Wrightson* reported from the Committee on Group P. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned to Thursday the 22d instant, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Coals, Coke and Culm, &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts of the Quantities of Coals, Coke and Culm, and Patent Fuel, shipped at the several Ports of *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, Coastways, to other Ports of the United Kingdom, in the year 1857; distinguishing the Quantity shipped at each of the said Ports, as compared with the year 1856:—Of the Quantities and Declared Value of Coals, Coke and Culm, and Patent Fuel, exported from the several Ports of *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland* to Foreign Countries, and the *British* Settlements Abroad, in the year 1857; distinguishing the Countries to which the same were sent, and comparing the same with the year 1856; also distinguishing the Ports of the United Kingdom from which the same were shipped:—Of the Quantities of Coals, Coke and Culm, and Patent Fuel, exported from the United Kingdom in the year 1857, with the Rate and Amount of Duty thereon:—And of the Quantities of Coals and Patent Fuel brought Coastways and by Inland Navigation into the Port of *London* during the year 1857, comparing the same with the Quantities brought during the year 1856.

Private Bills (Group L.)

Mr. *Buller* reported from the Committee on Group L. of Private Bills; That, in order to consult the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway and Canal Bills (Second Report.)

Lord *Hotham* reported from the General Committee on Railway and Canal Bills; That they have added the *Tees* Conservancy Bill to Group 11 of Railway and Canal Bills. No. 216.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Poor Law (District Schools.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the undermentioned particulars in regard to District Schools established under Orders of the Poor Law Board:—

Date of Opening the School.	Cost of: Land for the Site.	Cost of: Building and Furnishing.	Number of Scholars the Building is capable of accommodating.	The average Number of Children in the School during the year ended 29th Sept. 1857.	Engaged in Instruction.	Number of Paid Officers: Otherwise engaged.	Expenditure during the year ended 29th September 1857: Separate Charges: Maintenance.	Separate Charges: Other Separate Charges.	Common Charges: School Loan and Interest repaid.	Common Charges: Salaries of Officers and other common Charges.*	Total Expenditure.	Average Weekly Cost per head for each Child: Food.	Clothing.	Average Weekly Cost per head of each Child on the Total Expenditure.

* The Amount of the Grants made by the Government towards the Salaries of Teachers, &c. should be included in this column.

Hibernian Military School (Dublin.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Pupils at present in the *Hibernian* Military School, *Phœnix Park, Dublin*; specifying the Number of such Pupils who are Protestants, and the Number who are Roman Catholics: Of the Officers of such School, specifying those who are Protestants and those who are Roman Cotholics: —And, of the Number of Pupils who have changed their Religion within the last Four years; specifying the Number who have changed from Protestant to Roman Catholic, and from Roman Catholic to Protestant, respectively; and the Ages at which they have changed.

Army.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Men who deserted from the Regular Army serving in the United Kingdom, for Six Months from the 1st day of October 1857 to the 31st day of March 1858:—Of the Number of Men who deserted from the Militia serving in the United Kingdom during the same period; distinguishing, in each case, the Numbers who deserted while in Billets from the Numbers who deserted while in Barracks, or after having joined their respective Corps, and showing the Numbers who have been

apprehended and recovered to the Service; together with the Total Expense incurred in their apprehension:—And, showing the Expense incurred during the same period on account of Billets.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Vauxhall Bridge Road Bill.

Colonel *Pennant* reported from the Committee on Group O. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Vauxhall* Bridge Road Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by omitting the recitals relating to the *Vauxhall* Bridge Road, in the County of Surrey, the Promoters having abandoned that part of the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

District Union Schools.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Inmates respectively in the District Union Schools in *England* and *Wales*:—Of the Amount of Population of the Unions forming each District:—Of Average Period of Maintenance of each Child in District Schools, and the Number (distinguishing Males and Females) in each District School who have no knowledge of their Parents, and may be considered Orphans:—And, showing the relative Number of those who have Parents and those who have not.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Dublin Port Duties.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed on certain Duties on Ships and other Imposts leviable within the Port of *Dublin*:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Dublin Port Duties.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed on the mode of levying certain Duties on Ships and other Imposts within the Port of *Dublin*, and whether any equivalent can be supplied by the Port for the Sum now paid to the Consolidated Fund.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Cambridge University Matriculation and Degrees Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Cambridge* University, Matriculation and Degrees Bill, without any Amendment:

General Board of Health (Skipton, &c.) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the General Board of Health (*Skipton*, &c.) Bill, without any Amendment:

Customs Duties Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Customs Duties Bill, without any Amendment.

Septennial Act.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the Act of the first year of *George* the First, chapter thirty-eight, commonly called the "Septennial Act," and to limit the duration of Parliaments to Three years;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Hadfield*: } 57.
Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore*: } 254.

So it passed in the Negative.

East India (Railways.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Causes that have led to the Delay that has occurred in the construction of Railways in *India*.

Reformatory Schools (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to promote and regulate Reformatory Schools for Juvenile Offenders in *Ireland*: And that Mr. Serjeant *Deasy* and Mr. *Bagwell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Registration of County Voters (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Amendment of the Law for the Registration of the County Voters in *Scotland*: And that Sir *Edward Colebrooke* and Mr. *Dunlop* do prepare, and bring it in.

Galway Freemen Disfranchisement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Galway* Freemen Disfranchisement Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, that they have Power to make Provision therein for the Disfranchisement of Voters who were guilty of corrupt practices, by giving Money or other valuable consideration to purchase, or for the purpose of purchasing, Votes;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurii, 21° *die Aprilis*, 1858:

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then the Main Question being put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore*: } 152.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *George Clive*, Mr. *John Fitzgerald*: } 121.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House will, upon this day six months, resolve "itself into the said Committee," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *George Clive*, Mr. *Henry Gerard Sturt*: } 226.
Tellers for the Noes, { Colonel *French*, Mr. *Roebuck*: } 51.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Preamble be postponed.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again—— put, and agreed to.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Excise.

1. That, towards raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty, there shall be charged and paid the following

following additional Duty of Excise (that is to say):—

For and upon every gallon of Spirits of the strength of hydrometer proof which, on or after the 19th day of April 1858, shall be distilled in *Ireland*, or be in the stock, custody or possession of any distiller in *Ireland*, or of any person in trust for him, or for his use, benefit or account, or which having been distilled in *England*, *Scotland* or *Ireland*, shall, on or after the said day, be in warehouse in *Ireland*, and be taken out of warehouse for consumption in *Ireland*, or which having been taken out of warehouse in *England* or *Scotland* for removal to *Ireland*, shall, on or after the said day, be brought into *Ireland*, the additional duty of One shilling and tenpence, and so in proportion for any greater or less degree of strength, or any greater or less quantity.

2. That, towards raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty, there shall be charged and paid, on and after the 19th day of April 1858, in lieu of the Countervailing Duties now chargeable under any Act or Acts in force, on Spirits of the nature or quality of *British* Spirits manufactured or distilled in the Islands of *Guernsey*, *Jersey*, *Alderney* and *Sark* respectively, and imported from any of the said Islands into *Ireland*, the following Countervailing Duty (that is to say):—

For and upon every gallon of such last mentioned Spirits of the strength of hydrometer proof imported into *Ireland*, the sum of Nine shillings, and so in proportion for any greater or less degree of strength, or any greater or less quantity.

3. That no Drawback of Excise shall be allowed or paid for or upon any Made Wines which, on or after the 19th day of April 1858, shall be removed from *England* or *Scotland* to *Ireland*.

Customs. 4 That, towards raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the following Duties of Customs shall be charged, on and after the 19th day of April 1858, on the articles under-mentioned, on their importation into *Ireland*, in lieu of the Duties now payable thereon; *viz.*:

	s.	*d.*
Spirits,		
—— not being sweetened or mixed with any article so that the degree of strength thereof cannot be ascertained by *Sykes*'s hydrometer; for every gallon of the strength of proof by such hydrometer, and so in proportion for any greater or less strength than the strength of proof, and for any greater or less quantity than a gallon, of and from a *British* Possession in *America* or the Island of *Mauritius*, and Rum of and from any *British* Possession within the limits of the *East India* Company's Charter, in regard to which the conditions of the Act 4 *Vic.* c. 8, have or shall have been fulfilled - the gallon	8	2
—— Rum-Shrub, Cordials and Liqueurs of and from a *British* Possession in *America*, or the Island of *Mauritius*, or a *British* Possession within the limits of the *East India* Company's Charter, qualified as aforesaid - - - - - the gallon	8	2

Excise and Stamps. 5. That it is expedient to amend the Laws relating to the Duties of Excise and Stamps.

Exchequer Bills. 6. That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Sum of £. 20,911,500 be raised by Exchequer Bills for the Service of the year 1858.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Bills be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. *Fitz Roy*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring them in.

Supply. Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Exchequer Bonds. 1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,000,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay off and discharge Exchequer Bonds payable on the 8th day of May 1858.

Wages to Artificers, &c. Abroad. 2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 34,671, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Wages to Artificers, Labourers and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Naval Stores. 3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 789,742, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of Naval Stores for the Building, Repair and Outfit of the Fleet, the Purchase of Steam Machinery, and for other purposes connected therewith, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Standing Orders. Mr. *Deedes* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Hampstead Heath Park Bill. 1. That in the case of the *Hampstead Heath* Park, Petition from Metropolitan Board of Works for dispensing with Standing Order 109, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to be heard on their Petition against the Bill, notwithstanding the same shall have been deposited later than seven clear days after the second reading of the Bill.

Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill. 2. That in the case of the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision accordingly, if the Committee on the Bill shall think fit.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Reformatory Schools (Ireland) Bill. Bill 50. Mr. Serjeant *Deasy* presented a Bill to promote and regulate Reformatory Schools for Juvenile Offenders in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 28th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Army (Captain Grant's Kitchens.) *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of any Reports made to his Royal Highness the Commander in Chief, or the War Department, respecting the working of Captain *Grant*'s Kitchens, now in use at the Camp at *Aldershot* and at *Woolwich* Barracks.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Gaols and Houses of Correction Bill. The Order for resuming, this day, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 11th day of February last, That the Gaols and Houses of Correction Bill be now read a second time, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Edinburgh &c. Annuity Tax Bill. The Order for reading a second time, upon Thursday next, the *Edinburgh*, &c. Annuity Tax Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of June next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Mercurii, 21° *die Aprilis*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions (Twenty-first Report.) MR. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 19th day of this instant April; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Chelsea Hospital and Waterworks Exchange of Lands Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the *Chelsea* Hospital and Waterworks Exchange of Lands Bill, no Standing Orders are applicable.

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

Barnstaple Waterworks Bill (*changed* from Barnstaple New Waterworks.)

The *Barnstaple* Waterworks Bill (changed from *Barnstaple* New Waterworks) was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Private Bills (Group L.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Steuart* be added to the Committee on Group L. of Private Bills.

Aberdeen, Peterhead and Fraserburgh Railway, and Formartine and Buchan Railway Bills (1856.)

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committees on the *Aberdeen*, *Peterhead* and *Fraserburgh* Railway, and *Formartine* and *Buchan* Railway Bills, in Session 1856, be referred to the Committee on Group 12 of Railway and Canal Bills, in reference to the *Formartine* and *Buchan* Railway, and *Aberdeen*, *Peterhead* and *Fraserburgh* Railway Bills.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Twenty-second Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Registration of County Voters (Scotland) Bill.

Bill 51.

Sir *Edward Colebrooke* presented a Bill for the Amendment of the Law for the Registration of the County Voters in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Sir *Henry Keating* have leave of absence for three weeks, on account of ill health.

Lunatic Asylums.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Licensed Houses in *England* and *Wales* for the care of Lunatics, Number of Patients on the 1st day of January last, with the Amount of Land attached to each, and how appropriated.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Soulages' Collection.

No. 217.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *Soulages'* Collection, which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant April, be printed.

Education.

No. 218.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Education, which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant April, be printed.

British Museum.

No. 219.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to the *British* Museum.

Ordered, That the said Return be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Church Rates Abolition Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Church Rates Abolition Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House will, upon this day six months, resolve "itself into the said Committee," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

Clause, N° 1 (Church Rates abolished).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 11: After the word "the" to insert the words "expiration of "three years from the."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1. l. 12: After the word "Parish" to insert the words "in "any City, Parliamentary or Municipal Borough."

Question, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Lygon*, Mr. *Wigram*: } 104.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *John Trelawny*, Mr. *Philip Wykeham Martin*: } 346.

And it being a quarter of an hour before Six of the clock, the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Prescription (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Prescription (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Ecclesiastical Residences (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Ecclesiastical Residences (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 5th day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 5th day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Exchequer Bonds.

1. *Resolved*, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury be authorized to raise any Sum of Money, not exceeding Two millions sterling, by the Issue of Exchequer Bonds, bearing Interest at any rate not exceeding £. 3. 10 *s. per centum per annum.*

2. *Resolved*, That the Interest of all such Exchequer Bonds shall be payable half-yearly, and shall be charged upon and issued out of the Consolidated

lidated Fund of the United Kingdom, or the growing Produce thereof.

3. *Resolved*, That the Principal of such Exchequer Bonds shall be paid off at par at the expiration of any period not exceeding Six years from the date of such Bonds.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Portumna Bridge (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Portumna* Bridge (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Exchequer Bills (£.20,911,500) Bill. Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill for raising a Sum by Exchequer Bills, for the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Excise Duties Bill. Bill 52. Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill for granting certain additional Rates and Duties of Excise: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Customs Duties (No. 2) Bill. Bill 53. Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill for the further amendment of the Duties of Customs: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Patent Law Amendment. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Patent Law Amendment Act (1852): And that Mr. *Thomas Duncombe*, Mr. *Scholefield* and Mr. *Cowan* do prepare, and bring it in.

County Management. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Management of County Rates: And that Sir *Edward Kerrison* and Lord *Henniker* do prepare, and bring it in.

Patent Law Amendment Bill. Bill 54. Mr. *Thomas Duncombe* presented a Bill to amend the Patent Law Amendment Act (1852): And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of May next; and to be printed.

County Management Bill. Bill 55. Sir *Edward Kerrison* presented a Bill for the better Management of County Rates: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of June next; and to be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 22° die Aprilis;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Inverury and Old Meldrum Junction Railway Bill. MR *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Inverury* and *Old Meldrum* Junction Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and made a verbal Amendment therein; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Birmingham Canal Navigations Bill. Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Birmingham* Canal Navigations Bill; That a Report from the Board of Trade relative to the Bill had been referred to the Committee, but that Report did not contain any recommendations, and the suggestions made in it appeared to the Committee inapplicable to the circumstances of the case; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by adding several paragraphs, stating more fully the Provisions of the recited Acts, and the Amount of Monies borrowed and Shares created under the Powers thereof, and by erasing a statement of the expediency of enabling the Company to raise additional Money by borrowing, the Provisions for that purpose having been omitted from the Bill as submitted to the Committee; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Maidstone Gas Bill. Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Maidstone* Gas Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill. Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the *Hainault* Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill, the Standing Orders have been complied with.

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

Whitehaven Junction Railway Bill. Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the *Whitehaven* Junction Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill. Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the *London* and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Yar Bridge Bill. A Petition of Promoters of the Undertaking thereinafter referred to, praying that Provision may be made in the *Yar* Bridge Bill for empowering the Mayor and chief Burgesses of the Borough of *Yarmouth* to levy Tolls or Rates in respect of the Quay and Harbour of that Borough, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Waveney Valley Railway Bill. Mr. *Baxter* reported from the Committee on Group 3 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Waveney* Valley Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by stating that no part of the Extension proposed by the Bill had been constructed, nor have any works been commenced for the purposes thereof, such alterations being in accordance with the facts; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Alyth Railway Bill. The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Alyth* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Defining line of Railway at a certain point), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Peniston, Thurlstone and Oxspring Gas.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Peniston, Thurlstone* and *Oxspring* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Chelsea Hospital and Waterworks Exchange of Lands Bill.

The *Chelsea* Hospital and Waterworks Exchange of Lands Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Balby and Worksop Road Bill.

Mr. *Wrightson* reported from the Committee on Group P. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Balby* and *Worksop* Road Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by making certain alterations in the rate of payment made by Trustees acting in the execution of the first recited Act to the Trustees acting in the execution of the last two recited Acts, and by other verbal Amendments; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Twenty-third Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Private Bills (Group Q.)

Mr. *Bouverie* reported from the Committee on Group Q. of Private Bills; That the Parties promoting the *Belfast* (Town) Improvement Bill had stated that the evidence of *George Archibald Leach* and *Charles Lanyon* was essential to enable them to establish their case; and it having been proved that their attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move, That the said *George Archibald Leach* and *Charles Lanyon* do attend the said Committee on Friday the 23d day of April, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That *George Archibald Leach* and *Charles Lanyon* do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

Belfast Improvement Bill (1857.)

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee on the *Belfast* Improvement Bill in Session 1857 be referred to the Committee on Group Q. of Private Bills, in reference to the *Belfast* (Town) Improvement Bill.

East India (Mutinies.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of March last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Mutinies).

Harbour, &c. Bills. No. 113.

The following Papers, pursuant to Orders, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—A Further Report from the Board of Trade relative to Harbour, &c., Bills.

Railway and Canal Bills. No. 117.

A Further Report from the Board of Trade relative to Railway and Canal Bills.

Ordered, That the Papers relative to Harbour, &c., Bills; and Railway and Canal Bills, be printed.

General Board of Health.

Mr. *Adderley* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of March last, for a Return relative to the General Board of Health.

Board of Health.

Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to the Board of Health.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Prisons.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-second Report of the Inspectors appointed, under the Provisions of the Act 5 & 6 *Will.* 4, c. 38, to visit the different Prisons of *Great Britain*: II. Northern and Eastern District.

Turnpike Trusts.

An Abstract of the General Statements of the Income and Expenditure of the several Turnpike Trusts in *England* and *Wales*, from 1st January 1855 to 31st December 1855 inclusive, pursuant to the Act 3 & 4 *Will.* 4, c. 80.

Agricultural Statistics (Ireland.)

Tables relative to Agricultural Statistics (*Ireland*), showing the estimated Average Produce of the Crops for the year 1857; also the Diversity of Weights used in buying and selling Corn, Potatoes and Flax in *Ireland*; and the Emigration from *Irish* Ports, from 1st January to 31st December 1857.

Smithfield Market Site.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to *Smithfield* Market Site.

Valuation (Ireland.)

Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of March last, for a Return relative to Valuation (*Ireland*).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Mitchell* have leave of absence for two months, on account of ill health;—and, Mr. *Beamish* a fortnight, on account of illness in his family.

Registration of Voters (Scotland.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of Assessment and the Rate *per* Pound in each Burgh under the Registration of Voters (*Scotland*) Act, distinguishing the Amount for each year since the passing of that Act.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Mr. W. P. Snow.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of any Memorials or Representations from Mr. *W. P. Snow* to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, relative to his removal from the Command of the "*Allan Gardner*," by order of the Authorities at the *Falkland Islands*, and of any Report received from them, and of any correspondence in reference thereto.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

"Cagliari" Steamer.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Further Paper respecting the Case of the "*Cagliari:*" Fac-simile of the Draft of Sir *James Hudson*'s Letter to Count *Cavour*, of the 5th of January 1858, as brought to *England* by Mr. *Erskine*.

Further Papers respecting the Case of the "*Cagliari:*" Opinions of the Law Officers of the Crown, dated April 12, 13 and 17, 1858.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Exhibition of 1851.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of any Accounts of the Receipts and Expenditure of the Royal Commission for the Exhibition of 1851, presented in pursuance of their Third Report to the Crown, and in continuation of the Accounts ending the 31st day of December 1855 appended thereto.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Trade and Navigation. No. 68.

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Accounts relative to Trade and Navigation, for the Month ended 31st March 1858, and Three Months ended 31st March 1858.

Mr.

Mercantile Marine Fund.

Mr. *Henley* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—An Account of the Mercantile Marine Fund, under the Act 17 & 18 *Vic.* c. 104, showing the Balance of Cash and Amount of Exchequer Bills held on 1st January 1857, with the Income and Expenditure from that period to 31st December 1857.

Merchant Seamen's Fund.

An Account of the Receipt and Expenditure (under the Seamen's Fund Winding-up Act), from 1st January to 31st December 1857; with an Account of the Sums received and paid for the Wages and Effects of deceased Seamen in the year 1857.

Seamen's Savings Bank.

An Account of all Deposits received and repaid by the Board of Trade under the authority of the Seamen's Savings Bank Act, 1856, during the year ended 20th November 1857, and of the Interest thereon.

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table; and that the Accounts relative to Trade and Navigation be printed.

Patriotic Fund. No. 220.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Patriotic Fund, which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant April, be printed.

Diplomatic Salaries and Pensions.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That it is the opinion of this House, that the Diplomatic Salaries and Pensions now charged upon the Consolidated Fund should be brought under the more immediate view and control of Parliament, and be paid out of a Vote annually provided by the House of Commons for the purpose;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Wise*, Mr. *Divett:* } 114.
Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:* } 142.

So it passed in the Negative.

Destitution (Gweedore and Cloughnaheely.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Destitution alleged to exist in the *Gweedore* and *Cloughnaheely* District, in the County of *Donegal*;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Bagwell*, Mr. *M'Evoy:* } 147.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *George Henry Vansittart*, Mr *Sclater-Booth:* } 111.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Property Qualification.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish the Property Qualifications of Members of Parliament: And that Mr. *Locke King*, Mr. *Henry Gore Langton* and Mr. *Cobbett* do prepare, and bring it in.

Universities (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make Provision for the better Government and Discipline of the Universities of *Scotland*, and improving and regulating the course of Study therein; and for the Union of the two Universities and Colleges of *Aberdeen:* And that the Lord Advocate and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Registration of Partnerships.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the General Registration of Partnerships: And that Viscount *Goderich*, Colonel *Wilson Patten*, Mr. *Cheetham* and Mr. *Turner* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Health Act (1848) Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Public Health Act (1848): And that Mr. *Adderley* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

East India (Boydell's Traction Engine.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report upon the Capabilities of *Boydell's* Traction Engine, made by Sir *Frederick Abbott*, in February last, to the Honourable *East India* Company.

Government of India Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Government of *India* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 6th day of May next.

Cruelty to Animals Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Cruelty to Animals Act Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 23° *die Aprilis*, 1858:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

Chancery Amendment Bill.

The Chancery Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Church Rates Abolition Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Church Rates Abolition Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Prescription (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Prescription (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Ways and Means.

Mr. *Hamilton* reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Exchequer Bonds.

1. That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury be authorized to raise any Sum of Money, not exceeding Two millions sterling, by the issue of Exchequer Bonds, bearing Interest at any rate not exceeding 3 *l.* 10 *s. per centum per annum.*

2. That the Interest of all such Exchequer Bonds shall be payable half-yearly, and shall be charged upon and issued out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, or the growing Produce thereof.

3. That the Principal of such Exchequer Bonds shall be paid off at par at the expiration of any period not exceeding Six years from the date of such Bonds.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. *FitzRoy*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Exchequer Bills (£.20,911,500)

The Exchequer Bills (£.20,911,500) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Excise Duties Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Excise Duties Bill;

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

Customs Duties (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Customs Duties (No. 2) Bill;

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

Anchors.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Orders or Regulations which may have been issued or made by the Board of Admiralty, on the subject of the Anchors furnished for the use of Her Majesty's Ships since the year 1851:—Returns of the Number of *Trotman*'s Anchors which have been supplied to Her Majesty's Ships since that year; with Copy of any Reports thereon:—And, of the Number of *Trotman*'s Anchors, and of Anchors upon the old Construction, now in Store in Her Majesty's Dockyards.

Property Qualification Bill.
Bill 56.

Mr. *Locke King* presented a Bill to abolish the Property Qualifications of Members of Parliament: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 4th day of May next; and to be printed.

Registration of Partnerships Bill.
Bill 57.

Viscount *Goderich* presented a Bill to provide for the General Registration of Partnerships: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 23d day of June next; and to be printed.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.
Bill 58.

The Lord Advocate presented a Bill to make Provision for the better Government and Discipline of the Universities of *Scotland*, and improving and regulating the course of Study therein; and for the Union of the two Universities and Colleges of *Aberdeen*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 3d day of May next; and to be printed.

Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill.

Mr. *Adderley* presented a Bill to amend the Public Health Act (1848): And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 23° *die Aprilis*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Group F.)

ORDERED, That the Committee on Group F. of Private Bills have leave to sit this day till Five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Public Petitions (Twenty-second Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 20th and 21st days of this instant April; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ballymena, Ballymoney, Coleraine and Portrush Junction Railway Bill.

A Petition of the *Ballymena*, *Ballymoney*, *Coleraine* and *Portrush* Junction Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the *Ballymena*, *Ballymoney*, *Coleraine* and *Portrush* Junction Railway Bill, for enabling the Company to carry the said Railway across and on the level of the public road in the Townland of *Coleraine* and Suburbs, and Parish of *Coleraine*, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill.

A Petition of the *London* and North Western Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the *London* and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill, for enabling the Company to establish Provident Institutions and Savings Banks for Servants of the Company, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Symington, Biggar and Broughton Railway Bill.

The *Symington*, *Biggar* and *Broughton* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London Dock Company Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London* Dock Company Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Richmond and Kew Extension Railway Bill (1857.)

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee on the *Richmond* and *Kew* Extension Railway Bill in Session 1857, be referred to the Committee on Group 1 of Railway Bills.

Railway Bills (Group 9.)

Ordered, That the Committee on Group 9 of Railway Bills have leave to sit this day till Five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

East Suffolk Railway Bill.

Mr. *Baxter* reported from the Committee on Group 3 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the East *Suffolk* Railway Bill, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 12th day of February, the Committee have taken satisfactory evidence of the matters required to be proved before them by that Resolution; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by stating the amount of share capital raised under one of the Acts referred to; also by altering certain allegations with regard to the working of the *Lowestoft* Branch by the Eastern Counties Railway Company, and certain intended arrangements, and the present and intended construction of the main line of the East *Suffolk* Railway with a double line of rails, to make the same consistent with the Powers of the Bill as submitted by the Promoters; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 5.)

Mr. *Morgan* reported from the Committee on Group 5 of Railway Bills; That the Parties promoting the East *Kent* Railway (Western Extension) Bill had stated, that the evidence of Mr. *John Fowler* was essential to enable them to establish their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move, That the said *John Fowler* do attend the said Committee on Monday the 26th day of April, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That Mr. *John Fowler* do attend the said Committee upon Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Mr.

Norwich Gas Bill.

Mr. *Jackson* reported the *Norwich* Gas Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Twenty-third Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Savings Banks.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Further Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of December last, for Returns relative to Savings Banks.

East India (Revenues, &c.) No. 201.

Further Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of this instant April, for Returns relative to *East India* (Revenues, &c.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Revenues, &c.) be printed.

East India (Mutinies.) No. 221.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Mutinies), which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant April, be printed.

General Board of Health. No. 222.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the General Board of Health, which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant April, be printed.

Board of Health. No. 223.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Board of Health, which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant April, be printed.

Smithfield Market Site. No. 224.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Smithfield* Market Site, which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant April, be printed.

Mercantile Marine Fund. No. 225.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Mercantile Marine Fund, which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant April, be printed.

Merchant Seamen's Fund. No. 226.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Merchant Seamen's Fund, which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant April, be printed.

Seamen's Savings Bank. No. 227.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Seamen's Savings Bank, which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant April, be printed.

Sunderland Dock Bill. No. 228.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *Sunderland* Dock Bill, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant April, be printed.

Navy.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of continuous Service Men in the Navy who accepted their Discharge, and then entered for Five years.

Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Friday next, the Public Health Act (1848) Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Local Government.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Public Health Act (1848), and to make further Provision for the local Government of Towns and populous Districts: And that Mr. *Adderley* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Local Government Bill. Bill 59.

Mr. *Adderley* presented a Bill to amend the Public Health Act (1848), and to make further Provision for the local Government of Towns and populous Districts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 2.)

Sir *Erskine Perry* reported from the Committee on Group 2 of Railway Bills; That the Parties promoting the *Shoreham, Horsham* and *Dorking* Railway Bill had stated, that the evidence of *Thomas Crunden, James Martin, Joseph Ellis* and *William James Chaplin* was essential to enable them to establish their case; and it having been proved that their attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move, That the said *Thomas Crunden, James Martin, Joseph Ellis* and *William James Chaplin* do attend the said Committee on Monday the 26th day of April, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That *Thomas Crunden, James Martin, Joseph Ellis* and *William James Chaplin* do attend the said Committee upon Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Prideaux's Furnace-valve Door.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report by the Honourable Captain *Denman* to the Board of Admiralty, in June 1855, on the Trials made by him in Her Majesty's steam-yacht tender "*Elfin*," to test the merits of *Prideaux*'s self-closing Furnace-valve Door.

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Stamp Duty on Drafts.

Resolved, That, towards raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty, all Drafts or Orders for the payment of any Sum of Money to the Bearer on demand, which being drawn upon any Banker, or any Person or Persons acting as a Banker, and residing or transacting the business of a Banker within Fifteen miles of the place where such Drafts or Orders are issued are now exempt from Stamp Duty, shall be chargeable with the Stamp Duty of One penny for every such Draft or Order.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Land Transport Corps. "allegations of the Petition presented to this House "on the 11th day of August 1857, from the Officers "of the Land Transport Corps, and into the justice "of the Petitioners' complaints, that they have not "received the rate of Half-pay which they state they "are entitled to claim," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question: —The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 335,862, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of New Works, Improvements and Repairs in the Naval Establishments, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the item "Gun-boat Slips (*Haslar*), £. 5,000" be omitted from the proposed Vote;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Briscoe*, Sir *Charles Napier*: 26.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: 224.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. £. 30,000, to complete the Sum for Medicines and Medical Stores.

3. £. 41,470, to complete the Sum for divers Naval Miscellaneous Services.

4. £. 394,148, to complete the Sum for Half-pay, Reserved Half-pay and Retirement to Officers of the Navy and Royal Marines.

5. £. 280,061, to complete the Sum for Military Pensions and Allowances.

6. £. 90,481, to complete the Sum for Civil Pensions and Allowances.

7. £. 160,500, to complete the Sum for Freight of Ships, Victualling and Conveyance of Troops, on account of the Army.

8. £. 588,488, to complete the Sum for the Packet Service.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *William Williams*, Sir *Denham Norreys*: 36.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: 163.

Resolutions to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 24° *die Aprilis*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Excise Duties Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Excise Duties Bill;

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

Customs Duties (No. 2) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Customs Duties (No. 2) Bill;

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

Trustees' Relief Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Trustees' Relief Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Portumna Bridge (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Portumna* Bridge (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Exchequer Bills (£. 20,911,500) Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Exchequer Bills (£. 20,911,500) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Government of India (No. 2) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Government of *India* (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Galway Freemen Disfranchisement Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Galway* Freemen Disfranchisement Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 4th day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Chelsea Hospital and Waterworks Exchange of Lands Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Chelsea* Hospital and Waterworks Exchange of Lands Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Church Rates Abolition Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Church Rates Abolition Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Franchise Prisons. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish Franchise Prisons: And that Mr. *Hardy* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Contracts (Public Departments.) *Ordered*, That the Select Committee on Contracts (Public Departments) do consist of Seventeen Members.

Ordered, That Mr. *Roebuck* and Colonel *Knox* be added to the Committee.

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction. A Motion being made, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Provisions of an Act of the sixth year of King *William* the Fourth, for separating the Palatine Jurisdiction of the County Palatine of *Durham* from the Bishopric of *Durham*, and to make further Provision with respect to the *Jura Regalia* of the said County;

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. *Hamilton* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Exchequer Bonds (£. 2,000,000) Bill. Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill for raising a Sum by Exchequer Bonds: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next.

Franchise Prisons Bill. Bill 60. Mr. *Hardy* presented a Bill to abolish Franchise Prisons: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill. Bill 61. Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill to amend the Provisions of an Act of the sixth year of King *William* the Fourth, for separating the Palatine Jurisdiction of the County Palatine of *Durham* from the Bishopric of *Durham*, and to make further Provision with respect to the *Jura Regalia* of the said County: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 26° *die Aprilis*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Chelsea Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the *Chelsea* Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill, no Standing Orders are applicable.

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

Ballymena, Ballymoney, Coleraine and Portrush Junction Railway Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the *Ballymena*, *Ballymoney*, *Coleraine* and *Portrush* Junction Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Yar Bridge Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the *Yar* Bridge Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Victoria Station and Pimlico Railway Bill.

A Petition of Provisional Directors of the proposed *Victoria* Station and *Pimlico* Railway Company, and of the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the *Victoria* Station and *Pimlico* Railway Bill for enabling the *Brighton* Company to raise Money by Shares or Stock, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public Petitions (Twenty-third Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 22d and 23d days of this instant April; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Alyth Railway Bill.

The *Alyth* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Peniston, Thurlstone and Oxspring Gas Bill.

The *Peniston*, *Thurlstone* and *Oxspring* Gas Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Bradford Corporation Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Bradford* Corporation Water Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Burghead Harbour Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Burghead* Harbour Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Manchester Assize Court-house Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Manchester* Assize Court-house Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Manchester Improvement Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Manchester* Improvement Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Short title of Act), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Tay Fisheries Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Tay* Fisheries Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill.

The *Hainault* Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee.

Luton, Dunstable and Welwyn Junction Railway Bill (1855.)

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee on the *Luton*, *Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Bill in Session 1855, be referred to the Committee on Group 4 of Railway and Canal Bills, in reference to the *Luton*, *Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction and *Hertford* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

East Suffolk, Yarmouth and Haddiscoe, and Lowestoft and Beccles Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

Mr. *Baxter* reported from the Committee on Group 3 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the East *Suffolk*, *Yarmouth* and *Haddiscoe* and *Lowestoft* and *Beccles* Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by reciting that provisional contracts for a lease had been entered into, and also by reciting the working arrangements between the Eastern Counties, Eastern Union and *Norfolk* Railway Companies, and the proposed arrangements with the amalgamated Company, so that the Preamble might be consistent with the intended objects of the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Eastern Counties Railway Bill.

Mr. *Baxter* reported the Eastern Counties Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Plymouth Great Western Docks Bill.

Sir *Edward Kerrison* reported from the Committee on Group 4 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Plymouth* Great Western Docks Bill (which had been referred to the Committee for consideration, and which as introduced contained Provisions enabling certain Railway Companies to guarantee interest or dividends on moneys to be borrowed and shares or stock to be created by the *Plymouth* Great Western Dock Company; and also Provisions authorising the sale or lease of the undertaking of the Dock Company to certain Railway Companies), in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 22d day of February, the Committee had considered the proposed additional Provision for preserving the lien or security on goods deposited in the warehouses of the Dock Company, and had made Provision in the Bill accordingly; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out so much as related to the Power to the Great Western and *Bristol* and *Exeter* Railway Companies, and the *Plymouth* Great Western Dock Company, to make mutual arrangements for raising further funds for the purposes of the Dock Company, and also the Power of leasing or sale to the Great Western and *Bristol* and *Exeter* Railway Companies; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Cornwall Railway Bill.

Sir *Edward Kerrison* reported the *Cornwall* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Twenty-fourth Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees.

East India (Mutinies.) No. 229.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Letter from the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company to the Governor-General of *India* in Council, dated the 24th day of March 1858, relative to the Policy to be pursued towards the Natives of Provinces lately in a state of hostility.

Mr. *Henry Baillie* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Stokes Bay Railway and Pier Bill.

Mr. *Fenwick* reported the *Stokes Bay* Railway and Pier Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

London and South Western Railway Bill.

Mr. *Fenwick* reported from the Committee on Group 1 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *London* and South Western Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by omitting from the allegation of the expediency of authorizing contracts with the *Epsom* Company the reference to the construction of their Railway, such construction being omitted from the Power to make such contracts in the Bill as submitted to the Committee, and by making additions to show the date at which a certain amount of debenture stock mentioned in the Preamble had been issued, and the amount paid up to this time on shares in the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway Company, and by making certain other verbal Amendments; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Irish Mail Contract Vessels.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return specifying the Hour and Minute of the Arrival at and Departure from the Piers at *Holyhead* and *Kingstown*, respectively, of the *Irish* Mail Contract Vessels, during the Twelve Months ending the 31st day of December last; showing also the Time of Arrival off the Lighthouses at those Places.

Navy.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Statistical Report of the Health of the Royal Navy, for the year 1856.

National Collections.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns showing the Sums expended under the following Heads, in each year, from 1856 to 1858 severally; *British* Museum Establishment; *British* Museum Buildings; *British* Museum Purchases; National Gallery; Scientific Works and Experiments; Royal Geographical Society; *British* Historical Portrait Gallery; Science and Art Department; Museum of Practical Geology; and Royal Society:—And, of the Sums expended in the Purchase and laying out of the Grounds and in Buildings on the *Kensington Gore* Estate, in each year, from 1851 to 1857 inclusive (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 58, of Session 2, 1857).

Workhouses.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Cost of Building of Workhouses in *England* and *Wales* erected since 1840; stating Number of Inmates intended for originally, and Average Annual Expense of Food and Clothing, for the last Five years, of the said Workhouses.

Guaranteed Loans (Colonies.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Statement of any Instances in which Colonial Acts or Ordinances for raising Money, in anticipation of a Guarantee from the Imperial Parliament, have received the assent of the Crown without the previous passing of an Act of Parliament to give Authority for granting such Guarantee.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Assessed Taxes.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Amount of Assessed Taxes charged in the year 1856 for each County in the United Kingdom, exclusive of, and distinguished from, that charged in the Parliamentary Cities or Boroughs:—And, similar Return for each Parliamentary City or Borough.

Receipt and Draft Stamps.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Penny Receipt Stamps sold or issued in *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, respectively, for each Quarter since the 10th day of October 1854:—Like Return of One Penny Draft Stamps:—And, Return of the Total Revenue for the above for each Quarter (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 297, of Session 1855).

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Michael Williams* have leave of absence for a month, on account of ill health.

Education.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Name and Profession of all Parties receiving £. 100 *per annum*, and upwards, from the Council of Education, as Inspectors or Assistant Inspectors, with the Amounts they receive; and if any of such Parties receive any and what further Income from public sources.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Militia (Volunteers.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Men who have volunteered from the Militia to the Cavalry, Royal Artillery, Royal Engineers, the Guards and the Line, from 1st day of March 1857 to the 21st day of April 1858, showing the Numbers furnished by each Regiment.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Poor Relief.

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 18th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the several Particulars specified in the following Tabular Form, as respects the Unions, Parishes under Boards of Guardians, Incorporations and Parishes under Local Acts and *Gilbert's* Act, together with Parishes under

under the Act of 43 *Eliz.* c. 2, in *England* and *Wales*:—

	Union.		
	Population of each Medical Officer's District.		
	Statute Acres in each Medical Officer's District.		
	Name of each Medical Officer, whether of Workhouse or of District.		
	Qualification of each Medical Officer.		
	If Medical Officer Resident in District.		
	If Medical Officer Non-Resident in District.		
	If Medical Officer Permanently appointed.		
	If Medical Officer Annually appointed.		
	Date of present Appointment.		
	Distance of Nearest Patient, at Date of Return, from Medical Officer's Residence.		
	Distance of Farthest Patient, at Date of Return, from Medical Officer's Residence.		
	In Door.	29th Sept. 1856.	Total Number of Paupers Relieved during Half-year ended
	Out Door.		
	In Door.	25th March 1857.	
	Out Door.		
	In Door.	29th Sept. 1856.	Total Number of Cases treated by Medical Officer, as shown by the Workhouse or District Medical Relief Book, during the Half-year ended
	Out Door.		
	In Door.	25th March 1857.	
	Out Door.		
	Average Duration, in Days, of Sickness in the cases comprised in the preceding Column, as shown by the Workhouse or District Medical Relief Book. The cases on the Permanent List not to be reckoned.		
	State whether the Medicines are provided by the Medical Officer or by the Union.		
£. s. d.	State the Cost of the Medicines where provided by the Union.		
	State whether the Medical Officer is precluded from taking Private Practice.		
£. s. d.	Total Amount paid to Medical Officer for the year ended 25th March 1857, whether as Salary or as per Case Payments.		
£. s. d.	Total Amount paid to Medical Officer for the year ended 25th March 1857, as Extra Medical Fees.		
£. s. d.	Total of the last Two Columns.		
£. s. d.	Total Amount of Fees received by Medical Officer for the year ended the 25th March 1857, for Lunacy Certificates.		
£. s. d.	Total Amount of Vaccination Fees received by Medical Officer during the year ended 25th March 1857.		
	Where the Medical Officer holds Appointments in two or more Unions, state the Names of such Unions.		

Exhibition of 1851.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 22d day of this instant April, for a Return relative to the Exhibition of 1851.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Model Barracks and Public Offices.

General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 25th day of March last, for a Return relative to Model Barracks and Public Offices.

Enfield Factory.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 13th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to *Enfield* Factory.

Examinations (Army.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 15th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to Examinations (Army).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Sugar.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 9th day of February last, for a Return relative to Sugar.

Foreign Sugar.

Return to an Order, dated the 9th day of February last, for a Return relative to Foreign Sugar.

Battersea Park, &c.

Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of March last, for a Return relative to *Battersea* Park, &c.

Metropolis Turnpike Roads.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—The Thirty-second Report of the Commissioners of the Metropolis Turnpike Roads North of the *Thames*.

Orders of the Day.

Ordered, That the Orders of the day be now read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the said Orders be postponed till after the Notice of Motion relative to the Government of *India*.

Government of India (No. 3.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Act of the 16 & 17 *Victoria*, c. 95, to provide for the Government of *India*;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "at this moment it is not expedient to pass any Resolutions for the future Government of *India*," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Act of the 16 & 17 *Victoria*, c. 95, to provide for the Government of *India*.

Supply.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

New Works, &c.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £.335,862, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of New Works, Improvements and Repairs in the Naval Establishments, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Medicines and Medical Stores.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £.30,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Medicines and Medical Stores, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Naval Miscellaneous Services.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £.41,470, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of divers Naval Miscellaneous Services, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Half-pay, &c.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £.394,148, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Half-pay, Reserved Half-pay and Retirement to Officers of the Navy and Royal Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Military Pensions and Allowances.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £.280,061, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Military Pensions and Allowances, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Civil Pensions and Allowances.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £.90,481, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Civil Pensions and Allowances, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Freight of Ships, &c.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £.160,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for the Freight of Ships, for the Victualling and Conveyance of Troops, on account of the Army, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Packet Service.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £.588,488, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of the Packet Service for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ways and Means.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

Stamp Duty on Drafts.

That, towards raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty, all Drafts or Orders for the payment of any Sum of Money to the bearer on demand, which being drawn upon any Banker, or any Person or Persons acting as a Banker, and residing or transacting the business of a Banker within Fifteen miles of the place where such Drafts or Orders are issued are now exempt from Stamp Duty, shall be chargeable with the Stamp Duty of One penny for every such Draft or Order.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that Mr. *FitzRoy*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, "praying Her Majesty that no alteration may be "made in the principle of the existing arrangements "which regulate the admission to Cadetships in the "Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers," instead thereof.

Cadetships (Artillery and Engineers.)

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:* 177.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Monsell*, Mr. *Cranch Vivian:* 217.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "an "humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, "praying Her Majesty that no alteration may be "made in the principle of the existing arrangements "which regulate the admission to Cadetships in the "Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers," be added instead thereof:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Cadetships (Artillery and Engineers.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty that no alteration may be made in the principle of the existing arrangements which regulate the admission to Cadetships in the Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Excise Duties Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Excise Duties Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 27° *die Aprilis*, 1858:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:* 227.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Patrick O'Brien*, Mr. *Esmonde:* 35.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Customs Duties (No. 2) Bill.

The Customs Duties (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Trustees' Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Trustees' Relief Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Chelsea Hospital and Waterworks Exchange of Lands Bill.

The *Chelsea* Hospital and Waterworks Exchange of Lands Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Clerks of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Chancery Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Chancery Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hamilton* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Bill 62.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Exchequer Bills (£. 20,911,500) Bill.

The Exchequer Bills (£. 20,911,500) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for raising the Sum of Twenty million nine hundred and eleven thousand five hundred pounds by Exchequer Bills, for the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Exchequer Bonds (£. 2,000,000) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Exchequer Bonds (£. 2,000,000) Bill;

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

Franchise Prisons Bill.

The Franchise Prisons Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

The

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill;

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

Church Rates Abolition Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Church Rates Abolition Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sasines (Scotland.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of the Commission appointing Mr. *John C. Brodie*, Principal Keeper of the Register of Sasines in *Scotland*:—And, of the Report of the Crown Agent, dated the 12th day of October 1857, and of the Deputy Clerk Register, dated the 16th day of October 1857, in reference to this Office.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

London Corporation Regulation Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given for the Corporation of the City of *London* to be heard by Counsel before the Select Committee on the *London* Corporation Regulation Bill, upon their Petition against Clause 66 of the said Bill.

River Thames.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to take into consideration Mr. *Gurney*'s Report on the state of the River *Thames*, and such other suggestions as they may deem it expedient to entertain for its purification, especially in the immediate vicinity of the Houses of Parliament.

Land Transport Corps.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Justice of the Complaints of the Officers of the Land Transport Corps, as set forth in their Petition, presented to this House on the 11th day of August 1857 (No. 4588), alleging that they had not received the rate of Half-pay which, they state, they were entitled to claim.

East India (British Troops.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of *British* Troops now serving in *India*, and chargeable to the Revenues of that Country; showing the Number under each Branch of the Service, namely, Staff, Cavalry, Infantry, Artillery, Engineers, Marines and Sailors; and the Total Cost of same, for one year, ending the 1st day of January 1858:—And, like Return of the *British* Forces serving in *India*, and the Total Cost of the same, for the year ending the 1st day of January 1857.

Church of England Special Services Bill. Bill 63.

The Church of *England* Special Services Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 11th day of May next; and to be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 13.)

Mr. *George Clive* reported from the Committee on Group 13 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of Members, they had adjourned until Thursday next, at Eleven of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Stamp Duty on Drafts Bill. Bill 64.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill for granting a Stamp Duty on certain Drafts or Orders for the Payment of Money: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 1.)

Mr. *Fenwick* reported from the Committee on Group 1 of Railway Bills; That the Parties promoting the *Brentford* and *Richmond* Railway Bill had stated, that the evidence of Mr. *Harry Chubb* was essential to enable them to establish their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move, That the said Mr. *Harry Chubb* do attend the said Committee on Tuesday the 27th day of April instant, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That Mr. *Harry Chubb* do attend the said Committee this day, at Twelve of the clock.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 27° *die Aprilis*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Standing Orders.

COLONEL *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill.

That in the case of the *London* and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision accordingly, if the Committee on the Bill shall think fit.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Railway Bills (Group 2.)

Ordered, That the Committee on Group 2 of Railway Bills have leave to sit this day till Five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Second Petition for additional Provision in the *London* and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill, no other Standing Orders are applicable in respect of the Clauses sought to be introduced than those which were applicable to the original Bill, and which have been already certified by the Examiner to be complied with.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill, that they have Power to make Provision therein, pursuant to the prayer of the said Petition.

London Dock Company Bill.

The *London* Dock Company Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Maidstone Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Maidstone* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Vauxhall Bridge Road Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Vauxhall* Bridge Road Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Allendale Stinted Pasture Bill.

The Order, That the *Allendale* Stinted Pasture Bill be committed, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1 and No. 2) Bills.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on Group 9 of Railway Bills, that they have Power to consolidate the *London* and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill, and the *London* and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 2) Bill, into one Bill.

Southampton, Bristol and South Wales Railway, and London and South Western Railway Acts Amendment Bills (1857.)

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committees on the *Southampton*, *Bristol* and South *Wales* Railway, and the *London* and South Western Railway Acts Amendment Bills, in Session 1857, be referred to the Committee on Group 1 of Railway Bills, in reference to the *Andover* Canal Railway Bill.

Blyth Harbour and Dock Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Blyth* Harbour and Dock Bill; That it appeared to the Committee upon inquiry, that though, under the Act of 1854, the harbour rates could not be levied until the Eastern Pier or Breakwater had been completed, the Works which have been executed by the Company are sufficiently advanced to render proper the immediate imposition of the charge proposed by the Bill; that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had made Provision in the Bill, pursuant to the Order of the House; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Saint Andrew's and Quebec Railroad Company (Class A. Shareholders) and New Brunswick and Canada Railway and Land Company Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Saint Andrew's* and *Quebec* Railroad Company (Class A. Shareholders), and *New Brunswick* and *Canada* Railway and Land Company Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, in order to make the same a more intelligible statement of the facts of the case; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Acton's Naturalization Act Amendment Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported *Acton's* Naturalization Act Amendment Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Luton Gas Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Luton* Gas Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by reducing the amount of further capital to be raised, and of the rate of the preferential dividend payable thereon, in order to make the same a more accurate statement of the financial state of the Company; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group P.)

Mr. *Wrightson* reported from the Committee on Group P. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned to Friday next, the 30th of April, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group M.)

Viscount *Galway* reported from the Committee on Group M. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of Members, the Committee had adjourned to Thursday the 29th of April, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Horsham Turnpike Trust Bill.

Colonel *Pennant* reported the *Horsham* Turnpike Trust Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Twenty-fifth Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees.

Poor Relief. No. 230.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Poor Relief, which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant April, be printed.

Exhibition of 1851. No. 231.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Exhibition of 1851, which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant April, be printed.

Model Barracks and Public Offices. No. 232.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Model Barracks and Public Offices, which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant April, be printed.

Enfield Factory. No. 233.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Enfield* Factory, which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant April, be printed.

Examinations (Army.) No. 234.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Examinations (Army), which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant April, be printed.

Sugar. No. 235.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Sugar, which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant April, be printed.

Foreign Sugar. No. 236.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Foreign Sugar, which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant April, be printed.

Battersea Park, &c. No. 237.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Battersea* Park, &c., which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant April, be printed.

Metropolis Turnpike Roads. No. 238.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Metropolis Turnpike Roads, which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant April, be printed.

East India (Railways.)

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 25th day of March last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Railways).

East India Revenues, &c. No. 201.

Two further Returns to an Order, dated the 15th day of this instant April, for Returns relative to *East India* (Revenues, &c.)

Ordered, That the Returns relative to *East India* (Revenues, &c.), be printed.

Small Arms.

General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 13th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to Small Arms.

East India (Army.)

Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of March last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Army).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

South Kensington Museum, &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Visitors to the South *Kensington* Museum from its opening to the present time, distinguishing those days which are Free and those which are Students' days; also the Numbers attending the Museum in the morning and the evening:——And, of the Numbers who visited the Museum at Marlborough House during the years 1854, 1855 and 1856.

East India (Patronage, &c.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns, separate and in detail, of the Patronage vested in the Crown, the Board of Control, and the Directors of the *East India* Company, both as regards the Home Government and the Government of *India* in *India*:——And, of the Patronage vested in the Governor General of *India*, of the Governors of *Madras* and *Bombay* and North West Provinces, of the Commander-in-Chief, and the Commanders of the Forces of *Madras* and *Bombay*, with the Salaries and Allowances attached to every Situation, Office and Employment, covenanted and uncovenanted; distinguishing the Number of Europeans and Natives employed in the Uncovenanted Service; together with the Retiring Allowances and Pensions in every Department of the State connected with the Government of *India*, in Rupees reckoned at Two shillings each, under the following Classifications: viz., Ecclesiastical Establishment, Civil Services, Military Services, Marine Departments, Educational Establishments, and Law Appointments connected with the Queen's Courts.

Ordnance Survey (Scotland.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House a Return of the Names of Parishes in *Scotland* which have

have been (either wholly or in part) surveyed and plotted, under the Ordnance Survey, since the 13th day of June 1857, stating the Scale on which the Maps have been drawn:—And, Statement of the Total Number of Acres in *Scotland* which have been plotted on the 6-inch Scale, and of the Number plotted on the 25-inch Scale, since the 13th day of June 1857.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Probate Duty. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, an Estimate of the Amount which would have been paid from 1815 to the 31st day of December 1857, if the Scales for Probate Duty in the Act of 55 *Geo.* 3, c. 184, had been carried upwards from the Value of one Million, in similar proportion to those fixed by this Act from half a Million to one Million.

Joint Stock Companies. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of all Companies registered under the Joint Stock Companies Act (1856), with Limited Liability, up to the 31st day of March 1858; with the Date of Registration, the Amount of Capital, and the objects for which each Company is established.

Railways (United States.) Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Supplement to the Report to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Foreign Plantations on the Railways of the United States; by Captain *Douglas Galton*, R.E.; containing Drawings to explain the Construction of the Rolling Stock in use on the *American* Railways.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Administration of Justice. A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the expediency of further improving the Administration of Justice, by increasing the number of Assizes and Assize Towns for Civil and Criminal Business in the several Counties of *England* and *Wales*:—It passed in the Negative.

Masters and Workmen. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Masters and Workmen to form Councils of Conciliation and of Arbitration: And that Mr. *Mackinnon* and Mr. *Ingham* do prepare, and bring it in.

County Franchise. A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend the Franchise in Counties in *England* and *Wales*, and to improve the Representation of the People in respect of such Franchise.

And the Previous Question being put, That that Question be now put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend the Franchise in Counties in *England* and *Wales*, and to improve the Representation of the People in respect of such Franchise: And that Mr. *Locke King*, Mr. *Byng* and Mr. *Headlam* do prepare, and bring it in.

Pilots (Isle of Wight, &c.) *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Returns from the Trinity House, showing the Rate of Profits accruing to the Pilots in the *Isle of Wight* and *Portsmouth* Districts; distinguishing Gross Profits and Net Profits.

Weights and Measures. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of the fifth and sixth years of King *William* the Fourth, chapter sixty-three, relating to Weights and Measures: And that Mr. *John Locke*, Sir *John Shelley*, Mr. *Brydges Willyams* and Mr. *Schneider* do prepare, and bring it in.

Colonel Lewis and John Byrne. A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Civil Bill Ejectment tried before *James Major*, Esq., Q. C., Assistant Barrister for the County of *Monaghan*, at *Castleblaney*, at the last January Quarter Sessions, wherein Colonel *Lewis* was Plaintiff, and *John Byrne* was Defendant:—And, of the Entry in the Book of the Clerk of the Peace in relation to said Ejectment, containing the Names of the Witnesses examined on behalf of the Plaintiff and of the Defendant:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Churches and Churchyards. A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee, for the purpose of considering the expediency of providing for the Repair of Churches and the Maintenance of Churchyards, by substituting for Church Rates such an Annual Rent-charge upon all hereditaments in respect of which Church Rates may now be lawfully assessed upon the occupiers thereof as will most fairly represent the Total Annual Amount now raised by Church Rates; such Rent-charge to be a fixed and uniform poundage on the rateable value of such hereditaments, and to be made a charge on the owners of the same; the proceeds of such Rent-charge in each diocese to form a central fund from which Grants may be made towards the Repair of Churches and the Maintenance of Churchyards, and to be administered by a body of persons elected for that purpose;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the first word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "in the opinion of this House, it is desirable that in some Parishes, Power should be given to make an addition, to a limited amount, to the Tithe, in order to maintain the fabric of the Churches; and that in some Parishes in Towns, Power should be given to the Churchwardens or the Vestry to place a Rental on a certain proportion of the Sittings," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

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The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Puller*, Mr. *Spooner*:	54.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *John Trelawny*, Mr. *Charles Gilpin*:	317.

So it passed in the Negative.

Adjournment. A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

East India (Railways.) The Select Committee on *East India* (Railways) was nominated of Mr. *Liddell*, Mr. *Crawford*, Mr. *Campbell*, Mr. *Stephenson*, Mr. *Cumming Bruce*, Mr. *George Grenfell Glyn*, Mr. *Alexander Hugh Baring*, Mr. *Cheetham*, Mr. *Kirkman Hodgson*, Mr. *Henry Danby Seymour*, Mr. *Thomas George Baring*, Sir *James Elphinstone*, Colonel *Sykes*, Mr. *Marjoribanks*, and Mr. *Henry Austin Bruce*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum.

Joint Stock Companies. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of all Companies which have been registered under the Limited Liability Act;

and of those which have been wound up, or are ordered to be wound up.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The Poor Law Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Chelsea Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill.

The *Chelsea* Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Excise Duties Bill, and Customs Duties (No. 2) Bill.

The Orders of the day being read, for the Committees on the Excise Duties Bill, and the Customs Duties (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to the same Committee.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That

Excise Duties Bill.

the Committee had gone through the Excise Duties Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Customs Duties (No. 2) Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also reported, That the Committee had gone through the Customs Duties (No. 2) Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Exchequer Bonds (£.2,000,000) Bill.

Bill 65.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Exchequer Bonds (£. 2,000,000) Bill;

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

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

County Franchise Bill.

Bill 66.

Mr. *Locke King* presented a Bill to extend the Franchise in Counties in *England* and *Wales*, and to improve the Representation of the People in respect of such Franchise: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 20th day of May next; and to be printed.

Weights and Measures Bill.

Bill 67.

Mr. *John Locke* presented a Bill to amend the Act of the fifth and sixth years of King *William* the Fourth, chapter sixty-three, relating to Weights and Measures: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 11th day of May next; and to be printed.

Franchise Prisons Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Friday next, on the Franchise Prisons Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Monetary Convention (Austria, &c.)

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of March last, for a Return relative to the Monetary Convention (*Austria*, &c.)

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

And then the House, having continued to sit till One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

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Masters and Workmen Bill. Bill 68.

MR. *Mackinnon* presented a Bill to enable Masters and Workmen to form Councils of Conciliation and of Arbitration: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of May next; and to be printed.

Public Petitions (Twenty-fourth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 26th day of this instant April, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mid-Kent Railway (Croydon Extension) Bill.

A Petition of the Mid-*Kent* Railway Company, and of the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Croydon* Extension) Bill for enabling the Mid-*Kent* Railway Company to construct a Railway at or near *Norwood*, commencing by a Junction with the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway, at or near *Norwood*, and terminating by a Junction with the *Farnborough* Extension of the West-end of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway, and to levy Tolls thereon; and that the Standing Order 139 may be dispensed with in reference thereto, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Brentford Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Brentford* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Power to re-borrow), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Garngad Road Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Garngad* Road Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Ware*, *Hadham* and *Buntingford* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Birkenhead Improvement (Gas Works) and Purchase of Birkenhead and Claughton Gas Works Bill (1847), &c.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Surveying Officers under the Preliminary Inquiries Act (9 & 10 *Vic.* c. 106) in respect to the *Birkenhead* Improvement (Gas Works) and Purchase of *Birkenhead* and *Claughton* Gas Works, and the *Birkenhead* Improvement Waterworks, and Purchase of *Birkenhead* and *Claughton* Waterworks Bills, in Session 1847, together with the Reports of such Officers, and also the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee on Group C. of Private Bills, in Session 1857, in the case of the *Birkenhead* District Gas and Water Bill, be referred to the Committee on Group H. of Private Bills with respect to the *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, and Twenty-fifth Report.

East India (Railways.) No. 239.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Railways), which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant April, be printed.

Ordered,

Small Arms. No. 240.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Small Arms, which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant April, be printed.

East India (Army.) No. 241.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Army), which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant April, be printed.

Irish Mail Contract Vessels.

Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to *Irish* Mail Contract Vessels.

Prideaux's Furnace-valve Door.

Return to an Order, dated the 23d day of this instant April, for a Return relative to *Prideaux*'s Furnace-valve Door.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Agricultural Statistics Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Agricultural Statistics Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Caird*, Mr. *Lindsay*: } 135.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Packe*, Mr. *Du Cane*: } 241.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion and Original Question were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of May next.

Roads, &c. (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Roads, &c. (*Scotland*) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion and Original Question were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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

Reformatory Schools (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Reformatory Schools (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Registration of County Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Registration of County Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

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

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Excise Duties Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Excise Duties Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Customs Duties (No 2) Bill.

The Customs Duties (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Medical Profession and Medical Corporations.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to define the Rights of the Members of the Medical Profession, and to protect the Public from the Abuses of Medical Corporations: And that Mr. *Thomas Duncombe* and Mr. *Butler* do prepare, and bring it in.

District Boards of Works (Metropolis.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns by the Clerks of the District Boards of Works in the Metropolis, under the Metropolis Local Management Act, of the Number of Officers of each Board, with their Salary *per annum* or *per* week, whichever it may be; viz., Clerk and Assistant, Medical Officer of Health and Assistant, if any; Surveyor and Assistant; other Officer, if any:——Of the Annual Outlay: viz., Sewers and Drains; Paving; Cleansing; Lighting Streets, and Miscellaneous:——Of the Number of Miles of Streets under each Board:——Of the Number of Inhabitants in each District:——Of the Amount of Assessment (say if it is the Poor Rate Assessment or not) under each Board:——And, of the Average Amount of Rate in the Pound for the year.

Stade Tolls.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the origin of the claim of the Government of *Hanover* to levy the Stade Tolls; to consider in what degree they are detrimental to the Commerce of the United Kingdom, and the effect of giving Notice to determine the Treaty under which this Country has assented to the payment of such Tolls for a limited period.

Leitrim County Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Leitrim*, in the room of *Hugh Lyons Montgomery*, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Manor of *Hempholme*, in the County of *York*.

Private Bills (Group O.)

Colonel *Pennant* reported from the Committee on Group O. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday the 3d day of May, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Windsor New Road Bill.

Colonel *Pennant* reported the *Windsor* New Road Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Besselsleigh Road Bill.

Colonel *Pennant* reported the *Besselsleigh* Road Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway and Canal Bills (Group 8.)

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway and Canal Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Friday the 30th day of April, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Medical Profession and Medical Corporations Bill. Bill 69.

Mr. *Thomas Duncombe* presented a Bill to define the Rights of the Members of the Medical Profession, and to protect the Public from the Abuses of Medical Corporations: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2d day of June next; and to be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 29° die Aprilis;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Group J.)

SIR *Benjamin Hall* reported from the Committee on Group J. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned until Tuesday the 4th day of May next, at half-past Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sufferance Wharves, Port of London Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the Sufferance Wharves, Port of *London* Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by omitting the reference to an order of the Commissioners of Customs, by adding words by which the sanction and approval of the said wharves by the said Commissioners is required, and by which it was stated that more effectual Provision should be made with regard to deposits for freight, in order that the same should accord with the Provisions of the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Victoria Station and Pimlico Railway Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the *Victoria* Station and *Pimlico* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Burghead Harbour Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Burghead* Harbour Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Manchester Assize Court-house Bill.

The *Manchester* Assize Court-house Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for enabling the Justices of the County of *Lancaster* to erect or provide Assize Courts in or near *Manchester*, in the Hundred of *Salford*, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Manchester Improvement Bill.

The *Manchester* Improvement Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for enabling the Corporation of the City of *Manchester* to raise further Sums of Money, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Tay Fisheries Bill.

The *Tay* Fisheries Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Birmingham Canal Navigations Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Birmingham* Canal Navigations Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Vale of Towy Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Vale of *Towy* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Railway and Canal Bills (Group 9.)

Mr. *Frederick North* reported from the Committee on Group 9 of Railway and Canal Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned until Tuesday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Blackburn Railway Bill.

Mr. *Frederick North* reported from the Committee on Group 9 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Blackburn* Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, for the purpose of setting out more precisely the financial position of the Company; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, and Twenty-sixth Report.

Private Bills (Group L.)

Mr. *Buller* reported from the Committee on Group L. of Private Bills; That at the meeting of the Committee this day, a Letter was received from Mr. *Mills*, one of the Members of the said Committee, stating that he was unable, on account of indisposition, to attend the Committee this day.

Ordered, That Mr. *Mills* do attend the said Committee To-morrow.

Private Bills (Group M.)

Viscount *Galway* reported from the Committee on Group M. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned until Monday the 3d of May, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Education.

Mr. *Adderley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Minutes of the Committee of Council on Education; Correspondence, Financial Statements, &c.; and Reports by Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools, 1857-8.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Public Business.

Resolved, That, on and after Thursday the 13th day of May next, Orders of the day on Thursdays shall have precedence of Notices of Motions.

Arterial Drainage (Galway.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of all Engineers and Assistant Engineers who have held Employment up to the present time under the Arterial Drainage Department of the Board of Works in the County of *Galway*,

way, with the Dates of their Appointment and Retirement, the Amount of their respective Salaries and Allowances, and the Names of the different Districts of Drainage held by each Engineer, and the Names and Emoluments of other Offices which Engineers employed in Drainage Works have held simultaneously.

Church Rates Abolition Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, To-morrow, on the Church Rates Abolition Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 13th day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Silver, &c. (China.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of any further Papers on the subject of the *Chinese* Currency received since the Address of this House of the 16th day of March last, relative to Silver, &c. (*China*).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Aberdeen Universities.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of Her Majesty's Commissioners appointed to inquire into the State of the Universities of *Aberdeen*, with a view to their Union; together with the Evidence and Appendices.

County Courts.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 12th day of February last, for a Return relative to County Courts.

Hibernian Military School (Dublin.)

Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of this instant April, for a Return relative to the *Hibernian* Military School (*Dublin*).

County Treasurers.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Abstract of the Accounts of the several County Treasurers in *England* and *Wales*, for the year ending Michaelmas 1857.

County Treasurers (Ireland.)

An Account in Charge and Discharge of Fees received by the Registrar of Treasurers' Accounts and Receiver of Fee Fund in *Ireland*, for the year ended 25th March 1858.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Enrolled Pensioners, &c.

General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 23d day of March last, for a Return relative to Enrolled Pensioners, &c.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

East India (Boydell's Traction Engine.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 22d day of this instant April, for a Return relative to *East India* (*Boydell's* Traction Engine).

Irish Mail Contract Vessels. No. 242.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Irish* Mail Contract Vessels, which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant April, be printed.

Prideaux's Furnace-valve Door. No. 243.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Prideaux's* Furnace-valve Door, which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant April, be printed.

Maynooth College.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider the Acts for the Endowment of the College of *Maynooth*, with a view to the withdrawal of any Endowment out of the Consolidated Fund, due regard being had to vested rights and interests;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Spooner*, Mr. *Bentinck:* } 155.
Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Lord *Naas:* } 210.

So it was passed in the Negative.

Attorney General v. the Prince of Wales.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of all the Documents relating to a certain Arbitration of the Right honourable Sir *John Patteson*, wherein the Attorney General is the Plaintiff, and His Royal Highness the Prince of *Wales*, as Duke of *Cornwall*, a Defendant; and of such Arbitration Award:—It passed in the Negative.

Non-parochial Registers Act Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for amending the Act concerning Non-parochial Registers: And that Mr. Secretary *Walpole* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Malt.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Total Number of Quarters of Malt made in the United Kingdom, from the 1st day of October 1856 to the 1st day of October 1857; distinguishing the Quantity made and the Quantity used by Brewers, and by Victuallers, and by Retail Brewers, in each Country (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 20, of Session 2, 1857).

Beer.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Number of Barrels of Beer exported from the United Kingdom, and the Declared Value thereof, and where exported to, from the 1st day of October 1856 to the 1st day of October 1857; distinguishing from *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*.

Brewers, &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Number of Persons in each of the several Collections of the United Kingdom licensed as Brewers, Victuallers, to sell Beer to be drunk on the Premises, and to sell Beer not to be drunk on the Premises, stating the Number of each Class who brew their own Beer, and the Quantity of Malt consumed by them, particularising each Class in each Collection, from the 10th day of October 1855 to the 10th day of October 1856, and from the 10th day of October 1856 to the 10th day of October 1857 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 155, of Session 1856).

Members' Seats.

The House was moved, That the Resolution of the House of the 29th day of March 1855, That any Member having secured a Seat at Prayers shall be entitled to retain the same until the rising of the House, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be made a Standing Order of this House.

River Thames.

The Select Committee on the River *Thames* was nominated of Mr. *Kendall*, Viscount *Palmerston*, Lord *John Russell*, Lord *John Manners*, Viscount *Goderich*, Mr. *Bouverie*, Mr. *Percy*, Sir *Benjamin Hall*, Sir *John Yarde Buller*, Mr. *Stephenson*, Mr. *Joseph Locke*, Mr. *Tite*, Mr. *Cayley*, Mr. *Akroyd* and Mr. *Roupell*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Stamp Duty on Drafts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Stamp Duty on Drafts Bill;

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

Poor Law Amendment Bill. Bill 70.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Poor Law Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday the 13th day of May next; and be printed.

Registration of County Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Registration of County Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 3d day of June next.

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

And Notice being taken, That Forty Members were not present:—The House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then after Four of the clock:—The House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till To-morrow.

Veneris, 30° *die Aprilis;*

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions (Twenty-fifth Report.)

MR. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 27th and 28th days of this instant April; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Worcester and Hereford Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Worcester* and *Hereford* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Exeter and Exmouth Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Exeter* and *Exmouth* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Manchester, Hyde and Mottram Road Bill.

Mr. *Wrightson* reported from the Committee on Group P. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Manchester*, *Hyde* and *Mottram* Road Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by altering the Sums which were borrowed at the respective periods to make the same consistent with the facts of the case; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Great Northern and Western (of Ireland) Railway Bill.

A Petition of the Great Northern and Western (of *Ireland*) Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the Great Northern and Western of *Ireland* Railway Bill for defining the traffic and working arrangements between the said Company and the Midland Company, was presented and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Bill.

A Petition of the *Oxford*, *Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the *Oxford*, *Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway Bill, for completing the siding thereinafter mentioned, with all proper works and conveniences connected therewith, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Acton's Naturalization Act Amendment Bill.

Acton's Naturalization Act Amendment Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

East Suffolk Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the East *Suffolk* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Private Bills (Group Q.)

Mr. *Bouverie* reported from the Committee on Group Q. of Private Bills; That the Parties opposing the *Belfast* (Town) Improvement Bill had stated, that the evidence of *William Davis*, *Samuel Cuningham* and *John Wilson* was essential to enable them to establish their case; and it having been proved that their attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move, That the said *William Davis*, *Samuel Cuningham* and *John Wilson* do attend the said Committee on Monday the 3d day of May, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That *William Davis*, *Samuel Cuningham* and *John Wilson* do attend the said Committee upon Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Tees Conservancy.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 16th day of February last, that there be laid before this House, a Return of all Monies borrowed by the *Tees* Conservancy Commissioners, on the security of the *Tees* Conservancy Fund, under the Authority of their Acts of 1852 and 1854, in each of the following years, *viz.*, 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856 and 1857; showing,—1. The several Sums borrowed; 2. The Names of the Parties from whom such Sums were borrowed; 3. The Nature of the Security given in each instance; 4. The Date of each Security; 5. The Rate of Interest payable and paid thereon; 6. The Total Sums so borrowed; 7. The Total now due, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That a Return to the said Order be laid before this House forthwith.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, and Twenty-sixth Report.

Cadetships (Artillery and Engineers)

The Comptroller of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of the 26th day of

of this instant April, relative to Cadetships (Artillery and Engineers), had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address, praying that no alteration may be made in the principle of the existing arrangements which regulate the admission to Cadetships in the Royal Artillery and Royal Engineers:

And I shall give directions that the subject may be carefully considered.

Standing Orders.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Whitehaven Junction Railway Bill.

1. That in the case of the *Whitehaven* Junction Railway, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision accordingly, if the Committee on the Bill shall think fit.

Ballymena, Ballymoney, Coleraine and Portrush Junction Railway Bill.

2. That in the case of the *Ballymena*, *Ballymoney* *Coleraine* and *Portrush* Junction Railway, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision accordingly, if the Committee on the Bill shall think fit.

Yar Bridge Bill.

3. That in the case of the *Yar* Bridge, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision accordingly, if the Committee on the Bill shall think fit; provided that amended Notices, stating the intention to authorize the taking new tolls in respect of the Quay and Harbour, be inserted for two successive weeks in a county newspaper; and provided also that the same amended Notice be affixed to the doors of the parish church and the town-hall for two successive weeks; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Orders have been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Roads, &c. (Scotland.) No. 244.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Roads, &c. (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant April, be printed.

County Courts. No. 245.

Ordered, That the Return relative to County Courts, which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant April, be printed.

County Treasurers. No. 246.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to County Treasurers, which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant April, be printed.

County Treasurers (Ireland) No. 247.

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Account relative to County Treasurers (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant April, be printed.

Enrolled Pensioners, &c. No. 248.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Enrolled Pensioners, &c., which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant April, be printed.

East India (Boydell's Traction Engine.) No. 249.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (*Boydell's* Traction Engine), which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant April, be printed.

Bed of the Sea, &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Statements of all Legal Proceedings instituted by the Law Officers, or otherwise on behalf of the Crown, with respect to the Title of the Crown to the Bed or Shores of the Sea, or the Beds or Shores of Tidal Navigable Rivers, against Corporate Bodies or Private Individuals, from the year 1830 up to the present time:—Of the Nature and Object of the Suit in each case; the Name of the Law Officer by whom it was commenced; and whether the decision or result was in favour of or adverse to the Crown; and the Amount of Costs incurred on the behalf of the Crown:—Of the Length of Time during which each Suit was pending before it was brought to a conclusion or its object was attained; the nature of the steps taken therein; and any observations necessary to explain the same:—Of the Terms upon and Authority or Advice under which any such Proceedings have been settled:—Of the Estimated Value of any Property that has by means of such Suits been recovered by the Crown:—Of the Cases in which such Suits have been discontinued by the Law Officers of the Crown:—And, of the Particulars of all Cases in which the Title of the Crown to Property of the above description has since 1830 been admitted without litigation, the estimated Value of the Property, with a Statement showing how the same has been leased or disposed of.

Income Tax.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return stating the Names of the Parishes or Places in which a Re-assessment has been made under the Income Tax Act since the imposition of the Tax in 1842, by reason of the default of Collectors, and showing the Amount of such Re-assessment in each case, and the year in which it was made.

Ecclesiastical Commission.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Report, dated the 21st day of January 1858, made by the Estates Committee of the Ecclesiastical Commission on the subject of Local Claims upon Property vested in the Commission;—And, of the Minute of the Resolution of the Board of the 11th day of February 1858, having reference thereto.

Poor Relief (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—A Return of the Expenditure on the Relief of the Poor in each Union in *Ireland*, for the year ended 29th September 1857, and of the Total Numbers relieved in and out of the Workhouse in each Union during the same period.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

East India (Civil Service.)

Mr. *Henry Baillie* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Regulations framed by the Commissioners for the Affairs of *India*, for the Examination of Candidates for appointment to the Civil Service of the *East India* Company.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Local Acts. No. 118.

Mr. *Corry* presented, by Her Majesty's Command, —Further Reports from the Admiralty, relative to Applications for Local Acts.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Government of India (No. 3.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3);

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "the change of circumstances since the first proposal by Her Majesty's late advisers to transfer the "Government of *India* from the *East India* Company to the Crown, renders it inexpedient to proceed further with legislation on the subject during "the present Session," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:* } 447.
Tellers for the Noes, { Lord *Harry Vane*, Mr. *Gregory:* } 57.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. *Resolved*, That as the Territories under the Government of the *East India* Company are by Law to remain under such Government only until Parliament shall otherwise provide, it is expedient that the transfer of such Government to the Crown should now take place, in order that the direct Superintendence of the whole Empire may be placed under one Executive authority.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That for this purpose it is expedient to provide, that Her Majesty, by one of Her Principal Secretaries of State, shall have and perform all the Powers and Duties relating to the Government and Revenues of *India* which are or may be now exercised and performed by the *East India* Company, or by the Court of Directors or Court of Proprietors of the said Company, either alone or with the approbation of the Commissioners for the Affairs of *India*.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Message from the Lords. Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Birmingham and Staffordshire Gas Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Birmingham* and *Staffordshire* Gas Bill, without any Amendment:

Cheltenham Water Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Cheltenham* Water Bill, without any Amendment:

Whitehaven Harbour Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Whitehaven* Harbour Bill, without any Amendment:

Edinburgh Life Assurance Company Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Edinburgh* Life Assurance Company Bill, without any Amendment:

Oaths Bill. The Lords have agreed to the Oaths Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Gosport Water Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Gosport* Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Oaths Bill. Bill 71. *Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Oaths Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next; and be printed.

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Portumna Bridge (Ireland) Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Portumna* Bridge (*Ireland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill;

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

Chelsea Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Chelsea* Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Local Government Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Local Government Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 1° *die Maii*, 1858:

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 3d day of June next.

Excise Duties Bill. The Excise Duties Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Land Transport Corps. The Select Committee on the Land Transport Corps was nominated of General *Codrington*, Colonel *North*, the Judge Advocate, Lord *Adolphus Vane Tempest*, Mr. *Roebuck*, Mr. *Kingscote*, Lord *John Hay*, Mr. *Patrick O'Brien*, Mr. *Thomas Duncombe*, Mr. *Cowan*, Captain *Sturt*, Lord *Claud Hamilton*, and Sir *John Ramsden*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum.

Spirits. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Number of Proof Gallons of *British* Spirits on which Duty was paid in *Ireland*, in the years ending the 31st day of December 1856 and 1857 respectively; the Amount of Duty received on same; the actual Deficiency in Proof Gallons, and the Allowance made by the Inland Revenue for such Deficiency in Proof Gallons and Money (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 224, of Session 1856).

River Thames. *Ordered*, That the Select Committee on the River *Thames* do consist of seventeen Members.

Ordered, That Sir *John Shelley* and Mr. Alderman *Cubitt* be added to the Committee.

Juries (Ireland) Bill. *Ordered*, That the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 3° *die Maii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Mid-Kent Railway (Croydon Extension) Bill.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Croydon* Extension) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Public Petitions (Twenty-sixth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 29th and 30th days of April last; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Birmingham Canal Navigations Bill.

The *Birmingham* Canal Navigations Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Brentford Gas Bill.

The *Brentford* Gas Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Garngad Road Bill.

The *Garngad* Road Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Cornwall Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Cornwall* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Eastern Counties Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Eastern Counties Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London and South Western Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London* and South Western Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Manchester Poor Bill.

Ordered, That the *Manchester* Poor Bill be recommitted to the former Committee.

Plymouth Great Western Docks Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Plymouth* Great Western Docks Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Stokes Bay Railway and Pier Bill.

Ordered, That the *Stokes Bay* Railway and Pier Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Trent Navigation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Trent* Navigation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill.

The Select Committee on the *Hainault* Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill was nominated of Mr. *Hamilton*, Mr. *Whitmore*, Mr. *Crawford*, Mr. *Deedes*, Mr. *Beresford*, Mr. *James Wilson*, and Five Members to be added by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees.

Vide Votes, and Twenty-seventh Report.

Private Bills (Group M.)

Mr. *Stanhope* reported from the Committee on Group M. of Private Bills; That, at the meeting of the Committee this day, a Letter was received from Viscount *Galway*, Chairman of the said Committee, stating that he was unable, on account of illness, to attend the Committee this day.

Ordered, That Viscount *Galway* be discharged from further attendance on the said Committee.

Chiswick Improvement Bill.

Mr. *Stanhope* reported from the Committee on Group M. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Chiswick* Improvement Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out that part of it relating to the money raised, and debt charged on the parish of *Chiswick*, by the Metropolitan Board of Works, as the Committee did not think it expedient to alter, by a Local Act, arrangements already provided for by a General Act; and found the same, as amended, to be true, and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Victoria Park Approach) Bill.

Mr. *Stanhope* reported the Metropolitan Board of Works (*Victoria Park* Approach) Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group O.)

Colonel *Pennant* reported from the Committee on Group O. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, they had adjourned until Friday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Irish Revenue Police.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Memorial from the Officers of the late *Irish* Revenue Police to the Lords of the Treasury, presented on the 23d day of March last to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with the accompanying Statement of the present and of the proposed Retiring Allowances:—And, of the Treasury Minute made thereon.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Walter* have leave of absence for two months;—and, Mr. *Charles Gilpin* a fortnight, on account of domestic affliction.

Education.

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of April last, for a Return relative to Education.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Poor Relief (Ireland.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to Poor Relief (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 30th day of April last, be printed.

East India (Civil Service.)

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *East India* (Civil Service), which was presented upon the 30th day of April last, be printed No. 251.

East India (Press.)

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of March last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Press).

Straits of Malacca.

Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of April last, for a Return relative to the Straits of *Malacca*.

South Kensington Museum, &c.

Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of April last, for Returns relative to the South *Kensington* Museum, &c.

Local Acts. No. 118.

Mr. *Corry* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—A Further Report from the Admiralty relative to Applications for Local Acts.

Navy.

Mr. *Corry* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 23d day of March last, for a Return of the Money saved in Wages by paying off eight Line-of-Battle Ships in the Spring of 1857.

Navy.

Return to an Order, dated the 25th day of March last, for a Return relative to the Number of Continuance Service Men in the Navy on 1st January 1857.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the first be printed.

Exchequer Bonds (£.2,000,000) Bill.

The Exchequer Bonds (£.2,000,000) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Stamp Duty on Drafts Bill.

The Stamp Duty on Drafts Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Government of India (No. 3.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3.)

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That for this purpose it is expedient to provide, that Her Majesty, by one of Her Principal Secretaries of State, shall have and perform all the Powers and Duties relating to the Government and Revenues of *India*, which are or may be now exercised and performed by the *East India* Company or by the Court of Directors or Court of Proprietors of the said Company, either alone or with the approbation of the Commissioners for the Affairs of *India*.

Amendment proposed, to leave out from the first word "That" to the end of the proposed Resolution, in order to add the words "in order to insure "the Administration of such Government with due "care, caution and efficiency, all the Powers and "Duties now vested in the *East India* Company, "the Court of Directors or the Court of Proprietors "of the said Company, either alone or with the "approbation of the Commissioners for the Affairs "of *India*, shall be exercised and performed by a "Minister of the Crown in Council."

Question put, That the words "for this purpose "it is expedient to provide, that Her Majesty" stand part of the proposed Resolution;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 351.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Ayrton*, Sir *Henry Willoughby*: } 100.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 4° *die Maii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill;

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

Clerks of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Chancery Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Chancery Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 8, agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Franchise Prisons Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Franchise Prisons Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Portumna Bridge (Ireland) Bill.

The *Portumna* Bridge (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill;

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

Chelsea Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Chelsea* Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Trustees' Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Trustees' Relief Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Juries (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday the 17th day of this instant May.

Confirmation of Executors, &c.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Confirmation of Executors in *Scotland*, and to extend over all parts of the United Kingdom the effect of such Confirmation, and of Grants of Probate and Administration: And that the Lord Advocate, Mr. Secretary *Walpole*, and Mr. Attorney General do prepare, and bring it in.

Magistrates' Clerks' Fees.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Gross Amount of Clerks' Fees received by each Clerk to the Magistrates of every City and Town in *England* and *Wales* of more than Ten thousand Inhabitants, during each of the years 1855, 1856 and 1857.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Debtors and Creditors.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize and carry into execution the voluntary Assignments of Debtors for the benefit of their Creditors: And that Mr. *Headlam*, Mr. *Ridley* and Mr. *Hutt* doprepare, and bring it in.

Prideaux's Furnace-valve Door.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report made by Mr. *Murray* to the Board of Admiralty in 1854, on the Trial of *Prideaux*'s self-closing Furnace-valve Door in the Dockyard at *Portsmouth*.

Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill. Bill 72.

The Lord Advocate presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Confirmation of Executors in *Scotland*, and to extend over all parts of the United Kingdom the effect of such Confirmation, and of Grants of Probate and Administration: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of this instant May; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 4° die Maii;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Group Q.)

MR. *Bouverie* reported from the Committee on Group Q. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned until Monday the 10th day of May, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway Bills (Group 4)

Ordered, That the Committee on Group 4 of Railway Bills have leave to sit this day till Five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the *Oxford, Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Great Northern and Western of Ireland Railway Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the Great Northern and Western of *Ireland* Railway Bill, the Standing Orders have been complied with.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill, that they have Power to make Provision therein, pursuant to the prayer of the said Petition.

Gosport Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Gosport* Water Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

East Suffolk Railway Bill.

The East *Suffolk* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill.

The *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Vale of Towy Railway Bill.

The Vale of *Towy* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway Bill.

The *Ware, Hadham* and *Buntingford* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Blackburn Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Blackburn* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Horsham Turnpike Trust Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Horsham* Turnpike Trust Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Sufferance Wharves, Port of London Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Sufferance Wharves, Port of *London* Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Stokes Bay Railway and Pier Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Stokes Bay* Railway and Pier Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Liverpool Improvement Bill.

Sir *Benjamin Hall* reported from the Committee on Group J. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Liverpool* Improvement Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by inserting a recital of the existing Acts under which the Corporation levy Rates, similar Clauses being inserted in the Bill for levying the Rates thereby authorized; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group J.)

Sir *Benjamin Hall* reported from the Committee on Group J. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned until Friday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees.

Vide Votes, and Twenty-seventh Report.

Barracks (Metropolis.)

General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 18th day of March last, for a Return relative to Barracks (Metropolis).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Probate Duty.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of April last, for a Return relative to Probate Duty.

Public Works (Ireland.)

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—An Account by the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland*, to the 31st March 1858, of the Amounts placed at their disposal for Loans, by the Acts 1 & 2 *Will.* 4, c. 33, and subsequent Acts; showing the Amounts

advanced, the Amounts unissued, the Repayments into the Exchequer on account thereof, the Balance of Principal and Interest outstanding, distinguishing each class of Loans, and showing the Amounts advanced and repaid during the year ending 31st March 1858.

Education. No. 252.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Education, which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant May, be printed.

East India (Press.) No. 253.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Press), which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant May, be printed.

Straits of Malacca. No. 254.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Straits of *Malacca*, which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant May, be printed.

South Kensington Museum, &c. No. 255.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the South *Kensington* Museum, &c., which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant May, be printed.

Navy. No. 256.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Amount of Money saved in Wages by paying off eight Line-of-Battle Ships in 1857, which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant May, be printed.

Navy. No. 257.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Number of Continuance Service Men in the Navy on 1st January 1857, which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant May, be printed.

Private Bills (Group H.)

Colonel *Pinney* reported from the Committee on Group H. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned until Thursday the 6th day of May, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Standing Orders.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Victoria Station and Pimlico Railway Bill.

1. That in the case of the *Victoria* Station and *Pimlico* Railway, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision accordingly, if the Committee on the Bill shall think fit.

Mid-Kent Railway (Croydon Extension) Bill.

2. That in the case of the Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Croydon* Extension), Petition for additional Provision, and for dispensing with Standing Order 139, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

The first Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Victoria Station and Pimlico Railway Bill.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for additional Provision in the *Victoria* Station and *Pimlico* Railway Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill, that they have Power to make Provision therein, pursuant to the prayer of the said Petition.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dodson* have leave of absence for six weeks, on account of a domestic affliction.

East India (Sums repaid.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Sums repaid by the *East India* Company in the year 1857–58, and of the manner in which such Sums have been appropriated.

Loans, &c. to Foreign States.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of all Sums of Money paid or advanced by way of Loan, Subsidy, or otherwise, to any Foreign State, from the year 1854 up to the present time, arranged alphabetically, showing the Total Amount now owing by each (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 466, of Session 1854).

Mediterranean, &c. Telegraphic Communications.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of all Proposals made to Her Majesty's Government or to the *East India* Company, by or on behalf of Private Individuals, Companies, or any Foreign State, for the Establishment of Telegraphic Communications in the *Mediterranean*, or with *India* by way of the *Red Sea* or *Persian Gulf*; and of all Replies thereto:——And, of all Conventions entered into or Contracts made, and of all Treasury Minutes, Extracts from Correspondence with Her Majesty's Representatives Abroad, and Communications between the various Departments of Her Majesty's Government, in reference thereto.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Iron Ordnance Factory (Woolwich.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Total Expenditure upon the Establishment at *Woolwich* for the manufacture of Iron Ordnance, from the 1st day of January 1854 to the 31st day of March 1858, to be separately specified under the following Heads, *viz.*——Buildings, Machinery, Stores of all kinds, Salaries, Wages, and Miscellaneous Expenses for each year:——And, of the Number of Guns and Mortars completed, and also those in process of manufacture.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to facilitate the Sale and Transfer of Land in *Ireland*: And that Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland*, Mr. Secretary *Walpole*, Lord *Naas* and Mr. Solicitor General do prepare, and bring it in.

Danubian Principalities.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to submit to Her Majesty that this House, bearing in mind the obligations imposed by the Treaty of *Paris*, so far as they affect the *Danubian* Principalities, has observed with satisfaction the general tenor and spirit of the Declaration recorded by Her Majesty's Chief Plenipotentiary at the Conferences of 1856, concerning the future organization of those Territories:——And humbly to convey to Her Majesty the earnest hope of this House, that, in the further prosecution of this important subject, just weight may be given to those wishes of the people of *Wallachia* and of *Moldavia* which, through their representatives elected in conformity with the said Treaty, they have recently expressed;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Gladstone*, Mr. Serjeant *Deasy*: } 114.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 292.

So it passed in the Negative.

Metropolitan Workhouses, &c.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the condition and administration of the Metropolitan Workhouses, and into the general arrangements made and carried out by the Parochial Authorities of the Metropolis for giving relief to the Poor:—It passed in the Negative.

London Corporation Regulation Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given for the Sworn Deputy Corn Meters, the Sworn Deputy Fruit Meters, and the Fellowship Porters of the City of *London*, to be heard by Counsel, upon their Petitions, before the Select Committee on the *London* Corporation

ration Regulation Bill, with reference to the 66th Clause of the said Bill.

Dead Letter Office.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Letters sent to the Dead Letter Office during the year 1857, in continuation of the Return, No. 60, of the present Session; and showing exactly how much has been carried to the account of the Life Insurance Fund during the year as the Proceeds of lost Property.

Destitution (Gweedore and Cloughnaheely.)

The Select Committee on Destitution (*Gweedore* and *Cloughnaheely*) was nominated of Sir *Edmund Hayes*, Mr. *Philip Wykeham Martin*, Mr. *Dobbs*, Lord *Naas*, Sir *Michael Shaw Stewart*, Sir *William Somerville*, Mr. Serjeant *Deasy*, Mr. *Maguire* and Mr. *Bagwell*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurii, 5° *die Maii*, 1858:

Belfast Constabulary.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Report to the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* by Messrs. *Fitzmaurice* and *Goold*, with the Minutes of the Evidence taken by them at the Inquiry into the Conduct of the Constabulary during the Disturbances at *Belfast* in July and September 1857.

Land Transport Corps.

Ordered, That Lord *Claud Hamilton* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on the Land Transport Corps.

Ordered, That Viscount *Newport* be added to the Committee.

Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, for enabling Ecclesiastical Corporations, aggregate and sole, to grant Leases for long Terms of years: And that Mr. Secretary *Walpole* and Mr. *Hardy* do prepare, and bring it in.

Oxford and Cambridge Universities, &c. Estates.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to give to the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge*, and the Colleges in those Universities, and to the Colleges of *Saint Mary* of *Winchester*, near *Winchester*, and of King *Henry* the Sixth at *Eton*, Power to sell, enfranchise and exchange Lands under certain conditions, and also to grant Leases for Agricultural, Building and Mining purposes, and to deal with the Interests of their Lessees under proper Reservations and Restrictions: And that Sir *William Heathcote*, Mr. *Gladstone*, Mr. Secretary *Walpole* and Mr. *Wigram* do prepare, and bring it in.

Tribunals of Commerce, &c.

The Select Committee on Tribunals of Commerce, &c., was nominated of Mr. *Ayrton*, Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *Collier*, Mr. *Cross*, Mr. *Joseph Ewart*, Mr. *Ridley*, Mr. *Paull*, Mr. *Scholefield*, Mr. *Gard*, Mr. *Lyall*, Mr. *Hankey*, Mr. *Henry Gore Langton*, Mr. *John Benjamin Smith*, Mr. *Blake* and Mr. *Basil Woodd*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum.

Property Qualification Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Property Qualification Bill;

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

Galway Freemen Disfranchisement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Galway* Freemen Disfranchisement Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Exchequer Bonds (£.2,000,000) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Exchequer Bonds (£.2,000,000) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Franchise Prisons Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Franchise Prisons Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Non-parochial Registers Act Amendment.

The Order, That leave be given to bring in the Non-parochial Registers Act Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Non-parochial Registers.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Act concerning Non-parochial Registers and the Acts for Marriages, and for registering Births, Deaths and Marriages in *England*, and concerning Vaccination: And that Mr. Secretary *Walpole* and Mr. *Hardy* do prepare, and bring it in.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* presented a Bill to facilitate the Sale and Transfer of Land in *Ireland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 13th day of this instant May; and to be printed.

Bill 73.

Non-parochial Registers Bill.

Mr. Secretary *Walpole* presented a Bill to amend the Act concerning Non-parochial Registers and the Acts for Marriages, and for registering Births, Deaths and Marriages in *England*, and concerning Vaccination: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Bill 74.

Oxford and Cambridge Universities, &c. Estates Bill.

Mr. Secretary *Walpole* presented a Bill to give to the Universities of *Oxford* and *Cambridge*, and the Colleges in those Universities, and to the Colleges of *Saint Mary* of *Winchester*, near *Winchester*, and of King *Henry* the Sixth at *Eton*, Power to sell, enfranchise and exchange Lands under certain conditions, and also to grant Leases for Agricultural, Building and Mining purposes, and to deal with the Interests of their Lessees under proper Reservations and Restrictions: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Bill 75.

Shipping.

Mr. *Henley* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 9th day of February last, for Returns relative to Shipping.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Mercurii, 5° *die Maii;*

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Limerick City Election.

Sir *Francis Baring* reported from the General Committee of Elections, the Names of the Members of the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the County of the City of *Limerick*, to which they had annexed

the Petition referred to them by the House relating thereto:

Smith Child, Esquire (*Staffordshire*, North);
Charles Cowan, Esquire (*Edinburgh* City);
John Henry Gurney, Esquire (*King's Lynn*);
William Stirling, Esquire (*Perthshire*);
Alexander Murray Dunlop, Esquire (*Greenock*), Chairman.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Banbridge, Lisburn and Belfast Junction Railway Bill.

Mr. *Headlam* reported from the Committee on Group 14 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Banbridge*, *Lisburn* and *Belfast* Junction Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by confining the recital as to working agreements, to agreements between the Company and the *Ulster* Railway Company; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Belfast and County Down Railway Bill.

Mr. *Headlam* reported from the Committee on Group 14 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Belfast* and County *Down* Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out all that related to certain proposed Extensions, to arrangements with the *Dublin* and *Belfast* Junction Railway Company and the *Portpatrick* Railway Company, and to the increase of the Capital of the *Belfast* and County *Down* Railway Company, the Promoters of the Bill having abandoned that portion of the Bill which related to additional Works; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Luton Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Luton* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Saint Andrew's and Quebec Railroad Company (Class A. Shareholders) and New Brunswick and Canada Railway and Land Company Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Saint Andrew's* and *Quebec* Railroad Company (Class A. Shareholders), and *New Brunswick* and *Canada* Railway and Land Company Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill. Bill 76.

The Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill. Bill 77.

Mr. Secretary *Walpole* presented a Bill to amend the Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, for enabling Ecclesiastical Corporations, aggregate and sole, to grant Leases for long Terms of years: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Public Petitions (Twenty-seventh Report.)

Mr. *Wise* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 3d day of this instant May, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, and Twenty-eighth Report.

Formartine and Buchan Railway Bill.

Mr. *Egerton* reported the *Formartine* and *Buchan* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Wigram* have leave of absence for three weeks, on account of ill health.

Barracks (Metropolis.) No. 258.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Barracks (Metropolis), which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant May, be printed.

Public Works (Ireland.) No. 259.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Public Works (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant May, be printed.

Shipping. No. 260.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Shipping, which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant May, be printed.

Ecclesiastical Commission.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of April last, for a Return relative to the Ecclesiastical Commission.

Dover Harbour.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—An Account of Receipts and Expenditure by the Honourable Warden and Assistants of the Harbour of *Dover*, in the County of *Kent*, from the 10th day of October 1856 to the 10th day of October 1857.

Marriage Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Marriage Law Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Viscount *Bury*, Mr. *Schneider*: } 174.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Hope*, Mr. *Puller*: } 134.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 20th day of this instant May.

Ecclesiastical Residences (Ireland) Bill. Bill 78.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Ecclesiastical Residences (*Ireland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next; and be printed.

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Roads, &c. (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Roads, &c. (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 17th day of June next.

Reformatory Schools (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Reformatory Schools (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

The

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Exchequer Bonds (£.2,000,000) Bill.

The Exchequer Bonds (£.2,000,000) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for raising the Sum of Two Millions by Exchequer Bonds.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Railway Bills (Group 9.)

Mr. *Frederick North* reported from the Committee on Group 9 of Railway Bills; That Viscount *Bury*, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present during the sitting of the Committee this day.

Ordered, That Viscount *Bury* do attend the said Committee To-morrow.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 6° die Maii;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Private Bills (Group Q.)

Mr. *Edward Pleydell Bouverie* reported from the Committee on Group Q. of Private Bills; That Mr. *Massey*, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present within one hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the Committee this day.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Caledonian Railway (Branch to Port Carlisle Railway) Bill.

Mr. *Knatchbull-Hugessen* reported the *Caledonian* Railway (Branch to Port *Carlisle* Railway) Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Isle of Wight Poor Bill.

Mr. *Beaumont* reported from the Committee on Group K. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Isle of Wight* Poor Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Aberdeen, Peterhead and Fraserburgh Railway Bill.

Mr. *Egerton* reported from the Committee on Group 12 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Aberdeen*, *Peterhead* and *Fraserburgh* Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Edinburgh and Glasgow, and Stirling and Dunfermline Railways Bill.

Mr. *Egerton* reported from the Committee on Group 12 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Edinburgh* and *Glasgow* and *Stirling* and *Dunfermline* Railways Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by stating more fully the Capital raised by the said Companies, and limiting the Provisions as to holding superfluous Lands to the Undertaking of the *Edinburgh* and *Glasgow* Railway Company; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Fife and Kinross and Kinross-shire Railways Bill.

Mr. *Egerton* reported from the Committee on Group 12 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Fife* and *Kinross* and *Kinross-shire* Railways Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by stating that the Companies had agreed to execute the Works and construct the Joint Station; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Staines, Wokingham and Woking Railway Bill.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported from the Committee on the *Staines*, *Wokingham* and *Woking* Railway Bill, that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by erasing certain allegations having reference to the Junction Railway, the Powers to construct which were omitted from the Bill as submitted to the Committee; by making alterations to show more clearly the object and extent of the proposed Provisions relative to forfeited Shares; and by restricting the allegations of the expediency of the proposed Lease, to a Lease to the *London* and South Western Railway Company in conformity with alterations made in the body of the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Salisbury and Yeovil Railway Bill.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported from the Committee on the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway Bill; That with respect to the Standing Order, No. 140, the Committee (having regard to the special circumstances of this case, and the unrestricted nature of the arrangements between the two Companies already sanctioned by Parliament) have, in pursuance of the Power in this behalf given to them by the Order of the House of the 13th day of April last, retained the Powers of Sale contained in the Bill; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by adding paragraphs to show the time limited for the completion of a portion of the *London* and South Western Railway Company's Line, with which the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* unites, and by omitting a statement of the expediency of postponing the period at which the forfeiture of the bond given for securing the completion of the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway is to accrue; and also a statement of the expediency of authorizing a Lease of the Undertaking, the Provisions for those purposes having been omitted from the amended Bill, as submitted to the Committee; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Luton, Dunstable and Welwyn Junction, and Hertford and Welwyn Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

Mr. *Pease* reported from the Committee on Group 4 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Luton*, *Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction, and *Hertford* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by making verbal alterations therein; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Cornwall Railway Bill.

The *Cornwall* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Limerick City Election.

The Names of the five Members appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for the City of *Limerick*, were called over; and being come to the

the Table, four of the said Members were sworn by the Clerk; and *John Henry Gurney*, Esquire, one other of the said Members, having been one of the people called Quakers, and entertaining conscientious objections to the taking of an Oath, made an Affirmation, administered by the Clerk, to the effect of the Oath required to be taken by Law.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee do meet To-morrow, in one of the Committee-rooms of the House, at Twelve of the clock.

Eastern Counties Railway Bill.

The Eastern Counties Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London and South Western Railway Bill.

The *London* and South Western Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Trent Navigation Bill.

The *Trent* Navigation Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Vauxhall Bridge Road Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Vauxhall* Bridge Road Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for repealing so much of several Acts for building *Vauxhall* Bridge, and for making convenient Roads thereto, as relate to certain of such Roads; providing for the future Maintenance and Repair of such Roads, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Windsor New Road Bill.

Ordered, That the *Windsor* New Road Bill be re-committed to the former Committee:—And that they have leave to sit and proceed To-morrow.

East Kent Railway (Western Extension) Bill.

The Earl of *March* reported from the Committee on Group 5 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the East *Kent* Railway (Western Extension) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out all reference to the Mid-*Kent* Railway, the Provisions relating to that Railway having been struck out of the Bill as amended, and also by omitting a reference to certain Powers affecting the South Eastern Railway Company, the Provisions relating to such Powers having also been struck out of the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mid-Kent Railway (Bromley to Saint Mary Cray) Bill.

The Earl of *March* reported from the Committee on Group 5 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary Cray*) Bill, the Parties promoting the Bill had stated to the Committee, that it was not the intention of the Promoters to proceed with the same.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

South Eastern Railway (Dartford, New Cross, &c.) Bill.

The Earl of *March* reported from the Committee on Group 5 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the South Eastern Railway (*Dartford, New Cross*, &c.) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway and Canal Bills (Group 8.)

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway and Canal Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned until Monday the 10th day of May, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway Bills (Group 2.)

Sir *Erskine Perry* reported from the Committee on Group 2 of Railway Bills; That, there being no Bill for consideration by the Committee until Monday next, they had adjourned until that day, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, and Twenty-ninth Report.

Railway Bills (Group 2.)

Ordered, That Sir *John Ramsden* be discharged from further attendance on Group 2 of Railway Bills.

Inland Revenue.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return for the years 1853, 1854, 1855 and 1856, of the Total Sums of Money received in each year by all the Inland Revenue Collections in *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, included in Classes Nos. 1 and 2, specified by Name:——Like Return of the Total Sums received in each of the same years from the Collection of *Belfast* in Class No. 3; all to be specified under the following heads:—Excise; Land and Assessed Taxes; and Income Tax:——And, Return of the Number of Distillers, Maltsters, Paper Makers, and Excise Licenses, Warehouses for Bonding *British* Spirits, and the Number of Proof Gallons of Spirits made in each of such Collections, and removed under Bond to other Collections.

Navy.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Seamen and Petty Officers of the Royal Navy and Marines who allot a portion of their Pay for the support of their Families and others; and showing the Place of Residence of such Persons.

Vessels and Tonnage, &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Number of Vessels and Tonnage entered inwards and cleared outwards at each of the Twelve principal Ports of the United Kingdom; also, the Official Value of Imports and Exports for each of the said Ports, during the year 1857 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 190, of Session 2, 1857).

Coals (Woolwich and Portsmouth.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Coals tried at *Woolwich* and *Portsmouth* Dockyards; specifying the Description of Coal, with the evaporative Power, Amount of Ash, Clinker, and Smoke; to be transmitted in a tabulated form.

Interments in Vaults.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Applications made to the Secretary of State, from the Date of the passing of the Act for Licenses for Interments in Vaults in or under Churches or other Places of Worship, under the Provisions of the Act 16 & 17 *Vic.* c. 134, s. 4; stating, in regard to each Application, whether it has been granted or refused:——And, similar Return in respect to Graves of Vaults in Burial Grounds during the year 1857.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Army (Crimea.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of all Officers of the *British* Army who served in the *Crimea* during the late War with *Russia*; the Dates of their Arrival and Departure from the *Crimea*; and the Actions in which they were engaged; distinguishing those decorated with the "Medjidie" from those who were not so decorated.

Name, Rank and Regiment.	Date of Arrival.	Date of Departure.	Actions in which engaged.	Whether decorated or not with the Medjidie.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Civil Service Estimates.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the unexpended Balances of former Votes under each head of the Civil Service Estimates on the 31st day of March 1858, whether issued or unissued from the Exchequer.

Brentford and Richmond Railway Bill.

Mr. *Fenwick* reported the *Brentford* and *Richmond* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonization and Settlement (India.)

Ordered, That the Petition of Landed Proprietors, Indigo Planters, Merchants, and Traders in *Calcutta* and the Lower Provinces of *Bengal*, which was presented upon the 23d day of February 1857;—and, the Petitions of Members of the Indigo Planters' Association in *Bengal*;—and, *British* Subjects resident in *Calcutta* and the Mofussil Districts of the Residency of *Fort William* in *Bengal*, which were presented upon the 15th day of May 1857, be referred to the Select Committee on Colonization and Settlement (*India*).

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them from time to time to the House.

(First Report.) No. 261.

Mr. *William Ewart* reported from the said Committee; That they had taken Evidence on the matters to them referred, and had agreed to report the same to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Harbours of Refuge. No. 262.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Detailed Statement relative to Harbours of Refuge; showing the Total Estimated Cost of the Works proposed; the Sums already voted by Parliament for each Harbour; the Amount required to be voted in the present year ending the 31st day of March 1859; and the Sums that will be necessary for the Completion of the Works:——And, Copy of Reports from the Engineers in charge of the Works for the four Quarters of the year ending the 31st day of March 1858 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 116, of Session 2, 1857).

Mr. *Hamilton* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Hampstead Heath Park Bill.

Mr. *Stanhope* reported from the Committee on Group M. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Hampstead Heath* Park Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Committee on Group M. of Private Bills have leave to make a Special Report, so far as relates to the *Hampstead Heath* Park Bill. Hampstead Heath Park Bill.

Mr. *Stanhope* reported from the said Committee; That in the case of the *Hampstead Heath* Park Bill, they had agreed to the following Special Report:— (Special Report.)

The Committee, having carefully considered the case, have decided to negative the Preamble of the Bill; but, as they are strongly impressed with the public utility of the proposed Purchase of *Hampstead Heath* for the purposes of the recreation and health of the labouring classes of the Metropolis, they wish to impress upon the Metropolitan Board of Works the urgent necessity of taking the matter into their serious attention, with the view of securing *Hampstead Heath* for the public without any unnecessary delay, as, owing to the peculiar circumstances of the case, the Committee much fear that the selling price of the property will be largely increased if deferred much longer.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—An Account showing all the Sums which have been received into the Treasury Chest (late Commissariat Chest Account), and which have been paid out of the same, between 1st April 1856 and 31st March 1857, and of the Assets and Liabilities of the Chest on the latter day. Treasury Chest. No. 263.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—An Account of all Monies received during the year ended the 31st day of March 1858, to the Account of Her Majesty's Exchequer at the Bank of *England* and of *Ireland*, under the respective heads of Public Revenue; the Amount of all Royal Orders and Treasury Warrants received, and of the Credits and Transfers made by the Comptroller General of the Exchequer, the Payments by the Bank of *England*, and the Balance remaining to the Account of the Exchequer, at each Bank on 31st March 1858. Exchequer.

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of February last, for a Return relative to Metropolitan Turnpike Trusts. Metropolitan Turnpike Trusts.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a General Order issued by the Commissioners for administering the Laws for Relief of the Poor in *Ireland*. Poor Relief (Ireland.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Probate Duty, which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant May, be printed. Probate Duty. No. 264.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the nature, origin and extent of the Tenant Right Custom in *Ireland*, the alleged recent violations of it in various Counties, and to consider and report how far it may be practicable to protect, for the benefit of the occupying Tenants, the Property which has been created under that Custom; Tenant Right (Ireland.)

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Greer*, / Mr. *Maguire:* } 43.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, / Colonel *Taylor:* } 232.

So it passed in the Negative.

County Franchise (Scotland.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to assimilate the County Franchise of *Scotland* with that of *England*;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Caird*, Mr. *Bowyer*: } 84.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 103.

So it passed in the Negative.

Whitecross-street Prison.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Correspondence which may have taken place between the City Authorities and the Home Secretary, with reference to the present Bye-Laws and Regulations of the Debtors' Prison in *Whitecross-street*:——Return of the Charities and other Funds belonging to such Prison:——And, Copy of any Reports which may have been made to the Home Secretary with reference to such Prison.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Fisheries.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Order in Council of the 6th day of April 1858, approving certain Rules made by the Lords' Committee of Privy Council for the more effectual observance of the Convention between Her Majesty and the King of the *French*, concerning the Fisheries in the Seas between the *British* Islands and *France*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Cooper *v.* Slade.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House, a Copy of the Opinions of the Judges on the 15th day of February last, in the case *Cooper* v. *Slade:* And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Government of India Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Government of *India* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 20th day of this instant May.

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

The *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday the 14th day of this instant May.

Chelsea Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Chelsea* Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Property Qualification Bill.

The Property Qualification Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

Franchise Prisons Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Franchise Prisons Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Prince Edward Island Loan.

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of guaranteeing a Loan to be raised for the service of *Prince Edward Island*;

General *Peel*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Veneris, 7° *die Maii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

South Eastern Railway and Mid-Kent Railway (Bromley to Saint Mary Cray) Companies Bill.

MR. *Hornby* reported from the Committee on Group 5 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the South Eastern Railway and Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary Cray*) Companies Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Electric Telegraph Company Bill.

Sir *Philip Egerton* reported from the Committee on Group K. of Private Bills; That the Parties promoting the Electric Telegraph Company Bill had stated to the Committee, that it was not their intention to proceed with the same.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Windsor New Road Bill.

Colonel *Pennant* reported the *Windsor* New Road (re-committed) Bill, with further Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Dean Forest Turnpike Trust Bill.

Colonel *Pennant* reported the *Dean* Forest Turnpike Trust Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Dean Forest Turnpike Trust Bill (Special Report.)

Ordered, That the Committee on Group O. of Private Bills have leave to make a Special Report, so far as relates to the *Dean* Forest Turnpike Trust Bill.

Colonel *Pennant* reported from the said Committee; That in the case of the *Dean* Forest Turnpike Trust Bill, they had agreed to the following Special Report:—

That considerable difficulty has been experienced by the Committee in arranging the affairs of this Trust, extending over 65 miles or thereabouts of roads, in consequence of two-thirds of such roads being within townships which, being extra-parochial, are, under the existing law, not liable to the repair of highways.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Carlisle, Langholm and Hawick Railway Bill.

Mr. *George Clive* reported the *Carlisle*, *Langholm* and *Hawick* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions (Twenty-eighth Report.)

Mr. *Wise* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 4th and 5th days of this instant May, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Blackburn Railway Bill.

The *Blackburn* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Horsham Turnpike Trust Bill.

Ordered, That the *Horsham* Turnpike Trust Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

A Motion

Stokes Bay Railway and Pier Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Stokes Bay* Railway and Pier Bill be now read the third time;

General *Peel*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Sufferance Wharves, Port of London, Bill.

The Sufferance Wharves, Port of *London*, Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Balby and Worksop Road Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Balby* and *Worksop* Road Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mid-Kent Railway (Croydon Extension) Bill.

The Order, That the Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Croydon* Extension) Bill be committed, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Railway and Canal Bills (Group 11.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Foljambe* be discharged from further attendance on Group 11 of Railway and Canal Bills.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill.

Sir *Benjamin Hall* reported from the Committee on Group J. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out the recital referring to the extension of the North River Wall on the *Liverpool* side of the River *Mersey*; and found the same, as amended, to be true; that a Report from the Board of Trade, dated in April 1858, on the subject of the said Bill, had been referred to the Committee, who have considered the observations and recommendations therein contained, and with regard to the periods for executing the new Works, to the appropriation of Land on the South Reserve to the Great Western, *London* and North Western, and *Birkenhead, Lancashire* and *Cheshire* Junction Railway Companies, to the omission of the Power to make the sea-wall at the north end of the *Liverpool* Docks, to the purchase of premises of the *Birkenhead* Railway Company adjacent to the Great Float, and to the purchase from the Corporation of *Liverpool* of its reversion in property at *Birkenhead;* and have amended the Bill in reference to the views expressed in the Report; they have not, however, thought it fit to settle by the Bill the terms or principles in which such purchases should be made, conceiving that those are points which might reasonably be left to the Parties themselves to arrange; they have also considered the observations contained in the said Report, in regard to the policy of deferring the execution of the northern entrances at *Birkenhead*, until it is seen how the other entrances work; but the Committee, after considering the circumstances of the case, have come to the conclusion, not to make any special Provision in that respect; they have also considered the recommendations in the Report of the Admiralty in regard to this Bill, and have inserted Clauses accordingly; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill.

Sir *Benjamin Hall* reported from the Committee on Group J. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by correcting the recital of the Act 20 & 21 *Vic.* c. 162, and by adding a recital stating the expediency of repealing 5 *Geo.* 4, c. 73, "An Act for the better regulation and encouragement of Pilots of the Port of *Liverpool*," pursuant to the Instruction of the House on the Petition for additional Provision; and found the same, as amended, to be true; that a Report from the Board of Trade, dated in April 1858, on the subject of this Bill has been referred by the House to the Committee, who have considered the observations and recommendations therein contained, and have adopted such of them as they considered necessary or applicable to the circumstances of the case; with regard to the clause "Remedy in collision cases," referred to in such Report, they have altered the Provision by reducing the amount to be recovered before a Justice from £. 100 to £. 50, and omitting the Proviso which rendered the master of the vessel liable, although she was in charge of a pilot, but still making the clause applicable to all persons doing damage to vessels in the port; with regard to the *Rock Perch* Lighthouse they have not altered the position of the Board or that of the Corporation of *Liverpool* in regard to their respective rights and duties in reference to the Lighthouse; the property in the Lighthouse is stated to belong to the Corporation, who it appears have expended a large sum of money in erecting it, and they are not consenting to transfer it absolutely to the Board, but Provision has been made for maintaining the Light; with regard to the pilotage of the Port, they have placed it under the control of the Board, to be managed by a special committee, not exceeding twelve in number, one-third of whom shall be persons familiar with the duties and qualifications of pilots, and not members of the Board, and which committee is to be deemed a committee of the Board for pilotage purposes only, and will thereby become subject to the general supervision of the nominating body; they have also, under the circumstances, thought it convenient to insert in the Bill the whole code of laws applicable to the *Liverpool* pilots, without rendering a reference to the Merchants' Shipping Act in that respect necessary; they have also not thought it necessary to make any special alteration in regard to the differential pilotage charge on foreign ships, part of which charge has now to be paid out of the Public Exchequer, as the Committee did not consider that such Provisions should be made in a Bill which was promoted under the special requirements of an Act of the last Session of Parliament for the consolidation of certain local Statutes; with regard to the Town Dues, they have not thought it expedient to open the question of Town Dues, or to determine their amount, or to declare that the Board should have an undisputed Parliamentary title to levy them, but have inserted a clause requiring the Board to revise them within twelve months after the passing of the Act, subject to the approval of the Board of Trade, leaving the whole question as to the legality or otherwise of levying such dues untouched; with regard to the River clause referred to in such Report, they have not adopted the line suggested thereby, but have struck a line from the Rock Ferry slip on the *Cheshire* shore of the *Mersey* to the southern end of the *Harrington* Docks at *Liverpool*, which they consider will amply meet the requirements of the case; that, pursuant to the Instruction of the House, they had made Provision in the Bill; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Shoreham to Henfield, &c.) Bill.

Sir *Erskine Perry* reported the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway (*Shoreham* to *Henfield*, &c.) Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Devon Valley Railway Bill.

Mr. *Egerton* reported the *Devon* Valley Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Twenty-ninth Report.

East India (Oude.) No. 265.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Letter from the Secretary to the Government of *India* with the Governor General, to the Secretary to the Chief Commissioner of *Oude*, dated the 3d day of March 1858:——Of the Proclamation enclosed therein, and ordered to be published in *Oude*:——And, of a Letter from the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company to the Governor General of *India* in Council, dated the 19th day of April 1858, relating to that Proclamation.

Mr. *Henry Baillie* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill;

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

Oxford and Cambridge Universities, &c. Estates Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Universities, &c. Estates Bill;

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

Spirits.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Gallons of *British*, Colonial, and Foreign Spirits respectively, distinguishing the same, on which Duty was paid in *Scotland*, yearly, for the Eight years ending on or about the 15th day of May 1858:——Of the Number of Gallons of *British* Spirits manufactured in *Scotland*, and sent to *England* and *Ireland* for Consumption there, during each of those years, till the passing of the Act 18 *Vic.* c. 22, for assimilating the Duties in *England* and *Scotland*, in May 1855:——And, since May 1855, of the Number of Gallons which appear, from the Accounts in the Inland Revenue Office, to have been sent yearly to *England* and *Ireland*, under Excise Certificates for the removal of Duty-paid Spirits in *Scotland*, in accordance with the Provisions of the Act 11 & 12 *Vic.* c. 121, s. 13.

Cumbrae Lights.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Annual Gross Revenue of the *Cumbrae* Light Trust for each year since 1837, and of the Annual Expenditure and Appropriation of such Revenue for each of the same years; distinguishing the Amount annually expended in maintaining the Lights and Lighthouses, with the particulars thereof; the Amount annually expended in the Improvement of the Navigation of the *Clyde* below *Greenock*; the Amount annually paid to the Town of *Greenock*; the Amount annually expended in improving the Navigation between *Greenock* and Port *Glasgow*; the Amount expended in the partial removal of any Bank or Shoal opposite to the Town of Port *Glasgow* in the year 1856, with particulars thereof; the Amount annually expended in the Improvement in the Navigation between Port *Glasgow* and *Dumbarton*; the like for the Improvement of the Navigation between *Dumbarton* and *Glasgow*; and the Amount otherwise expended.

Loans (Public Works.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns showing the Amount remaining unissued to the Credit of the Commissioners for the Advance of Loans for Public Works in *Great Britain* and *Ireland*; together with all further Sums since placed to their Credit (under the several Acts of Parliament passed for that purpose), from the 5th day of January 1853 to the 5th day of January 1858:—— Of the Amount advanced to Borrowers, and contracted to be advanced, between the 5th day of January 1853 and the 5th day of January 1858; with the Dates of such Advances; the Objects thereof, and how repaid; the Rates of Interest; Amount of Interest paid, and Principal repaid:——Abstract, showing the Total of Principal and Interest paid into Her Majesty's Exchequer on account of Loans advanced by the Commissioners, under the Act 57 *Geo.* 3, c. 34, and subsequent Acts, ending the 5th day of January 1858 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 909, of Session 1853):—— And, Copy of the full Correspondence of the Exchequer Loan Commissioners with the Secretary of the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway Company, as to the Non-payment of Interest and Arrears.

Edinburgh and Hawick Railway Bill (1845), &c.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committees on the *Edinburgh* and *Hawick* Railway Bill, in Session 1845, and the North *British* Railway Company (No. 1) Bill, in Session 1847, be referred to the Committee on Group 13 of Railway Bills, with reference to the North *British* Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Sir *Richard Levinge* have leave of absence for six weeks, on account of a domestic affliction.

Oaths Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Oaths Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Examinations (Army.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of Report of the Examination held in the month of January last, for the Royal Military Academy at *Woolwich*:—And, of the Correspondence between the Reverend Canon *Moseley* and the Council of Military Education, as to the mode of conducting Competitive Examinations.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Exchequer. No. 266.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Exchequer, which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant May, be printed.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Oxford University.

Mr. *Henley* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Regulations framed by the *Oxford* University Commissioners in relation to certain Scholarships in *Saint Mary Hall*, and *Saint Mary Magdalene Hall*; and of a Statute framed by the said University for the application of the Gift or Endowment of Dr. *George Aldrich*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Exchequer Bills (£. 20,911,500) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Exchequer Bills (£. 20,911,500) Bill, without any Amendment:

Nottingham Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Nottingham* Gas Bill, without any Amendment:

Madras Irrigation and Canal Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Madras* Irrigation and Canal Bill, without any Amendment:

Chester Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Chester* Gas Bill, without any Amendment:

The

Haslingden and Rawtenstall Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Haslingden* and *Rawtenstall* Water Bill, without any Amendment:

Liskeard and Looe Union Canal Company's Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Liskeard* and *Looe* Union Canal Company's Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Folkestone Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Folkestone* Water Bill, without any Amendment:

Aberdare Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Aberdare* Water Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Dundalk and Enniskillen Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Dundalk* and *Enniskillen* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Sculcoates and Kingston-upon-Hull Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Sculcoates* and *Kingston-upon-Hull* Gas Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Stamp Duty on Drafts Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Stamp Duty on Drafts Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Grant of Stamp Duty on certain drafts).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 12: After the word "the," to insert the words "space of two "weeks from the."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13: After the word "money" to insert the words "exceeding two pounds sterling."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, agreed to.

Clause (Provided always, that it shall be lawful for any banker, or person acting as a banker, to whom a draft or order is presented for payment, if such draft or order requires to be stamped with a penny stamp, and has not been so stamped, to affix an adhesive stamp of one penny to such draft or order, and having affixed and duly cancelled such stamp, then to pay such draft or order; and that it shall in like manner be lawful for any person to whom any such unstamped draft or order may be tendered to affix thereto an adhesive penny stamp, and, after having duly cancelled the same, to receive such draft or order in payment, and to negotiate and circulate the same)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time——put, and negatived.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Government of India (No. 3.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3.)

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That the words "by "one of Her Principal Secretaries of State, shall "have and perform all the powers and duties "relating to the Government and Revenues of "*India* which are or may be now exercised and "performed by the *East India* Company, or by "the Court of Directors or Court of Proprietors "of the said Company, either alone or with the "approbation of the Commissioners for the Affairs "of *India*," stand part of the proposed Resolution.

Amendment proposed, to leave out the words "one of Her Principal Secretaries of State," in order to insert the words "a President of Council "for the Government of *India*."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Resolution:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, to leave out the words "Her Principal Secretaries of State," in order to insert the words "the responsible Ministers "of the Crown."

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the proposed Resolution——put, and negatived.

Question, That the words "the responsible Ministers of the Crown" be there inserted——put, and agreed to.

2. Original Question, as amended, That for this purpose it is expedient to provide that Her Majesty, by one of the responsible Ministers of the Crown, shall have and perform all the powers and duties relating to the Government and Revenues of *India* which are or may be now exercised and performed by the *East India* Company, or by the Court of Directors or Court of Proprietors of the said Company, either alone or with the approbation of the Commissioners for the Affairs of *India*——put, and agreed to.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That in order to assist such Minister of the Crown in the discharge of his duties, it is expedient that a Council be appointed of not less than Twelve nor more than Eighteen Members.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Chancery Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Chancery Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Trustees' Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Trustees' Relief Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Non-parochial Registers Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Non-parochial Registers Bill;

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

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of this instant May.

Chelsea Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill.

The *Chelsea* Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Franchise Prisons Bill.

The Franchise Prisons Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Gas (Metropolis.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report as to the existing arrangements for the Supply of Gas to the Metropolis.

Emigration.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Gross Number of Emigrants to *America* during the years 1855, 1856 and 1857, specifying the Number of those who sailed in *British* vessels from those who sailed in foreign vessels.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 8° *die Maii*, 1858:

Magistrates.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of all Persons who have been appointed as Magistrates in *England* and *Wales* since the 1st day of March last; specifying the Names of those recommending them to such Commissions; the Dates of such Appointments; the County or Town for which appointed; and according to the following Tabular Form:

Name of Person appointed.	Date of Appointment.	Name of Person recommending.	County or Town to which appointed.

—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Stade Tolls.

The Select Committee on the Stade Tolls was nominated of Mr. *Henley*, Sir *James Graham*, Lord *Ashley*, Mr. *Ricardo*, Mr. *Milner Gibson*, Mr. *Cardwell*, Mr. *Seymour FitzGerald*, Mr. *Bright*, Mr. *Grogan*, Mr. *Blackburn*, Mr. *Bentinck*, Mr. *Villiers*, Mr. *Hutt*, Mr. *Fenwick*, and Mr. *Bowyer*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum.

Justices of the Peace.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names o the several Boroughs and of the several Counties of Cities and Towns in *England* and *Wales* for which Persons have been assigned to act as Justices of the Peace; and also the Names of the Persons so assigned to act as such Justices since the 1st day of January 1850, under the Act 5 & 6 *Will.* 4, c. 76.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Victoria Station and Pimlico Railway Bill No. 267.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Instructions to *Thomas Page*, Esquire, C. E., from the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, on the subject of the *Victoria* Station and *Pimlico* Railway Bill:——Of Mr. *Page*'s Report in reply, dated the 3d day of May 1858:——And, of a Letter from the Secretary of the Board of Works to the Solicitors for the Bill, dated the 4th day of May 1858.

Lord *John Manners* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 10° *die Maii;*

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Limerick City Election.

MR. *Dunlop*, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition of *Thomas Cochrane* and *Edward Hartigan*, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the City of *Limerick*, informed the House, That the Committee had determined,

That *George Gavin*, Esquire, is not duly elected a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Limerick*.

That the last Election for the said City of *Limerick* is a void Election.

And the said Determinations were ordered to be entered in the Journals of this House.

Mr. *Dunlop*, from the said Select Committee, further informed the House, That the Committee had agreed to the following Resolutions:

That *George Gavin*, Esquire, was, by his agents, guilty of bribery at the last Election for the City of *Limerick*.

That it was proved to the Committee that *John Doherty*, a voter, was bribed by *John M'Carthy*, with two "Orders" for £. 2 and £. 6 respectively, and by *Morgan R. Howard*, with an Order for £. 2, in virtue of which Orders he received the value of £. 10 in goods and money from *James Fife*, a grocer, to whom, after application by post to *John O'Donnell*, the said sum of £. 10 was paid by the hands of *Morgan R. Howard*.

That *John Brown*, junior, residing at *O'Brien*'s Bridge, in the County of *Clare*, and formerly an Officer in the 15th Regiment of Foot, and afterwards in the *Clare* Militia, was bribed with £. 10 by *Daniel Doyle* to procure the votes of certain voters, tenants of his father, and that in consideration of such bribe he induced seven of those tenants to vote for the said *George Gavin*, Esquire.

That these acts of bribery were committed without the knowledge and consent of the said *George Gavin*, Esquire, and contrary to his express instructions.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group Q.)

Mr. *Bouverie* reported from the Committee on Group Q. of Private Bills; That the Parties opposing the *Belfast* (Town) Improvement Bill had stated that the evidence of *Charles Brassington* was essential to enable them to establish their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move, That the said *Charles Brassington* do attend the said Committee on Tuesday the 11th day of May, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That *Charles Brassington* do attend the said Committee To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

Luton Gas Bill.

The *Luton* Gas Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The

Saint Andrew's and Quebec Railroad Company (Class A. Shareholders) and New Brunswick and Canada Railway and Land Company Bill.

The *Saint Andrew's* and *Quebec* Railroad Company (Class A. Shareholders) and *New Brunswick* and *Canada* Railway and Land Company Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Horsham Turnpike Trust Bill.

The Order for reading the third time the *Horsham* Turnpike Trust Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to the former Committee:—And that they have leave to sit and proceed forthwith.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum.

Banbridge, Lisburn and Belfast Railway Bill (*changed* from Banbridge, Lisburn and Belfast Junction Railway.)

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Banbridge*, *Lisburn* and *Belfast* Railway Bill (changed from *Banbridge*, *Lisburn* and *Belfast* Junction Railway), as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Besselsleigh Road Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Besselsleigh* Road Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Blyth Harbour and Dock Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Blyth* Harbour and Dock Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Exeter and Exmouth Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Exeter* and *Exmouth* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Formartine and Buchan Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Formartine* and *Buchan* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Inverury and Old Meldrum Junction Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Inverury* and *Old Meldrum* Junction Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Liverpool Improvement Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Liverpool* Improvement Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Manchester, Hyde and Mottram Road Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Manchester*, *Hyde* and *Mottram* Road Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Victoria Park Approach) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Metropolitan Board of Works (*Victoria* Park Approach) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Norwich Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Norwich* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Luton, Dunstable and Welwyn Junction and Hertford and Welwyn Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

The Order, That the Report on the *Luton*, *Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction and *Hertford* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill do lie upon the Table, and be printed, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to the former Committee:—And that they have leave to sit and proceed To-morrow.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum.

Victoria Station and Pimlico Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the *Victoria* Station and *Pimlico* Railway Bill, which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant May, be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Globe Insurance Company Bill.

A Petition of the Chairman and Secretary of the Globe Insurance Company, praying that Provision may be made in the Globe Insurance Company Bill for the imposition of a Stamp Duty of Five pounds for the first Memorial enrolled pursuant to the said Bill, declaratory of the Names of the then existing Trustees of the Company, and for the like Duty of Five pounds for every such Memorial as aforesaid, of the appointment of a new Trustee or Trustees, with such Provisions and Regulations for the collection of the same as Stamp Duties, and such other Provisions relative thereto, as to the House shall seem fit, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Globe Insurance Company [Stamp Duty on Memorials.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorizing the imposition of a Stamp Duty for and upon the first Memorial which may be enrolled, pursuant to a Bill to enable the Globe Insurance Company to alter and amend some of the Provisions of their Deed of Settlement, and to confer further Powers on the Company, from which Memorial the Names of the Persons who shall be deemed, held and taken to be the Trustees of the Company shall appear, and upon and for every other such Memorial in which the Name of any Person shall for the first time be inserted as a Trustee of the Company, in lieu of the Stamp Duties which would otherwise be payable upon the deeds, surrenders, admissions or assurances in the law which, in case the said Bill were not passed, would be required, in order from time to time to vest the Trust Estates and Property of the Company in the Trustees for the time being of the Company;

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees.

Vide Votes, and Thirtieth Report.

Public Petitions (Twenty-ninth Report.)

Mr. *Owen Stanley* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 6th and 7th days of this instant May, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Queen Anne's Bounty.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of all Fees, Allowances, Gratuities, Perquisites and Emoluments paid to the Treasurer of the Governors of the Bounty of Queen *Anne*, under the second section of the Act 10 & 11 *Vic.* c. 98, during each year since the passing of the said Act, distinguishing the Dioceses in respect of which such payments have been made.

Army (Crimea.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of all Officers of the *British* Army who served in the *Crimea* during the late War with *Russia*; the Dates of their Arrival and Departure from the *Crimea*; the Actions in which they were engaged; whether they did any Duty in the Trenches; distinguishing those decorated with the Order of the Bath, *Victoria* Cross,

the Legion of Honour, Médaille Militaire, the *Sardinian* Order or Medal, and the Medjidie.

Name, Rank and Regiment.	Date of Arrival.	Date of Departure.	Actions in which Engaged.	Whether did Duty in Trenches.	Decorations.					
					Order of the Bath.	Victoria Cross.	Legion of Honour.	Médaille Militaire.	Sardinian Order or Medal.	Medjidie.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Reformatories. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Parents or Step-parents against whom Proceedings have been authorized by the Secretary of State for the Home Department, under the Statute 18 & 19 *Vic.* c. 87, with a view to obtain Contributions from them towards the maintenance of their Children detained in Reformatories; of the Number of such Parties now contributing; and the Total Amount that has been received; all for the Twelve Months ending the 31st day of March 1858.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Small Tenements. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of the Parishes in *England*, where an Order has been made by the Vestry to put in force the Act 13 & 14 *Vic.* c. 99, for the better assessing and collecting the Poor Rates and Highway Rates in respect of Small Tenements.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Limerick City Writ. A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Limerick*, in the room of *George Gavin*, Esquire, whose Election has been determined to be void:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Tees Conservancy. The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of February last, for a Return relative to the *Tees* Conservancy.

Arterial Drainage (Galway.) Return to an Order, dated the 29th day of April last, for a Return relative to Arterial Drainage (*Galway*).

Irish Revenue Police. Return to an Order, dated the 3d day of this instant May, for a Return relative to the *Irish* Revenue Police.

Bankruptcy. The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Returns of the Official Assignees of the Court of Bankruptcy, showing the Total Amounts of their Receipts and Payments for the year ending the 31st December 1857, upon every Estate under their Charge as such Official Assignees; and also, the Balances appearing by their Books to be then in the Bank of *England*, standing to the credit of the Accountant in Bankruptcy of every such Estate; and also the Balances of every such Estate then in the hands or under the power or control of such Official Assignees; together with the Returns showing the several Sums allowed to them as Official Assignees for Remuneration and for Petty Expenses, under every Estate under their Charge, during the year 1857.

Court of Session (Scotland.) Copy of Warrant granting Compensation Allowances to *Hector Mason*, Assistant Clerk in the Court of Session in *Scotland*, year 1857.

Land Tax. A Statement of the Expenses incurred under the Acts for the Redemption and Sale of the Land Tax, and for discharging the Incidental Expenses attending the execution of those Acts, from the 31st March 1857, the period to which the last Account was made up, to the 31st March 1858.

Queen's College (Galway.) Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the President of Queen's College, *Galway*, for the year 1856-57.

Fisheries. Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 6th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to Fisheries.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ecclesiastical Commission. No. 268. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to the Ecclesiastical Commission, which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant May, be printed.

Oxford University. No. 269. *Ordered*, That the Paper relative to *Oxford* University, which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant May, be printed.

Oaths Bill. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Oaths Bill.

The first Amendment, to leave out Clause 5, being read a second time;

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House doth disagree with the Lords in the said Amendment;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Hayter*, Mr. *John Abel Smith*: } 263.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Newdegate*, Mr. *Warren*: } 150.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the other Amendment, to leave out Clause 8, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be offered to the Lords at a Conference for disagreeing to the said Amendments.

The House was moved, That the Certificate of the Return of the Indenture sent by the Crown Office, in obedience to the Writ issued by Mr. Speaker on the 23d day of July 1857, for a new Election for the City of *London*, might be read: And the same was read, as followeth:

These are to certify, that *Lionel Nathan de Rothschild*, commonly called Baron *Lionel Nathan de Rothschild*, is returned a Citizen to serve in the present Parliament for the City of *London*, as by Indenture bearing date the 28th day of July 1857, delivered into my Office this day, and there now remaining of Record appears.

Given under my hand at the said Office, this 28th day of July 1857.

C. Romilly,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

Then Lord *John Russell*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir *John Pakington*, Lord *Stanley*, Mr. Attorney General, Viscount *Palmerston*, Sir *Cornewall Lewis*, Sir *George Grey*, Mr. *Labouchere*, Sir *James Graham*, Mr. *Gladstone*, Mr. *Cardwell*, Sir *Richard Bethell*, Mr. *Bright*, Mr. *Milner Gibson*, Mr. *Horsman*, Mr. *Byng*, Mr. *Dillwyn*, Mr. *Thomas Duncombe*, Mr. *Headlam*, Mr. *Roebuck*, Mr. *Moncreiff*, Mr. *John FitzGerald*, Mr. Serjeant *Deasy*, and

and Mr. *John Abel Smith*, were nominated Members of the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Baron *Lionel Nathan de Rothschild* be one other Member of the said Committee:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow, at half an hour after Four of the clock.

Stamp Duty on Drafts Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Stamp Duty on Drafts Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 121,977, to complete the Sum for Departments of the Secretary of State for War, and of the General Commanding in Chief.
2. £. 233,000, to complete the Sum for Manufacturing Establishments, Military Storekeepers, Barrack Masters, &c.
3. £. 358,317, to complete the Sum for Wages of Artificers, Labourers, &c.
4. £. 460,460, to complete the Sum for Clothing and Necessaries.
5. £. 690,624, to complete the Sum for Provisions, Forage, Fuel and Light, Barrack Furniture, Bedding, &c.
6. £. 420,727, to complete the Sum for Warlike Stores for Land and Sea Service.
7. £. 192,736, to complete the Sum for Fortifications at Home and Abroad.
8. £. 72,780, to complete the Sum for Civil Buildings at Home and Abroad.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum not exceeding £. 397,091, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Barracks at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the item of £. 88,000, towards completing the permanent Barracks at *Aldershot*, be omitted from the proposed Vote——put, and negatived.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the item of £. 73,000, for the erection of a new Hospital at *Netley*, be omitted from the proposed Vote——put, and agreed to.

9. Original Question, as amended, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 324,091, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Barracks at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859——put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 11° *die Maii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(In the Committee.)

Consolidated Fund.

Resolved, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Sum of £. 11,000,000 be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Prince Edward Island* Loan; **Prince Edward Island Loan.**

Ordered, That the Papers relative to *Prince Edward Island*, which were presented upon the 16th day of April last, be referred to the Committee.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That Her Majesty be authorized to guarantee the repayment of a Loan, to an amount not exceeding £. 100,000, for the Service of the Colony of *Prince Edward Island*, together with the Interest thereon, not exceeding 4 *per centum per annum*; and that Provision be made out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, for the payment from time to time of such Sums of Money as may become payable by Her Majesty under such Guarantee.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill; **Universities (Scotland) Bill.**

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 21st day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill; **Clerks of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.**

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill; **Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill.**

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Chancery Amendment Bill. **Chancery Amendment Bill.**

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 9, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses added.

Preamble amended, and agreed to.

Title amended.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and had amended the Title, as followeth:

A Bill to amend the course of Procedure in the High Court of Chancery, the Court of Chancery in *Ireland*, and the Court of Chancery of the County Palatine of *Lancaster*.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Non-parochial Registers Bill.

The Non-parochial Registers Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Non-parochial Registers [Registrar General's Salary.]

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorizing an increase in the Salary of the Registrar General for Births, Deaths and Marriages in *England*, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session relative to Non-parochial Registers.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Customs Duties (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Customs Duties (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment:

Excise Duties Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Excise Duties Bill, without any Amendment:

Exchequer Bonds (£.2,000,000) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Exchequer Bonds (£.2,000,000) Bill, without any Amendment:

Cooper v. Slade.

The Lords communicate a Printed Copy of Opinions delivered by the Judges on the Questions of Law propounded to them in the Cause in Error "*Cooper* v. *Slade*," delivered on the 15th day of February last, as desired by this House.

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of the ninth and tenth years of Her present Majesty, chapter thirty-nine, and abolish Foot Passenger Tolls on *Chelsea* Bridge, after Payment of the Sum of Ninety-eight thousand Seven hundred and Seventy-seven pounds Ten shillings and Sixpence: And that Lord *John Manners* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Navy.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of able Seamen who volunteered from the Merchant Service for the Navy, from the 1st day of October 1853 to the end of December 1854; distinguishing those who had never served in the Navy:——Like Return for 1855:——And, like Return of Ordinary Seamen and Landsmen.

Sea Fencibles.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Authority under which the Sea Fencibles were organized during the last War with *France*, and the Date of the Authority; their Number, Duties and Remuneration.

Stanhope and Wolsingham Rectories.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the future Appropriation of the Tithe or Tenth of Lead Ores in the Parishes of *Stanhope* and *Wolsingham*, in the County of *Durham*, belonging to the respective Rectors thereof, subject to the existing Incumbencies; and for making other Provisions for the Endowment of the said Rectories in lieu thereof; and for other purposes connected therewith: And that Lord *Harry Vane*, Mr. *Ingham*, Mr. Secretary *Walpole* and Mr. *Hardy* do prepare, and bring it in.

Prescription (Ireland) (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for shortening the Time of Prescription in certain cases in *Ireland:* And that Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland*, Mr. *Bland* and Lord *Naas* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ballindine National Schools.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of all Correspondence and Reports in reference to the three National Schools of *Ballindine*, County *Mayo*, from the 1st day of May 1857 to the present Date.

Church of England Special Services Bill.

The Order for reading a second time this day the Church of *England* Special Services Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 20th day of this instant May.

Medical Profession Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Medical Profession Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2d day of June next.

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill. Bill 79.

Lord *John Manners* presented a Bill to amend the Act of the ninth and tenth years of Her present Majesty, chapter thirty-nine, and abolish Foot Passenger Tolls on *Chelsea* Bridge, after Payment of the Sum of Ninety-eight thousand Seven hundred and Seventy-seven pounds Ten shillings and Sixpence: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Stanhope and Wolsingham Rectories Bill. Bill 80.

Lord *Harry Vane* presented a Bill for the future appropriation of the Tithe or Tenth of Lead Ores in the Parishes of *Stanhope* and *Wolsingham*, in the County of *Durham*, belonging to the respective Rectors thereof, subject to the existing Incumbencies; and for making other Provisions for the Endowment of the said Rectories in lieu thereof; and for other purposes connected therewith: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Shoreham, Horsham and Dorking Railway Bill.

Sir *Erskine Perry* reported from the Committee on Group 2 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Shoreham*, *Horsham* and *Dorking* Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Prescription (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill. Bill 81.

Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* presented a Bill for shortening the Time of Prescription in certain cases in *Ireland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Superannuation Act.

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Supplemental Report of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the operation of the Superannuation Act.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 11° *die Maii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Taunton Water Bill.

MR. *FitzRoy* reported the *Taunton* Water Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Hesketh Marsh Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Hesketh* Marsh Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by adding two recitals as to the Parties in whom the Lands are vested in respect of which a right of pre-emption to the Land to be sold under the Provisions of the Bill would accrue, and as to those Parties waiving their right, in order to make the same more accurately accord with the Provisions of the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Corris, Machynlleth and River Dovey Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Corris*, *Machynlleth* and River *Dovey* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained

tained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same, and added thereto a recital of the Act 15 & 16 *Vic.* c. 166, authorizing the construction of a Tramroad in the same locality and direction, the Powers of which Act have now expired; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Lancashire and Yorkshire and East Lancashire Railway Companies Bill.

Mr. *Frederick North* reported from the Committee on Group 9 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* and East *Lancashire* Railway Companies Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by inserting a recital that no Land had been taken or Works made for the *Burscough* Branch therein mentioned; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Private Bills (Group Q.)

Mr. *Edward Pleydell Bouverie* reported from the Committee on Group Q. of Private Bills; That, in consequence of the early sitting of the House on Wednesday, the Committee had adjourned until Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Waterford Gas Bill.

Sir *Philip Egerton* reported the *Waterford* Gas Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Private Bills (Group H.)

Mr. *Dillwyn* reported from the Committee on Group H. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned to Tuesday next, the 18th of May, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway Bills (Group 7.)

Mr. *Scholefield* reported from the Committee on Group 7 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned from this day to Monday next, at One of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Llanelly Harbour Bill.

Mr. *Scholefield* reported from the Committee on Group 7 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Llanelly* Harbour Bill (which had been referred to the Committee for consideration), they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, so as to make the recitals therein express more clearly and definitely the further Powers necessary to be conferred on the Commissioners; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway Bills (Group 4.)

Ordered, That the Committee on Group 4 of Railway Bills have leave to sit this day till Five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Ballymena, Ballymoney, Coleraine and Portrush Junction Railway Bill.

Mr. *Headlam* reported from the Committee on Group 14 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Ballymena*, *Ballymoney*, *Coleraine* and *Portrush* Junction Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out that part which alluded to the construction of a Branch or Junction Line of Railway, and also that part which referred to the leasing of the original Railway by the *Belfast* and *Ballymena* Railway Company, the necessity for the proposed new Works not having been proved to the satisfaction of the Committee; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Bleaching and Dyeing Works. No. 270.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Bleaching and Dyeing Works have Power to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them to the House.

Mr. *Cobbett* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Aberdare Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Aberdare* Water Bill: And the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Dundalk and Enniskillen Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Dundalk* and *Enniskillen* Railway Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Sculcoates and Kingston-upon-Hull Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Sculcoates* and *Kingston-upon-Hull* Gas Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Maidstone Gas Bill.

The *Maidstone* Gas Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Globe Insurance Company [Stamp Duty on Memorials.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Globe Insurance Company [Stamp Duty on Memorials].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That a Stamp Duty of Five pounds shall be payable for and upon the first Memorial which may be enrolled, pursuant to a Bill to enable the Globe Insurance Company to alter and amend some of the Provisions of their Deed of Settlement, and to confer further Powers on the Company, from which Memorial the Names of the Persons who shall be deemed, held and taken to be the Trustees of the Company shall appear; and upon and for every other such Memorial in which the Name of any Person shall for the first time be inserted as a Trustee of the Company, the like sum of Five pounds, in lieu of the Stamp Duties which would otherwise be payable upon the deeds, surrenders, admissions or assurances in the law which, in case the said Bill were not passed, would be required in order from time to time to vest the Trust Estates and Property of the Company in the Trustees for the time being of the Company.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Railway Bills (Group 9.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Hussey Vivian* and Viscount *Bury* be discharged from further attendance on Group 9 of Railway Bills.

Ordered, That Sir *Edward Colebrooke* and Mr. *Charles*

Charles Wykeham Martin be added to the Committee.

Victoria Station and Pimlico Railway Bill.

Mr. *Philipps* reported from the Committee on Group 6 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Victoria* Station and *Pimlico* Railway Bill, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 4th day of May, the Committee have inserted in the Bill the additional Provisions referred to in such Resolution; that they have considered the Papers referred to them by the House on the 10th of May, and have made Provision in the Bill requiring that the approval of the First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings shall be given to the working drawings of the bridge over the embankment road, and also Provisions for preventing nuisances and securing the ornamental planting of the slopes of embankment, as suggested in Mr. *Page*'s Report, and which Provisions alone the Committee deemed it expedient to insert; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out the recital of the intention to confer Powers upon certain Companies of making working arrangements, and of subscribing to the undertaking, such Powers not being now sought in respect of the said Companies; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by Mr. *Pulman*, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

Exchequer Bills (£.20,911,500) Bill. An Act for raising the Sum of Twenty million nine hundred and eleven thousand five hundred pounds by Exchequer Bills, for the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight:

Exchequer Bonds (£. 2,000,000) Bill. An Act for raising the Sum of Two millions by Exchequer Bonds:

Customs Duties (No. 2) Bill. An Act for the further Amendment of the Duties of Customs:

Excise Duties Bill. An Act for granting certain additional Rates and Duties of Excise:

Customs Duties Bill. An Act for the Alteration of certain Duties of Customs:

General Board of Health (Skipton, &c.) Bill. An Act to confirm a certain Provisional Order of the General Board of Health, applying the Public Health Act, 1848, to the District of *Skipton*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*; and to further declare the Limits of the District of *Toxteth* Park, in the County Palatine of *Lancaster*, for the purposes of the said Act:

Cambridge University Matriculation and Degrees Bill. An Act to repeal the Stamp Duties payable on Matriculation and Degrees in the University of *Cambridge*:

Birmingham and Staffordshire Gas Bill. An Act to empower the *Birmingham* and *Staffordshire* Gas-Light Company to raise a further Sum of Money:

Cheltenham Water Bill. An Act to empower the *Cheltenham* Waterworks Company to raise a further Sum of Money:

Whitehaven Harbour Bill. An Act to amend the Act fifty-sixth King *George* the Third, chapter Forty-four, for improving the Port, Harbour and Town of *Whitehaven*, in the County of *Cumberland*, in relation to the Securities to be granted for borrowed Money:

Edinburgh Life Assurance Company Bill. An Act for conferring additional Powers and Privileges on the *Edinburgh* Life Assurance Company:

Chester Gas Bill. An Act to incorporate the *Chester* United Gas Company, and to confer upon them further Powers for the Supply of Gas to the City and Borough of *Chester*, and the Suburbs thereof:

Nottingham Gas Bill. An Act to enable the *Nottingham* Gas-Light and Coke Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to afford a Supply of Gas to Places in the Neighbourhood of *Nottingham*, and for other purposes:

Madras Irrigation and Canal Bill. An Act for incorporating "The *Madras* Irrigation and Canal Company," and for other purposes connected therewith:

Haslingden and Rawtenstall Water Bill. An Act to extend the Time for the Construction of the *Haslingden* and *Rawtenstall* Waterworks:

Gosport Water Bill. An Act for supplying with Water the Inhabitants of *Gosport*, *Forton* and *Anglesey*, and other Places in the Parish of *Alverstoke*, in the County of *Hants*:

Folkestone Water Bill. An Act to enable the *Folkestone* Waterworks Company to raise further Moneys, and to confer upon them other Powers:

Liskeard and Looe Union Canal Company's Railway Bill. An Act to empower the *Liskeard* and *Looe* Union Canal Company to construct a Railway from *Moors Water* to *Looe*, all in the County of *Cornwall*, and for other purposes:

Acton's Naturalization Act Amendment Bill. An Act to repeal so much of an Act passed in the seventh year of the reign of his late Majesty King *William* the Fourth, and in the first year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, "An Act for Naturalizing Dame *Marie Louise Pelline De Dalberg Acton* and her Infant Son Sir *John Emerich Edward Dalberg Acton*, Baronet," as enacts that the said Sir *John Emerich Edward Dalberg Acton*, Baronet, shall not thereby be enabled to be of the Privy Council, or a Member of either House of Parliament, or to take any Office or Place of Trust either Civil or Military, or to have any Grant of Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments from the Crown to himself, or any other Person or Persons in trust for him.

Stanhope and Wolsingham Rectories Bill. *Ordered*, That in the case of the *Stanhope* and *Wolsingham* Rectories Bill, the Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills have leave to sit and proceed forthwith.

Standing Orders. Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Bill. 1. That in the case of the *Oxford*, *Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

West End of London and Crystal Palace Railway Bill. 2. That in the case of the West End of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway, Petition for dispensing with Standing Order 140, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with, so far as the same provides that the proof in the said Order mentioned shall be given "previously to the application to Parliament," that the proof of compliance with the said Standing Order be adduced before the Committee on the Bill; that the Committee on the Bill do report how far such Order has been complied with on the Report of the Bill.

The second Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Llandaff and Canton District Markets Bill. Mr. *Mills* reported from the Committee on Group N. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Llandaff* and *Canton* District Markets Bill, they had examined

examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out that "it is alleged that the right exists to hold fairs," such right in fact existing; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Thirty-first Report.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Andover Canal Railway Bill.

Mr. *Fenwick* reported the *Andover* Canal Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

North British Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill.

Mr. *George Clive* reported from the Committee on Group 13 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the North *British* Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out a paragraph making a distinction between different parts of the Company's undertaking which appeared unnecessary, and by altering and adding words to two paragraphs relating to certain rights of wayleaves, and to a description of the Company's capital, in order to make such paragraphs more in accordance with the Powers taken by the Bill, and by adding a paragraph referring to a Schedule to the Bill, containing a statement of the Company's capital and borrowing Powers; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Justices of the Peace.

The Order made upon the 7th day of this instant May, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She would be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return relative to Justices of the Peace, was read, and discharged.

Justices of the Peace.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of the several Boroughs and of the several Counties of Cities and Towns in *England* and *Wales*, for which Persons have been assigned to act as Justices of the Peace; and also the Names of the Persons so assigned to act as such Justices since the 1st day of January 1850; specifying the Names of the Persons recommending them; the Dates of such Assignments; the Borough or County of City or Town for which assigned so to act, and according to the following Tabular Form:—

Name of Person assigned to act as Justice.	Date of Appointment.	Name of Person recommending.	Borough or County of City or Town for which appointed.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty' Most honourable Privy Council.

Land Transport Corps.

Ordered, That the Report of, and Minutes of the Evidence taken before, the Select Committee on the Land Transport Corps, in the last Session, be referred to the Select Committee on the Land Transport Corps.

Endowed Schools (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be added to the Return relative to Endowed Schools (*Ireland*), ordered by this House on the 25th day of March last, a Copy of the Explanation of the Secretary of the Endowed School Commission, and of the Treasury Minute of May 1858, on the subject of the Printing of the Reports of, and Minutes of the Evidence taken before, the Commissioners.

Constantinople and Bussorah Telegraph.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 15th day of April last, for a Return relative to the *Constantinople* and *Bussorah* Telegraph.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

East India Company.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of March last, for a Return relative to the Liabilities of the *East India* Company.

East India (Revenues, &c.) No. 201.

Further Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of April last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Revenues, &c.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Revenues, &c.) be printed.

Cooper v. Slade. No. 271.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Cause in Error, *Cooper* v. *Slade*, which was communicated from the Lords upon the 10th day of this instant May, be printed.

Oaths Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 10th day of this instant May, That Baron *Lionel Nathan de Rothschild* be one other Member of the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be offered to the Lords at a Conference for disagreeing to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Oaths Bill;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Thomas Duncombe*, Mr. *Headlam*: 251.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Whitbread*, Mr. *Macaulay*: 196.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Committee do withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum.

Mining Operations (Duchy of Lancaster.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the allegations of the Petitions of Manufacturers, Traders, and Inhabitants, and the Mayor and Corporation, of the Borough of *Hanley*, relative to Mining Operations in the Duchy of *Lancaster*, and to report whether any and what remedy can be afforded to them, should the grievance of which they complain be proved to exist;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *John Lewis Ricardo*, Mr. *Christy*: 63.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: 128.

So it passed in the Negative.

Private Bills.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, it is expedient that the investigation into the merits of Private Bills, at present conducted by Select Committees of this House, should in future, as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made, be conducted by a paid and permanent Tribunal:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Army.

Resolved, That the long-continued excessive mortality of the *British* Army has been mainly caused by the bad sanitary condition of their Barrack accommodation.

Resolved, That this House has viewed with satisfaction the efforts of successive Governments, aided by Parliamentary Grants, to improve the moral, intellectual, and physical condition of the *British* soldier, and is encouraged by the happy results of such efforts and grants to hope much from a continuance and further extension of the same.

Resolved, That much still remains to be done with regard to Barrack accommodation; firstly, for its increase, with a view to the discontinuance, as far as may be, of the present practice of billeting, as being alike oppressive to the civilian and demoralising to the soldier; and secondly, for its improvement, both with a view to the healthy accommodation of the troops in general, and to the decent accommodation of the married soldier.

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, such increase and improvement are imperatively called for, not less by good policy and true economy than by justice and humanity.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurii, 12° *die Maii*, 1858:

Turnpike Tolls (Metropolis.) *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She will be pleased to issue a Royal Commission to inquire and report as to the best means of affording to the inhabitants of the Metropolitan Districts, within Six miles of *Charing-cross*, a Relief, from the abolition of Turnpike Gates and Toll Bars, similar to that which the Legislature has already granted, on the recommendation of a Royal Commission, to the Metropolis of *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Election Committees Scrutiny. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to further limit and define the Jurisdiction of Election Committees in cases of Scrutiny, by extending the Provisions of the Act of the sixth year of Her present Majesty, chapter eighteen, section ninety-eight: And that Mr. *Collins* and Mr. *Andrew Steuart* do prepare, and bring it in.

Committees. A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That all Committees of this House stand adjourned over Thursday next, being Ascension Day: —And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

New Writs. *Ordered*, That in all cases when the Seat of any Member has been declared void by an Election Committee on the ground of Bribery or Treating, no Motion for the issuing of a new Writ shall be made without Two days' previous notice.

Aldershot Hospital. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Report of a Board of Medical Officers ordered to assemble by the Director General of the Army Medical Department in 1856, to report upon the Plans of a proposed Hospital for *Aldershot*, with Copies or Tracings of the Plans.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Weights and Measures Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Weights and Measures Bill;

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

Galway Freemen Disfranchisement Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Galway* Freemen Disfranchisement Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 1st day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Property Qualification Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Property Qualification Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Government of India (No. 3.) The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3);

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Stamp Duty on Drafts Bill. The Stamp Duty on Drafts Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Supply. Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Departments of the Secretary of State for War. 1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 121,977, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of the Departments of the Secretary of State for War, and of the General Commanding in Chief, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Manufacturing Establishments, &c. 2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 233,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of the Manufacturing Establishments, Military Storekeepers, Barrack Masters, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Wages of Artificers, &c. 3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 358,317, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of the Wages of Artificers, Labourers, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Clothing and Necessaries. 4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 460,460, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Clothing and Necessaries, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Provisions, Forage, &c. 5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 690,624, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Provisions, Forage, Fuel and Light, Barrack Furniture, Bedding, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Warlike Stores. 6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 420,727, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Warlike Stores for Land and Sea Service, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Fortifications. 7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 192,736, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Fortifications at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Civil Buildings. 8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 72,780, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Civil Buildings at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Barracks. 9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 324,091, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Barracks at Home and Abroad, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ways and Means. Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Consolidated Fund. That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Sum of £. 11,000,000 be granted out

out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that Mr. *FitzRoy*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Prince Edward Island Loan.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Prince Edward Island* Loan, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That Her Majesty be authorized to guarantee the repayment of a Loan, to an Amount not exceeding £. 100,000, for the Service of the Colony of *Prince Edward Island*, together with the Interest thereon, not exceeding 4 *per centum per annum*; and that Provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, for the payment from time to time of such Sums of Money as may become payable by Her Majesty under such Guarantee.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolution: And that Mr. *FitzRoy*, Lord *Stanley* and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring it in.

Election Committees Scrutiny Bill. Bill 82.

Mr. *Collins* presented a Bill to further limit and define the Jurisdiction of Election Committees in cases of Scrutiny, by extending the Provisions of the Act of the sixth year of Her present Majesty, chapter eighteen, section ninety-eight: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 20th day of this instant May; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Mercurii, 12° die Maii;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Stanhope and Wolsingham Rectories Bill.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the *Stanhope* and *Wolsingham* Rectories Bill, the Standing Orders have been complied with.

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

Luton, Dunstable and Welwyn Junction and Hertford and Welwyn Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

Mr. *Pease* reported the *Luton, Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction and *Hertford* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation (re-committed) Bill, with further Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Balby and Worksop Road Bill.

Ordered, That the *Balby* and *Worksop* Road Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Carlisle, Langholm and Hawick Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Carlisle, Langholm* and *Hawick* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Fife and Kinross and Kinross-shire Railways Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Fife* and *Kinross* and *Kinross-shire* Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Shoreham to Henfield, &c.) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway (*Shoreham* to *Henfield*, &c.) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Globe Insurance Company [Stamp Duty on Memorials.]

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the Globe Insurance Company [Stamp Duty on Memorials], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That a Stamp Duty of Five pounds shall be payable for and upon the first Memorial which may be enrolled, pursuant to a Bill to enable the Globe Insurance Company to alter and amend some of the Provisions of their Deed of Settlement, and to confer further Powers on the Company, from which Memorial the Names of the Persons who shall be deemed, held and taken to be the Trustees of the Company shall appear; and upon and for every other such Memorial in which the Name of any Person shall for the first time be inserted as a Trustee of the Company, the like Sum of Five pounds, in lieu of the Stamp Duties which would otherwise be payable upon the deeds, surrenders, admissions or assurances in the law which, in case the said Bill were not passed, would be required in order from time to time to vest the Trust Estates and Property of the Company in the Trustees for the time being of the Company.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Globe Insurance Company Bill, that they have Power to make Provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

Public Petitions (Thirtieth Report.)

Mr. *Wise* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 10th day of this instant May, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Pilots (Isle of Wight, &c.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of April last, for Returns relative to Pilots (*Isle of Wight*, &c.)

Margate Pier and Harbour.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—An Account of the Receipt and Application of all Monies which have been received by the Directors of the *Margate* Pier and Harbour Company, from the 16th day of April 1857 to the 15th day of April 1858, both days inclusive.

Endowed Schools (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Expenditure, in Detail, of the Commission for inquiring into the Endowed Schools in *Ireland*, from its commencement to the 31st day of March 1858; setting forth the Names of all Persons employed under same; Nature of Office and Amount of Salaries; with all other Charges, under separate Heads.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Thirty-first Report.

Poor Rates (Metropolis) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Poor Rates (Metropolis) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment and Motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Heirs (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Heirs (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 16th day of June next.

Patent Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Patent Law Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

Ecclesiastical Residences (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ecclesiastical Residences (*Ireland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Reformatory Schools (Ireland) Bill.

The Reformatory Schools (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 17th day of June next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Mangles* have leave of absence for a week, on account of ill health.

Burial-grounds (Metropolis.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of all Burial-grounds (distinguishing Consecrated from Unconsecrated) which still remained open for Interments on the 1st day of January 1858, within the Limits of the "Burials within the Metropolis Act;" their Extent in Area; the Number of Interments which have taken place in each during the year 1857; the Number of Bodies buried in each Grave (not being a private Grave); and the Date of Closure of such as are under any Order for immediate or future Closure.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Stamp Duty on Passports.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to reduce the Stamp Duty on Passports: And that Mr. *Hamilton* and Mr. *Seymour FitzGerald* do prepare, and bring it in.

Consolidated Fund (£.11,000,000) Bill.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

Stamp Duty on Passports Bill.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill to reduce the Stamp Duty on Passports: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Bill 83.

East India Company.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *East India* Company, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant May, be printed.

No. 272.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 13° *die Maii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Private Bills (Group Q.)

MR. *Edward Pleydell Bouverie* reported from the Committee on Group Q. of Private Bills; That Mr. *Paull*, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present within one hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the Committee this day.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Wexford Harbour Embankment Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Wexford* Harbour Embankment Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by adding a recital stating the number of Shares issued by the Company, and the amount paid upon each share, and by striking out the paragraphs reciting that by certain Acts of Parliament, intituled, "The *Wexford* Free Bridge Acts," the Company were bound to subscribe a certain sum, part of which had been paid to the erection of the said bridge; that the period for the completion of the said bridge had expired; that the Company claimed exemption from further payment upon the grounds therein stated, except upon certain terms, the Company having withdrawn from the Bill the Provisions for releasing them from the said charge laid upon them by the above-mentioned Acts; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; that Reports from the Boards of Trade and Admiralty had been referred by the House to the Committee, and that the recommendations of the same had been agreed to by them.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Globe Insurance Company Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the Globe Insurance Company Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had made Provision in the Bill, pursuant to the Instruction of the House; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Waterford and Kilkenny Railway (Capital) Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway (Capital) Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by omitting two paragraphs relative to the making and issue of mortgages and bonds, the transfers whereof shall be exempt from stamp duty, the Provisions for that purpose having been omitted from the body of the Bill as submitted to the Committee; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and

and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 9.)

Mr. *Frederick North* reported from the Committee on Group 9 of Railway Bills; That Sir *Edward Colebrooke*, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present during the sitting of the Committee this day.

Ordered, That Sir *Edward Colebrooke* be discharged from further attendance on the said Committee, so far as regards the *London* and North Western Railway (Extension from *Longsight*) Bill.

Tyne River Improvement Bill.

Mr. *Mills* reported from the Committee on Group N. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Tyne* River Improvement Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by reciting the amount of differential dues payable in the last year to the Corporation of *Newcastle-upon-Tyne* and the *Tyne* Commissioners out of the Consolidated Fund; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Banbridge, Lisburn and Belfast Railway Bill.

The *Banbridge*, *Lisburn* and *Belfast* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Besselsleigh Road Bill.

The *Besselsleigh* Road Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Blyth Harbour and Dock Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Blyth* Harbour and Dock Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Exeter and Exmouth Railway Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Exeter* and *Exmouth* Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Formartine and Buchan Railway Bill.

The *Formartine* and *Buchan* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Inverury and Old Meldrum Junction Railway Bill.

The *Inverury* and *Old Meldrum* Junction Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for vesting the *Inverury* and *Old Meldrum* Junction Railway by way of Lease in the Great North of *Scotland* Railway Company, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Liverpool Improvement Bill.

The *Liverpool* Improvement Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Manchester, Hyde and Mottram Road Bill.

The *Manchester*, *Hyde* and *Mottram* Road Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the more effectual Management and Repair of the Road from *Manchester*, in the County Palatine of *Lancaster*, through *Hyde*, to *Mottram-in-Longdendale*, in the County Palatine of *Chester*.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Metropolitan Board of Works (Victoria Park Approach) Bill.

A Motion being made, That the Metropolitan Board of Works (*Victoria* Park Approach) Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Balby and Worksop Road Bill.

The *Balby* and *Worksop* Road Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Brentford and Richmond Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Brentford* and *Richmond* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

East Kent Railway (Western Extension) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the East *Kent* Railway (Western Extension) Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill:

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Worcester and Hereford Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Worcester* and *Hereford* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Tees Conservancy.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *Tees* Conservancy, which was presented upon the 10th day of this instant May, be referred to the Committee on Group 11 of Railway and Canal Bills.

West End of London and Crystal Palace Railway Bill.

Mr. *Philipps* reported from the Committee on Group 6 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the West End of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway Bill, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 11th May instant, evidence in reference to the 140th Standing Order, and the Power of lease contained in the said Bill, was produced to the Committee, showing that it had been proved to the satisfaction of the Board of Trade, since the introduction of the Bill into the House, that the Company, and the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company, had respectively paid up one-half of the capital authorized by their respective Acts to be raised by means of shares, and had expended for the purposes of such Acts a sum equal thereto; and the Committee, in execution of the Powers given to them by that Resolution, have retained in the Bill the Power of leasing the undertaking of the Company to the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company; that they had examined the allegations contained

contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by altering the dates of the agreements therein mentioned, and reciting an additional agreement entered into between the Company and the *Battersea* Park Commissioners; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Portsmouth Railway Bill.

Sir *Erskine Perry* reported the *Portsmouth* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Thirty-second Report.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Joint Stock and Private Banks.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of all Joint Stock Banks which have suspended payment since 1830, and of the Amount of Composition or Dividend paid in the Pound to their Creditors, as far as appears in the Gazette:——And, like Return of all Private Banks.

Prince Edward Island Loan Bill.

Bill 84.

Lord *Stanley* presented a Bill to guarantee a Loan for the Service of *Prince Edward Island:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

East Kent Railway (Dover Extension) Bill.

A Petition of the East *Kent* Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the East *Kent* Railway (*Dover* Extension) Bill, for enabling the said Company to cancel forfeited Shares which cannot be sold, and to issue new Shares in lieu thereof, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

East India (Memorials, &c.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Memorials, Representations and Appeals received by the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company, during the years 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856 and 1857; distinguishing those made by *Europeans* from those made by Natives of *India*; and also those from Persons in and out of the Service of the *East India* Company.

Oaths Bill.

Lord *John Russell* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be offered to the Lords at a Conference for disagreeing to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Oaths Bill; That they had drawn up Reasons accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House:—And the same were read, as follow:

1st. Because the words "on the true faith of a Christian" were originally introduced in the Oaths to be taken by Members of Parliament with a view to bind certain Roman Catholics, and were not intended for the purpose of excluding persons of the Jewish persuasion.

2d. Because the exclusion of *British* subjects from Seats in Parliament and Offices in the State, on the ground of their religious opinions, is contrary to the general maxims of freedom of conscience.

3d. Because no charge of disloyalty or unfitness for public employment and a fair share of legislative power has been alleged, or can be alleged, against the Jewish community.

4th. Because the infliction of disabilities upon any class of Her Majesty's subjects solely on the ground of their conscientious adherence to their faith savours of persecution, and is totally inconsistent with those principles of religious liberty which, in the case of more powerful communities, have been applied by Parliament with such happy effects.

5th. Because the Commons having already on ten previous occasions, and in five Parliaments, passed Bills for removing the civil disabilities of the Jews, and having of late years agreed to such Bills by constantly increasing majorities, are convinced that the opinion of their constituents and of the country at large has been irrevocably pronounced in favour of the removal of such disabilities.

6th. Because such Bills have been supported by many of the most eminent Members of both Houses of Parliament, who, while differing upon other political questions, have concurred in the justice and expediency of measures for the relief of the Jews.

7th. Because the rights of the Electors of the United Kingdom have been peculiarly affected by a Law which has been construed to prevent the admission to the House of Commons of Persons who have been lawfully returned as Members of that House.

8th. Because the 1st and 3d clauses of the Bill are open to the construction that the New Oath which the former of them contains should be taken, not only in all cases where the Oaths of Allegiance, Supremacy and Abjuration are now required, but also where the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy are at present required, though without the Oath of Abjuration; the result of which construction, if the Bill should pass into law without the fifth clause, would be to exclude the Jews from practising as Solicitors and Barristers, and from offices under the Crown, to which employments and offices they are now admitted.

9th. Because such result would be contrary to the intention of the two Houses of Parliament, appearing from the sixth clause and from the title of the Bill under consideration.

The said Reasons, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Conference be desired with the Lords upon the subject-matter of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the said Bill: And that the Clerk do go to the Lords, and desire the said Conference.

Mr. *Adair* reported the *Manchester* Poor (re-committed) Bill, with further Amendments. Manchester Poor Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-third Report of the Inspectors appointed under the Provisions of the Act 5 & 6 *Will.* 4, c. 38, to visit the different Prisons of *Great Britain:*—I. Southern District. Prisons.

Copy of Fourth Annual Report of the Directors of Convict Prisons in *Ireland*, for the year ended 31st December 1857; with Appendix. Convict Prisons (Ireland.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of February last, for Returns relative to the War Department. War Department.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 7th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to Examinations (Army). Examinations (Army.)

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Henley* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 6th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to Vessels and Tonnage, &c. Vessels and Tonnage, &c.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr.

Local Acts. No. 118.

Mr. *Corry* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—A further Report from the Admiralty relative to applications for Local Acts.

Prideaux's Furnace-valve Door.

Mr. *Corry* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 3d day of this instant May, for a Return relative to *Prideaux*'s Furnace-valve Door.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the first be printed.

Masters and Workmen Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Masters and Workmen Bill;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Church Rates Abolition Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Church Rates Abolition Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Question again proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

Question put.

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *John Trelawny*, / Mr. *Gilpin*: } 227.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Hope*, / Mr. *Lygon*: } 153.

CLAUSE, N° 2, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Act not to extend to *Scotland* or *Ireland*).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 1, to leave out the words "*Scotland* or."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question, That the Clause stand part of the Bill ——put, and negatived.

CLAUSE, N° 4, agreed to.

Clause (That any Church Rate made before the passing of this Act, and since the 1st day of January 1858, may be collected and recovered in the same way as if this Act had not been passed)—— brought up, and read 1°, 2°.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to, and added.

Clause (The Churchwardens of every parish in *England* and *Wales* shall, some day in the month of in each year, give an account to the parishioners at a vestry meeting of all money they have received, and also of all they have expended in repairs and otherwise, for the use of the Church during the past year; and, the said account having been allowed by the parishioners, the Churchwardens shall lay before them an estimate of the cost of repairing the Church and Churchyard and conducting Public Worship for the ensuing year; and it shall be lawful for the said Churchwardens and parishioners to make a voluntary rate upon the occupiers of all property now liable to Church Rate in such parish, for the purpose of defraying the amount of the said estimate: Provided always, that no occupier of such property who shall have refused or neglected to pay the said voluntary rate, after the same has been duly demanded of him, shall be entitled to vote at any vestry summoned for the transaction of Church business for the space of eighteen months)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time——put, and negatived.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Poor Law Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

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

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Non-parochial Registers Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Non-parochial Registers Bill.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 14° *die Maii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Property Qualification Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Property Qualification Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Bentinck*, / Mr. *Knightley*: } 81.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Locke King*, / Mr. *Schneider*: } 156.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Tuesday next.

Consolidated Fund (£.11,000,000) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (£. 11,000,000) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Stamp Duty on Passports Bill.

The Stamp Duty on Passports Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Common Law Procedure Act Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Common Law Procedure Act, 1854, with reference to the exercise of Equitable Jurisdiction: And that Mr. *Atherton* and Mr. *Collier* do prepare, and bring it in.

Limerick City Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in *Ireland*, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of *Limerick*, in the room of *George Gavin*, Esquire, whose Election has been determined to be void.

Cape of Good Hope (Conveyance of Mails.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of all Tenders made previous to the 28th day of August 1857 for conveying the Mails between *England* and the *Cape of Good Hope*:——And, of any Minute or Memorandum made by the Treasury or Board of Admiralty for additional Services, whereby the Sum set out in the accepted Tender of the Union Steam Shipping Company, of the 27th day of August 1857, was increased from £. 30,000 to £. 33,000.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Savings Banks.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to Lord *Monteagle* of *Brandon* to attend to be examined as a Witness before the Select Committee on Savings Banks: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill.
Bill 85.

Mr. *Atherton* presented a Bill to amend the Common Law Procedure Act, 1854, with reference to the exercise of Equitable Jurisdiction: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 14° *die Maii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Railway Bills (Group 6.)

ORDERED, That the Committee on Group 6 of Railway Bills have leave to sit this day till Five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Public Petitions (Thirty-first Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 11th and 12th days of this instant May; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Horsham Turnpike Trust Bill.

Colonel *Pennant* reported the *Horsham* Turnpike Trust (re-committed) Bill, with further Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill.

A Petition of the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Bill for enabling the Directors of the said Company to appoint one Director of the *Kendal* and *Windermere* Railway Company to be a Director of the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Company, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Norwich Gas Bill.

The *Norwich* Gas Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Chiswick Improvement Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Chiswick* Improvement Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Edinburgh and Glasgow and Stirling and Dunfermline Railways Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Edinburgh* and *Glasgow* and *Stirling* and *Dunfermline* Railways Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Bill be re-committed to the former Committee.

Salisbury and Yeovil Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Staines, Wokingham and Woking Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Staines*, *Wokingham* and *Woking* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Thirty-second Report.

London Corporation Regulation Bill.

Mr. *Baines* reported from the Select Committee on the *London* Corporation Regulation Bill, and who were empowered to hear Counsel on behalf of the Corporation of the City of *London*, the sworn Deputy Corn Meters, the sworn Deputy Fruit Meters, and the Fellowship Porters of the City of *London*, with reference to the 66th Clause of the said Bill; That they had considered the said Bill, and heard Counsel accordingly; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee be printed. No. 273.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed. Bill 86.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Courts Martial.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of General Courts Martial held on Officers during the last Five years, both at Home and Abroad; briefly indicating the Nature of the Charge in each; the Finding and Sentence in each; in how many Cases they were remitted for re-consideration by the Court, and with what Result; in how many Cases, and in what respects, they were confirmed or modified; the Date of the Finding, of the transmission to the Horse Guards, to the Judge Advocate General, of the Return to the Horse Guards, of the Confirmation by Her Majesty, and Communication of the Result to the Prisoner; the Number of Days during which the Court sate; the Expense of each Court Martial; in how many Cases the Deputy Judge Advocate acted as Prosecutor; and in how many Cases the Prisoner was assisted by Friends, Professional, Civil or Military:——And, of the Number of Naval Courts Martial of every description, both at Home and Abroad, during the last Five years, and briefly indicating the Nature of the Charge in each; the Finding and Sentence in each; the Number of Days during which the Court sate; who acted as Prosecutor; and in how many Cases the Prisoner was assisted by Friends, Professional, Civil or Naval.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to

to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Ulverstone and Lancaster Railway Bill.

Mr. *Philipps* reported from the Committee on Group 6 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Ulverstone* and *Lancaster* Railway Bill, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 26th day of March last, satisfactory evidence was adduced before the Committee showing that the crossing of a certain road on the level in the Parish of *Beesham*, in the County of *Westmoreland*, was not attended with any danger to the public; and the Committee, in execution of the Power given to them by that Resolution, had inserted in the Bill a Provision authorizing such level crossing; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and verbally amended the same; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Archdeaconry of Middlesex.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Form of Citation issued by the Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry of *Middlesex* to the Churchwardens of the several Parishes and District Parishes therein; and of the Letter and Articles of Inquiry accompanying the same:—— Statements of the Number of the said Forms and Letters and Articles of Inquiry issued at Easter 1858:——And, of the Fees demanded in each case, showing by what Authority such Demands are made, and who is entitled to receive them.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Railway Bills (Group 6.)

Mr. *Philipps* reported from the Committee on Group 6 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday next, at Three of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ayr and Dalmellington Railway Bill.

Mr. *George Clive* reported from the Committee on Group 13 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Ayr* and *Dalmellington* Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by reducing the Number of Shares to be acquired by the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Company under the Powers of the Bill to fifteen, being the number of which they have not yet acquired possession; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Border Counties Railway Bill.

Mr. *George Clive* reported from the Committee on Group 13 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the Border Counties Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

North British Railway (Hawick and Carlisle Junction Railway) Bill.

Mr. *George Clive* reported from the Committee on Group 13 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the North *British* Railway (*Hawick* and *Carlisle* Junction Railway) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Property Qualification Bill.

The Order for resuming, upon Tuesday next, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant May, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the Property Qualification Bill), was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 2d day of June next.

Metropolitan Police.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Officers of the Metropolitan Police Force, distinguishing the Number, Rank and Pay in each Class employed on Special Duty, and not in the ordinary duties of the Police; the Number of such Police Officers to whom the issue of the usual Police Uniform has been discontinued, and who are allowed a Sum of Money in lieu thereof; also, of the Number of Police Constables, Serjeants, Inspectors and Superintendents employed at the several Docks, Dockyards, Public Buildings, Museums, Institutions and Theatres, and what portion of the Pay of the several Officers so employed is defrayed by the several Public Companies and Institutions.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

East India (Governor General.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Proceedings or Communications from the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company to the Governor General of *India*, relating to the proposed Proclamation of Lord *Canning*, and to the late Despatch from the Secret Committee with reference thereto.

Orders of the Day.

Ordered, That the Orders of the day be now read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the said Orders be postponed till after the Notice of Motion relative to the Governor General of *India*.

Saint Helena and Hong Kong.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Charter of Justice, or Orders in Council in the nature of Charters of Justice, for the Colonies of *Saint Helena* and *Hong Kong*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Coals, Coke and Culm.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of April last, for Returns relative to Coals, Coke and Culm.

Beer.

Return to an Order, dated the 29th day of April last, for a Return relative to Beer.

Income Tax.

Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of April last, for a Return relative to the Income Tax.

War Department.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the War Department, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant May, be printed. **No. 274.**

Examinations (Army.)

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Return relative to Examinations (Army), which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant May, be printed. **No. 275.**

Vessels and Tonnage, &c.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Vessels and Tonnage, &c., which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant May, be printed. **No. 276.**

Prideaux's Furnace-valve Door.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Prideaux's* Furnace-valve Door, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant May, be printed. **No. 277.**

Railway Accidents.

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, upon certain Accidents which have occurred on Railways during the months of January, February and March 1858: (Part First.)

Cumbrae Lights.

Mr. *Henley* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to *Cumbrae* Lights.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Governor General of India.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House, whilst in its present state of information it abstains from expressing an opinion on the policy of any Proclamation which may have been issued by the Governor General of *India* in relation to *Oude*, has seen with regret and serious apprehension that Her Majesty's Government have addressed to the Governor General, through the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors, and have published a Despatch condemning in strong terms the conduct of the Governor General; and is of opinion that such a course on the part of the Government must tend, in the present circumstances of *India*, to produce the most prejudicial effect, by weakening the authority of the Governor General, and encouraging the further resistance of those who are in arms against us;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "House" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "generally approves of Lord *Canning*'s policy "up to the time of the *Oude* Proclamation, and is "satisfied with the firmness and judgment he has "evinced during the crisis in *India*; but this "House declines to give any opinion upon the *Oude* "Proclamation until it has had further information "on the state of *Oude* when the Proclamation was "issued, and also Lord *Canning*'s reasons for issuing "it," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question: —And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 15° *die Maii*, 1858:

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Monday next.

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill.

The Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Oxford and Cambridge Universities, &c. Estates Bill.

The *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Universities, &c. Estates Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Trustees' Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Trustees' Relief Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Chancery Amendment Bill.

Bill 87.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Chancery Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next; and be printed.

Government of India (No. 3.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3);

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The Poor Law Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to amend the Municipal Franchise in certain Cases.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Non-parochial Registers Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Non-parochial Registers Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Consolidated Fund (£.11,000,000) Bill, and Stamp Duty on Passports Bill.

The Orders of the day being read, for the Committees on the Consolidated Fund (£.11,000,000) Bill; and, the Stamp Duty on Passports Bill;

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to the same Committee.

Consolidated Fund (£.11,000,000) Bill.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Consolidated Fund (£.11,000,000) Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Stamp Duty on Passports Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also reported, That the Committee had gone through the Stamp Duty on Passports Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Royal Hibernian Academy.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Report upon the Affairs and past Management of the Royal *Hibernian* Academy, drawn up by Mr. *Norman Macleod*; and of any Correspondence that has taken place between the Department of Science and Art, the *Irish* Government, and the President or Secretary of the Royal *Hibernian* Academy relative to said Report.

Ordnance Survey (Scotland.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Men employed in the Ordnance Survey in *Scotland* in 1854, 1855, 1856, and 1857, stating each year separately.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

East India (Governor General.) No. 278.

Lord *Stanley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Letter from the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company to the Governor General of *India* in Council.

Budrum.

Further Paper respecting the Excavations at *Budrum*.

Consuls.

Lord *Stanley* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of all Consuls General, Consuls and salaried Vice-Consuls,

suls, with the Amount of their Salaries; of the Fees received by them in the years 1853, 1854, 1855 and 1856, respectively, and of any other Salary, Emolument, or Allowances; specifying whether the Consulate is a trading Consulate or not, and the Country of which each actual Consul is a Native.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the first be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 17° *die Maii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

East Kent Railway (Dover Extension) Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the East *Kent* Railway (*Dover* Extension) Bill, the Standing Orders have been complied with.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill, that they have Power to make Provision therein, pursuant to the prayer of the said Petition.

Public Petitions (Thirty-second Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 13th and 14th days of this instant May, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Brentford and Richmond Railway Bill.

The *Brentford* and *Richmond* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Carlisle, Langholm and Hawick Railway Bill.

The *Carlisle*, *Langholm* and *Hawick* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

East Kent Railway (Western Extension) Bill.

The East *Kent* Railway (Western Extension) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Fife and Kinross and Kinross-shire Railways Bill.

The *Fife* and *Kinross* and *Kinross-shire* Railways Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Shoreham to Henfield, &c.) Bill.

The *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway (*Shoreham* to *Henfield*, &c.) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Worcester and Hereford Railway Bill.

The *Worcester* and *Hereford* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Andover Canal Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Andover* Canal Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ballymena, Ballymoney, Coleraine and Portrush Junction Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Ballymena*, *Ballymoney*, *Coleraine* and *Portrush* Junction Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Belfast and County Down Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Belfast* and County *Down* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Corris, Machynlleth and River Dovey Tramroad Bill (*changed from* Corris, Machynlleth and River Dovey Railway.)

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Corris*, *Machynlleth* and River *Dovey* Tramroad Bill (changed from *Corris*, *Machynlleth* and River *Dovey* Railway), as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Dean Forest Turnpike Trust Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Dean* Forest Turnpike Trust Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Hesketh Marsh Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Hesketh* Marsh Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Llandaff and Canton District Markets Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Llandaff* and *Canton* District Markets Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Luton, Dunstable and Welwyn Junction and Hertford and Welwyn Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Luton*, *Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction and *Hertford* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Northampton Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the *Northampton* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Taunton Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Taunton* Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Waterford Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Waterford* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Windsor New Road Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Windsor* New Road Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Stanhope and Wolsingham Rectories Bill.

The *Stanhope* and *Wolsingham* Rectories Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee.

North British Railway (Hawick and Carlisle Junction Railway) Bill, &c.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee on the North *British* Railway (*Hawick* and *Carlisle* Junction Railway) Bill, and Border Counties Railway Bill, in Group 13 of Railway and Canal Bills, be printed at the expense of the Parties, and distributed with the Votes.

Turnpike Tolls (Metropolis.)

The Comptroller of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of the 11th day of this instant May, relative to Turnpike Tolls (Metropolis), had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address, praying that a Royal Commission may be issued to inquire and report as to the best means of affording to the Inhabitants of the Metropolitan Districts, within six miles of *Charing-cross*, a relief, from the abolition of Turnpike Gates and Toll Bars, similar to that which the Legislature has already granted, on the recommendation of a Royal Commission, to the Metropolis of *Ireland:*

And having taken your Address into consideration, I have directed that a Commission shall issue for the purpose which you have requested.

Railway Bills (Group 7.)

Mr. *Scholefield* reported from the Committee on Group 7 of Railway Bills; That the Parties opposing the South *Wales* Railway (further Powers, &c.) Bill, had stated that the evidence of *Charles Johnson* was essential to enable them to establish their case; and it having been proved that his attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move, That *Charles Johnson* do attend the said Committee on Thursday the 20th day of May, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That *Charles Johnson* do attend the said Committee upon Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Thirty-third Report.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill.

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway and Canal Bills; That in the case of the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out the words "and deferred," with relation to Works not yet executed by the Great Northern Railway Company; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Private Bills (Group L.)

Mr. *Buller* reported from the Committee on Group L. of Private Bills; That Mr. *Steuart*, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present during the sitting of the Committee this day.

Mr. *Buller* also reported from the said Committee; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned to Tuesday the 1st of June, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Reports do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Caledonian Railway (Dalmarnock Branch) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Caledonian* Railway (*Dalmarnock* Branch) Bill, without any Amendment:

Eden Valley Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Eden* Valley Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Merthyr Tydfil Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Merthyr Tydfil* Water Bill, without any Amendment:

Symington, Biggar and Broughton Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Symington*, *Biggar* and *Broughton* Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Selkirk and Galashiels Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Selkirk* and *Galashiels* Railway Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Ely Valley Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Ely* Valley Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Transfer of Land Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to facilitate the Sale of Land; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to further amend the Law of Property; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Oaths Bill.

The Lords do agree to a Conference with this House, upon the subject-matter of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Oaths Bill, as desired by this House, and appoint the same to be held on Tuesday next, at half past Four o'clock, in the Painted Chamber.

Coals, Coke and Culm. No. 279.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Coals, Coke and Culm, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant May, be printed.

Beer. No. 280.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Beer, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant May, be printed.

Income Tax. No. 281.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Income Tax, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant May, be printed.

East India (Governor General.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to *East India* (Governor General).

Navy.

Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 23d day of April last, for a Return relative to the Navy.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Consolidated Fund (£.11,000,000) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (£.11,000,000) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to apply the Sum of Eleven Millions out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Stamp Duty on Passports Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Stamp Duty on Passports Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Governor General of India.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 14th day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, That this House, whilst in its present state of information it abstains from expressing an opinion on the policy of any Proclamation which may have been issued by the Governor General of *India* in relation to *Oude*, has seen with regret and serious apprehension that Her Majesty's Government have addressed to the Governor General, through the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors, and have published, a Despatch condemning in strong terms the conduct of the Governor General; and is of opinion that such a course on the part of the Government must tend, in the present circumstances of *India*, to produce the most prejudicial effect, by weakening the authority of the Governor General, and encouraging the further resistance of those who are in arms against us; and which Amendment was, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "generally "approves of Lord *Canning*'s policy up to the time "of the *Oude* Proclamation, and is satisfied with the "firmness and judgment he has evinced during the "crisis in *India*; but this House declines to give "any

"any opinion upon the *Oude* Proclamation until it "has had further information on the state of *Oude* "when the Proclamation was issued, and also Lord "*Canning*'s reasons for issuing it," instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 18° *die Maii*, 1858:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill;

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

Clerks of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 31st day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 31st day of this instant May.

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill;

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

Prescription (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Prescription (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill;

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

Prince Edward Island Loan Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Prince Edward Island* Loan Bill;

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

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

London Corporation Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *London* Corporation Regulation Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Oxford and Cambridge Universities, &c. Estates Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Universities, &c. Estates Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Government of India (No. 3.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3);

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Non-parochial Registers Bill.

The Non-parochial Registers Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 31st day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Game Law (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Law in *Ireland* relating to Game: And that Mr. *Stearne Ball Miller* and Mr. *Hans Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

New Zealand Loan.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Resolution adopted on the 2d day of July 1856, in the *New Zealand* House of Representatives, with reference to the guarantee of a Loan of £. 500,000, which was to be solicited from the *British* Legislature; and of the Names of the Majority and Minority who voted on that occasion.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Land Transport Corps.

Ordered, That Captain *Vivian* be added to the Select Committee on the Land Transport Corps.

Copyright of Designs.

The House was moved, That the Act 5 & 6 *Vic.* c. 100, relative to Copyright of Designs, might be read; and the same being read;

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider the said Act:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Copyright of Designs for ornamenting Articles of Manufacture.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hamilton* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Hamilton* accordingly reported a Resolution, which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Copyright of Designs for ornamenting Articles of Manufacture:—And he moved the House accordingly.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. *Cheetham*, Colonel *Wilson Patten* and Mr. *Turner* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Health.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for vesting in the Privy Council certain Powers for the protection of the Public Health: And that Mr. *Adderley* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Poor Removal Law Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Removal of Poor Persons to *Scotland* and *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt* and Mr. *Knight* do prepare, and bring it in.

Friendly Societies Act Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of the eighteenth and nineteenth years of Her present Majesty, chapter sixty-three, relating to Friendly Societies: And that Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt* and Mr. *Bonham-Carter* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Health Bill. Bill 88.

Mr. *Adderley* presented a Bill for vesting in the Privy Council certain Powers for the protection of the Public Health: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 31st day of this instant May; and to be printed.

Copyright of Designs Bill. Bill 89.

Mr. *Cheetham* presented a Bill to amend the Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Copyright of Designs for ornamenting Articles of Manufacture: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of June next; and to be printed.

Game Law (Ireland) Bill. Bill 90.

Mr. *Stearne Ball Miller* presented a Bill to consolidate and amend the Law in *Ireland* relating to Game: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of June next; and to be printed.

Poor Removal Law Amendment Bill. Bill 91.

Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Removal of Poor Persons to *Scotland* and *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 7th day of June next; and to be printed.

Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill. Bill 92.

Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt* presented a Bill to amend the Act of the eighteenth and nineteenth years of Her present Majesty, chapter sixty-three, relating to Friendly Societies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 7th day of June next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 18° *die Maii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Newport, Abergavenny and Hereford Railway Bill.

MR. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Newport*, *Abergavenny* and *Hereford* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by inserting a recital as to the expediency of giving Power to the Company to convert their Bond or Mortgage Debt into an irredeemable Debenture Stock, Clauses for that purpose having been introduced into the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Yar Bridge Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Yar* Bridge Bill; That Reports from the Boards of Trade and Admiralty had been referred by the House to the Committee, and that the suggestions contained in the same had been adopted by the Committee, with reference to the Provisions of the Bill; that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had made Provision in the Bill, pursuant to the Instruction of the House; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

East Kent Railway (Dover Extension) Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the East *Kent* Railway (*Dover* Extension) Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by inserting additional recitals to show the authorized Capital of the Company, and the expediency of the additional Provisions; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had made Provision in the Bill, pursuant to the Instruction of the House; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill.

Colonel *Pinney* reported from the Committee on Group H. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by the insertion of words for the purpose of showing the increased proportion of Bondholders assenting to the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the *Hainault* Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill have leave to sit this day till Five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Edinburgh and Glasgow and Stirling and Dunfermline Railways Bill.

The *Edinburgh* and *Glasgow* and *Stirling* and *Dunfermline* Railways Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Salisbury and Yeovil Railway Bill.

The *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to extend the Time for the Completion of the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway, and to authorize the Sale thereof to the *London* and South Western Railway Company.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Staines, Wokingham and Woking Railway Bill.

The *Staines*, *Wokingham* and *Woking* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to authorize a Lease of the *Staines*, *Wokingham* and *Woking* Railway to the *London* and South Western Railway Company, and for other purposes connected with the *Staines*, *Wokingham* and *Woking* Railway Company.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Caledonian Railway (Branch to Port Carlisle Railway) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Caledonian* Railway (Branch to Port *Carlisle* Railway) Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The

Horsham Turnpike Trust Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Horsham* Turnpike Trust Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Portsmouth Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Portsmouth* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Wexford Harbour Embankment Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Wexford* Harbour Embankment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Northampton Gas Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Northampton* Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Halifax Park and Improvements Bill.

Admiral *Duncombe* reported from the Committee on Group R. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Halifax* Park and Improvements Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by adding a recital that certain Provisions of the Act for the Improvement of the Township of *Halifax*, passed in the fourth year of the reign of his Majesty King *George* the Fourth, are still in force in the Borough of *Halifax*, by amending the recital as to the debt of £. 30,000 to which the Waterworks were subject, and the application of that sum for the benefit of the Township of *Halifax*; and by amending and correcting the several recitals as to the various sums borrowed by the Corporation and the local Board for the various purposes authorized by the recited Acts; that they had further made verbal Amendments therein; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill.

Colonel *Pinney* reported from the Committee on Group H. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by the introduction of a recital, stating the amount of the Mortgage Debt of the Company; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway and Canal Bills (Group 8.)

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway and Canal Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned to Friday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

South Wales Railway Bill (1845), &c.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committees on the South *Wales* Railway Bill in Session 1845, the South *Wales* Railway (*Pembroke* Line, &c.) Bill in Session 1853, and the South *Wales* Railway Consolidation Bill in Session 1855, be referred to the Committee on Group 7 of Railway Bills.

Standing Orders.

Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

South Devon and Tavistock Railway Bill.

1. That in the case of the South *Devon* and *Tavistock* Railway, Petition for dispensing with Standing Order 130, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with; and that the Committee on the Bill may be empowered to insert therein the borrowing Powers sought by the said Bill, if they shall think fit.

2. That in the case of the *London* and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill, Petition to dispense with Standing Order 135, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill.

3. That in the case of the *Hainault* Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill, Petition of Messrs. *Walmisley* to dispense with Standing Order 109, in the case of the Petition of Owners and Occupiers of Lands at *Chigwell* and *Lambourn*, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to be heard on their Petition against the Bill, notwithstanding the same shall have been deposited later than seven clear days after the second reading of the Bill.

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill.

4. That in the case of the Great Southern of *India* Railway, Petition for leave to deposit a Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to deposit their Petition for Bill accordingly.

Great Southern of India Railway.

5. That in the case of the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision accordingly, if the Committee on the Bill shall think fit.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Vide Thirty-third Report.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Annual Rent paid for each Tobacco Warehouse in the Tobacco Warehousing Ports of *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*; the Amount of Tobacco Duties received at such Ports; the Sums, if any, received from the Owners of such Tobacco as Rent thereon; and the Per-centage which the Balance of Rent paid bears to the Amount of Tobacco Duties received at each of the said Ports, for the years ending the 31st day of March 1855, 1856 and 1857, respectively.

Tobacco.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Public Income and Expenditure of the United Kingdom, in the years ending the 31st day of March 1857 and 1858; distinguishing the Actual Payments for the Expenses incurred in the Collection and Management of the Revenue; the Charges of the Public Debt (the Terminable Annuities being valued by Estimate); the Expenses of the Civil Government; the Allowances to the Royal Family and to his Majesty the King of the *Belgians*; the Establishment of the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*; the Expenses of the two Houses of Parliament, and the Civil Departments; the other Pensions on the Consolidated Fund, on the Gross Revenue, and the Civil List; also the Payments for the Administration of Justice, Diplomatic Expenses, and the Sums voted for the Army, Navy, Ordnance and Miscellaneous Services; also Public Works, Bounties, Post Office, the Quarantine and Warehouse Establishments; and all other Payments not coming under any of the foregoing Heads; with an Appendix, showing the several Items composing each Head of the Account (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 382, of Session 1856).

Public Income and Expenditure.

Mr. *Hamilton* reported from the Select Committee on the *Hainault* Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill.

Bill 93.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Oaths Bill.

The time being come for the Conference with the Lords upon the subject-matter of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Oaths Bill;

Ordered, That the Committee who were appointed to draw up Reasons to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, for disagreeing to the said Amendments, do manage the Conference.

Then the Names of the Managers were called over; and they went to the Conference:—And being returned;

Lord *John Russell* reported, That the Managers had been at the Conference, which was managed on the part of the Lords by the Lord Chamberlain; and that they had delivered the Reasons for disagreeing to the said Amendments; and had left the Bill and Amendments with their Lordships.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Pilotage (Sunderland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of all Correspondence between the Board of Trade and any other Persons or Bodies, having reference to the Pilotage of the Port of *Sunderland*, between the 1st day of January 1856 and the present time:——And, Return of the Number and Names of any Pilots of the Port of *Sunderland* who have been deprived of their Licenses, and the alleged Grounds for the same, since the 1st day of January 1856.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Thursday next.

Committees.

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit To-morrow, notwithstanding the adjournment of the House.

Cumbrae Lights. No. 283.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Cumbrae* Lights, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant May, be printed.

East India (Governor General.) No. 282.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Governor General), which was presented upon the 17th day of this instant May, be printed.

Navy. No. 284.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Navy, which was presented upon the 17th day of this instant May, be printed.

Probate and Legacy Duties (Real Property, &c.)

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, in the opinion of this House, Real Property and Impropriate Tithes should pay the same Probate Duty as that now payable on Personal Property; and that Property belonging to Corporations, Universities, Colleges, Bishoprics, and Deans and Chapters, should pay Probate and Legacy Duties equivalent to those now levied on Personal Property;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *William Williams*, Mr. *Hadfield*: } 68.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 172.

So it passed in the Negative.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Chelsea Hospital and Waterworks Exchange of Lands Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Chelsea* Hospital and Waterworks Exchange of Lands Bill, without any Amendment:

Loan Societies Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Loan Societies Bill, without any Amendment:

Knighton Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Knighton* Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Barnstaple Waterworks Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Barnstaple* Waterworks Bill, without any Amendment:

Newport (Salop) Markets, Town Hall, &c. Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Newport* (*Salop*) Markets, Town Hall, &c. Bill, without any Amendment:

Peniston, Thurlstone and Oxspring Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Peniston*, *Thurlstone* and *Oxspring* Gas Bill, without any Amendment:

Chief Justice of Bombay Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to make valid certain Acts of the late Chief Justice of *Bombay*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to give to Trustees, Mortgagees and others, certain Powers now commonly inserted in Settlements, Mortgages and Wills; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Insurance and Assurance Institutions.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate Insurance and Assurance Institutions, and to arrange for their Incorporation: And that Mr. *Henry Brinsley Sheridan* and Colonel *French* do prepare, and bring it in.

Conspiracy to Murder (Ireland.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal so much of the Act of the tenth year of King *George* the Fourth, chapter thirty-four, as relates to Conspiracies and Solicitations to Murder in *Ireland*:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Public Grounds and Playgrounds.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable or facilitate Grants of Land to be made near populous Places for Public Grounds for the use and regulated Recreation of Adults, and as Playgrounds for Poor Children: And that Mr. *Slaney* and Mr. *Briscoe* do prepare, and bring it in.

Manning the Navy.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She will be graciously pleased to appoint a Commission to inquire into the best means of Manning the Navy, and improving its Management, with a view to reduce its Expenditure without impairing its efficiency;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into "the best means of Manning the Navy," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment and Motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Manning the Navy.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She will be graciously pleased to appoint a Commision to inquire into the best means of Manning the Navy.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Titles to Land (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to simplify the Forms and diminish the Expense of completing Titles to Land in *Scotland*: And that the Lord Advocate and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Valuation (Ireland.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of an Address to Her Majesty, praying that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that the Ratepayers of *Ireland* be relieved from one-half of the Expenses of the Annual Revision of the Valuation, in such manner as She may deem fit; and to assure Her Majesty that this House will make good the same:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered,

Valuation, &c. (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Valuation of, and Poundage Rate in, each Electoral Division of every Poor Law Union in *Ireland*, in each of the three years ending the 25th day of March 1858.

Weights and Measures Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Weights and Measures Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

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And the Question being put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *John Locke*, Mr. *Bass:*	84.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Horsfall*, Mr. *Paget:*	92.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

Church Rates Abolition Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Church Rates Abolition Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday the 1st day of June next.

Stamp Duty on Passports Bill.

The Stamp Duty on Passports Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Governor General of India.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 14th day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, relative to the Governor General of *India*;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Prescription (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Prescription (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill;

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

Ecclesiastical Residences (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for taking into consideration, this day, the Ecclesiastical Residences (*Ireland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, this day, on the Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into the Committee of Supply this day, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means this day, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Endowed Schools (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hamilton* presented,—Return to several Orders, dated the 25th day of March last, and the 11th day of this instant May, for Returns relative to Endowed Schools (*Ireland*).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr. W. P. Snow. No. 285.

Lord *Stanley* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 22d day of April last, for a Return relative to Mr. *W. P. Snow*.

Guaranteed Loans (Colonies.) No. 286.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of April last, for a Return relative to Guaranteed Loans (Colonies).

Silver, &c. (China.) No. 287.

Return to several Addresses to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of March and the 29th day of April last, for Returns relative to Silver, &c. (*China*).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till Thursday next.

Jovis, 20° *die Maii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Atlantic Telegraph Company Bill.

MR. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the Atlantic Telegraph Company Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by adding words showing the extent to which the Company are now authorized to increase their capital; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Tramore Embankment Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Tramore* Embankment Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by stating more fully the Provisions of the recited Acts with regard to the Powers of compulsory purchase, the revival of which is the object of the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Newton to Compstall) Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Manchester, Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway (*Newton* to *Compstall*) Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

South Devon and Tavistock Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the South *Devon* and *Tavistock* Railway Bill; That, pursuant to the Resolution of the House of the 18th day of May, the Bill, as passed by the Committee, authorizes the Company to borrow £. 5,000, when £. 15,000, part of the additional capital of £. 30,000, shall have been subscribed for, and one-half thereof paid up; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by adding a recital that the Company had not granted any Preference Shares; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Oude Railway Company Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Oude* Railway Company Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Cromford and High Peak Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Cromford* and *High Peak* Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by reciting the consent of all the holders of the existing £. 6 *per centum* Preference Shares, and Debenture Stock Class B, and by omitting the statement of the expediency of leasing the Line to and entering into working arrangements with certain Companies, the Provisions for those purposes having been omitted from the amended Bill as submitted to the Committee; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Consular Service and Appointments.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Consular Service and Appointments have Power to report their Observations thereupon, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, from time to time to the House.

Belfast (Town) Improvement Bill.

Mr. *Edward Pleydell Bouverie* reported from the Committee on Group Q. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Belfast* (Town) Improvement Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Public Grounds and Playgrounds Bill.

Bill 94.

Mr. *Slaney* presented a Bill to enable or facilitate Grants of Land to be made near Populous Places for Public Grounds for the use and regulated recreation of Adults, and as Playgrounds for Poor Children: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2d day of June next; and to be printed.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill, and London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 2) Bill.

Mr. *Frederick North* reported from the Committee on Group 9 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *London* and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 1) Bill, and the *London* and North Western Railway (Additional Works) (No. 2) Bill, they had, pursuant to the Instruction of the House of the 27th day of April, considered the question of the proposed consolidation of the two Bills into one Bill; and, inasmuch as the Additional Works (No. 1) Bill proposes to empower the Company to construct various works of a miscellaneous character in connexion with their Undertaking, and to acquire additional Lands in several Counties, and the only object of the Additional Works (No. 2) Bill is to empower the Company to acquire additional land at *Manchester* adjoining or near to their *Victoria* Station and the River *Irwell*, and to widen the Bridge for carrying their Railway over the River *Irwell*, it appeared to the Committee that it would be more convenient that the Powers sought under the Additional Works (No. 2) Bill should be embodied in the Additional Works (No. 1) Bill, than that such Powers should form the subject of a separate Bill, and they had accordingly consolidated the said two Bills into one Bill, "for enabling the *London* and North Western Railway Company to construct Works and to acquire additional Lands in the Counties of *Salop*, *Middlesex*, *Hertford*, *Buckingham*, *Warwick*, *Chester*, *Stafford*, *Northampton*, *Leicester* and *Lancaster*, for authorizing arrangements in reference to 'The Improved Postal and Passenger Communication between *England* and *Ireland* Act, 1855,' and for other purposes;" that, in pursuance of the Instruction of the House of the 27th day of April, the Committee had considered the additional Provision proposed to be inserted in the Bill in reference to the *Wolverhampton* Station, and also the additional Provision proposed to be inserted therein in reference to providing a provident institution for the Servants of the Company, and had made Provision in the Bill accordingly; that they had consolidated the Preambles of the two Bills, and had struck out the paragraph relating to stopping up a portion of the road from *Coventry* to *Coundon*, and also the recital in reference to the proposed arrangements with the Midland Railway Company, and had inserted recitals in reference to the *Wolverhampton* Station, in order to make the same consistent with the Provisions of the Bill as passed by them; and found the Preamble, as so consolidated and amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) Bill.

Wallasey Improvement Bill.

Colonel *Pinney* reported the *Wallasey* Improvement Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Railway Bills (Group 11.)

Ordered, That the Committee on Group 11 of Railway Bills have leave to sit this day till Five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Hove Improvement Bill.

Admiral *Duncombe* reported from the Committee on Group R. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Hove* Improvement Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out the reference to the more efficient watering, Powers to alter the same not being taken in the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill.

Mr. *Philipps* reported from the Committee on Group 6 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Bill, in pursuance of the Instruction of the House of the 18th day of May, they had considered the additional Provision proposed to be inserted in the Bill for enabling the *Kendal* and *Windermere* Railway Company to appoint a Director of the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway, and had made Provision in the Bill accordingly; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out so much thereof as related to the proposed abandonment of a portion of the Main Line of Railway authorized by "The *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* and *Ingleton* Railway Act, 1857," and the construction of a new Line of Railway in lieu thereof; and also by setting out more fully the Provisions of "The *Lancaster* and *Preston* Junction Railway Amendment Act, 1849," and the Powers sought by the present Bill in reference to the *Lancaster* and *Preston* Junction Railway Company, in order to make the Preamble consistent with the Provisions of the Bill as passed by the Committee; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

West End of London and Clapham and Norwood Junction Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

Mr. *Philipps* reported the West End of *London* and *Clapham* and *Norwood* Junction Railway (Abandonent) Bill, with an Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ely Valley Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Ely* Valley Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords;

Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Selkirk and Galashiels Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Selkirk* and *Galashiels* Railway Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Andover Canal Railway Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Andover* Canal Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ballymena, Ballymoney, Coleraine and Portrush Junction Railway Bill.

The *Ballymena*, *Ballymoney*, *Coleraine* and *Portrush* Junction Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable the *Ballymena*, *Ballymoney*, *Coleraine* and *Portrush* Junction Railway Company to sell their Undertaking to the *Belfast* and *Ballymena* Railway Company.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Belfast and County Down Railway Bill.

The *Belfast* and County *Down* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to extend the Time for purchasing certain Lands required by the *Belfast* and County *Down* Railway Company, and for other purposes connected with the same Company.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Chiswick Improvement Bill.

The *Chiswick* Improvement Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Corris, Machynlleth and River Dovey Tramroad Bill.

The *Corris*, *Machynlleth* and River *Dovey* Tramroad Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for making a Tramroad from the *Aberllefenny* Slate Quarries, in the Parish of *Talyllyn*, in the County of *Merioneth*, to the River *Dovey*, in the Parish of *Llanfihangel Geneu'r Glyn*, in the County of *Cardigan*, with Branches therefrom, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Dean Forest Turnpike Trust Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Dean* Forest Turnpike Trust Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Luton, Dunstable, and Welwyn Junction and Hertford and

The *Luton*, *Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction and *Hertford* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass. Welwyn Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Taunton* Water Bill was read the third time. Taunton Water Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Waterford* Gas Bill was read the third time. Waterford Gas Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Windsor* New Road Bill was read the third time. Windsor New Road Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill, as amended in the Committee. Mersey Dock and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill.

A Clause (Act not to come into operation unless a certain other Act is passed), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 97, l. 11, by inserting after the word "dues" the words "and it shall not be lawful for "the Board, after the expiration of the said twelve "months, to demand and receive any greater sums "in respect of Town Dues and Anchorage Dues "than shall have been so approved of by the Board "of Trade, in pursuance of this and of the next "preceding enactment."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there inserted;

Ordered, That the consideration of the said proposed Amendment be postponed till To-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill. Mersey Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway (Capital) Bill, as amended in the Committee. Waterford and Kilkenny Railway (Capital) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. Public Petitions.

Vide Thirty-fourth Report.

Mr. *Cowper* reported from the Committee on the *Manchester* Corporation Water Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out the words "separate and additional," p. 2, l. 6, and by inserting after the words "water closets," p. 2, l. 7, the words "where there shall be more than "one water closet in any dwelling-house, or shop or "building used as a dwelling-house, in order to make the Preamble more consistent with the objects of the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto. Manchester Corporation Water Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Lord Advocate presented a Bill to simplify the Forms and diminish the Expense of completing Titles to Land in Scotland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of June next; and to be printed. Titles to Land (Scotland) Bill. Bill 95.

Private Bills.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, That She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of all Parliamentary Expenses incurred by Railway Companies in each Session, from their first Act inclusive to the end of the Session 1857; distinguishing them under the following Heads: Parliamentary Fees; Fees to Counsel; Attendance of Witnesses; Other General Expenses: ——Of the Total Expenses incurred before each Committee, in which the several Companies entered an Appearance:—— Of the proportion which the Total Parliamentary Expenses bear to the Total Capital of each Company:——For the last Ten years, of the Parliamentary Expenses in each year of Gas Companies, Water Companies, and Turnpike Trusts, under the heads Parliamentary Fees; Fees to Counsel; Attendance of Witnesses; Other General Expenses; and of the proportion which the Total Parliamentary Expenses bear to the Total Capital of each Company or Trust:——And, of the Committees on Private Bills during the last Parliament, with the Number of Days on which each Committee sat.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Imports and Exports (British Colonies.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Duties payable, under Colonial Enactments, on Goods imported into and exported from the *British* Colonies (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 285, of Session 1856).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Bridgwater Union.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Memorials, Correspondence, and other Papers relating to the inquiry into the conduct of Mr. *Symes*, as a Medical Officer of the *Bridgwater* Poor Law Union; with the Minutes of Evidence taken before, and Reports of, the Poor Law District Inspectors thereon.

East India (Civil Service Examinations.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Correspondence which has taken place since the 1st day of May 1858, between the Board of Commissioners for the Affairs of *India* and the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company, relating to the Regulations framed by the Board for the Examination of Candidates for Appointment to the Civil Service of the *East India* Company, and which were ordered to be printed 30th April 1858, and presented to this House pursuant to the Act 16 & 17 *Vic.* c. 95.

Metropolitan Police.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Foreigners now employed in the Metropolitan Police Force.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Gilbert-street Calamity.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Presentment and Official Report of the Architect, made to the Coroner for *Middlesex*, of the Inquest on the late Calamity in *Gilbert-street*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Waterford Harbour.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of Report received at the War Office or Horse Guards, relative to the great facilities afforded by the Harbour of *Waterford* for landing and embarking Troops.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Trade and Navigation. No. 68.

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Accounts relating to Trade and Navigation, for the Month ended 30th April 1858, and Four Months ended 30th April 1858.

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Westminster New Palace.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of further Correspondence between the First Commissioner of Works and Sir *Charles Barry*, relating to Estimates and Expenditure upon the Works of the New Palace at *Westminster*, including a Copy of the Specification and Summaries of the various Estimates (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 160, of the present Session).

Rating of Tenements.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns from the several Parishes or Townships in the Counties of *Lancashire*, *Suffolk*, *Hampshire* and *Gloucestershire*, respectively, of the Number of Tenements assessed to the Rate for the Relief of the Poor made next before the Rate now collecting; specifying the Amount of such Rate, the Number of Assessments rated under £. 4 Annual Value, at £. 4 and under £. 5, at £. 5 and under £. 6, at £. 6 and under £. 8, at £. 8 and under £. 10, at £. 10 and under £. 12, at £. 12 and under £. 15, at £. 15 and under £. 20, at £. 20 and above, respectively:——Of the Number of Tenements assessed at each of these several Values of which the Occupiers have been excused (so far as the same can be ascertained):——And, of the Number and Amount of Compositions with Owners of Small Tenements.

Endowed Schools (Ireland.) No. 288.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Endowed Schools (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 18th day of this instant May, be printed.

Turnpike Trusts.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Report relative to Turnpike Trusts in *England* and *Wales*, made by direction of the Secretary of State, under Act 3 & 4 *Will.* 4, c. 80.

Poor Relief, &c. (Metropolis.)

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 18th day of February last, for Returns relative to Poor Relief, &c. (Metropolis).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

County Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the County Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 3d day of June next.

Marriage Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Marriage Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Government of India Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Government of *India* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 3d day of June next.

The

Church of England Special Services Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Church of *England* Special Services Bill;

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

Election Committees Scrutiny Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Election Committees Scrutiny Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 3d day of June next.

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 3d day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday the 28th day of this instant May.

Chancery Amendment Bill.

The Chancery Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 31st day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Hainault* Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 31st day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Governor General of India.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 14th day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, That this House, whilst in its present state of information it abstains from expressing an opinion on the policy of any Proclamation which may have been issued by the Governor General of *India* in relation to *Oude*, has seen with regret and serious apprehension, that Her Majesty's Government have addressed to the Governor General, through the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors, and have published, a Despatch condemning in strong terms the conduct of the Governor General; and is of opinion that such a course on the part of the Government must tend, in the present circumstances of *India*, to produce the most prejudicial effect, by weakening the authority of the Governor General, and encouraging the further resistance of those who are in arms against us; and which Amendment was, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "generally "approves of Lord *Canning*'s policy up to the time "of the *Oude* Proclamation, and is satisfied with "the firmness and judgment he has evinced during "the crisis in *India*; but this House declines to "give any opinion upon the *Oude* Proclamation "until it has had further information on the state "of *Oude* when the Proclamation was issued, and "also Lord *Canning*'s reasons for issuing it," instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 21° *die Maii*, 1858:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Consolidated Fund (£. 11,000,000) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (£. 11,000,000) Bill, without any Amendment:

Stamp Duty on Drafts Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Stamp Duty on Drafts Bill, without any Amendment:

Malvern Improvement Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Malvern* Improvement Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Prescription (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Prescription (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill;

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

Prideaux's Furnace-valve Door.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Report of the Honourable Captain *Denman* in 1855, on the Reduction of Temperature in the Engine Room of Her Majesty's Yacht Tender "*Elfin*," produced by the Application of Mr. *Prideaux*'s self-closing Valve Fire-door and non-conducting Smoke-box Shields:——And, of the Report by Commander *J. M. Grandy*, in August 1855, of the Trial of Mr. *Prideaux*'s self-closing Valve Fire-door and non-conducting Smoke-box Shields in Her Majesty's Revenue Steam Cruiser "*Argus*."

Bishops' Trusts Substitution (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Bishop of one Diocese to substitute the Bishop of another as a Trustee in certain Trusts: And that Mr. *Briscoe* and Mr. *Gilpin* do prepare, and bring it in.

East India (Oude Proclamation.) No. 289.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Letter of the Secretary of the Chief Commissioner in *Oude* to the Secretary of the Governor General, dated *Lucknow*, the 8th March 1858, with reference to the issue of the Proclamation to the People of *Oude*; also, Letter of the Secretary of the Governor General to the Secretary of the Chief Commissioner in *Oude*, dated *Allahabad*, the 10th March, on the same subject; also, Letter of the same to the same, of the 31st March, on the same subject.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Army Clothing, &c.

General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 18th day of March last, for Returns relative to Army Clothing, &c.

Ordnance Survey (Scotland.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 27th day of April last, for a Return relative to the Ordnance Survey (*Scotland*).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution (No. 2) Bill. Bill 96.

Mr. *Briscoe* presented a Bill to enable the Bishop of one Diocese to substitute the Bishop of another as a Trustee in certain Trusts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 2d day of June next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 21° die Maii;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Eastern Steam Navigation Company Bill.

MR. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the Eastern Steam Navigation Company Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same verbally; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

London and North Western Railway (Extension from Longsight) Bill.

Mr. *Frederick North* reported from the Committee on Group 9 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *London* and North Western Railway (Extension from *Longsight*) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by referring to one Branch Railway only, the Power to make two other Branch Railways originally contained in the Bill having been withdrawn by the Promoters; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 9.)

Mr. *Frederick North* reported from the Committee on Group 9 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday, June 1st, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Saint Leonard's, Shoreditch, Parish Bill.

Admiral *Duncombe* reported from the Committee on Group R. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Saint Leonard's, Shoreditch*, Parish Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out so much of the recital, that it is expedient that a Board of Guardians of the Poor of the Parish be substituted for the Trustees, as named the officers of the Parish of which such Board should consist; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions (Thirty-third Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 17th and 18th days of this instant May, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Caledonian Railway (Branch to Port Carlisle Railway) Bill.

The *Caledonian* Railway (Branch to *Port Carlisle* Railway) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Hesketh Marsh Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Hesketh Marsh* Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Horsham Turnpike Trust Bill.

The *Horsham* Turnpike Trust Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Llandaff and Canton District Markets Bill.

The *Llandaff* and *Canton* District Markets Bill was read the third time; and a verbal Amendment was made to the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Northampton Gas Bill.

The *Northampton* Gas Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Plymouth Great Western Docks Bill.

The *Plymouth* Great Western Docks Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Portsmouth Railway Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Portsmouth* Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Wexford Harbour Embankment Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Wexford* Harbour Embankment Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for enabling the *Wexford* Harbour Embankment Company to alter the Number of their Shares, and to issue Preference Shares in lieu of unissued Shares, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Globe Insurance Company Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Globe Insurance Company Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Manchester Poor Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Manchester* Poor Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Ulverstone and Lancaster Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Ulverstone* and *Lancaster* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Victoria Station and Pimlico Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Victoria* Station and *Pimlico* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the consideration of the Amendment which, upon the 20th day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill, and which Amendment was, in page 97, line 11, after the word "dues," to insert the words "and it shall not be lawful for the "Board, after the expiration of the said Twelve "months, to demand and receive any greater Sums "in respect of Town Dues and Anchorage Dues "than shall have been so approved of by the Board "of

" of Trade, in pursuance of this and of the next " preceding enactment;"

And the Question being again proposed, That those words be there inserted:—The House resumed the consideration of the said proposed Amendment:—And the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Stanhope and Wolsingham Rectories Bill.

The Select Committee on the *Stanhope* and *Wolsingham* Rectories Bill was nominated of Lord *Harry Vane*, Mr. *Ingham*, the Judge Advocate, Mr. *Hardy*, Mr. *Cardwell*, Sir *James Graham*, Mr. *Deedes*, Mr. *FitzRoy*, and Five Members to be added by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee on the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill, in Group 8 of Railway and Canal Bills, be printed at the Expense of the Parties, and distributed with the Votes:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by Mr. *Pulman*, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

Consolidated Fund (£.11,000,000) Bill.

An Act to apply the Sum of Eleven Millions out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight:

Stamp Duty on Drafts Bill.

An Act for granting a Stamp Duty on certain Drafts or Orders for the Payment of Money:

Loan Societies Bill.

An Act to continue an Act of the third and fourth years of Her Majesty, chapter one hundred and ten, to amend the Laws relating to Loan Societies:

Chelsea Hospital and Waterworks Exchange of Lands Bill.

An Act to effect an Exchange between the Commissioners of *Chelsea* Hospital and the Governor and Company of *Chelsea* Waterworks of Lands in the Parishes of *Saint George*, *Hanover-square*, and *Saint Margaret*, *Westminster*, in the County of *Middlesex*:

Caledonian Railway (Dalmarnock Branch) Bill.

An Act to enable the *Caledonian* Railway Company to make a Branch Railway to *Dalmarnock*, in the County of *Lanark*, and for other purposes:

Eden Valley Railway Bill.

An Act to authorize the making of a Railway from the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway, at or near *Clifton*, to the South *Durham* and *Lancashire* Union Railway, at or near *Kirkby Stephen*, all in the County of *Westmoreland*, and for other purposes:

Merthyr Tydfil Water Bill.

An Act to confer upon the Local Board of Health for the District of *Merthyr Tydfil* further Powers with reference to the Supply of Water, and for other purposes:

Symington, Biggar and Broughton Railway Bill.

An Act for making a Railway from the *Caledonian* Railway, near *Symington* Station, to *Biggar* and *Broughton*, and for other purposes:

Aberdare Water Bill.

An Act for better supplying with Water the Town and Parish of *Aberdare*, in the County of *Glamorgan*:

Dundalk and Enniskillen Railway Bill.

An Act to enable the *Dundalk* and *Enniskillen* Railway Company to raise further Money, and for other purposes:

Sculcoates and Kingston-upon-Hull Gas Bill.

An Act for better enabling the *British* Gas-Light Company, Limited, to light with Gas certain parts of the Town or Borough of *Kingston-upon-Hull*, and for other purposes:

Knighton Railway Bill.

An Act for making a Railway from the *Craven Arms* Station of the *Shrewsbury* and *Hereford* Railway, in the County of *Salop*, to the Borough of *Knighton*, in the County of *Radnor*, and for other purposes:

Barnstaple Waterworks Bill.

An Act for better supplying with Water the Borough of *Barnstaple* and Places adjacent thereto, in the County of *Devon*, and for other purposes:

Newport (Salop) Markets, Town Hall, &c. Bill.

An Act for providing a Market-house and Market-place, and other Buildings, for Public Accommodation at the Town of *Newport*, in the County of *Salop*, and for establishing and regulating Markets and Fairs there, and for opening a new Street, and widening other Streets, and otherwise improving the Town, and for other purposes:

Peniston, Thurlstone and Oxspring Gas Bill.

An Act for supplying and lighting with Gas the several Townships of *Peniston*, *Thurlstone* and *Oxspring* and Places adjacent, all in the Parish of *Peniston*, in the West Riding of the County of *York*.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Thirty-fourth Report.

Railway Bills (Group 7.)

Mr. *Scholefield* reported from the Committee on Group 7 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Tuesday the 1st day of June, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Wandle Water and Sewerage Company.

A Petition of *Murray Maxwell Johnson*, of 20, *Austin Friars*, in the City of *London*, Solicitor, was presented, and read; setting forth, That an action is pending in Her Majesty's Court of Exchequer of Pleas between *Sarah King*, Plaintiff, and *Charles Reynolds*, Defendant, and it will be necessary for the Defendant in the said action to produce certain documents deposited in the Journal Office of the House, namely, the Subscription Contracts of the *Wandle* Water and Sewerage Company for the years 1850, 1851, 1852 and 1853; that the Petitioner is the Solicitor of the said Defendant, *Charles Reynolds*; and praying the House to give permission to the proper Officer to attend to produce the said documents.

Ordered, That leave be given to the proper Officer to attend accordingly.

Complaint.

Complaint being made to the House by *George Clive*, Esquire, Member for *Hereford*, of an article in the *Carlisle* Examiner and North Western Advertiser Newspaper of Saturday, 15th May 1858, printed by *Hudson Scott*, and published by *Washington Wilks*, imputing partial and corrupt conduct to him as Chairman, and containing reflections on other Members of the Committee on Group 13 of Railway Bills, in reference to the *Carlisle*, *Langholm* and *Hawick* Railway, and North *British* Railway (*Hawick* and *Carlisle* Junction Railway) Bills, referred to that Committee, in breach of the Privileges of this House;

The said Paper was delivered in; and the Paragraphs complained of read.

Ordered, That *Hudson Scott* and *Washington Wilks* do attend this House upon Friday next.

Royal Hibernian Academy.

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to the Royal *Hibernian* Academy.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Rating of Tenements.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Rating of Tenements, which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant May, be printed. No. 290.

Poor Relief, &c. (Metropolis.) No. 291.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Poor Relief, &c. (Metropolis), which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant May, be printed.

Army Clothing, &c. No. 292.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Army Clothing, &c., which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant May, be printed.

Ordnance Survey (Scotland.) No. 293.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Ordnance Survey (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant May, be printed.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Friday next.

East India (Correspondence, &c.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of the Despatch or Telegram from the late Sir *Henry Havelock*, dated the 18th day of August 1857, which appeared in the *London* Gazette of the 15th day of January 1858:——Of any Correspondence that has taken place between General Sir *Colin Campbell*, G.C.B., Commanding the Forces in *India*, on the subject of the 64th Regiment, dated the 30th day of March 1858, and the Adjutant General in *England*:——And, of the Reply of His Royal Highness the Duke of *Cambridge*, Commander-in-Chief.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

East India (Annexations, &c.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of all Papers not already presented to the House, connected with the various Annexations of Territory in *India*, including Minutes by individual Directors, since the Annexation of *Sattarah*.

Ship "Resolute," &c.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of all Communications between Her Majesty's Government and the Government of the United States, relating to the Recovery and Disposal of Her Majesty's Ship "*Resolute*," her Arrival in *England*, and Presentation to the Queen; also, of all Applications for her Re-employment in Arctic Service from any Public Bodies or Private Individuals, and of any Letter or Letters addressed to the Admiralty by Lady *Franklin*, subsequently to that bearing date the 9th day of March 1856:——And, Lists of the Vessels, whether *English* or *American*, to the Officers and Crews of which the Medal for Arctic Service has been issued, including the Boat or Land Parties employed in the Arctic Regions.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Governor General of India.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 14th day of this instant May, was proposed to be made to the Question, That this House, whilst in its present state of information it abstains from expressing an opinion on the policy of any Proclamation which may have been issued by the Governor General of *India* in relation to *Oude*, has seen with regret and serious apprehension that Her Majesty's Government have addressed to the Governor General, through the Secret Committee of the Court of Directors, and have published, a Despatch condemning in strong terms the conduct of the Governor General; and is of opinion that such a course on the part of the Government must tend, in the present circumstances of *India*, to produce the most prejudicial effect, by weakening the authority of the Governor General, and encouraging the further resistance of those who are in arms against us; and which Amendment was, to leave out from the word "House" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "generally approves of Lord *Canning*'s policy up to the time of "the *Oude* Proclamation, and is satisfied with the "firmness and judgment he has evinced during the "crisis in *India*; but this House declines to give any "opinion upon the *Oude* Proclamation until it has "had further information on the state of *Oude* when "the Proclamation was issued, and also Lord *Canning*'s reasons for issuing it," instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the said proposed Amendment and Motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 31st day of this instant May.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 7th day of June next.

Trustees' Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Trustees' Relief Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill.

The Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday the 7th day of June next.

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 31st day of this instant May.

Prince Edward Island Loan Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Prince Edward Island* Loan Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 31st day of this instant May.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday the 31st day of this instant May.

London Corporation Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *London* Corporation Regulation Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 31st day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Friday next.

Oxford and Cambridge Universities, &c. Estates Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Universities, &c. Estates Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and amended the Title, as followeth:

A Bill to give to the Universities of *Oxford*, *Cambridge* and *Durham*, and the Colleges in those Universities, and to the Colleges of *Saint Mary* of *Winchester* near *Winchester*, and of King *Henry* the Sixth at *Eton*, Power to sell, enfranchise and exchange

exchange Lands, under certain Conditions, and also to grant Leases for agricultural, building and mining purposes, and to deal with the Interests of their Lessees under proper Reservations and Restrictions.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday the 3d day of June next.

Government of India (No. 3.)

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3);

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 4th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Marriage Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Marriage Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 2d day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Church of England Special Services Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Church of *England* Special Services Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 1st day of June next.

Prescription (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Prescription (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday the 31st day of this instant May.

Titles to Land (Scotland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday the 1st day of June next, the Titles to Land (*Scotland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 7th day of June next.

War Department.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names, Age, Dates of Appointment, and Salaries of all Persons, Naval or Military, now holding Office in the War Department, and of all Persons removed from same since the 1st day of April 1856, by reason of Abolition of Office or Length of Service, with Amount of Compensation or Superannuation Award:——And, like Return of all Temporary or Quarterly Clerks in the several Branches of the War Department, and the Amount of Salaries or Special Allowances of same.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Navy.

Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 6th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to the Navy.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

And then the House adjourned till Friday next.

Veneris, 28° *die Maii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

London Corporation Regulation Bill.

THE House being informed, That the Sheriffs of the City of *London* attended at the door, they were called in; and at the Bar presented,—A Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of *London*, in Common Council assembled:—And then they withdrew.

And the said Petition, praying that the House will be pleased to make an Order for the re-committal of the *London* Corporation Regulation Bill to the Select Committee, and for the Petitioners being fully heard by their counsel, agents and witnesses against such of the clauses of the said Bill as are injurious to their rights, interests and privileges, or that the said clauses may be expunged from the Bill; and that such other relief may be afforded to them as the House may deem fit, was read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions (Thirty-fourth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 20th and 21st days of this instant May; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Malvern Improvement Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Malvern* Improvement Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Waterford and Kilkenny Railway (Capital) Bill.

The *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway (Capital) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ayr and Dalmellington Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Ayr* and *Dalmellington* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Cromford and High Peak Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Cromford* and *High Peak* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

East Kent Railway (Dover Extension) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the East *Kent* Railway (*Dover* Extension) Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Manchester Corporation Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Manchester* Corporation Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill.

Ordered, That the *Manchester, Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Newton to Compstall) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Manchester, Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway (*Newton* to *Compstall*) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Newport, Abergavenny and Hereford Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Newport, Abergavenny* and *Hereford* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Tramore Embankment Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Tramore* Embankment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Yar Bridge Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Yar* Bridge Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Carlisle, Langholm and Hawick Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee on the *Carlisle, Langholm* and *Hawick* Railway Bill, in Group 13 of Railway and Canal Bills, be printed at the expense of the Parties making the application, and distributed with the Votes.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Thirty-fifth Report.

Charitable Donations and Bequests (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirteenth Annual Report of the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for *Ireland.*

Duchy of Lancaster.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of all Manors and Estates now belonging to the Crown in right of the Duchy of *Lancaster*; of all Sales, Grants and Enfranchisements which have taken place since 1838; of the Purchases and Exchanges of Land which have been made since the same Period, and the Date and Term of all existing Leases of the Lands, Mines and Rents of the said Duchy.

Lunatic Asylums.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of April last, for a Return relative to Lunatic Asylums, with the Date of their Establishment, &c.

Lunatic Asylums.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 21st day of April last, for a Return relative to the Number of Licensed Lunatic Asylums on the 1st January 1858.

Reformatories.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 10th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to Reformatories.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Barracks.

General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 25th day of March last, for a Return relative to Barracks.

Army (Captain Grant's Kitchens.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of April last, for a Return relative to the Army (Captain *Grant*'s Kitchens).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

East India (Letters and Collections, &c.)

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of April last, for Returns relative to *East India* (Letters and Collections, &c.)

East India (Civil Service Examinations.)

Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to *East India* (Civil Service Examinations).

Royal Hibernian Academy. No. 294.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Royal *Hibernian* Academy, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant May, be printed.

Navy. No. 295.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Navy, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant May, be printed.

Manning the Navy.

The Treasurer of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of the 18th day of this instant May, relative to Manning the Navy, had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address, praying that a Commission may be appointed to inquire into the best means of Manning the Navy.

And, having considered the subject, I have given directions that a Commission shall issue accordingly.

Land Registry Offices.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns from each of the Land Registry Offices in the Counties of *Middlesex* and *York*, and in the *Bedford* Level, for the preceding Ten years; and in the Kingdom of *Ireland* for the preceding Twenty years:——Of the Amount of Fees annually paid in respect of Registering Assurances:——Of the Number of Assurances annually registered:——Of the Number of Searches annually made:——Of the Total Amount of the Sums annually paid into each Office in respect of Searches; also, the several Sums thus paid, classified according to their Rates of Increase, up to the highest Sum, as indicated in the Tabular Form below:——Of the Aggregate Amount of the Salaries and Emoluments annually received for Labour done in each Office, and the Number of Officers employed:——And, from what Sources or Funds these Salaries or Emoluments are derived:

Year.	Number of Assurances registered.	Total Amount of Fees paid for Registries.	Number of Searches made.	Total Amount of Monies paid for Searches.	Total Amount of Monies paid for Registering and Searches.	Number of Fees paid for Searches, where the Fee paid for Searches in respect of the same Property exceeded the Sum of		
						£. 100, but did not exceed £. 200.	£. 200, but did not exceed £. 300.	£. 300, but did not exceed £. 400; and so on up to the highest Sum paid.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Complaint.

The Order of the day being read, for the attendance of *Hudson Scott* and *Washington Wilks*;

The said *Hudson Scott* and *Washington Wilks* were called in, and at the Bar examined in relation to the article complained of in the *Carlisle* Examiner and North Western Advertiser Newspaper of Saturday, 15th May 1858:—And then they were directed to withdraw.

Resolved, That the said article is a false and scandalous libel upon the Chairman and other Members of the Committee on Group 13 of Railway Bills.

Resolved, That *Washington Wilks,* the proprietor and publisher of the said Newspaper, in publishing the said article, has been guilty of a breach of the Privileges of this House.

Ordered,

Ordered, That *Washington Wilks*, having been guilty of a breach of the Privileges of this House, be for his said offence committed to the custody of the Serjeant-at-Arms attending this House; and that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrants accordingly.

Ordered, That *Hudson Scott* be discharged from further attendance on this House.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "an humble Address be presented to Her "Majesty, praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to take into consideration the "hardship experienced by Captains of Cavalry and "Infantry, who, having been reduced to the non-"effective list, by Order of Government, at the ter-"mination of the late War in 1856, and being re-"placed on the effective strength of the Army on "the breaking out of the War in the East in 1857, "find themselves posted to Regiments in relatively "inferior rank to Lieutenants, who have obtained "the rank of Captain, by Purchase or otherwise, "during the intermediate year of peace," instead thereof.

Captains of Cavalry and Infantry.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question: —The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. £.118,287, to complete the Sum for Educational and Scientific Branches.

2. £.16,330, to complete the Sum for Rewards for Military Service.

3. £.39,511, to complete the Sum for the Pay of General Officers.

4. £.353,207, to complete the Sum for the Pay of Reduced and Retired Officers.

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15. £.30,300, for the Purchase, Fitting up, and Furnishing three Houses in *Pall Mall*, as an addition to the War Office.

16. £.31,000, for the Probate Court and District Registries.

17. £.4,707, for Maintenance and Repairs to Embassy Houses, &c., Abroad.

18. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.170,000, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of constructing certain Harbours of Refuge, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the item in the proposed Vote for Works at *Alderney*, be reduced by the Sum of £.30,000: —Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

19. £.21,000, on account for New Packet Harbour and Harbour of Refuge at *Holyhead*.

20. £.1,049, for *Port Patrick* Harbour.

21. £.60,651, for Public Buildings in the Department of the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland*.

22. £.18,506, for *Kingstown* Harbour.

23. £.88,107, for the Offices of the Two Houses of Parliament, and Allowances to Retired Officers.

24. £.54,000, for the Department of Her Majesty's Treasury.

25. £.24,799, for the Home Department.

26. £.61,900, to complete the Sum for the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

27. £.29,134, for the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies.

28. £.67,847, for the Department of Her Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

29. Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £.2,720, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salary of the Lord Privy Seal, and the Expenses of his Establishment, to the 31st day of March 1859;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore:* } 71.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Wise*, Mr. *Charles Forster:* } 31.

30. £.5,223, for the Civil Service Commission.

31. £.17,198, for the Department of Her Majesty's Paymaster General.

32. £.6,255, for the Department of the Comptroller General of the Exchequer.

33. £.26,575, for the Office of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings.

34. £.22,989, for the Office of Woods, Forests and Land Revenues.

35. £.21,009, for the Department of Public Records.

36. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.216,060, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Expenses connected with the Administration of the Laws relating to the Poor, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the item of £.30,000 for Salaries of Schoolmasters and Schoolmistresses in Poor Law Unions, *Great Britain*, be omitted from the proposed Vote:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the item of £.100,000, being one-half of the Expense of the Salaries of Medical Officers in the several Poor Law Districts, be omitted from the proposed Vote;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *M'Mahon*, Mr. *Butt:* } 10.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore:* } 80.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

37. £.50,000, on account, for Civil Contingencies.

Resolutions to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 29° *die Maii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Trustees' Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Trustees' Relief Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ecclesiastical Residences (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ecclesiastical Residences (*Ireland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

East India.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Letter from the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company to the Governor General in Council, dated the 18th day of May 1858.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) [Salaries, &c.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of authorizing the payment, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, of the Salaries and Retiring Pensions of the Judges of the Landed Estates Court, *Ireland*, to be constituted by any Act of the present Session, for facilitating the Sale and Transfer of Lands in *Ireland*, and also of imposing a Duty on every Estate sold or conveyed, or of which a partition, exchange or division shall be made where no Sale is to be effected, or of which the Title shall be verified by Declaration under the said Act;

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

New Zealand Loan. No. 296.

Lord *Stanley* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 17th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to the *New Zealand* Loan.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Westminster New Palace. No. 297.

Lord *John Manners* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to the *Westminster* New Palace.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till One of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 31° *die Maii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Great Southern of India Railway Company.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the Great Southern of *India* Railway Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Great Southern of India Railway Company.

A Petition of the Great Southern of *India* Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate and regulate the Great Southern of *India* Railway Company, and for other purposes connected therewith, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Bradford Corporation Water Bill.

The *Bradford* Corporation Water Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Globe Insurance Company Bill.

The Globe Insurance Company Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Manchester Poor Bill.

The *Manchester* Poor Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act providing for the separate Incorporation of the Overseers of the several Townships of *Manchester*, *Ardwick*, *Chorlton-upon-Medlock* and *Hulme*, for specific purposes; for the Levying and Collection of Rates; for the extinguishing the Exemption of Gas Works from Rates.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour Board to construct certain Works at *Birkenhead*, in substitution for and in addition to those already authorized, and for other purposes.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Atlantic Telegraph Company Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Atlantic Telegraph Company Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Devon Valley Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Devon* Valley Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Eastern Steam Navigation Company Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Eastern Steam Navigation Company Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Halifax Park and Improvements Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Halifax* Park and Improvements Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Agreement by Corporation for taking lands, &c. for Waterworks confirmed), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London* and North Western Railway (additional Works) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Llanelly Harbour Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Llanelly* Harbour Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

London and North Western Railway (Extension from Longsight) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *London* and North Western Railway (Extension from *Longsight*) Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Oude Railway Company Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Oude* Railway Company Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Wallasey Improvement Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Wallasey* Improvement Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill, as amended in the Committee;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday the 10th day of June next;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "Thursday the "10th day of June," and inserting the word "Fri-"day," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment and Motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Stockton, Middlesbrough and Yarm Water Bill (1851.)

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee on the *Stockton*, *Middlesbrough* and *Yarm* Water Bill, in Session 1851, be referred to the Committee on Group S. of Private Bills, in reference to the *Stockton*, *Middlesbrough* and *Yarm* and *Middlesbrough* Water Bills.

King's Lynn Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *King's Lynn*, in the room of the Right honourable *Edward Henry Smith Stanley*, commonly called Lord *Stanley*, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of President of the Board of Control for the Affairs of *India*.

Hertford County Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the County of *Hertford*, in the room of Sir *Edward George Earle Lytton Bulwer Lytton*, Baronet, who, since his Election for the said County, hath accepted the Office of one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution (No. 2) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Bishops' Trusts Substitution (No. 2) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution (No. 3) Bill. Bill 97.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to substitute in certain cases the Bishop of one Diocese for the Bishop of another as a Trustee of certain Trusts: And that Mr. *Briscoe* and Mr. *Gilpin* do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. *Briscoe* accordingly presented the said Bill: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, and Thirty-sixth Report.

Land Transport Corps.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to Lord *Panmure* to attend to be examined as a Witness before the Select Committee on the Land Transport Corps: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Education (Mauritius.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Ordinance for rendering compulsory the Education of Children in *Mauritius*, and of any Correspondence that shows the Grounds on which that Ordinance was adopted:——And, of any Remonstrances against it which have been addressed to the Colonial Office.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Administration of Justice (Colonies.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of Judicial Officers, Law Officers of the Crown, and other Principal Officers connected with the Administration of Justice in the Colonies; specifying their Numbers, Descriptions and Salaries.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Property Tax and Population, &c.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be added to the Re-

turn laid before this House, relative to Property Tax and Population, &c., presented upon the 4th day of February last,—"The different Columns added up, so as to show at a glance the Information required by the Return for the whole Country."

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Price* have leave of absence for six weeks, on account of illness in his family.

Education.

Mr. *Adderley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Minutes of the Committee of Council on Education; Schools of Parochial Unions, and Reformatory Schools in *England* and *Wales*; with Reports by Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools, 1857-8.

Copy of Fifth Report of the Science and Art Department of the Committee of Council on Education.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Complaint (Washington Wilks.)

A Petition of *Washington Wilks*, retracting the imputation of corrupt motives against the honourable Member for *Hereford*, as Chairman of the Committee on Group 13 of Railway Bills, in reference to the *Carlisle*, *Langholm* and *Hawick* Railway, and the North *British* Railway (*Hawick* and *Carlisle* Junction Railway) Bills, which he regrets had been made, and praying that he may be forthwith discharged, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be taken into consideration To-morrow, and be printed.

Duchy of Lancaster. No. 298.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Duchy of *Lancaster*, which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant May, be printed.

Lunatic Asylums. No. 299.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Lunatic Asylums, with Date of Establishment, &c., which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant May, be printed.

Lunatic Asylums. No. 299.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Number of Lunatic Asylums licensed, which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant May, be printed.

Barracks. No. 300.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Barracks, which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant May, be printed.

Army (Captain Grant's Kitchens.) No. 301.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Army, (Captain *Grant*'s Kitchens), which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant May, be printed.

East India (Letters and Collections, &c.) No. 302.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Letters and Collections, &c.), which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant May, be printed.

East India (Civil Service Examinations.) No. 303.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Civil Service Examinations), which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant May, be printed.

Harbour, &c. Bills. No. 113.

The following Paper, pursuant to Order, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Supplemental Report from the Board of Trade relative to Harbour, &c. Bills.

East India.

The following Paper was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of this instant May, for a Return relative to *East India*.

East India.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Resolutions of the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company, being the Warrants or Instruments granting any Salary or Gratuity.

Resolutions of the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company, being the Warrants or Instruments granting any Pension.

Inland Revenue.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 21st April 1858, granting a Special Retired Allowance to Mr. *Thomas Lister*, Supervisor of *Charleville* District of Inland Revenue.

Navy.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 12th May 1858, granting a Special Superannuation Allowance to Mr. *Thomas T. Grant*, late Comptroller of the Victualling and Transport Departments of the Navy.

Military Prisons.

Copy of Warrant placing the Warders of Military Prisons under the Provisions of the Superannuation Act 4 & 5 *Will.* 4, c. 24, s. 14.

Pensions.

Copies of Treasury Minutes, dated respectively 16th September 1857, and 17th April 1858, renewing the Pensions of Mrs. *Rosamond Croker* and Lady *Clementina Davis*.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Harbour, &c. Bills be printed.

Public Business.

Resolved, That Government Orders of the day shall have precedence upon Thursdays, during the remainder of the Session.

Supply.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Educational and Scientific Branches.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £.118,287, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of the Educational and Scientific Branches, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Rewards for Military Service.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £.16,330, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Rewards for Military Service, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Pay of General Officers.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £.39,511, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of the Pay of General Officers, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Pay of Reduced and Retired Officers.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £.353,207, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of the Pay of Reduced and Retired Officers, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Pensions to Widows.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £.139,132, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Pensions to Widows of Officers, and of Allowances on the Compassionate List, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Pensions for Wounds.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £.34,243, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Pensions and Allowances to Officers for Wounds, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £.21,372, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of *Chelsea* and *Kilmainham* Hospitals, and the In-Pensioners thereof, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Out-Pensioners of Chelsea Hospital, &c.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £.802,863, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Out-Pensioners of *Chelsea* Hospital, &c., which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

Superannuation and Retired Allowances.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £.86,410, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Superannuation and Retired Allowances, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859.

10. That

Royal Palaces. 10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 46,219, be granted to Her Majesty, for the Maintenance and Repair of the Royal Palaces, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Public Buildings, &c. 11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 110,651, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Maintenance and Repair of Public Buildings; for providing the necessary Supply of Water for the same; for Rents of Houses for the temporary Accommodation of Public Departments, and Charges attendant thereon, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Furniture. 12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 26,926, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Supply and Repair of Furniture in the various Public Departments, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Royal Parks, Pleasure Grounds, &c. 13. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 99,667, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, to the 31st day of March 1859, the Expense of maintaining and keeping in Repair the Royal Parks, Pleasure Grounds, &c., and other Charges connected therewith.

Works, &c. (New Houses of Parliament.) 14. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 160,793, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Works and Expenses at the New Houses of Parliament, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Addition to the War Office. 15. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 30,300, be granted to Her Majesty, for the Purchase, Fitting up and Furnishing three Houses in *Pall Mall*, as an addition to the War Office.

Probate Court, &c. 16. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 31,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to provide Premises in *London* and the Country for the Probate Court and District Registries.

Embassy Houses, &c. 17. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,707, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Maintenance and Repairs to Embassy Houses, &c. Abroad, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Harbours of Refuge. 18. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 170,000, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of constructing certain Harbours of Refuge, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Holyhead Harbours. 19. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 21,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account of the Works at the New Packet Harbour and Harbour of Refuge at *Holyhead*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Port Patrick Harbour. 20. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,049, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Pay of the Establishment and the necessary Works at *Port Patrick* Harbour, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Public Buildings (Ireland.) 21. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 60,651, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of erecting, repairing and maintaining the several Public Buildings in the Department of the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Kingstown Harbour. 22. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 18,506, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Works and Establishment of *Kingstown* Harbour, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Houses of Parliament. 23. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 88,107, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses in the Offices of the Two Houses of Parliament, and Allowances to Retired Officers, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Treasury. 24. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 54,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Her Majesty's Treasury, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Home Department. 25. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,799, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Foreign Department. 26. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 61,900, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to pay the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, and also of the Queen's Messengers and Extra Couriers attached to that Department, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Colonial Department. 27. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 29,134, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Privy Council. 28. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 67,847, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council, and Committee of Privy Council for Trade, including the Railway and Marine Departments, and the Registrar of Merchant Seamen, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Lord Privy Seal. 29. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,720, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salary of the Lord Privy Seal, and the Expenses of his Establishment, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Civil Service Commission. 30. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,223, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of conducting the Business of the Civil Service Commission, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Paymaster General. 31. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 17,198, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of Her Majesty's Paymaster General, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Comptroller General of the Exchequer. 32. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,255, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of the Comptroller General of the Exchequer, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Works and Public Buildings. 33. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 26,575, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Woods, Forests and Land Revenues. 34. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 22,989, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of Woods, Forests and Land Revenues, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Public Records. 35. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 21,009, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Department of Public Records, including the State Paper Office, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Poor Laws Administration. 36. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 216,060, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Expenses connected with the Administration of the Laws relating to the Poor, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Civil Contingencies. 37. That a Sum of £. 50,000 be granted to Her Majesty, on account, to defray the Charge of Civil Contingencies, to the 31st day of March 1859.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Supply. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 36,639, for the Establishment of the Mint.

2. £. 22,010, for Inspectors of Factories, Mines, &c.

3. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,251, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries of the Department of the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer in the Exchequer, *Scotland*, of certain Officers in *Scotland*, and other Charges, formerly paid from the Hereditary Revenue, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the item of £. 98. 16 *s.* 6 *d.* for the Queen's Plate, to be run for at *Edinburgh*, be omitted from the proposed Vote;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Wise*, Mr. *Joseph Ewart*: } 44.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Whitmore*, Mr. *Hamilton*: } 70.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,431, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Salaries for the Officers and Attendants of the Household of the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the item of £. 647. 13 *s.* 4 *d.* for Four Aides-de-Camp to the Lord Lieutenant, be omitted from the proposed Vote:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the item of £. 257. 17 *s.* 4 *d.* for Two Gentlemen-at-large be omitted from the proposed Vote;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Wise*, / Mr. *Joseph Ewart:* } 42.

Tellers for the Noes, { Lord *Henry Lennox*, / Mr. *Whitmore:* } 88.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

5. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 15,804, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* in *Dublin* and *London*, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the item of £. 4,425 in the proposed Vote for Salary and Allowance for Fuel to the Chief Secretary, be reduced by the Sum of £. 1,000;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Wise*, / Mr. *Baxter:* } 55.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, / Mr. *Whitmore:* } 151.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the said item be reduced by the Sum of £. 425, being the Allowance for Fuel to the Chief Secretary;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *William Williams*, / Mr. *Joseph Ewart:* } 68.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, / Mr. *Whitmore:* } 148.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

6. £. 7,119, for the Department of the Paymaster of Civil Services in *Ireland*.

7. £. 2,613, for the Inspectors of Lunatic Asylums in *Ireland*.

8. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 22,615, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Public Works in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again——put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

9. £. 35,768, for the Department of the Commissioners for auditing the Public Accounts.

10. £. 17,879, for the Copyhold, Inclosure and Tithe Commission.

11. £. 12,330, for Imprest Expenses under the Inclosure and Drainage Acts of the Copyhold, Inclosure and Tithe Commission.

12. £. 38,800, for the Department of the General Register Office, *England* and *Wales*.

13. £. 3,310, for the Department of the General Register Office, *Dublin*.

14. £. 5,652, for the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c., *Edinburgh*.

15. £. 14,355, for the National Debt Office.

16. £. 2,800, for the Establishment under the Public Works Loan Commissioners.

17. £. 1,770, for the Establishment under the *West India* Islands Relief Commissioners.

18. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 9,820, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Contingent Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners in Lunacy in *England*, and the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Lunacy in *Scotland*, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the item of £. 1,367. 2 *s.* 6 *d.* in the proposed Vote for Two Deputy Commissioners in *Scotland*, be reduced by the Sum of £. 367. 2 *s.* 6 *d.*——put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

19. £. 1,223, for the General Superintendent of County Roads in South *Wales*.

20. £. 2,103, for the Department of the Registrars of Friendly Societies in *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*.

21. £. 32,000, for Foreign and other Secret Services.

22. £. 401,357, for Stationery, Printing and Binding, for the several Public Departments, and for Printing, &c., for the Two Houses of Parliament, including the Expense of the Stationery Office.

23. £. 123,100, for Postage of Letters on the Public Service in the several Departments.

Resolutions to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 1° *die Junii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) [Salaries, &c.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) [Salaries, &c.]

(In the Committee.)

1. *Resolved*, That Provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, for payment of the Salaries and Retiring Pensions of the Judges of the Landed Estates Court, *Ireland*, to be constituted by any Act of the present Session for facilitating the Sale and Transfer of Land in *Ireland*.

2. *Resolved*, That a Duty shall be levied upon every Estate which shall be sold or conveyed under the said Act, or of which a partition, exchange or division shall be made by the Court, where no Sale is to be effected by the Court, or of which the Title shall be verified by Declaration under the said Act; and that the Rate of such Duty shall be Ten shillings upon every Hundred pounds of the Gross Value of the Estate or Estates which shall form the subject of each application to the Court, or reference from the Courts of Chancery or Bankruptcy and Insolvency respectively, where such Value shall be less than Ten thousand pounds, and One pound upon every Hundred pounds of such Gross Value where such Value shall amount to Ten thousand pounds or upwards.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Clerks of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill.

The Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Public Health Bill.

The Public Health Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Hainault* Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill;

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

Prince Edward Island Loan Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Prince Edward Island* Loan Bill;

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

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

London Corporation Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *London* Corporation Regulation Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Prescription (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Prescription (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 11th day of this instant June.

Trustees' Relief Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Trustees' Relief Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee.

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Charity Trustees

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return from the Charity Trustees appointed under the Authority of the Act 5 & 6 *Will.* 4, c. 76, in Cities and Boroughs in *England* and *Wales*, showing—1. The Gross Annual Amount of their Receipt and Expenditure as such Trustees for the years 1853, 1854, 1855, 1856 and 1857, respectively; 2. Number of Trustees originally appointed; 3. Present Number of Trustees, distinguishing those whose Names do not appear upon the last Burgess List; those who do not reside within Seven Miles of the City or Borough for which they were appointed Trustees; and those who have ceased to act as such Trustees.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Local Government Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Thursday next, on the Local Government Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Registration of County Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Thursday next, on the Registration of County Voters (*Scotland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 16th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Printing. No. 305.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Copies of Treasury Minutes, dated 10th May 1858, relating to the printing of Reports of Commissions of Inquiry, and 31st May 1858, relating to the Printing of Departmental Papers.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 1° *die Junii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Standing Orders.

COLONEL *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Great Southern of India Railway Company.

That in the case of the Great Southern of *India* Railway Company Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Great Southern of India Railway Company.

The House was moved, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, in respect of the Petition for the Great Southern of *India* Railway Company Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to incorporate and regulate the Great Southern of *India* Railway Company, and for other purposes connected therewith: And that Mr. *Stephenson* and Mr. *Turner* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Petitions (Thirty-fifth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 28th day of May last; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill.

A Petition of the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Company, praying that Provision may be made in the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Bill for extending and enlarging the Powers of the North Eastern Railway Company to subscribe to the capital, by certain Acts authorized to be raised for the construction of the Railways thereby authorized, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Ayr and Dalmellington Railway Bill.

The *Ayr* and *Dalmellington* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill.

The *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Cromford and High Peak Railway Bill.

The *Cromford* and *High Peak* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to authorize the *Cromford* and *High Peak* Railway Company to raise further Sums of Money, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

East Kent Railway (Dover Extension) Bill.

The East *Kent* Railway (*Dover* Extension) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Manchester Corporation Water Bill.

The *Manchester* Corporation Water Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Newton to Compstall) Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Manchester, Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway (*Newton* to *Compstall*) Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Fitz Roy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Newport, Abergavenny and Hereford Railway Bill.

The *Newport, Abergavenny* and *Hereford* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Tramore Embankment Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Tramore* Embankment Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Fitz Roy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

South Devon and Tavistock Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the South *Devon* and *Tavistock* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee on the *Manchester, Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill, in Group 8 of Railway and Canal Bills, be printed, at the expense of the Parties applying for the same; and that the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee on the said Bill be printed, at the expense of the Parties applying for the same, from the Committee Clerk's Copy.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Thirty-sixth Report.

Railway Bills (Group 10.)

Mr. *Cobbett* reported from the Committee on Group 10 of Railway Bills; That Mr. *Luce*, one of the Members of the Committee, stated that he was a Director of the Great Western Railway Company, who were Petitioners against the *Shrewsbury* and *Welchpool* Railway Bill, one of the Bills under the consideration of the Committee; and that he did not on that account consider himself in a position to attend and vote on the subject of such Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Luce* be discharged from further attendance on the said Committee, so far as regards the *Shrewsbury* and *Welchpool* Railway Bill.

Private Bills (Group L.)

Mr. *Buller* reported from the Committee on Group L. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned to Thursday next, the 3d of June, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Colonial Possessions.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Reports made for the year 1856, to the Secretary of State having the Department of the Colonies; in continuation of the Reports annually made by the Governors of the *British* Colonies, with a view to exhibit generally the past and present state of Her Majesty's Colonial Possessions; transmitted with the Blue Books for the year 1856.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Church of England Special Services Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Church of *England* Special Services Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Archdeaconry of Middlesex.

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of May last, for a Return relative to the Archdeaconry of *Middlesex*.

Gilbert-street Calamity.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of May last, for a Return relative to the *Gilbert-street* Calamity.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Ordnance Survey (Scotland.)

General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of May last, for a Return relative to the Ordnance Survey (*Scotland*).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Reformatories.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Reformatories, which was presented upon the 28th day of May last, be printed. No. 306.

Ordered,

East India. No. 307.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India*, being a Copy of a Letter to the Governor General in Council, which was presented upon the 31st day of May last, be printed.

Complaint (Washington Wilks).

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Petition of *Washington Wilks*, which was presented upon the 31st day of May last:—The House proceeded to take the said Petition into consideration; and the same was again read.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That *Washington Wilks*, now in the custody of the Serjeant-at-Arms attending this House, be discharged out of custody on payment of his fees;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "the Order for the consideration of the said "Petition be discharged," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "the "Order for the consideration of the said Petition be "discharged" be added instead thereof:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Order for the consideration of the said Petition be discharged.

Military Departments.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That, although the recent consolidation of the different Departments of Ordnance, Commissariat and Secretary-at-War has to a certain extent improved the general administration of Military Affairs, a divided responsibility still exists; and that, in order to promote greater efficiency, the Departments of the Horse Guards and War Office should be placed under the control of one responsible Minister;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Captain *Vivian*, Viscount *Goderich*: } 106.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 104.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Liverpool Exchange Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Liverpool* Exchange Bill, without any Amendment:

Manchester Assize Court House Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Manchester* Assize Court House Bill, without any Amendment:

Manchester Improvement Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Manchester* Improvement Bill, without any Amendment:

Tay Fisheries Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Tay* Fisheries Bill, without any Amendment:

Birmingham Canal Navigations Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Birmingham* Canal Navigations Bill, without any Amendment:

Garngad Road Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Garngad* Road Bill, without any Amendment:

Burghead Harbour Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Burghead* Harbour Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Bristol Municipal Charities Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for confirming a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners for certain Municipal Charities in the City of *Bristol*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Harvey's Charity Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for confirming a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners for Sir *Eliab Harvey*'s Charity, in the Town of *Folkestone*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Cowley's Charity Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for confirming a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners for *Cowley*'s Charity, in the Parish of *Swineshead*, in the County of *Lincoln*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Bristol Saint Nicholas and Saint Leonard's Charities Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for confirming a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners for certain Charities in the Parishes of *Saint Nicholas* and *Saint Leonard*, in the City of *Bristol*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Land Transport Corps.

The Lords give leave to the Lord *Panmure* to attend, to give evidence before the Select Committee on the Land Transport Corps, as desired by this House.

Suez Canal.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the power and influence of this Country ought not to be used in order to induce the Sultan to withhold his assent to the project of making a Canal across the Isthmus of *Suez*;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "and that in any course that this House may sanc-"tion in furtherance of the construction of such "Canal, it is expedient that care be taken that the "despotic powers of the *Egyptian* Government be "not allowed to be made use of by the Promoters "of such project to obtain the required labour from "the 'Fellah' at an inadequate remuneration, by "those compulsory means familiar to the practice "of that Government, so as to produce the effects "of Slavery under the guise of paid labour.'

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurii, 2° *die Junii*, 1858:

And the Question being put:—It passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Roebuck*, Mr. *Milner Gibson*: } 62.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 290.

So it passed in the Negative.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Cheques or Drafts on Bankers: And that Mr. Attorney General and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Seamen deserted.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Seamen who deserted, from the 1st of January 1854 to the 31st day of December 1857; and the Amount of Wages forfeited to the Crown.

Foreign Office Re-construction.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the Re-construction of the Foreign Office in relation to the future rebuilding of other Offices on a uniform plan, due regard being had to public convenience and economy.

Gas (Metropolis.)

The Select Committee on Gas (Metropolis) was nominated of Mr. *Byng*, Sir *John Shelley*, Sir *Benjamin Hall*, Mr. *John Locke*, Mr. *Roupell*, Mr. *Francis Russell*, Sir *William Hayter*, Mr. *Jackson*, Mr. *Thomas Mills*, Mr. *Whitbread*, the Judge Advocate, Mr. *Alderman Cubitt*, Mr. *Adams*, Mr. *Barrow* and Sir *William Dunbar*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum.

Landed Estates (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to simplify the Title to Landed Estates in *Ireland:* And that Mr. *Butt* and Colonel *French* do prepare, and bring it in.

Vaccination (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make further Provision for the Practice of Vaccination in *Ireland:* And that Lord *Naas* and Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Galway Freemen Disfranchisement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Galway* Freemen Disfranchisement Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Copyright of Designs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Copyright of Designs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 17th day of this instant June.

Game Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Game Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Church Rates Abolition Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Church Rates Abolition Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Drummond*, Mr. *Deedes:* 103.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir *John Trelawny*, Mr. *Philip Wykeham Martin:* 150.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Hume*, Mr. *Drummond:* 78.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir *John Trelawny*, Mr. *Philip Wykeham Martin:* 136.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Tuesday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday next.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) [Salaries, &c.]

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) [Salaries, &c.], several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That Provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, for Payment of the Salaries and Retiring Pensions of the Judges of the Landed Estates Court, *Ireland*, to be constituted by any Act of the present Session for facilitating the Sale and Transfer of Land in *Ireland*.

2. That a Duty shall be levied upon every Estate which shall be sold or conveyed under the said Act, or of which a Partition, Exchange or Division shall be made by the Court, where no Sale is to be effected by the Court, or of which the Title shall be verified by Declaration under the said Act; and that the Rate of such Duty shall be Ten shillings upon every Hundred pounds of the Gross Value of the Estate or Estates which shall form the subject of each application to the Court, or reference from the Courts of Chancery or Bankruptcy and Insolvency respectively, where such Value shall be less than Ten thousand pounds, and One pound upon every Hundred pounds of such Gross Value where such Value shall amount to Ten thousand pounds or upwards.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Prescription (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Prescription (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill. Bill 98.

Lord *Naas* presented a Bill to make further Provision for the Practice of Vaccination in *Ireland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill. Bill 99.

Mr. Attorney General presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Cheques or Drafts on Bankers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 10th day of this instant June; and to be printed.

Complaint (Washington Wilks).

A Petition of *Washington Wilks*, unreservedly retracting every charge of corruption, and any imputation arising therefrom, conveyed in certain paragraphs in the *Carlisle* Examiner, voted by the House to be a scandalous libel; and regretting that such imputations upon the Chairman or Members of the Committee on Group 13 of Railway Bills, in reference to the *Carlisle, Langholm* and *Hawick* Railway, and North *British* Railway (*Hawick* and *Carlisle* Junction Railway) Bills, referred to in the Resolution of the House of the 28th day of May last, should have appeared in his Paper; and that the retractation already made by him in a Petition to the House should not have been understood, as it was intended, in that sense; and praying that he may be forthwith discharged, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be taken into consideration this day; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Three of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Mercurii, 2° die Junii;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Great Southern of India Railway Company Bill.

A BILL to incorporate and regulate the Great Southern of *India* Railway Company, and for other purposes connected therewith, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

North British Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the North *British* Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Power to purchase Sir *Robert Keith Dick*'s wayleave), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another

Another Clause (Compensation to *Andrew Wauchope* for wayleave on part of *Musselburgh* Branch to be abandoned), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

West End of London and Clapham and Norwood Junction Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the West End of *London* and *Clapham* and *Norwood* Junction Railway (Abandonment) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Hove Improvement Bill.

Ordered, That the *Hove* Improvement Bill be re-committed to the former Committee:—And that they have leave to sit and proceed upon Friday next.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum.

Railway Bills (Group 9.)

Ordered, That Sir *Edward Colebrooke* be discharged from further attendance on the Committee on Group 9 of Railway Bills.

Ordered, That Sir *John Yarde Buller* be added to the Committee.

Insurance and Assurance Institutions Bill. Bill 100.

Colonel *French* presented a Bill to regulate Insurance and Assurance Institutions, and to arrange for their Incorporation: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

County Franchise Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the County Franchise Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 10th day of this instant June.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Thirty-sixth Report.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *M'Cann* have leave of absence for a week, on urgent business.

Archdeaconry of Middlesex. No. 304.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Archdeaconry of *Middlesex*, which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant June, be printed.

Gilbert-street Calamity. No. 308.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *Gilbert-street* Calamity, which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant June, be printed.

Ordnance Survey (Scotland.) No. 309.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Ordnance Survey (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant June, be printed.

Complaint (Washington Wilks.)

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Petition of *Washington Wilks*, which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant June:—The House proceeded to take the said Petition into consideration; and the same was again read.

Ordered, That *Washington Wilks*, in custody of the Serjeant-at-Arms attending this House, be discharged out of custody, paying his fees.

Medical Practitioners Bill.

The Medical Practioners Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "Tuesday next," and inserting the words "this day six months," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words "Tuesday next" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Medical Profession and Medical Corporations Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Medical Profession and Medical Corporations Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 23d day of this instant June.

Medical Profession Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Medical Profession Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Property Qualification Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of May last, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the Property Qualification Bill);

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House will, upon this day six months, resolve "itself into the said Committee," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Locke King*, / Mr. *Knatchbull-Hugessen* } 222.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Bentinck*, / Mr. *Newdegate:* } 109.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

Public Grounds and Playgrounds Bill.

The Public Grounds and Playgrounds Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

Marriage Law Amendment Bill. Bill 101.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Marriage Law Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Nisi Prius Court (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to appoint a Clerk of Nisi Prius for the Consolidated Nisi Prius Court in *Ireland:* And that Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Railway Bills (Group 7.)

Mr. *Scholefield* reported from the Committee on Group 7 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, they had adjourned until Friday the 4th instant, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Nisi Prius Court (Ireland) Bill. Bill 102.

Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* presented a Bill to appoint a Clerk of Nisi Prius for the Consolidated Nisi Prius Court in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Army (Crimea.)

The Order made upon the 10th day of May last, for presenting to Her Majesty an humble Address, that She would be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return relative to the Army (*Crimea*), was read, and discharged.

Army (Crimea, &c.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of all *British* Officers who served in the *Crimea*, or in *Turkey* or *Greece*, during the late War with *Russia*; the Dates of their Arrival and Departure from the *Crimea*, *Turkey* or *Greece*; the Actions in which they were engaged; whether they did any Duty in the Trenches before *Sebastopol*; distinguishing those decorated with the Order of the Bath, *Victoria* Cross, the Legion of Honour, Médaille Militaire, the *Sardinian* Order or Medal, and the Medjidie:

Name, Rank an Regiment.	Date of Arrival in Crimea.	Date of Departure from Crimea.	Date of Arrival in Turkey or Greece.	Date of Departure from Turkey or Greece.	Actions in which engaged.	Whether did Duty in Trenches before Sebastopol.	Decorations.					
							Order of the Bath.	Victoria Cross.	Legion of Honour.	Médaille Militaire.	Sardinian Order or Medal.	Medjidie.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Pilotage (Sunderland.)

Mr. *Henley* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of May last, for Returns relative to Pilotage (*Sunderland*).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Game Certificates (Ireland.)

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 25th day of March last, for a Return relative to Game Certificates (*Ireland*).

National Debt.

Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of April last, for a Return relative to the National Debt.

National Collections.

Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of April last, for Returns relative to National Collections.

Bed of the Sea, &c.

Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of April last, for Returns relative to the Bed of the Sea, &c.

Election Committees Scrutiny Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Election Committees Scrutiny Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 23d day of this instant June.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 3° *die Junii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Atlantic Telegraph Company Bill.

THE Atlantic Telegraph Company Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Devon Valley Railway Bill.

The *Devon* Valley Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Eastern Steam Navigation Company Bill.

The Eastern Steam Navigation Company Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Llanelly Harbour Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Llanelly* Harbour Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) Bill.

The *London* and North Western Railway (Additional Works) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

London and North Western Railway (Extension from Longsight) Bill.

The *London* and North Western Railway (Extension from *Longsight*) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable the *London* and North Western Railway Company to make Extensions of their Railway from *Longsight* to *Hyde* and *Stalybridge*, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Oude Railway Company Bill.

The *Oude* Railway Company Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Wallasey Improvement Bill.

The *Wallasey* Improvement Bill was read the third time; and verbal Amendments were made to the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Yar Bridge Bill.

Ordered, That the *Yar* Bridge Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Severn Valley Railway Bills (1855 and 1856)

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committees on the *Severn* Valley Railway Bills in Sessions 1855 and 1856 be referred to the Committee on Group 10 of Railway Bills, in reference to the *Severn* Valley Railway Bill.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Station at Manchester) Bill.

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway (Station at *Manchester*) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by expunging all that relates to the Station at *Manchester*; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Thirty-seventh Report.

Mr.

Landed Estates (Ireland) Bill. Bill 103.

Mr. *Butt* presented a Bill to simplify the Title to Landed Estates in *Ireland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 14th day of this instant June; and to be printed.

Nisi Prius Court (Dublin.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Causes actually tried in the Consolidated Nisi Prius Court, *Dublin*, and of Appeals actually heard and determined in that Court, during the years 1855, 1856 and 1857.

East India (Oude.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Letter of Captain *Evans*, Deputy Commissioner of Zillah *Poorweh* (*Oude*), reporting to the Chief Commissioner on the state of his District, dated the 31st day of March 1858; together with any accompanying or covering Letter.

Loan Fund Board of Ireland.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twentieth Annual Report of the Commissioners of the Loan Fund Board of *Ireland*, pursuant to the Act 6 & 7 *Vic.* c. 91.

Emigration Commission.

Copy of Eighteenth General Report of the Emigration Commissioners, 1858.

Sasines (Scotland.)

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of April last, for a Return relative to Sasines (*Scotland*).

Metropolitan Police.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of May last, for a Return relative to the Metropolitan Police.

Ballindine National Schools.

Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of May last, for a Return relative to *Ballindine* National Schools.

Pawnbrokers (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,— Returns of the Marshal of the City of *Dublin*, of the Pawnbrokers of *Ireland*, for the year ending 31st December 1857.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Pilotage (Sunderland.) No. 310.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Pilotage (*Sunderland*), which was presented upon the 2d day of this instant June, be printed.

Game Certificates (Ireland.) No. 311.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Game Certificates (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 2d day of this instant June, be printed.

National Debt. No. 312.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the National Debt, which was presented upon the 2d day of this instant June, be printed.

National Collections. No. 313.

Ordered, That the Return relative to National Collections, which was presented upon the 2d day of this instant June, be printed.

Bed of the Sea, &c. No. 314.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Bed of the Sea, &c., which was presented upon the 2d day of this instant June, be printed.

Anchors.

Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 22d day of April last, for Returns relative to Anchors.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Supply.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Mint.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 36,639, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Establishment of the Mint, including Expenses of the Coinage, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Inspectors of Factories, Mines, &c.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 22,010, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Inspectors of Factories, Mines, &c., to the 31st day of March 1859.

Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer, &c. (Scotland.)

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,251, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries of the Department of the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer in the Exchequer, *Scotland*, of certain Officers in *Scotland*, and other Charges, formerly paid from the Hereditary Revenue, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Household of Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,431, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Salaries for the Officers and Attendants of the Household of the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Chief Secretary to Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 15,804, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Offices of the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* in *Dublin* and *London*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Paymaster of Civil Services (Ireland.)

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,119, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Department of the Paymaster of Civil Services in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Inspectors of Lunatic Asylums (Ireland.)

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,613, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Inspectors of Lunatic Asylums in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Board of Public Works (Ireland.)

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 22,615, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Public Works in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Audit Office.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 35,768, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of the Commissioners for auditing the Public Accounts, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Copyhold, Inclosure and Tithe Commission.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 17,879, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Copyhold, Inclosure and Tithe Commission, to the 31st day of March 1859.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 12,330, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Imprest Expenses, under the Inclosure and Drainage Acts of the Copyhold, Inclosure and Tithe Commission, to the 31st day of March 1859.

General Register Office.

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 38,800, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of the General Register Office, *England* and *Wales*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

General Register Office (Dublin.)

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,310, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of the General Register Office, *Dublin*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Registrar General of Births, &c. (Edinburgh.)

14. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,652, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of the Registrar General of Births, &c., *Edinburgh*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

National Debt Office.

15. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 14,355, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses in the National Debt Office, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Public Works Loan Commissioners.

16. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,800, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Establishment under the Public Works Loan Commissioners, to the 31st day of March 1859.

West India Islands Relief Commissioners.

17. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,770, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Establishment under the *West India* Islands Relief Commissioners, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Commissioners in Lunacy, &c.

18. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 9,820, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Contingent Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners in Lunacy in *England*, and the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Lunacy in *Scotland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Superintendent of County Roads, South Wales.

19. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,223, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary and Expenses of the General Superintendent of County Roads in South *Wales*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Registrars of Friendly Societies.

20. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,103, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses

Expenses in the Department of the Registrars of Friendly Societies in *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Secret Services.

21. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 32,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Her Majesty's Foreign and other Secret Services, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Stationery, Printing and Binding.

22. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 401,357, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Stationery, Printing and Binding, for the several Public Departments, and for Printing, &c., for the Two Houses of Parliament, including the Expense of the Stationery Office, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Postage (Public Service.)

23. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 123,100, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Postage of Letters on the Public Service, in the several Departments, to the 31st day of March 1859.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 46,375, for Law Charges, and the Salaries, Allowances and Incidental Expenses in the Office of the Solicitor for the Affairs of Her Majesty's Treasury.

2. £. 150,000, for Prosecutions at Assizes and Quarter Sessions, formerly paid out of County Rates.

3. £. 214,200, for Police in Counties and Boroughs in *England* and *Wales*, and for Police in *Scotland*.

4. £. 200, for the Crown Office, Chancery.

5. £. 1,500, for the Crown Office, Queen's Bench.

6. £. 14,419, for Expenses incurred by Sheriffs, and Deficiency of the Fees in the Office of the Queen's Remembrancer in the Exchequer.

7. £. 5,940, for the Department of the Registrar of the Admiralty, and the Admiralty Court, *Dublin*.

8. £. 6,826, for the Insolvent Debtors' Court.

9. £. 35,162, for the Court of Probate and Divorce and Matrimonial Causes.

10. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 57,050, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the County Courts, to the 31st day of March 1859:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the item of £. 55,000, being the Expense of providing Court Houses, Offices, Stationery, Printing, &c., for the County Courts, be omitted from the proposed Vote——put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

11. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 25,428, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Police Courts of the Metropolis, to the 31st day of March 1859:

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the item of £. 7,430, for the Salaries of Clerks of the Police Courts of the Metropolis, be omitted from the proposed Vote:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

12. Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 128,607, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expenses of the Metropolitan Police, to the 31st day of March 1859;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*:	157.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *John Trelawny*, Mr. *Hadfield*:	28.

13. £. 3,495, for the Queen's Prison.

14. £. 3,342, for Salaries of the Lord Advocate and of the Solicitor General, *Scotland*.

15. £. 18,577, for the Court of Session in *Scotland*.

16. £. 11,261, for the Court of Justiciary in *Scotland*.

17. £. 5,550, for Criminal Prosecutions carried on under the authority of the Lord Advocate.

18. £. 1,860, for the Legal Branch of the Exchequer in *Scotland*.

19. £. 25,000, for Sheriffs and Stewards, including Procurators Fiscal not paid by Salaries, and the Expenses of Criminal Prosecutions, &c., in Sheriff Courts in *Scotland*.

20. £. 11,955, for such Procurators Fiscal in *Scotland* as are no longer paid by Fees.

21. £. 13,110, for such Sheriff Clerks, *Scotland*, as are not chargeable on the Revenues of Customs and Excise.

22. £. 2,250, for the Solicitor of the Crown, and Expenses in matters of Tithes, and the Expenses of the Agent of the Officers of State in maintaining Rights of the Crown in Civil Actions, &c., in *Scotland*.

23. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 15,118, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the several Offices in Her Majesty's General Register House, *Edinburgh*, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the item of £. 1,000, being the Salary of the Keeper of the General and Particular Registers of Sasines, be omitted from the proposed Vote——put, and agreed to.

Original Question, as amended, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 14,118, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the several Offices in Her Majesty's General Register House, *Edinburgh*, to the 31st day of March 1859——put, and agreed to.

24. £. 1,124, for the Department of the Commissary Clerk, *Edinburgh*.

25. £. 1,675, for the Department of the Accountant in Bankruptcy in *Scotland*.

26. £. 26,620, for Criminal Prosecutions and other Law Charges in *Ireland*.

27. £. 3,726, for Salaries of certain Officers of the Court of Chancery in *Ireland*, formerly charged on the Consolidated Fund.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report these Resolutions to the House, and ask leave to sit again——put and negatived.

28. £. 2,599, for certain Officers, and the incidental Expenses of the Court of Queen's Bench in *Ireland*.

29. £. 3,480, for certain Officers, and the incidental Expenses of the Court of Common Pleas in *Ireland*.

30. £. 3,975, for certain Officers, and the incidental Expenses of the Court of Exchequer in *Ireland*.

31. £. 200, for the Clerk to the Taxing Officers for the Three Law Courts, *Ireland*.

32. £. 5,850, for the Registrars to the Judges in *Ireland*.

33. £. 2,348, for the Office for the Registration of Judgments in *Ireland*.

34. £. 9,546, for the Judges and Officers and the incidental Expenses of the Court of Bankruptcy and Insolvency in *Ireland*, and the Compensations awarded under the Act of the 20 & 21 *Vic.* c. 60.

35. £. 8,872 for the Court of Probate in *Ireland*, and the Expenses of the said Court, and of the District Registries.

36. £. 830, for Revising Barristers in the City of *Dublin*.

37. £. 267, for the Clerk to the Court of Errors in *Ireland*.

38. £. 1,600, for the Police Justices of *Dublin* Metropolis.

39. £. 24,500, to complete the Sum for the Divisional Police Courts and the Metropolitan Police, *Dublin*.

40. £. 514,287,

40. £. 514,287, to complete the Sum for the Constabulary Force in *Ireland*.

41. £. 2,583, for the Four Courts Marshalsea Prison, *Dublin*.

42. £. 17,703, for Inspection and General Superintendence over all the Prisons in the United Kingdom.

43. £. 380,756, for Government Prisons and Convict Establishments at Home.

44. £. 140,023, for the Maintenance of Prisoners in County Gaols, Reformatory Institutions, and Lunatic Asylums, and the Expenses of the Removal of Convicts.

45. £. 24,715, for the Transportation of Convicts, &c.

46. £. 225,968, for Convict Establishments in the Colonies.

Resolutions to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 4° *die Junii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Chelsea Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Chelsea* Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill, without any Amendment:

Franchise Prisons Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Franchise Prisons Bill, without any Amendment:

Vauxhall Bridge Road Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Vauxhall* Bridge Road Bill, without any Amendment:

Staffordshire Potteries Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Staffordshire* Potteries Gas Bill, without any Amendment:

Stoke Fenton and Longton Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Stoke Fenton* and *Longton* Gas Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Brentford Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Brentford* Gas Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Sufferance Wharves, Port of London Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Sufferance Wharves, Port of *London* Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Government of India Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Government of *India* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 17th day of this instant June.

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Buchanan*, Mr. *Cowan*: } 77.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Headlam*, Sir *William Dunbar*: } 140.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "it be an Instruction to the Committee, that they "have Power to extend the Provisions of the Bill "to Insurance Companies," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment and Original Question were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Oxford and Cambridge Universities, &c. Estates Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Universities, &c., Estates Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Hainault* Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 13, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.

Clause (Whereas the part of the said unallotted lands in the King's Woods which abuts to the North on the Parishes of *Chigwell* and *Lambourn*, and to the South on the part of the King's Woods allotted to Her Majesty as hereinbefore mentioned, is convenient, and has been long used for the purposes of recreation and exercise, and it is therefore expedient that the same should not be divided or allotted in severalty; be it enacted, That, notwithstanding any thing contained in this Act or in any other Act relating to the inclosure of lands, it shall not be lawful for the Commissioners to be appointed under this Act, or for the Inclosure Commissioners for *England* and *Wales*, to sell, or to allot and divide in severalty, any portion of the said part of the said unallotted lands in the said King's Woods which so abuts on the said Parishes of *Chigwell* and *Lambourn*, but that part of the said unallotted lands, containing 422 acres 2 roods 36 perches, shall be converted into, and appropriated and used as, a regulated pasture, to be stocked and depastured in common by the persons who shall be found and determined to be entitled to the same, under the Provisions of this Act or of any other Act relating to the Inclosure of Commons, in proportion to their respective rights and interests, as the same shall be so determined)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time——put, and negatived.

Preamble amended, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill;

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

Game Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Game Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill.

The Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Property Qualification Bill.

The Property Qualification Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Funded Debt.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal certain Provisions for the Issue out of the Consolidated Fund of fixed Amounts for the Reduction of the Funded Debt: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Foreign Office Reconstruction.

The Select Committee on the Foreign Office Reconstruction was nominated of Mr. *Hope*, Lord *John Manners*, Sir *Benjamin Hall*, Mr. *Hamilton*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Akroyd*, Mr. *Buxton*, Lord *Robert Cecil*, Lord *Elcho*, Mr. *Seymour FitzGerald*, Mr. *Lygon*, Sir *John Shelley*, Mr. *Stephenson*, Mr. *Stirling* and Mr. *Tite*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum.

Trustees' Relief Bill.

The Select Committee on the Trustees' Relief Bill was nominated of Mr. Attorney General, Sir *James Graham*, Mr. Solicitor General, Sir *Richard Bethell*, Mr. *Rolt*, Mr. *John FitzGerald*, Mr. *Malins*, Mr. *Hadfield*, Mr. *Dobbs*, Mr. *Wigram*, Mr. *Hume*, Mr. *Clive* and Mr. *Headlam*.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum.

Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, this day, on the Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution (No. 3) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Bishops' Trusts Substitution (No. 3) Bill, was read, and discharged.

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

Funded Debt Bill.
Bill 104.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill to repeal certain Provisions for the Issue out of the Consolidated Fund of fixed Amounts for the Reduction of the Funded Debt: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Royal Military College (Sandhurst.)

General *Peel* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Prospectus of the next competitive Examination, to be held on the 5th July 1858, for admission to the Royal Military College at *Sandhurst*.

Ordnance Survey.

Copy of Report of the Ordnance Survey Commissioners; together with Minutes of Evidence and Appendix.

East India (Correspondence, &c.)

General *Peel* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 21st day of May last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Correspondence, &c.)

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 4° *die Junii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

ADMIRAL *Duncombe* reported the *Hove* Improvement (re-committed) Bill, with further Amendments. Hove Improvement Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 31st day of May last, and the 1st and 2d days of this instant June; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House. Public Petitions (Thirty-sixth Report.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Committee on Group 9 of Railway Bills have leave to sit this day till Five of the clock, during the sitting of the House. Railway Bills (Group 9.)

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Burghead* Harbour Bill: And the same was twice read, and agreed to. Burghead Harbour Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

The South *Devon* and *Tavistock* Railway Bill was read the third time. South Devon and Tavistock Railway Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Motion being made, That the *Ulverstone* and *Lancaster* Railway Bill be now read the third time; Ulverstone and Lancaster Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Victoria* Station and *Pimlico* Railway Bill was read the third time. Victoria Station and Pimlico Railway Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Yar* Bridge Bill was, according to Order, read the third time. Yar Bridge Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* and East *Lancashire* Railway Companies Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next. Lancashire and Yorkshire and East Lancashire Railway Companies Bill.

Mr. *Scholefield* reported from the Committee on Group 7 of Railway Bills; That Mr. *Young*, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present within one hour after the time appointed for the meeting of the Committee this day. Railway Bills (Group 7.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Young* do attend the said Committee upon Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to Select Committees. Vide Votes, and Thirty-seventh Report.

Mr.

Stockport, Disley and Whaley Bridge Railway Bill.

Mr. *Frederick North* reported from the Committee on Group 9 of Railway Bills; That the Parties promoting the *Stockport*, *Disley* and *Whaley* Bridge Railway Bill had stated to the Committee, that it was not their intention to proceed with the same.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill.

Mr. *Frederick North* reported from the Committee on Group 9 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by adding a recital of the amount of the mortgage debt of the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Company, and the expediency of authorizing the Company to convert the same into debenture shares or debenture stock; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Shrewsbury and Welchpool Railway Bill.

Mr. *Cobbett* reported from the Committee on Group 10 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Shrewsbury* and *Welchpool* Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to the former Committee:—And that they have leave to sit and proceed upon Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Gas (Metropolis.)

Ordered, That all Petitions relating to the existing arrangement for the Supply of Gas to the Metropolis be referred to the Select Committee on Gas (Metropolis).

Steam Vessels.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, in a tabular form, with Consecutive Numbers, of the whole of the Steam Vessels registered in the United Kingdom on or before the 1st day of January 1857; stating, in separate columns, the following particulars:—1. Vessels' Names; 2. Port of Registry; 3. Date of Build; 4. Registered Owners; 5. Dimensions of Vessels in Length and Breadth, and Depth of Hold; 6. Tonnage (exclusive of engine-room) and Gross Tonnage, distinguishing Vessels built of Iron and also Vessels having Screw Propellers; 7. Estimated Horse-power of their Engines, and giving the Aggregate Number of Vessels and Amount of Tonnage; with an Index for easy reference attached to it, giving the Names of the Vessels in alphabetical order, with Numbers to each corresponding with those in the Return (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 87, of Session 2, 1857).

Saint Helen's Canal and Railway Bill (1846.)

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee on the *Saint Helen's* Canal and Railway Bill, in Session 1846, be referred to the Committee on Group 8 of Railway and Canal Bills, in reference to the *Saint Helen's* Canal and Railway Bill.

Poor Removal Law Amendment Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Poor Removal Law Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 14th day of this instant June.

Anchors. No. 315.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Anchors, which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant June, be printed.

Royal Military College, (Sandhurst.) No. 316.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Royal Military College (*Sandhurst*), which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant June, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Correspondence, &c.), which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant June, be printed.

East India (Correspondence, &c.) No. 317.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Sasines (*Scotland*) which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant June, be printed.

Sasines (Scotland.) No. 318.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Adjournment.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Contracts (Public Departments) have Power to report their Opinion and Observations thereupon, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them from time to time, to the House.

Contracts (Public Departments) (First Report.) No. 319.

Colonel *Boldero* reported from the said Committee; That they had made Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill;

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill. Bill 105.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "the Bill be committed to a Select Committee," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £.79,275, for the *British* Museum Establishment.

2. £.26,887, for New Buildings and Fittings at the *British* Museum.

3. £.5,000, for the Purchase of Objects for the Museum.

Resolutions to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 5° die Junii, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Supply.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 46,375, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Law Charges, and

Law Charges.

and the Salaries, Allowances and Incidental Expenses in the Office of the Solicitor for the Affairs of Her Majesty's Treasury, including Prosecutions relating to Coin; also the Salary and Allowance of Counsel for advising the Treasury on matters relating to the Slave Trade, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Prosecutions at Assizes and Quarter Sessions.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 150,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, to the 31st day of March 1859, the Expenses of Prosecutions at Assizes and Quarter Sessions, formerly paid out of County Rates, including Salaries in lieu of Fees to Clerks of Assize and other Officers under the Criminal Justice Act.

Police in Counties and Boroughs, &c.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 214,200, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray certain Charges connected with the Police in Counties and Boroughs in *England* and *Wales*, and for Police in *Scotland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Crown Office, Chancery.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 200, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expenses of the Crown Office, Chancery, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Crown Office, Queen's Bench.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,500, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expenses of the Crown Office, Queen's Bench, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Sheriffs' Expenses, &c.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 14,419, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, to the 31st day of March 1859, the Expenses incurred by Sheriffs, and the Deficiency of the Fees in the Office of the Queen's Remembrancer in the Exchequer.

Registrar of the Admiralty, &c. (Dublin.)

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,940, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of the Registrar of the Admiralty, and the Expenses of the Admiralty Court, *Dublin*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Insolvent Debtors' Court.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,826, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of the Commissioners and other Officers, and the Expenses of the Insolvent Debtors' Court, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Court of Probate and Divorce and Matrimonial Causes.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 35,162, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Court of Probate and Divorce and Matrimonial Causes, to the 31st day of March 1859.

County Courts.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 57,050, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the County Courts, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Police Courts, Metropolis.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 25,428, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Police Courts of the Metropolis, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Metropolitan Police.

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 128,607, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expenses of the Metropolitan Police, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Queen's Prison.

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,495, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Queen's Prison, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Lord Advocate, &c. (Scotland.)

14. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,342, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of the Lord Advocate and of the Solicitor General, *Scotland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Court of Session (Scotland.)

15. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 18,577, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Court of Session in *Scotland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Court of Justiciary (Scotland.)

16. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 11,261, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Court of Justiciary in *Scotland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Criminal Prosecutions (Scotland.)

17. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,550, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of Criminal Prosecutions carried on under the authority of the Lord Advocate, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Exchequer (Scotland.)

18. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,860, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Legal Branch of the Exchequer in *Scotland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Sheriffs, &c. (Scotland)

19. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 25,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, to the 31st day of March 1859, the Charge of Sheriffs and Stewards, including Procurators Fiscal not paid by Salaries, and the Expenses of Criminal Prosecutions, &c. in Sheriff Courts in *Scotland*.

Procurators Fiscal (Scotland.)

20. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 11,955, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of such of the Procurators Fiscal in *Scotland* as are no longer paid by Fees, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Sheriff Clerks (Scotland.)

21. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 13,110, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of such of the Sheriff Clerks, *Scotland*, as are not chargeable on the Revenues of Customs and Excise, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Solicitor of the Crown, &c. (Scotland.)

22. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,250, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, to the 31st day of March 1859, the Salary of the Solicitor of the Crown, and Expenses in matters of Tithes, and the Expenses of the Agent of the Officers of State in maintaining Rights of the Crown in Civil Actions, &c. in *Scotland*.

General Register House (Edinburgh.)

23. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 14,118, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the several Offices in Her Majesty's General Register House, *Edinburgh*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Commissary Clerk (Edinburgh.)

24. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,124, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of the Commissary Clerk, *Edinburgh*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Accountant in Bankruptcy (Scotland.)

25. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,675, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses in the Department of the Accountant in Bankruptcy in *Scotland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Law Charges (Ireland.)

26. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 26,620, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Criminal Prosecutions and other Law Charges in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Court of Chancery (Ireland.)

27. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,726, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of certain Officers of the Court of Chancery in *Ireland*, formerly charged on the Consolidated Fund, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Court of Queen's Bench (Ireland.)

28. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,599, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of certain Officers, and the incidental Expenses of the Court of Queen's Bench in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Court of Common Pleas (Ireland.)

29. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,480, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of certain Officers, and the incidental Expenses of the Court of Common Pleas in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Court of Exchequer (Ireland.)

30. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,975, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of certain Officers, and the incidental Expenses of the Court of Exchequer in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Clerk to the Taxing Officers (Ireland.)

31. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 200, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Clerk to the Taxing Officers for the Three Law Courts, *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Registrars to Judges (Ireland.)

32. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,850, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of the Registrars to the Judges in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Registration of Judgments (Ireland.)

33. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,348, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray certain Salaries and the incidental Expenses in the Office for the Registration of Judgments in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Court of Bankruptcy and Insolvency (Ireland.)

34. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 9,546, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, to the 31st day of March 1859, the Salaries of the Judges and Officers,

Officers, and the incidental Expenses of the Court of Bankruptcy and Insolvency in *Ireland*, and the Compensations awarded under the Act of the twentieth and twenty-first years of Her Majesty, chapter sixty.

Court of Probate (Ireland.) 35. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 8,872, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of the Court of Probate in *Ireland*, and the Expenses of the said Court, and of the District Registries, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Revising Barristers (Dublin.) 36. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 830, be granted to Her Majesty, for Remuneration to Revising Barristers in the City of *Dublin*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Clerk to Court of Errors (Ireland.) 37. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 267, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary of the Clerk to the Court of Errors in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Police Justices (Dublin.) 38. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of the Police Justices of *Dublin* Metropolis, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Police Courts and Metropolitan Police (Dublin.) 39. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary towards defraying the Expense of the Divisional Police Courts and the Metropolitan Police, *Dublin*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Constabulary Force (Ireland.) 40. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 514,287, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of the Constabulary Force in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Four Courts Marshalsea Prison (Dublin.) 41. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,583, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Four Courts Marshalsea Prison, *Dublin*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Inspection and Superintendence of Prisons. 42. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 17,703, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Inspection and General Superintendence over all the Prisons in the United Kingdom, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Prisons and Convict Establishments. 43. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 380,756, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Government Prisons and Convict Establishments at Home, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Maintenance of Prisoners, &c. 44. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 140,023, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Maintenance of Prisoners in County Gaols, Reformatory Institutions, and Lunatic Asylums, and the Expenses of the Removal of Convicts, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Transportation of Convicts, &c. 45. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,715, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Expenses connected with the Transportation of Convicts, &c., to the 31st day of March 1859.

Convict Establishments (Colonies.) 46. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 225,968, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Convict Establishments in the Colonies, to the 31st day of March 1859.

The first twenty-two Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The twenty-third Resolution being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Resolution be re-committed to the Committee of Supply;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the said Resolution be re-committed to the Committee of Supply.

Then the subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Public Health Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Health Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Local Government Bill. Bill 106. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Government of India (No. 3.) The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3);

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Oxford and Cambridge Universities, &c. Estates Bill. The *Oxford* and *Cambridge* Universities, &c. Estates Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill. The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Hainault* Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill;

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

Ecclesiastical Residences (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ecclesiastical Residences (*Ireland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Rates (Ireland.) *Ordered*, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the cause for withholding certain Grants sanctioned by Parliament in 1846, in aid of County Rates in *Ireland*, for the following purposes:—Maintenance of Convicts and Convicted Misdemeanants in County Gaols; Expenses of Witnesses in Criminal Prosecutions at Assizes and Sessions; Half Medical Relief and Salaries of Schoolmasters in Poor Law Unions;—Similar Grants having been made from April 1846 to 1858 in *England* and *Wales*; and further, to consider whether any equitable equivalent exists in respect of Grants made or Repayments remitted, as regards *Ireland*, in aid of Local Rates, which has not been made or remitted as regards *England* and *Wales*.

London Corporation. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Abstracts of Receipts and Expenditure of the Corporation of the City of *London* for the years 1854, 1855, 1856, and 1857:——And, of the Total Amount of Debt due by the Corporation of the City of *London* on the 1st day of January 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, and 1858; specifying on what Security, Rates or Dues the same have been respectively charged.

New General Post-office (Edinburgh.) *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confer Powers on the Commissioners of Her

Majesty's Works and Public Buildings to acquire the Theatre Royal, *Edinburgh*, and adjacent Property, for the Erection of a new General Post-office, and for other purposes: And that Lord *John Manners* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Law of Property Amendment Bill. Bill 107.

The Law of Property Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

New General Post-office (Edinburgh) Bill. Bill 108.

Lord *John Manners* presented a Bill to confer Powers on the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings to acquire the Theatre Royal, *Edinburgh*, and adjacent Property, for the Erection of a new General Post-office, and for other purposes: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Transfer of Land Bill. Bill 109.

The Transfer of Land Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after One of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 7° die Junii;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for additional Provision in the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Stoke Fenton and Longton Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Stoke Fenton* and *Longton* Gas Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Sufferance Wharves, Port of London Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Sufferance Wharves, Port of *London* Bill: And the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Halifax Park and Improvements Bill.

The *Halifax* Park and Improvements Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

North British Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill.

The North *British* Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

West End of London and Clapham and Norwood Junction Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

The West End of *London* and *Clapham* and *Norwood* Junction Railway (Abandonment) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

East Suffolk, Yarmouth and Haddiscoe, and Lowestoft and Beccles Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the East *Suffolk*, *Yarmouth* and *Haddiscoe*, and *Lowestoft* and *Beccles* Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Lancashire and Yorkshire and East Lancashire Railway Companies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* and East *Lancashire* Railway Companies Bill, as amended in the Committee;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now taken into consideration;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment and Motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill, as amended in the Committee;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now taken into consideration;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "Monday next."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Great Southern of India Railway Company Bill.

The Great Southern of *India* Railway Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Warrington and Stockport Railway (Capital) Bill.

The Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means having informed the House, That, in his opinion, the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway (Capital) Unopposed Private Bill ought to be treated as an Opposed Bill;

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the General Committee on Railway and Canal Bills to treat the said Bill accordingly.

Great Northern and Western (of Ireland) Railway Bill.

Mr. *Puller* reported the Great Northern and Western (of *Ireland*) Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 15.)

Mr. *Puller* reported from the Committee on Group 15 of Railway Bills; That the Parties opposing the *Dublin* and *Meath* Railway Bill had stated, that the evidence of *Patrick Moore* and *Edward Moore* was essential to enable them to establish their case; and it having been proved that their attendance could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to move, That the said *Patrick Moore* and *Edward Moore* do attend the said Committee forthwith.

Ordered, That *Patrick Moore* and *Edward Moore* do attend the said Committee forthwith.

South Wales Railway (Further Powers, &c.) Bill.

Mr. *Scholefield* reported from the Committee on Group 7 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the South *Wales* Railway (Further Powers, &c.) Bill, they

they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Shrewsbury and Welchpool Railway Bill.

Mr. *Cobbett* reported from the Committee on Group 10 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Shrewsbury* and *Welchpool* Railway (re-committed) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out so much thereof as had reference to the proposed deviations of the line, and to agreements to be entered into with other Companies, those portions of the Preamble not having been proved to their satisfaction; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Thirty-eighth Report.

Administration of Justice (Colonies.)

The Order made upon the 31st day of May last, for presenting to Her Majesty an humble Address, that She would be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return relative to Administration of Justice (Colonies), was read, and discharged.

Administration of Justice (Colonies, &c.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of Judicial Offices, Law Offices of the Crown, and other principal Offices connected with the Administration of Justice in the Colonies, and in *India*; specifying the Number and Descriptions of such Offices, and the Salaries attached to each.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Revenue (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Abstract of the Net Produce of the Revenue of *Ireland* paid into the Exchequer in the year ended the 31st day of December 1857:——Accounts of the Net Public Income and Expenditure of *Ireland* for the year ended the 31st day of December 1857; and showing the whole of the Ways and Means provided within the same Period, together with the Application thereof:——Of the Amount of Duties of Excise in each Inland Revenue District of *Ireland* in the year ended the 31st day of December 1857:——Of the Amount of Duties of Customs collected at each Port of *Ireland* in the year ended the 31st day of December 1857:——Of the Amount of Stamp Duties collected in *Dublin*, and in each Stamp District of *Ireland*, in the year ended the 31st day of December 1857:——Of the Amount of Postage collected in each County of *Ireland*, in the year ended the 31st day of December 1857:—— Statements showing the Quantities of the following Articles retained for Home Consumption in *Ireland*, in the year ended the 31st day of December 1857, *viz.*:—Wine, Spirits, Foreign and Home-made, Tobacco, Tea, Coffee, Sugar, Flax Seed, Cotton Yarn, Cotton Wool, Woollen and Worsted Yarn, Silk, Raw and Thrown, Iron Unwrought, Timber, Deals and Coals:——And, showing the Quantities of the following Articles exported from *Ireland*, in the year ended the 31st day of December 1857, distinguishing the Exports to *Great Britain* from those to Foreign Countries:—*viz.* Oxen, Sheep, Swine, Horses, Bacon and Hams, Beef and Pork, Butter, Wheat and Wheat Flour, Oats and Oatmeal, *Irish* Spirits, Linen Manufactures, Linen Yarn and Cotton Manufactures (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 280, of Session 1857).

Metropolitan Parishes (Roads, &c.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of February last, for Returns relative to Metropolitan Parishes (Roads, &c.)

Whitecross-street Prison.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 6th day of May last, for Returns relative to *White cross-street* Prison.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Loans, &c. to Foreign States.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of May last, for an Account relative to Loans, &c. to Foreign States.

Civil Service Estimates.

Return to an Order, dated the 6th day of May last, for a Return relative to Civil Service Estimates.

East India (Memorials, &c.)

Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of May last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Memorials, &c.)

Court of Session (Scotland.)

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 22d May 1858, granting a Retired Allowance to Mr. *John Russell*, one of the principal Clerks of the Court of Session in *Scotland*.

Cambridge University

Mr. *Adderley* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Statutes framed by the *Cambridge* University Commissioners, on the 24th March and 21st May 1858, under the 19 & 20 *Vic.* c. 88.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Army (Captain Grant's Kitchens.)

General *Peel* presented,—Further Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of April last, for a Return relative to Army (Captain *Grant*'s Kitchens).

Waterford Harbour.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of May last, for a Return relative to *Waterford* Harbour.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Joint Stock Companies.

Mr. *Henley* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of April last, for a Return of the Names of Joint Stock Companies registered under the Limited Liability Act.

Joint Stock Companies.

Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of April last, for a Return of the Names of all Companies registered under the Joint Stock Companies Act (1856), with Limited Liability.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Prideaux's Furnace-valve Door.

Ordered, That there be added to the Return, relative to *Prideaux*'s Furnace-valve Door, ordered to be laid before this House on the 21st day of May last, "A Copy of the Report, dated the 25th day of May 1857, from the Government Officers, Messrs. *Dinnon* and *Ward*, on Mr. *Prideaux*'s Furnace Doors, fitted to the '*Argus*;' and of the Report from Captain *Watson*, dated the 10th day of June 1856, upon the Furnace Doors fitted to the '*Impérieuse*.'"

Supply.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

British Museum.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 79,275, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the *British* Museum Establishment, to the 31st day of March 1859.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 26,887, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of New Buildings and Fittings at the *British* Museum, to the 31st day of March 1859.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £.5,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to enable the Trustees of the *British* Museum to defray the Expenses incurred for the Purchase of Objects for the Museum.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Government of India (No. 3.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3.)

(In the Committee.)

3. Question again proposed, That, in order to assist such Minister of the Crown in the discharge of his duties, it is expedient that a Council be appointed of not less than Twelve nor more than Eighteen Members.

Amendment proposed, to leave out from the first word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "regard being had to the position "of Affairs in *India*, it is expedient to constitute "the Court of Directors of the *East India* Com- "pany, by an Act of the present Session, to be a "Council for administering the Government of *India*, "in the name of Her Majesty, under the superin- "tendence of such responsible Minister, until the "end of the next Session of Parliament."

Question put, That the words "in order to assist "such Minister of the Crown" stand part of the proposed Resolution;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*:	265.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Gladstone*, Mr. *Bovill*:	116.

Another Amendment proposed, to leave out the word "Council."

Question, That the word "Council" stand part of the proposed Resolution——put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, after the word "appointed" to insert the words "and that the "first Council of *India* consist of the present Court "of Directors."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, to leave out the word "less," in order to insert the word "more."

Question proposed, That the word "less" stand part of the proposed Resolution;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again——put, and negatived.

Question, That the word "less" stand part of the proposed Resolution——put, and negatived.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 8° *die Junii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Trent Navigation Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Trent* Navigation Bill, without any Amendment:

London Dock Company Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *London* Dock Company Bill, without any Amendment:

Protection of Female Children Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Statute ninth *George* the Fourth, chapter thirty-one, and the fourteenth and fifteenth *Victoria*, chapter one hundred, section twenty-nine; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the *Hainault* Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill;

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Lord *John Manners*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill.

The Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill;

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

Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Titles to Land (Scotland) Bill.

The Titles to Land (*Scotland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Clerks of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerks of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill. Bill 110.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Prince Edward Island Loan Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Prince Edward Island* Loan Bill;

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

London Corporation Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *London* Corporation Regulation Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 17th day of this instant June, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve into the said Committee.

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Nisi Prius Court (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Nisi Prius Court (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Health Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill;

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

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Law of Property Amendment Bill;

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

Marriage Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Marriage Law Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Monday next.

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Court Treasurers.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Name, Date of Appointment, and Amount of Salaries and Allowances of all Persons holding the Office of County Court Treasurer in *England* and *Wales*, between the 1st day of January 1856 and the 1st day of January 1858; the Number of Days in each Month devoted to the Business of such Office; the Amount of Fees received or paid over to them by the respective Officers of the County; and the Nature of any other Office, Profession or Calling, exercised by such Treasurers during same.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Copyhold Acts Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Copyhold Acts: And that Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Attorney General and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Destitution (Gweedore and Cloughnaheely.)

Ordered, That Sir *Michael Shaw Stewart* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Destitution (*Gwcedore* and *Cloughnaheely*).

Ordered, That Sir *John Yarde Buller* be added to the Committee.

Joint Stock Companies.

The House was moved, That the Joint Stock Companies Acts, might be read; and the same being read;

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider the said Acts:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies Acts, 1856 and 1857, and the Joint Stock Banking Companies Act, 1857.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *FitzRoy* accordingly reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies Acts, 1856 and 1857, and the Joint Stock Banking Companies Act, 1857:—And he moved the House accordingly.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. *FitzRoy*, Mr. *Henley* and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring it in.

Sasines (Scotland.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of any Report or Reports received from the Queen's Remembrancer in *Scotland* upon the subject of the Offices of Principal Keeper and Deputy or Assistant Keeper of Sasines, since the appointment of the late Principal Keeper, Mr. *Pringle*, in 1845.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Fees (Registry of Deeds Office, &c., Dublin.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of Fees received in the year ending the 31st day of December 1857 for attested Copies of Deeds or Memorials from the Registry of Deeds Office, *Dublin*; showing the Number of Words in each folio of the copy, and the Rate charged per folio:——Like Return from the Incumbered Estates Court:——And, like Return of Copies of Patents from the Rolls Office.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution (No. 3) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Bishops' Trusts Substitution (No. 3) Bill, was read, and discharged.

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

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill. Bill 111.

Mr. Solicitor General presented a Bill to amend the Copyhold Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill. Bill 112.

Mr. *Henley* presented a Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies Acts, 1856 and 1857, and the Joint Stock Banking Companies Act, 1857: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 8° *die Junii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Lancashire and Yorkshire and East Lancashire Railway Companies Bill.

THE House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* and East *Lancashire* Railway Companies Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (General saving of rights under recited Acts), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Waterford and Kilkenny Railway (Power of Purchase, &c.) Bill.

The Order, That the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway (Power of Purchase, &c.) Bill be committed, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Railway Bills (Group 11.)

Ordered, That Mr. *William Williams* be discharged from further attendance on the Committee on Group 11 of Railway Bills, so far as the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway, the *Stockton* and *Darlington*, *Wear* Valley, &c., and the *Tees* Conservancy Bills are concerned.

Ordered, That Mr. *Beecroft* be added to the Committee.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Thirty-eighth Report.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Wine and Spirits.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of February last, for Accounts relative to Wine and Spirits.

Queen Anne's Bounty.

Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of May last, for an Account relative to Queen *Anne*'s Bounty.

Church Rates Abolition Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 1st day of this instant June, That the Church Rates Abolition Bill be now read the third time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *John Trelawny*, Sir *John Shelley*: } 266.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Brooke Bridges*, Mr. *Packe*: } 203.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Leitrim Railway and Lough Allen Pier Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Leitrim* Railway and *Lough Allen* Pier Bill; That the Parties promoting the said Bill had stated to the Committee, that it was not their intention to proceed with the same.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Limerick and Foynes Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Limerick* and *Foynes* Railway Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Whitehaven Junction Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Whitehaven* Junction Railway Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out so much thereof as related to the construction of the Branch Railway, No. 1, from the said *Whitehaven* Junction Railway, at a point near *Risehow* Cottage, to the north end of a quay or jetty at the north-west end of the Dock Basin at *Maryport* Harbour, the same now terminating, in virtue of an additional Provision in the Bill, at the south-west corner of the Coal depôt, in the occupation of *Joseph Harris*, Esq., situate upon or adjoining the western quay of the Dock Basin at *Maryport* Harbour, in order to make it consistent with the Provisions of the Bill, as amended by the Committee; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had made Provision in the Bill, pursuant to the Instruction of the House; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Crystal Palace District Gas Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the Crystal Palace District Gas Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by reciting the deed of demise, by which the Company became possessed of their apparatus and works from certain other Companies therein mentioned, and by adding a more accurate description of the limits of supply by the Company, as specified in a map deposited in the Private Bill Office, and signed by the Chairman of Ways and Means, in order more clearly to set forth the circumstances of the Company; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Bognor Railway Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the *Bognor* Railway Bill; That the Parties promoting the said Bill had stated to the Committee, that it was not their intention to proceed with the same.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions (Thirty-seventh Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 3d and 4th days of this instant June, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 7.)

Mr. *Scholefield* reported from the Committee on Group 7 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned until Monday next, at half-past Three of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Loans, &c. to Foreign States.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Loans, &c. to Foreign States, which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 320.

Civil Service Estimates.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Civil Service Estimates, which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 321.

East India (Memorials, &c.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Memorials, &c.), which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 322.

Cambridge University.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *Cambridge* University, which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 323.

Army (Captain Grant's Kitchens.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to Army (Captain *Grant*'s Kitchens,) which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 301–I.

Joint Stock Companies.

Ordered, That the Return of the Names of all Companies registered under the Joint Stock Companies Act (1856), which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 324.

Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Bill.

Mr. *Cobbett* reported from the Committee on Group 10 of Railway Bills: That in the case of the *Oxford*, *Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by inserting the time at which the Company are bound to complete the Branches in respect of which new Powers are sought by the Bill; and also by altering

altering the amount of the arrears of preferential dividend which are estimated as likely to accrue up to the end of the present year; and also by stating that the Company will probably be able, after the end of the present year, to pay the future dividends on the second guaranteed stock, in order to make the same consistent with the facts of the case; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Redditch Railway Bill.

Mr. *Cobbett* reported from the Committee on Group 10 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Redditch* Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by adding a recital that the making of the Railway would be attended with local and public advantage; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Administration of Justice (Colonies.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names, Salaries, Date of Appointment, and Nature of Office of all Judicial Officers, Law Officers of the Crown, and other principal Officers connected with the Administration of Justice in the Colonies, and specifying such Officers as shall have belonged to the Legal Profession in *England*, *Ireland* or *Scotland* respectively.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Poor Relief.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns showing the Number of Paupers who became chargeable to the Twelve undermentioned Unions in *Ireland*, during the year ending the 25th day of March 1858, on being removed from *England* to *Scotland*; showing also the Names and Number now receiving Relief in those Unions who became chargeable at any time up to the present on their being removed from *England* to *Scotland*; stating the Names of the Unions from which they were sent; distinguishing the Number of Persons who were born in the Union to which they became chargeable from the Number who were not:—Name of Union: *Belfast*, *Cork*, *Drogheda*, North *Dublin*, South *Dublin*, *Dundalk*, *Limerick*, *Londonderry*, *Newry*, *Sligo*, *Waterford* and *Wexford* (similar to Return up to the 25th day of March 1854):——And, of the Number of Paupers sent from the different Unions in *England* to *Scotland*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Sir *Edward Buxton* have leave of absence for a fortnight, on account of ill health.

Ballot.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to cause the Votes of Parliamentary Electors to be taken by way of Ballot;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Henry Berkeley*, Mr. *Philip Wykeham Martin:*	197.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	294.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurii, 9° *die Junii*, 1858:

Piers and Harbours.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to encourage and facilitate the Erection and Improvement of Piers and Harbours in *Great Britain* and *Ireland:* And that Mr. *Paull*, Mr. *Bramley-Moore* and Mr. *Lindsay* do prepare, and bring it in.

Government Property (Exemption from Rates.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the operation of the Law, as it at present stands, by which the Property of Government in the Boroughs of *Greenwich*, *Chatham*, *Portsmouth*, *Plymouth*, *Devonport* and elsewhere, is rendered exempt from Local Rates and Taxes:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Public Establishments (Exemption from Rates.)

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the operation of the Law, as it at present stands, by which Land occupied by Public Establishments is rendered exempt from Local Rates and Taxes.

Weedon Establishment.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She will be graciously pleased to appoint a Royal Commission to inquire into the system upon which the Books and Stock have been respectively kept at *Weedon*, as well as the general mode in which the Business of the Establishment at *Weedon* has been conducted; the result of such mode of conducting the Business, and the state of the Books and Stock of Stores:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Thursday the 17th day of this instant June.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the Office of Clerk of Petty Sessions in *Ireland:* And that Lord *Naas* and Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Railway and Canal Legislation.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the best mode of securing the Public Interests and diminishing Parliamentary Expenses in reference to Railway and Canal Legislation.

Bleaching and Dyeing Works.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to place under the Regulations of the Factories Act the employment of Women, Young Persons and Children in Bleaching and Dyeing Works:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Thursday next.

Members' Freedom from Arrest.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abolish Freedom from Arrest in the case of Members of Parliament: And that Mr. *Hunt*, Mr. *Moffatt* and Mr. *Knightley* do prepare, and bring it in.

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of 1856, to facilitate Leases and Sales of Settled Estates: And that Mr. *Adams* and Mr. *Malins* do prepare, and bring it in.

Galway Freemen Disfranchisement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Galway* Freemen Disfranchisement Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Order be discharged:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Tuesday next.

Medical Practitioners Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Medical Practitioners Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the

the 22d day of this instant June, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Game Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Game Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill. Bill 113.

Lord *Naas* presented a Bill to regulate the Office of Clerk of Petty Sessions in *Ireland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 17th day of this instant June; and to be printed.

Piers and Harbours Bill. Bill 114.

Mr. *Paull* presented a Bill to encourage and facilitate the Erection and Improvement of Piers and Harbours in *Great Britain* and *Ireland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 23d day of this instant June; and to be printed.

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill. Bill 115.

Mr. *Adams* presented a Bill to amend the Act of 1856, to facilitate Leases and Sales of Settled Estates: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Members' Freedom from Arrest Bill. Bill 116.

Mr. *Hunt* presented a Bill to abolish Freedom from Arrest in the case of Members of Parliament: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Local Government Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Friday next, on the Local Government Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 22d day of this instant June, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Mercurii, 9° die Junii;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Brentford Gas Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Brentford* Gas Bill: And the same were twice read, and, with an Amendment to one of them, agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

West End of London and Crystal Palace Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the West End of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Dublin and Drogheda Railway (Kells to Navan Branch) Bill (1847.)

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee on the *Dublin* and *Drogheda* Railway (*Kells* to *Navan* Branch) Bill, in Session 1847, be referred to the Committee on the *Dublin* and *Meath* Railway Bill, in Group 15 of Railway Bills.

Railway Bills (Group 11.)

Ordered, That Lord *Edward Howard* be added to the Committee on Group 11 of Railway Bills.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, and Thirty-eighth Report.

Customs Department (Port of London.)

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 23d day of March last, for a Return relative to the Customs Department (Port of *London*).

Wine and Spirits. No. 325.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Wine and Spirits, which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant June, be printed.

Tenants' Compensation (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 14th day of April last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Tenants' Compensation (*Ireland*) Bill be now read a second time; and which Amendment was, to leave out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, to add the words "upon this day six months;"

And the Question being again proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Maguire*, The *O'Donoghoe:* } 65.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *John Walsh*, Sir *William Jolliffe:* } 200.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

Insurance and Assurance Institutions Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Insurance and Assurance Institutions Bill;

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

Public Grounds and Playgrounds Bill. Bill 117.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Grounds and Playgrounds Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday next; and be printed.

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Contracts (Public Departments.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Liddell* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Contracts (Public Departments).

Ordered, That Mr. *Joseph Ewart* be added to the Committee.

Severn Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

Mr. *Cobbett* reported from the Committee on Group 10 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Severn* Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by omitting the recitals having reference to the Capital of the Company, and also the recitals relating to the *Oxford, Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway Company, the Provisions in relation thereto having been omitted from the amended Bill as submitted to the Committee; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Durham and Cleveland Union Railway Bill.

Sir *James East* reported from the Committee on Group 11 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Durham* and *Cleveland* Union Railway Bill, in pursuance of the Resolution of the House of the 12th day of February, the Committee had taken satisfactory evidence of the matters required to be proved before them by that Resolution; that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by confining the objects of the Bill to a Line from the *Middlesborough* and *Guisborough* Railway to *Skiningrove*, with certain Branches, which part of the Bill, the Committee deemed it alone expedient to authorize; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Standing Orders.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill.

That in the case of the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Bill, Petition for additional Provision, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to introduce their additional Provision accordingly, if the Committee on the Bill shall think fit.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, To-morrow, on the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 10° *die Junii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

East Suffolk, Yarmouth and Haddiscoe, and Lowestoft and Beccles Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

THE East *Suffolk*, *Yarmouth* and *Haddiscoe*, and *Lowestoft* and *Beccles* Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Carron Railway Bill.

The Order, that the *Carron* Railway Bill be committed, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Ordered, That the *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill be re-committed to the former Committee:—And that they have leave to sit and proceed upon Monday next. Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum.

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway and Canal Bills; That, for the convenience of the Members, the Committee had adjourned to Monday the 14th day of June, at Twelve of the clock. Railway and Canal Bills (Group 8.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee. Vide Votes, and Thirty-ninth Report.

Mr. *William Ewart* reported from the Select Committee on Colonization and Settlement (*India*); That they had taken further Evidence on the matters to them referred, and directed him to report the same to the House. Colonization and Settlement (India) (Second Report.) No. 326.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir *James East* reported the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway (*Durham* Lines) Bill, with Amendments. Stockton and Darlington Railway (Durham Lines) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Letter from the late Lord Advocate of *Scotland* to Mr. *Massey*, dated the 9th day of November 1857, on the subject of the Office of Principal Keeper of the Register of Sasines for *Scotland*; of a Letter from the Secretary of the Treasury to Mr. *Waddington*, dated the 23d day of February 1858, on the same subject; and, of a Letter from Mr. *Massey* to Mr. *J. C. Brodie*, dated the 24th day of February 1858, on his appointment to the above-named Office. Sasines (Scotland.) No. 327.

Mr. *Hardy* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Graduates in each of the Faculties during each of the last Ten years in the Universities of *Edinburgh, Saint Andrew's, Glasgow*, and King's and Marischal College, *Aberdeen*; and the Length of the University course of study prior to graduation of all such Graduates:——And, of the Number of Persons who during each of the last Ten years have, as matriculated Students, followed a Four-years' University course of study without subsequent Examination or Graduation. Universities (Scotland.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Mr. *Patridge*'s Report to the Board of Admiralty of the trials of *Jeffries*'s Smoke-consuming Apparatus on board the "*Vivid*," in her passage between *Dover* and *Ostend* in April 1857. Jeffries's Smoke-consuming Apparatus.

Mr. *Westhead* reported from the Select Committee on Contracts (Public Departments); That they had taken Evidence on the matters to them referred, and directed him to report the same to the House, together with an Appendix. Contracts (Public Departments) (Second Report.) No. 328.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Record of any adjudication of Bank- Mr. John Townsend.

ruptcy against Mr. *John Townsend*, Member for the Borough of *Greenwich*.

Factories. Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports of the Inspectors of Factories to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, for the half-year ending 30th April 1858.

Australian Mail Contract. Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 21st day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for Copies of all Correspondence between Her Majesty's Government and the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, relative to the *Australian* Mail Contract previous to and connected with the Abandonment of that Service by the said Company:——Of all Correspondence between the Government and the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company, relating to the performance of the Mail Service with *China* since March 1852:——Of the Correspondence that took place respecting the performance of the Contract Mail Service by that Company in the years 1849 and 1850:——Of all Contracts, and prolongation of all Contracts, entered into by the Peninsular and Oriental Company with Her Majesty's Government, as well as whether there were competing Contracts:——And, what Number of Fines had been incurred by the Peninsular and Oriental Company for breach of Contract; and also what Amount of Fines (if any had been incurred) have been enforced.

Metropolitan Police. Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of May last, for a Return relative to Metropolitan Police.

Belfast Constabulary. Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of May last, for a Return relative to *Belfast* Constabulary.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Metropolitan Parishes (Roads, &c.) No. 329. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to Metropolitan Parishes (Roads, &c.), which was presented upon the 7th day of this instant June, be printed.

East India (Oude.) The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 3d day of this instant June, for a Return relative to *East India* (*Oude*).

County Franchise Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the County Franchise Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And the Previous Question being put, That that Question be now put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Locke King*, Mr. *Byng:* } 226.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Du Cane*, Mr. *Miles:* } 168.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

Universities (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Limited Banking Company to annex a statement to their Memorandum of Association).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 8: After the word "share" to insert the words "and also "the amount of all debts and liabilities of the said "Limited Joint Stock Company on the 31st day of "December immediately preceding, signed by two "of the Directors and the Manager."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 12: After the word "Company" to insert the words "and shall also be legibly printed at the top of "every receipt, whether by pass-book or otherwise, "given for any deposit made with the said Banking "Company."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4, agreed to.

Clause (If a Banking Company constituted on the principle of Limited Liability shall become insolvent, all and every the proprietors for the time being of any interest or share in the capital thereof are individually liable in their persons and property to be called upon to contribute for or towards the payment, satisfaction or discharge of the debts, liabilities and engagements of the said Company, not only such part or parts of all and every share or shares held in the capital of the said Company as shall not have been theretofore called for and paid up, but also all such further sums of money not exceeding the amount of the share or interest held by such proprietors respectively in the capital of the Company, as shall be requisite and necessary to pay, satisfy and discharge the debts, engagements and liabilities of the Company)——brought up, and read 1°.

Question put, That the Clause be now read a second time;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Weguelin*, Mr. *Robert Philips:* } 40.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Headlam*, Mr. *Hankey:* } 128.

Schedule.

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 23: After "10,000," to insert the words "of £. 100 per share."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 11° *die Junii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Mr.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Non-parochial Registers Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Non-parochial Registers Bill, without any Amendment:

Portumna Bridge (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Portumna* Bridge (*Ireland*) Bill, without any Amendment:

Stamp Duty on Passports Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Stamp Duty on Passports Bill, without any Amendment:

Maidstone Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Maidstone* Gas Bill, without any Amendment:

Manchester, Hyde and Mottram Road Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Manchester*, *Hyde* and *Mottram* Road Bill, without any Amendment:

Metropolitan Board of Works (Victoria Park Approach) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Metropolitan Board of Works (*Victoria Park* Approach) Bill, without any Amendment:

Besselsleigh Road Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Besselsleigh* Road Bill, without any Amendment:

Stokes Bay Railway and Pier Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Stokes Bay* Railway and Pier Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Funded Debt Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Funded Debt Bill;

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

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill;

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

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Public Health Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Transfer of Land Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Transfer of Land Bill;

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

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Law of Property Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Bleaching and Dyeing Works.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant June, That leave be given to bring in a Bill relative to Bleaching and Dyeing Works;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Wills, &c. of British Subjects Abroad.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Wills and the Administration of the Personal Estate of *British* Subjects domiciled Abroad: And that Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Hamilton* and Mr. *Malins* do prepare, and bring it in.

Paper.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Weight of Paper used in all the Government, Revenue and Parliamentary Offices, including printed and plain, during the year 1857, as nearly as can be ascertained.

Charity Commission.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of Money paid in Salaries to the Charitable Trust Commissioners since their Appointment:—And, Statement of the Work done by the Commissioners since their Appointment; specifying the Names of Cases brought before them, and those on which they have made a final Report:—It passed in the Negative.

Poor Relief (Wick.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of the Report upon the Parish of *Wick* made to the Board of Supervision for the Relief of the Poor in *Scotland*, by Mr. *Briscoe*, Poor Law Superintendent, and dated on or about the 31st day of March 1858:——And, of any Correspondence between the Board of Supervision and other Parties, with reference to such Report.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Irremovable Poor.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed on the operation of the Act 9 & 10 *Vic.* c. 66, which enacts, That no poor person shall be removable who shall have resided Five years in any parish; and of the Acts 10 & 11 *Vic.* c. 110, and 11 & 12 *Vic.* c. 110, which enact, That the relief given to such irremovable persons shall be charged upon the common fund of the Union.

Fees (Record Office, &c., Dublin.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Gross Amount of Fees received in the Record Office, Custom House, *Dublin*, on Business done for Private Individuals in the year ending the 31st day of December 1857; and of the Gross Amount of Fees relinquished upon Business done for Public Departments for the same Period:——And, Copy of the Table of Fees charged for Copies of Patents, and for Copies of the Books of Survey and Distributions, and of all other Fees charged in the Record Office.

Tottenham-court-road Accident.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Verdict and Presentment, and Official Report of Mr. *Marsh Nelson*, Architect, made to *Thomas Wakley*, Esquire, Coroner of *Middlesex*, of the Inquest on Six Persons killed at the Accident in *Tottenham-court-road*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Stipendiary Judges.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return, showing, in Columns, the Number of Stipendiary Judges in *England* and *Wales*, with the Rank and Denomination of each respectively; also the Cost of the said Judicial Establishment to the Country annually:——Similar Return for *Ireland*:——And, similar Return for *Scotland*, exclusive of Town Clerks and Assessors (in correction and continuation of Return of 23d May 1844).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Greenwich Hospital.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the whole of the Revenue of *Greenwich* Hospital, and the way it is expended:——Of the Number of Sailors and Marines in the Hospital, and vacancies, if any:——And, of any Men now in the Hospital who have never served in the Navy.

County Rates (Ireland.)

The Select Committee on County Rates (*Ireland*) was nominated of Mr. *Macartney*, Sir *Robert Ferguson*, Sir *Brooke Bridges*, Colonel *French*, Mr. *Miles*, Mr. *Cumming Bruce*, Mr. *Gladstone*, Mr. *Fortescue*, Mr. *Hamilton*, Mr. *Henry Herbert*, Mr. *George Clive*, Mr. *Wilson* and Mr. *Grogan*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum.

Commissioners for Exhibition 1851.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for releasing the Lands of the Commissioners for the Exhibition of 1851, upon the Repayment of Monies granted in aid of their Funds: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. *Hamilton* and Mr. *Spooner* do prepare, and bring it in.

Galway Harbour and Port Act Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the *Galway* Harbour and Port Act (1853): And that Mr. *Hamilton* and Lord *Naas* do prepare, and bring it in.

Principal Secretary of State.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Letters Patent now existing and unrevoked (9th day of June 1858), which had been issued to Persons who have held, or who are now holding, the Office of Principal Secretary of State.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Peace Preservation (Ireland) Act Continuance.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue the Peace Preservation (*Ireland*) Act, (1856): And that Lord *Naas* and Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Marriage Law Amendment Bill.

The Order for resuming, upon Monday next, the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of this instant June, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the Marriage Law Amendment Bill), was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 30th day of this instant June.

Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill.
Bill 118.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill for releasing the Lands of the Commissioners for the Exhibition of 1851, upon the Repayment of Monies granted in aid of their Funds: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Exhibition of 1851.
No. 330.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence between the Royal Commissioners for the Exhibition of 1851, and the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, in reference to the *Kensington Gore* Estate.

Inland Revenue.

Copy of Second Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Inland Revenue, on the Inland Revenue.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the first be printed.

Wills, &c. of British Subjects Abroad Bill.
Bill 119.

Mr. Attorney General presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Wills and the Administration of the Personal Estate of *British* Subjects domiciled Abroad: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Galway Harbour and Port Act Amendment Bill.
Bill 120.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill to amend the *Galway* Harbour and Port Act (1853): And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Peace Preservation (Ireland) Act Continuance Bill.
Bill 121.

Lord *Naas* presented a Bill to continue the Peace Preservation (*Ireland*) Act, 1856: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Cowley's Charity Bill.
Bill 122.

Cowley's Charity Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Harvey's Charity Bill.
Bill 123.

Harvey's Charity Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Bristol Municipal Charities Bill.
Bill 124.

The *Bristol* Municipal Charities Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Bristol Saint Nicholas and Saint Leonard's Charities Bill.
Bill 125.

The *Bristol Saint Nicholas* and *Saint Leonard's* Charities Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 11° *die Junii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Bridgwater Union.

THE following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of May last, for a Return relative to *Bridgwater* Union.

Mr. John Townsend No. 331.

Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to Mr. *John Townsend*.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Mr. *John Townsend* be printed.

Public Petitions (Thirty-eighth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 7th, 8th and 9th days of this instant June; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Lancashire and Yorkshire and East Lancashire Railway Companies Bill.

Ordered, That the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* and East *Lancashire* Railway Companies Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill.

The *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to empower the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Company to abandon a part of the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* and *Ingleton* Railway, and to alter and divert certain Roads in connexion with their Railway, to acquire additional Lands, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill.

The *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Railway Bills (Group 11.)

Ordered, That the Committee on Group 11 of Railway Bills have leave to sit this day till Five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Several

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, and Thirty-ninth Report.

Poor Removal Law Amendment Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Poor Removal Law Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 22d day of this instant June.

Stockton and Darlington, Wear Valley, &c. Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

Sir *James East* reported from the Committee on Group 11 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Stockton* and *Darlington*, *Wear* Valley, &c. Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, for the purpose of setting out more fully and accurately the exact position of the Companies as regards their Capital and borrowing Powers; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordnance Survey.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Map similar to Plate 5 of the Maps appended to the Report of the Ordnance Survey Commissioners of 1858, separating that portion which is now coloured in neutral tint into two portions, distinguished by different colours; showing, 1. That portion of the United Kingdom which, if the recommendations of the Commissioners shall be carried into effect, will have been plotted and published on the 6-inch Scale alone; 2. That portion which will have been plotted and published on the $\frac{1}{2500}$ Scale: The remainder of the Country, which will have been published on the 1-inch Scale alone, is to be coloured pink, as in Plate 5:——And (supposing the recommendations of the Commissioners to have been fully carried into effect), Estimates, 1st. Of the Number of Square Miles of which Plans or Maps will be obtainable by the Public on the $\frac{1}{2500}$ Scale; 2d. Of the Area in Square Miles the Maps of which will have been published on the 6-inch Scale alone; 3d. Of the Area the Maps of which will have been published on the 1-inch Scale alone; 4th. The Number of Square Miles Plans or Maps of which will have been published, or be obtainable by the Public, on all the three Scales, *i. e.* which will have been surveyed, plotted and published by Zincography on the $\frac{1}{2500}$ Scale, and thence will have been reduced to 6-inches, and been engraved on that Scale, and again reduced to the 1-inch Scale and engraved; (*Ireland* is to be included in this Return, and the Area of the Waste Districts of *Scotland*, mapped only on the 1-inch Scale, is to be stated separately from the Area of those portions of *England* which have been published on the same Scale).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

National Schools (Dublin.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Items charged last year for the Carriage of Parcels throughout *Ireland*, in connexion with the National Schools in *Marlborough-street, Dublin*.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Western* have leave of absence for a fortnight, on account of ill health;—and Mr. *Greer* a month, on account of a domestic affliction.

Middlesbrough Water Bill.

Mr. *Wickham* reported from the Committee on Group S. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Middlesbrough* Water Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Stockton, Middlesbrough and Yarm Water Bill.

Mr. *Wickham* reported from the Committee on Group S. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Stockton*, *Middlesbrough* and *Yarm* Water Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by making certain verbal Amendments; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Lunatic Asylums Commission (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Total Cost, in Detail, of the Lunatic Asylums Commission in *Ireland*, from its commencement to the 31st day of March last.

Lunacy.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Twelfth Report of the Commissioners in Lunacy to the Lord Chancellor.

Tobacco.

The Order made upon the 18th day of May last, That there be laid before this House, a Return relative to Tobacco, was read, and discharged.

Tobacco.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Annual Rent paid for each Tobacco Warehouse in the Tobacco Warehousing Ports of *England*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*; the Amount of Tobacco Duties received at such Ports; the Sums, if any, received from the Owners of such Tobacco as Rent thereon; and the Per-centage which the Balance of Rent paid bears to the Amount of Tobacco Duties received at each of the said Ports, for the years ended the 31st day of December 1854, 1855 and 1856, respectively.

Poor Relief (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Eleventh Annual Report of the Commissioners for administering the Laws for Relief of the Poor in *Ireland*; with Appendices.

Coal Mines.

Copy of Reports of the Inspectors of Coal Mines to Her Majesty's Secretary of State, to December 1857.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ballindine National Schools.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Ballindine* National Schools, which was presented upon the 3d day of this instant June, be printed. No. 332.

Belfast Constabulary.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Belfast* Constabulary, which was presented upon the 10th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 333.

East India (Oude.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (*Oude*), which was presented upon the 10th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 334.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Stockton and Darlington Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill.

Sir *James East* reported from the Committee on Group 11 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out so much thereof as related to the proposed Bridge over the River *Tees*, and other portions of the scheme as originally proposed which had not been sanctioned by the Committee, in order to make the same consistent with the Bill, as passed by them; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 11.) Sir *James East* reported from the Committee on Group 11 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Message from the Lords. Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Inverury and Old Meldrum Junction Railway Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Inverury* and *Old Meldrum* Junction Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Banbridge, Lisburn and Belfast Railway Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Banbridge*, *Lisburn* and *Belfast* Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Alyth Railway Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Alyth* Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Brentford Gas Bill. The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the *Brentford* Gas Bill, without any Amendment:

Westminster Palace Hotel Company, Limited, Bill. The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for confirming and giving effect to an Agreement for a Lease by the *Westminster* Improvement Commissioners of Land in *Victoria-street* and *Tothill-street*, in the City of *Westminster*, to the *Westminster* Palace Hotel Company, Limited, and of which the Short Title is, "*Westminster* Palace Hotel Company's Act, 1858;" to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

East India (Deccan.) *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Proclamation of Mr. *Mountstuart Elphinstone* to the Landholders of the *Deccan*, on its Conquest in 1819:——And, of Instructions issued at the same Period to the Local Commissioners respecting the observance of Native Usages and Customs.

Government of India (No 3.) The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3.)

(In the Committee.)

Question, That the word "more" be there inserted——put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, to leave out the word "Twelve," in order to insert the word "Fifteen."

Question put, That the word "Twelve" stand part of the proposed Resolution;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir *William Hayter*, Mr. *Brand:* 176.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:* 243.

Question, That the word "Fifteen" be there inserted——put, and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

3. Original Question, as amended, That in order to assist such Minister of the Crown in the discharge of his duties, it is expedient that a Council be appointed of not more than Fifteen members and not less than Twelve——put, and agreed to.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That in order to secure the greatest amount of knowledge and experience in the management of the Affairs of *India*, it is advisable that the principal portion of the Members of the Council shall have served in *India* for a term of years to be limited by Statute.

An Amendment made.

Original Question, as amended, That in order to secure the greatest amount of knowledge and experience in the management of the Affairs of *India*, it is advisable that the principal portion of the Members of the Council shall have served or resided in *India* for a term of years to be limited by Statute ——put, and agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Funded Debt Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Funded Debt Bill;

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

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 12° *die Junii*, 1858:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Spooner*, Sir *John Yarde Buller:* 139.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Byng*, Mr. *Patrick O'Brien:* 51.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Monday next.

Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill;

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

Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Universities (Scotland) Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill. Bill 126.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill. Bill 127.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill;

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

The

Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ecclesiastical Residences (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Ecclesiastical Residences (*Ireland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Grounds and Playgrounds Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Public Grounds and Playgrounds Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Wednesday next.

Bleaching and Dyeing Works.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant June, That leave be given to bring in a Bill relative to Bleaching and Dyeing Works;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday the 24th day of this instant June.

William Henry Barber.

Ordered, That the Petition of *William Henry Barber*, which was presented upon the 27th day of April last, be printed.

Irremovable Poor.

The Select Committee on Irremovable Poor was nominated of Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt*, Mr. *Knight*, Mr. *Edward Pleydell Bouverie*, Mr. *Miles*, Mr. *Lockhart*, Colonel *Smyth*, Mr. *Egerton*, Mr. *Tollemache*, Mr. *Maguire*, Mr. *Cobbett*, Mr. *Beecroft*, Mr. *Ayrton*, Mr. *Schneider*, Mr. *Gregory* and Mr. *Lygon*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Universities (Scotland) (Allowances, &c.)

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of making Provision, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, for the payment of certain allowances, remunerations, endowments, salaries and other charges, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session for the better Government and Discipline of the Universities of *Scotland*;

The Lord Advocate, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 14° *die Junii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Stokes Bay Railway and Pier Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Stokes Bay* Railway and Pier Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

West End of London and Crystal Palace Railway Bill.

The West End of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for enabling the *Battersea* Park Commissioners to sell, and the West End of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway Company to purchase, Pieces of Land situate near the South end of the new Bridge leading from *Chelsea* to *Battersea* Park; for Lease of Undertaking to the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company; for extending the Time for completing Extension to *Farnborough*, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Lancashire and Yorkshire and East Lancashire Railway Companies Bill.

The *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* and East *Lancashire* Railway Companies Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for the Amalgamation of the East *Lancashire* Railway Company with the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Company, and to make further Provisions for vesting the *Sheffield*, *Rotherham*, *Barnsley*, *Wakefield*, *Huddersfield* and *Goole* Railway in the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Company, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Great Northern and Western (of Ireland) Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Great Northern and Western (of *Ireland*) Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Limerick and Foynes Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Limerick* and *Foynes* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Oxford*, *Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Saint Leonard Shoreditch, Parish Bill.

Ordered, That the *Saint Leonard*, *Shoreditch*, Parish Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Severn Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

Ordered, That the *Severn* Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Shrewsbury and Welchpool Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Shrewsbury* and *Welchpool* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Waveney Valley Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Waveney* Valley Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Darenth Valley Railway Bill.

The Order, That the *Darenth* Valley Railway Bill be committed, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Railway Bills (Group 7.)

Mr. *Scholefield* reported from the Committee on Group 7 of Railway Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, they had adjourned till half-past Three of the clock on Thursday.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Westminster Palace Hotel Company, Limited, Bill.

The *Westminster* Palace Hotel Company, Limited, Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fortieth Report.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by Mr. *Pulman*, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable

House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

Franchise Prisons Bill. An Act to abolish Franchise Prisons:

Non-parochial Registers Bill. An Act to amend the Act concerning Non-parochial Registers, and the Acts for Marriages, and for registering Births, Deaths and Marriages in *England*, and concerning Vaccination:

Stamp Duty on Passports Bill. An Act to reduce the Stamp Duty on Passports:

Chelsea Hospital (Purchase of Lands) Bill. An Act to confirm a Contract for the Sale by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works of certain Lands to the Commissioners of *Chelsea* Hospital:

Metropolitan Board of Works (Victoria Park Approach) Bill. An Act to authorize the Metropolitan Board of Works to form an improved Communication between *Limehouse* and the *Victoria* Park, in the County of *Middlesex*, and for other purposes:

Portumna Bridge (Ireland) Bill. An Act for abolishing the Tolls now levied on the Bridge over the *Shannon*, at *Portumna*, in *Ireland*:

Liverpool Exchange Bill. An Act to repeal the Act relating to the Company of Proprietors of the *Liverpool* Exchange, and to substitute other Provisions in lieu thereof:

Manchester Assize Courthouse Bill. An Act for enabling the Justices of the County of *Lancaster* to erect or provide Assize Courts in or near *Manchester*, in the Hundred of *Salford*, and for other purposes:

Manchester Improvement Bill. An Act for enabling the Corporation of the City of *Manchester* to raise further Sums of Money, and for other purposes:

Tay Fisheries Bill. An Act to regulate the Annual Close Time for Salmon Fisheries in the River *Tay*, and its Tributaries, and on the Sea Coasts adjoining:

Ely Valley Railway Bill. An Act to authorize the *Ely* Valley Railway Company to make a Branch Railway, to be called "The *Mwyndy* Branch," and for other purposes:

Selkirk and Galashiels Railway Bill. An Act to enable the *Selkirk* and *Galashiels* Railway Company to raise additional Capital:

Malvern Improvement Bill. An Act for granting further Powers to the *Malvern* Improvement Commissioners:

Birmingham Canal Navigations Bill. An Act for enabling the Company of Proprietors of the *Birmingham* Canal Navigations to raise further Money, and for other purposes:

Garngad Road Bill. An Act to provide for the better Maintenance of the *Garngad* Road; in the County of *Lanark*:

Vauxhall Bridge Road Bill. An Act for repealing so much of several Acts for building *Vauxhall* Bridge, and for making convenient Roads thereto, as relate to certain of such Roads, providing for the future Maintenance and Repair of such Roads, and for other purposes:

Staffordshire Potteries Gas Bill. An Act for better enabling the *British* Gas-Light Company, Limited, to light with Gas certain parts of the District, called the *Staffordshire* Potteries, and for other purposes:

Trent Navigation Bill. An Act for more effectually maintaining the Navigation of the River *Trent*, from *Wilden* Ferry, in the Counties of *Derby* and *Leicester*, or one of them, to *Gainsborough*, in the County of *Lincoln*, and other Works connected therewith:

London Dock Company Bill. An Act to enable the *London* Dock Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to augment their Capital Stock, and for other purposes connected with their Docks:

Burghead Harbour Bill. An Act for extending, improving and maintaining the Port and Harbour of *Burghead*, in the County of *Elgin*:

Maidstone Gas Bill. An Act for lighting with Gas the Parish of *Maidstone*, and the Neighbourhood thereof, in the County of *Kent*:

Manchester, Hyde and Mottram Road Bill. An Act for the more effectual Management and Repair of the Road from *Manchester*, in the County Palatine of *Lancaster*, through *Hyde*, to *Mottram-in-Longdendale*, in the County Palatine of *Chester*:

Stoke Fenton and Longton Gas Bill. An Act for incorporating the *Stoke Fenton* and *Longton* Gas-Light Company, and extending their Powers, and for other purposes:

Sufferance Wharves, Port of London, Bill. An Act for the Regulation of certain Public Sufferance Wharves in the Port of *London*:

Besselsleigh Road Bill. An Act to repeal the Acts relating to the *Besselsleigh* Turnpike-road in the County of *Berks*, and to make other Provisions in lieu thereof:

Brentford Gas Bill. An Act for increasing and regulating the Capital and borrowing Powers of the *Brentford* Gas-Light Company, for consolidating into one Act the Provisions of the several Acts relating to the Company, and for other purposes:

Inverury and Old Meldrum Junction Railway Bill. An Act for vesting the *Inverury* and *Old Meldrum* Junction Railway, by way of Lease, in the Great North of *Scotland* Railway Company, and for other purposes:

Banbridge, Lisburn and Belfast Railway Bill. An Act for making a Railway from *Banbridge* to *Lisburn*, to be called "The *Banbridge, Lisburn* and *Belfast* Railway," and for other purposes:

Alyth Railway Bill. An Act for making a Railway from the *Meigle* Station of the *Scottish* North Eastern Railway to the Town of *Alyth*, to be called "The *Alyth* Railway," and for other purposes in relation thereto.

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water Bill.) Colonel *Pinney* reported from Committee on the *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) (re-committed) Bill; That they had further examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by striking out the paragraphs relating to Contracts entered into by the *Birkenhead* Commissioners with *William Jackson*, which they considered it inexpedient to retain in the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made further Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Public Grounds and Playgrounds Bill. The Order for reading the third time, upon Wednesday next, the Public Grounds and Playgrounds Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

London Corporation Regulation Bill. The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock, on the *London* Corporation Regulation Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 24th day of this instant June, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 11th day of this instant June, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday the 28th day of this instant June.

Prince Edward Island Loan Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Prince Edward Island* Loan Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 28th day of this instant June.

Military Courts Martial. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Military Courts Martial held in each year during the last Five Years, specifying whether General or District; and, in the former case, distinguishing whether held on Commissioned or Non-commissioned Officers or Privates.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

County Court Treasurers. The Order made upon the 7th day of this instant June, for presenting to Her Majesty an humble Address, that She would be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return relative to County Court Treasurers, was read, and discharged.

County Court Treasurers. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names, Date of Appointment, and Amount of Salaries and Allowances of all Persons appointed to or holding the Office of County Court Treasurer, between the 1st day of July 1856 and the 1st day of June 1858; with the Number of Days in each Month devoted to the Business of such Office, the Amount of Fees received or paid over by the Officers of the respective County Courts, and the Nature of any other Office held by such several Treasurers, with the Pay and Emoluments arising therefrom.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Wheat, &c. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Quantities of Wheat Flour and other Breadstuffs, and of Grain other than Wheat, including *Indian* Corn, imported into the Country during the year 1857:——Of the Quantities of Wheat and of other Grain returned as sold during the year 1857, in the several Counties of *England* and *Wales*, and the Six Weeks average Prices thereof:——And, of the Number of Head of Cattle, Sheep and Swine imported into this Country during the last year (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 105, of Session 1857).

Stanhope and Wolsingham Rectories Bill. Bill 128. Lord *Harry Vane* reported from the Select Committee on the *Stanhope* and *Wolsingham* Rectories Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Bridgwater Union. No. 335. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to the *Bridgwater* Union, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant June, be printed.

Metropolitan Board of Works. The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 31st day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns showing the Balance of Monies paid over by the late Commission of Sewers to the Metropolitan Board of Works:——Showing, in separate Columns, the Sums assessed upon, and received from the several Parishes within the Districts of the Metropolitan Board of Works since the formation of that Board in the year 1855; specifying the Amount of each such Rate in the Pound:——And, showing the Sums expended in each of the said Parishes during the same Period, under distinct Heads of Expenditure; and particularly specifying, under the Head of Drainage, the Length, Size and Cost thereof, in each Parish.

Workhouses. Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of April last, for a Return relative to Workhouses.

Malt. Return to an Order, dated the 29th day of April last, for an Account relative to Malt.

Brewers, &c. Return to an Order, dated the 29th day of April last, for an Account relative to Brewers, &c.

Income Tax. Supplementary Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of April last, for a Return relative to the Income Tax.

Lunacy. Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to Lunacy.

Bridlington Piers and Harbour. The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Abstract of the General Annual Account of the Commissioners of *Bridlington* Piers and Harbour, from the 26th day of July 1856 to the 26th day of July 1857.

Lunatic Asylums. Abstracts of Accounts of Monies received and paid on account of the several County and Borough Lunatic Asylums in *England* and *Wales*, during the year ending 31st December 1857.

British Fisheries. Copy of Report by the Commissioners for the *British* Fisheries, of their Proceedings in the year ended 31st December 1857; being Fishing, 1857.

Sea Fencibles. Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of May last, for a Return relative to the Sea Fencibles.

Prideaux's Furnace-valve Door. Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of May last, for Returns relative to Reports of Captain *Denman* and Commander *J. M. Grandy*, on *Prideaux*'s Furnace-valve Door.

Prideaux's Furnace-valve Door. Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to the Report of Messrs. *Dinnon* and *Ward* on *Prideaux*'s Furnace-valve Door.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Government of India (No. 3) The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3.)

(In the Committee.)

5. Motion made, and Question proposed, That, with a view to the efficiency and independence of the Council, it is expedient that it should be partly nominated and partly elected.

Amendment proposed, to leave out from the first word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "it is expedient that the "Members of the Council be appointed by Her "Majesty."

Question put, That the words "with a view to "the efficiency and independence of the Council" stand part of the proposed Resolution;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: 250.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Roebuck*, Mr. *Lindsay*: 185.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Viscount *Goderich*, Captain *Vivian*: 155.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: 239.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Funded Debt Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Funded Debt Bill;

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

Nisi Prius Court (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Nisi Prius Court (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Commisioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill;

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

Peace Preservation (Ireland) Act Continuance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Peace Preservation (*Ireland*) Act Continuance Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this "day six months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 15° *die Junii*, 1858:

And the Question being put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	168.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Bagwell*, Mr. *Patrick O'Brien:*	20.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution (No. 3) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Bishops' Trusts Substitution (No. 3) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 23d day of this instant June.

Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee.

Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill. Bill 129.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill.

The Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill. Bill 130.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Titles to Land (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Titles to Land (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill.

The Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Universities (Scotland) [Allowances, &c.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on Universities (*Scotland*) [Allowances, &c.]

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That Provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, for the payment of certain Allowances, Remunerations, Endowments, Salaries, and other Charges, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session for the better Government and Discipline of the Universities of *Scotland*.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Juries (Ireland) (No. 2)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Juries in *Ireland:* And that Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* and Lord *Naas* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Establishments (Exemption from Rates.)

The Select Committee on Public Establishments (Exemption from Rates) was nominated of Sir *James Elphinstone*, Sir *Cornewall Lewis*, Sir *Francis Baring*, Sir *Charles Wood*, Mr. *Edward Pleydell Bouverie*, Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt*, Mr. *Ker Seymer*, Mr. *Howard*, The *O'Donoghoe*, Mr. *Hardy*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Eliot Yorke*, and Mr. *John Locke;* with Power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Copyhold Acts Amendment [Stamps.]

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of imposing a Stamp Duty on every Award of Enfranchisement, Certificate of Charge, and Transfer thereof, issued or made under any Act of the present Session to amend the Copyhold Acts.

Mr.

Juries (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* presented a Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Juries in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Bill 131.

Private Bills (Group S.)

Mr. *Wickham* reported from the Committee on Group S. of Private Bills; That Mr. *Foley*, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present during the sitting of the Committee this day.

Ordered, That Mr. *Foley* be discharged from further attendance on the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 15° *die Junii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Stokes Bay Railway and Pier Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Stokes Bay* Railway and Pier Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Crystal Palace District Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Crystal Palace District Gas Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Saint Leonard, Shoreditch, Parish Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Saint Leonard, Shoreditch*, Parish Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Severn Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the *Severn* Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to the former Committee:—And that they have leave to sit and proceed upon Thursday next.

Mr. John Townsend.

The House was moved, That the Return relative to the Record of Adjudication of Bankruptcy against Mr. *John Townsend*, which was presented upon the 11th day of this instant June, might be read; and the same was read.

The House was also moved, That the Act 52 *Geo.* 3, c. 144, relative to Members who become Bankrupts, and the Act 12 & 13 *Vic.* c. 106, s. 5, relative to Bankrupt Law Consolidation, might be read; and the same being read;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. *John Townsend*, Member for the Borough of *Greenwich*, having, on the 29th day of March last, been found, declared and adjudged a Bankrupt, has since been, and still is, by Law, incapable of sitting and voting in this House.

Mr. *Townsend* was heard in his place:—And then he withdrew.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the said Mr. *John Townsend* do withdraw from this House until his Bankruptcy shall have been superseded or annulled, or until his creditors proving their debts shall have been paid or satisfied to the full amount of their debts.

And Notice being taken, That upon Monday the 7th day of this instant June, in Committee on the subject of the Government of *India*, upon a Division, Mr. *Townsend* voted with the Yeas;

That upon Tuesday the 8th day of this instant June, on the third reading of the Church Rates Abolition Bill, upon a Division, Mr. *Townsend* voted with the Yeas;

That upon the same day, on the subject of the Ballot, upon a Division, Mr. *Townsend* voted with the Yeas;

And that upon Thursday the 10th day of this instant June, on the second reading of the County Franchise Bill, upon a Division, Mr. *Townsend* voted with the Yeas;

Ordered, That the said Votes be disallowed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fortieth Report.

Metropolitan Board of Works.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Metropolitan Board of Works, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 336.

Workhouses.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Workhouses, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 337.

Malt.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Malt, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 338.

Brewers, &c.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Brewers, &c., which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 339.

Lunacy.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Lunacy, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 340.

Sea Fencibles.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Sea Fencibles, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 341.

Prideaux's Furnace-valve Door.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Reports of Captain *Denman* and Commander *J. M. Grandy* on *Prideaux*'s Furnace-valve Door, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 277–I.

Prideaux's Furnace-valve Door.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Report of Messrs. *Dinnon* and *Ward* on *Prideaux*'s Furnace-valve Door, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant June, be printed. No. 277–I.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

Clause, N°1 (Construction of Terms, &c. "Lease in Perpetuity.").

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 38: To leave out from the word "Grant" to the word "Estate" inclusive, in l. 40, in order to insert the words "when such Lease shall be immediately derived "of the inheritance in fee-simple, and not other-"wise."

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, N° 2 (Title of Court. Place of Sitting).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 41: To leave out the words "or places."

Question, That the words "or places" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clause, N° 3 (First Judges of the Court).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 1: To leave out the word "two" in order to insert the word "three."

Question proposed, That the word "two" stand part of the Clause.

And it being ten minutes before Four o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill. Bill 132.

The Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Standing Orders.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

South Wales Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill.

1. That in the case of the South *Wales* Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill, Petition for dispensing with Standing Order 130, the said Standing Order ought to be dispensed with.

Sunderland Dock (No. 2.)

2. That in the case of the *Sunderland* Dock (No. 2), Petition for leave to deposit Petition for Bill, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

The first Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.

The other Resolution being read a second time;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be re-committed to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Public Petitions (Thirty-ninth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 10th and 11th days of this instant June; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Jeffries's Smoke-consuming Apparatus.

Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to *Jeffries*'s Smoke-consuming Apparatus.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Oxford University.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Report of the *Oxford* University Commissioners in reference to an Ordinance framed by them in relation to the College of *Saint John-the-Baptist*, in the University of *Oxford*; with Copy of the Ordinance.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill.

Mr. *Forster* reported from the Committee on the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway (re-committed) Bill; That they had made Provision in the same pursuant to the Instruction of the House, and had made further Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Dublin and Meath Railway Bill.

Mr. *Puller* reported from the Committee on Group 15 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Dublin* and *Meath* Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by inserting the words "together with a Branch to *Athboy*;" and had also struck out the statement as to rendering more effectual certain running Powers over the Line from *Navan* to *Kells*, and for giving Power to run over the Midland Great Western Railway of *Ireland* Company's Line, in order to make the Preamble in conformity with the Clauses of the Bill; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Athenry and Tuam Railway Bill.

Mr. *Puller* reported from the Committee on Group 15 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Athenry* and *Tuam* Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by confining the recital as to running Powers over the Midland Great Western Railway of *Ireland* Company's Line of Railway to the portion of that Line which is situate between the Junction of the proposed Railway therewith and the *Athenry* Station of the Midland Great Western Railway of *Ireland*, including that Station; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

New General Post-office (Edinburgh) Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the New General Post-office (*Edinburgh*) Bill, the Standing Orders have been complied with.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Private Bills (Group S.)

Mr. *Wickham* reported from the Committee on Group S. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Thursday next, at Two of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

County Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the County Franchise Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

German Emigration (Cape of Good Hope.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies or Extracts of Despatches concerning *German* Emigration to the *Cape of Good Hope*, from the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of the *Cape of Good Hope*, between December 1856 and December 1857, inclusive:——And, of Despatches concerning the *German* Military Settlers at the *Cape of Good Hope*, from the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Government of the *Cape of Good Hope*, between March 1857 and May 1858, inclusive.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Assistant Barristers.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of the Assistant Barristers who have been absent from Quarter Sessions during the last Four years, and the Names of the Barristers to whom Deputations have been given by the Lord Chancellor on such occasions; specifying each Session, the Assistant Barrister and Deputy in each instance.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

British Museum.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of all Communications made by the Officers and Architect of the *British* Museum to the Trustees, respecting the want of space for exhibiting the Collections in that Institution, as well as respecting the Enlargement of its Buildings:——And, of all Minutes of the Trustees, and of all Communications between the Trustees and the Treasury, upon the same subject (the whole subsequent to, and in continuation of, Parliamentary Paper, No. 42, of Session 1852-53).

Ordered,

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Buxton* have leave of absence for a week, on account of a domestic affliction;—Mr. *Wigram* a fortnight, on account of ill health;—and Sir *William Heathcote* a month, on account of a domestic affliction.

Slave Trade.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns showing, for the year 1854 and each succeeding year, the Number of Her Majesty's Vessels, and of the Officers and Men employed in the Squadrons (distinguishing the Stations) engaged in the Suppression of the Slave Trade:——Of the Number of Deaths, and the Number invalided, from the several Squadrons during the same periods:——And, of the Total Number of Slaves for whom Head-money has been paid, and of Slaves (dead) for whom a Moiety of Head-money has been paid.

British Museum.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Salaries of all the Officers and Assistants in the *British* Museum, with the Dates of their first Employment in the *British* Museum:——Of Alterations made in the Salaries by the Minute of the Trustees of the 1st day of August 1857:——And, Copy of Memorial of certain Assistants to the Trustees, on the subject of Salaries, of the 11th day of March 1858.

William Henry Barber.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the allegations contained in the Petition of *William Henry Barber*, presented upon the 27th day of April last, and to consider and report whether any and what redress should be afforded to the Petitioner; or whether any and what other steps should be taken in reference to the matters alleged:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

William Henry Barber.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the allegations contained in the Petition of *William Henry Barber*, presented upon the 27th day of April last, and to consider and report whether any and what steps should be taken in reference thereto.

Under Secretary of State (Scotland.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, an Under Secretary of State for *Scotland* should be appointed to perform the political duties at present attached to the Office of Lord Advocate:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put That, in the opinion of this House, an Under Secretary of State for *Scotland* should be appointed in the Home Office, to perform a portion of the duties at present attached to the Office of Lord Advocate;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Baxter*, Mr. *William Ewart*:	47.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*:	174.

So it passed in the Negative.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

East Suffolk Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the East *Suffolk* Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Chancery Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Chancery Amendment Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Police Force (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make better Provision for the Police Force in *Dublin* and other Towns in *Ireland:* And that Lord *Naas* and Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* do prepare, and bring it in.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurii, 16° *die Junii*, 1858:

Administration of Justice (Dublin.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Police District of *Dublin* Metropolis: And that Lord *Naas* and Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Newspapers, &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Registered Newspapers in the United Kingdom, and of the Number, if any, of Stamps at One penny issued to each, for each Quarter respectively, from July 1855 to the end of 1857; also of Stamps at Three-halfpence issued to any such Newspaper during such period (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 438, of Session 1855):——And, similar Return of Registered Publications and of Stamps issued to them during the same period.

Irremovable Poor.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Select Committee on Irremovable Poor do consist of Seventeen Members:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Legitimacy Declaration.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Persons to establish Legitimacy and the validity of Marriages, and the right to be deemed natural-born Subjects: And that Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Macaulay* and Mr. *Bovill* do prepare, and bring it in.

New Trial in Criminal Cases.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to secure the Right of New Trial in Criminal Cases: And that Mr. *M'Mahon* and Mr. *Butt* do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Establishments (Exemption from Rates.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Horsfall* and Sir *Frederick Smith* be added to the Select Committee on Public Establishments (Exemption from Rates).

Galway Freemen Disfranchisement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant June, That the Order for the Committee on the *Galway* Freemen Disfranchisement Bill be discharged;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Game Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Game Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill;

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

Members' Freedom from Arrest Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Members' Freedom from Arrest Bill;

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

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy*

FitzRoy reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Stanhope and Wolsingham Rectories Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Stanhope* and *Wolsingham* Rectories Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Peace Preservation (Ireland) Act Continuance Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Peace Preservation (*Ireland*) Act Continuance Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Universities (Scotland) [Allowances, &c.]

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on Universities (*Scotland*) [Allowances, &c.], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That Provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, for the payment of certain Allowances, Remunerations, Endowments, Salaries, and other Charges, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session for the better Government and Discipline of he Universities of *Scotland*.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Copyhold Acts Amendment [Stamps.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Copyhold Acts Amendment [Stamps].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That every Award of Enfranchisement, Certificate of Charge, and Transfer thereof, issued or made under any Act of the present Session to amend the Copyhold Acts, shall be chargeable with the like Stamp Duties as are chargeable in respect of Deeds of Enfranchisement, Mortgages and Transfers of Mortgages.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Chancery Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Chancery Amendment Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.
Bill 134.

Mr. Attorney General presented a Bill to enable Persons to establish Legitimacy and the Validity of Marriages, and the Right to be deemed natural-born Subjects: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Police Force (Ireland) Bill.
Bill 135.

Lord *Naas* presented a Bill to make better Provision for the Police Force in *Dublin* and other Towns in *Ireland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Administration of Justice (Dublin) Bill.
Bill 136.

Lord *Naas* presented a Bill for the more effectual Administration of Justice in the Police District of *Dublin* Metropolis: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

New Trial in Criminal Cases Bill.
Bill 137.

Mr. *M'Mahon* presented a Bill to secure the Right of New Trial in Criminal Cases: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 7th day of July next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Mercurii, 16° *die Junii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Durham and Cleveland Union Railway Bill.

ORDERED, That the *Durham* and *Cleveland* Union Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fortieth Report.

Dunfanaghy Union. No. 342.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Persons relieved in the Workhouse of the *Dunfanaghy* Union; distinguishing the Number chargeable to the Electoral Divisions comprised in the District of *Gweedore* and *Cloghnaheely*, during each half-year, from the 25th day of March 1848 to the 25th day of March 1858: ——Of the Number of cases of Sickness attended by the Medical Officers of Dispensary Districts of the said Union, since the passing of the Medical Charities Act; distinguishing the District of *Gweedore* and *Cloghnaheely*:——Of the Poundage of the Rates made on each Electoral Division of the said Union; distinguishing the Divisions comprised in the District of *Gweedore* and *Cloghnaheely* in each year, ended the 31st day of December, from 1848 to 1857, both inclusive:——And, of the Sums expended in the said District of *Gweedore* and *Cloghnaheely*, under the Labour Rate or Temporary Relief Acts.

Lord *Naas* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Oxford University. No. 343.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to *Oxford* University, which was presented upon the 15th day of this instant June, be printed.

Protection of Female Children Bill. Bill 138.

The Protection of Female Children Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 30th day of this instant June; and to be printed.

Edinburgh, &c. Annuity Tax Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Edinburgh*, &c. Annuity Tax Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Baxter*, Mr. *Black*: } 129.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Blackburn*, Major *Cumming Bruce*: } 130.

So it passed in the Negative.

And

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day six months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

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

County Management Bill.

The County Management Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Heirs (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Heirs (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Registration of County Voters (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Registration of County Voters (*Scotland*) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House will, upon this day six months, "resolve itself into the said Committee," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *Edward Colebrooke*, Mr. *Dunlop*:	96.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *George Dundas*, Major *Cumming Bruce*:	108.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "this House will, upon this day six months, resolve "itself into the said Committee," be added instead thereof:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That this House will, upon this day six months, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Insurance and Assurance Institutions Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Insurance and Assurance Institutions Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 7th day of July next;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "Wednesday "the 7th day of July next," and adding the words "this day six months" instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

Public Grounds and Playgrounds Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Grounds and Playgrounds Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Nisi Prius Court (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Nisi Prius Court (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Friday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Peace Preservation (Ireland) Act Continuance Bill.

The Peace Preservation (*Ireland*) Act Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Copyhold Acts Amendment [Stamps.]

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported from the Committee on Copyhold Acts Amendment [Stamps], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That every Award of Enfranchisement, Certificate of Charge, and Transfer thereof, issued or made under any Act of the present Session to amend the Copyhold Acts, shall be chargeable with the like Stamp Duties as are chargeable in respect of Deeds of Enfranchisement, Mortgages, and Transfers of Mortgages.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Chancery Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Chancery Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Game Law (Ireland) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Tuesday next, the Game Law (*Ireland*) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 29th day of this instant June.

German Emigration (Cape of Good Hope.)

The Order made upon the 15th day of this instant June, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She would be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns relative to *German* Emigration (*Cape of Good Hope*), was read, and discharged.

German Emigration (Cape of Good Hope.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies or Extracts of any Despatches concerning *German* Emigration to the *Cape of Good Hope*, from the Secretary of State for the Colonies and the Governor of the *Cape of Good Hope*, from December 1856 up to the present Date:——And, of any such Despatches since those last presented concerning the *German* Military Settlers at the *Cape of Good Hope*, up to the present Date.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Clyde Navigation Bill.

Ordered, That the Reports of the Boards of Trade and Admiralty on the *Clyde* Navigation Bill be referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Standing Orders.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Sunderland Dock (No. 2.)

That in the matter of the re-committed Resolution of the Select Committee on Standing Orders in

the case of the *Sunderland* Dock (No. 2), Petition for leave to deposit a Petition for a Bill, the Standing Orders in the said case ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to deposit their Petition for Bill accordingly.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 17° die Junii;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Great Northern and Western (of Ireland) Railway Bill.

THE Great Northern and Western (of *Ireland*) Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Limerick and Foynes Railway Bill.

The *Limerick* and *Foynes* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Bill.

The *Oxford*, *Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Shrewsbury and Welchpool Railway Bill.

The *Shrewsbury* and *Welchpool* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Waveney Valley Railway Bill.

The *Waveney* Valley Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Hove Improvement Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Hove* Improvement Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Durham and Cleveland Union Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Durham* and *Cleveland* Union Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Saint Leonard, Shoreditch, Parish Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Saint Leonard, Shoreditch*, Parish Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Sunderland Dock (No. 2.)

Ordered, That in the case of the Petition for the *Sunderland* Dock (No. 2) Bill, the Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills have leave to sit and proceed forthwith.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Forty-first Report.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Government of India (No. 3.)

Ordered, That the Committee of the whole House, on the Government of *India* (No. 3), have leave to sit this day till Four of the clock, and to report at Six of the clock.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3). Government of India (No. 3.)

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Members of the nominated portion of the Council shall be selected by Her Majesty, subject, as a general rule, to the qualification above expressed, and one-half at the least of the elected Members shall possess the like qualification:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Resolutions to be reported.

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill pursuant to the said Resolutions.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. *Scholefield* reported the South *Wales* Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill, with Amendments. South Wales Railway (New Railway &c.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. *Wickham* reported from the Committee on Group S. of Private Bills; That, for the convenience of Parties, the Committee had adjourned till Monday next, the 21st instant, at Twelve of the clock. Private Bills (Group S.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the *Sunderland* Dock Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the *Sunderland* Dock Company to extend their Works and raise further Sums of Money; to amend the Acts relating thereto, and for other purposes, was presented, and read: And a Bill was ordered to be brought in accordingly, by Mr. *Hudson* and Mr. *Fenwick*. Sunderland Dock (No. 2.)

Mr. *Puller* reported from the Committee on Group 15 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Limerick* and *Castle-Connell* Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by correcting an error in the date of the recited Act, and by stating the expediency of enabling the Company to carry the *Limerick* and *Castle-Connell* Railway over certain roads on the level instead of by bridges; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto. Limerick and Castle-Connell Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Harbours of Refuge have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them. Harbours of Refuge. No. 344.

Mr. *Wilson* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House; together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sir *Bulwer Lytton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence on the subject of a Convention recently entered into between Her Majesty and the Emperor of the *French*, relative to *Portendic* and *Albreda*. Portendic and Albreda Convention.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Total Cost of levying the 100th Regiment of the Line and of conveying it to *England*; *viz.*, the Amount of Bounty paid to each Recruit by the Government, and the Amount of all other Expenses incidental to recruiting them; the Number of Commissions bestowed without Purchase in Army (100th Regiment.)

in the Regiment, and the Conditions on which they were given, distinguishing those which were given to Officers on Half-pay from those which were given to Civilians; the Value of the Commissions so bestowed at Regulation Prices; the Terms on which the first Commissions in the 100th Regiment were given, and whether the Recipients of those Commissions were subjected to the usual Educational Tests required of all Candidates for Commissions; the Cost of bringing the Regiment to *England*; the Price of Unskilled Labour *per diem* in the Province in which they were recruited; together with a Detailed Account of the Number of Native *Canadians*, of *Irish*, and of *English* in the Regiment.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

County Courts. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Total Estimated Amount of the Fee Fund of the County Courts for the year 1857; also the Total Estimated Amount of the Salaries of Registrars, and of Salaries and Allowances to High Bailiffs, respectively; also the Names of displaced Registrars, and the Amount of Annuities by way of Compensation granted to each; also the Names of Persons to whom Compensations under the Act 9 & 10 *Vic.* c. 95, have been made, and the Amount of Compensation paid to each of such Persons; also the Amount of Expense for providing Court Houses, Offices, Stationery and Printing, on each of the County Court Circuits, and the Expense of Offices in each District Court of each Circuit.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Railways. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number and Description of Persons employed on each of the Railways in *England* and *Wales*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, respectively, on the 30th day of June 1858, which may at that Date be open for Traffic; also the Length of Line, with the Number of Stations, open for Public Traffic on the same Day:——And, similar Return for each Line and Branch Line of Railway which has been authorized,, but which may not be open for Traffic on the 30th day of June 1858; distinguishing the Length of each such Line or Branch Line on which the Works may be in Progress, and the Length on which they may not be in Progress, at that Date; and specifying the Act or Acts authorizing such Railways (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 292, of Session 2, 1857).

Arterial Drainage (Ireland.) *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing, in separate Sums, the Remissions made by the Treasury (£. 461,973. 12 *s.* 11 *d.*), under the Act 16 & 17 *Vic.* c. 130, of Monies advanced for Arterial Drainage in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1858; distinguishing the Localities to which such Remissions have been made, and the Parties who were exempted from Repayment; together with a Statement of the specific Grounds in each Case on which the Treasury exercised the Power of Remission conferred by the Act.

Railways. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing, under the following Heads, the Sums of Money raised and expended under Powers granted by Parliament to the Railway Companies, from the Date of their Incorporation to the 31st day of December 1857, in *England* and *Wales*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, respectively; also, of the Number and Description of Persons employed on each of the Railways which may at that Date be open for Traffic; the Length of Line (Main and Branches), with the Number of Stations on each open for the Accommodation of the Public:—

Name of Company and Date of Incorporation.
Capital authorised by the Act of Parliament.
Debenture and Loans authorised in like manner.
Amount of Capital raised by Issue of Shares.
Amount raised by Debenture or Bond.
Total Amount expended on Construction of Railway, and average Cost per Mile.
Amount paid for Land and Compensation.
Amount expended on Permanent Way and Stations.
Amount expended on Rolling Stock and charged to Capital.
Amount expended in Parliamentary and other Legal Expenses and charged to Capital.
Gross Receipts from all sources, distinguishing Passenger from Goods Traffic.
Gross Amount charged to Working Expenses, and showing the Rate per Cent. on the Traffic.
Gross Sums paid to Government as Duty.
Gross Sums paid for Rates and Taxes, exclusive of Passenger Duty.
Amount paid as Interest on Borrowed Money, and showing the Average Rate per Cent. per Annum.
Amount paid by way of Interest or Dividend on Preference Stocks, showing the Average Rate per Cent. per Annum.
Gross Amount paid by Company to Original Shareholders by way of Dividend on Ordinary Stock, and the Average Rate per Cent. per Annum.
Number and Description of Persons employed on 31st December 1857.
Total Mileage over the entire Systems under the control of each particular Company.
Number of Stations on each Railway open to Traffic on 31st December 1857.

Government of India (No. 3.) Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3); That they had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *FitzRoy* accordingly reported the Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That as the Territories under the Government of the *East India* Company are by Law to remain under such Government only until Parliament shall otherwise provide, it is expedient that the Transfer of such Government to the Crown should now take place, in order that the direct Superintendence of the whole Empire may be placed under one Executive Authority.

2. That for this purpose it is expedient to provide that Her Majesty, by one of the responsible Ministers of the Crown, shall have and perform all the Powers and Duties relating to the Government and Revenues of *India*, which are or may be now exercised and performed by the *East India* Company, or by the Court of Directors or Court of Proprietors of the said Company, either alone or with the approbation of the Commissioners for the Affairs of *India*.

3. That in order to assist such Minister of the Crown in the discharge of his duties, it is expedient that a Council be appointed of not more than Fifteen Members and not less than Twelve.

4. That in order to secure the greatest amount of knowledge and experience in the management of the Affairs of *India*, it is advisable that the principal portion of the Members of the Council shall have served or resided in *India* for a term of years to be limited by Statute.

5. That with a view to the efficiency and independence of the Council, it is expedient that it should be partly nominated and partly elected.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also reported another Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill pursuant to the said Resolutions:—And he moved the House accordingly.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. *FitzRoy*, Lord *Stanley* and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring it in.

East India (Home Accounts.) The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—1. An Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Home Treasury of the *East India* Company, from 1st May 1857 to 30th April 1858:—2. Estimate of the Re-

ceipts and Disbursements of the Home Treasury of the *East India* Company, from 1st May 1858 to 30th April 1859 :—3. An Account of the Debts and Credits in *England* of the Government of *India* on 1st May 1858 :—4. A List of the several Establishments of the *East India* Company in *England*, and the Salaries and Allowances payable by the Court of Directors in respect thereof, on the 1st May 1858 : —5. An Account of new or increased Salaries, Establishments or Pensions payable in *Great Britain*, granted or created between 1st May 1857 and 1st May 1858 :—6. Allowances, Compensations, Remunerations and Superannuations granted to Officers and Servants of the *East India* Company, under the 93d Section of the Act 53 *Geo.* 3, c. 155, between 1st May 1857 and 1st May 1858 :—Compensations granted between 1st May 1857 and 1st May 1858, under the Act 3 & 4 *Will.* 4, c. 85, s. 7 ; *viz.* :—7. To the Widows and Children of deceased Officers and Servants of the *East India* Company in *England* :—Compensations granted between 1st May 1857 and 1st May 1858, under the Act 18 & 19 *Vic.* c. 53 ; *viz.*, 8. To the Principal Professors nad Servants of the *East India* College at *Haileybury*, consequent upon the Abolition of that Institution.

Government of India (No 3) Bill.

Bill 139.

Lord *Stanley* presented a Bill for the better Government of *India* : And the same was read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next ; and to be printed.

Sasines (Scotland.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 7th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to Sasines (*Scotland*).

Nisi Prius Court (Dublin.)

Return to an Order, dated the 3d day of this instant June, for a Return relative to the Nisi Prius Court (*Dublin*).

National Schools (Dublin.)

Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to National Schools (*Dublin*).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill ;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill.

The Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill was, according to Order, read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth :

Property Qualification Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Property Qualification Bill, without any Amendment :

Waterford and Kilkenny Railway (Capital) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway (Capital) Bill, without any Amendment :

Horsham Turnpike Trust Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Horsham* Turnpike Trust Bill, without any Amendment :

Exeter and Exmouth Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Exeter* and *Exmouth* Railway Bill, with Amendments ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House :

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill, with Amendments ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House :

Staines, Wokingham and Woking Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Staines, Wokingham* and *Woking* Railway Bill, with Amendments ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House :

Chiswick Improvement Bill

The Lords have agreed to the *Chiswick* Improvement Bill, with an Amendment ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House

Darley's Estate Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for enabling Mining Leases to be granted of an Estate in the North Riding of *Yorkshire*, late of *Henry Darley*, Esquire, deceased, and for other purposes, and of which the short Title is " *Darley's* Estate Act, 1858 ;" to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House :

Viscount Keith's Estate Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Arrangements with regard to the Trust Estate of the late *George* Viscount *Keith*, and to enable his Trustees to carry the same into effect ; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill ; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Wills, &c. of British Subjects Abroad Bill.

The Wills, &c. of *British* Subjects Abroad Bill was, according to Order, read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Cowley's Charity Bill.

Cowley's Charity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Harvey's Charity Bill.

Harvey's Charity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Bristol Municipal Charities Bill.

The *Bristol* Municipal Charities Bill was, according to Order, read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Bristol Saint Nicholas and Saint Leonard's Charities Bill.

The *Bristol Saint Nicholas* and *Saint Leonard's* Charities Bill was, according to Order, read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Chancery Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Chancery Amendment Bill : And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords ; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Nisi Prius Court (Ireland) Bill.

The Nisi Prius Court (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

Clause, N° 1, agreed to.

Clause, N° 2 (The Interest of the Bishopric of *Durham* in the Foreshores of that County vested in Her Majesty).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, lines 34 and 35 : To leave out the words " and Freehold."

Question, That the words " and Freehold " stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses,

CLAUSES, N° 3 to N° 5, amended, and agreed to.
CLAUSE, N° 6, agreed to.
Preamble amended, and agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Funded Debt Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Funded Debt Bill;

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

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Copyright of Designs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Copyright of Designs Bill;

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

Public Health Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Public Health Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.
CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.
CLAUSES, N° 2 and N° 3, amended, and agreed to.
CLAUSE, N° 4 (Power to Privy Council to appoint Medical Officer, &c.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 21: To leave out from the word "Council" to the end of the Clause.

Question proposed, That the words "and the "person who at the time of the cesser of the General "Board of Health" stand part of the Clause;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Joseph Locke*:	32.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*:	140.

Question again proposed, That the words "and "the person who at the time of the cesser of the "General Board of Health" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
CLAUSES, N° 5 and N° 6, agreed to.
CLAUSE, N° 7 (Making and authentication of Orders, &c.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 3: To leave out the word "may," in order to insert the word "shall."

Question proposed, That the word "may" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.
CLAUSE, N° 8, agreed to.
Clause added.
Preamble agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

And then the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 18° *die Junii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Juries (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Juries (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday the 28th day of this instant June.

Stanhope and Wolsingham Rectories Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Stanhope* and *Wolsingham* Rectories Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Transfer of Land Bill.

The Transfer of Land Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House for Monday the 28th day of this instant June.

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Law of Property Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Galway Freemen Disfranchisement Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant June, That the Order for the Committee on the *Galway* Freemen Disfranchisement Bill be discharged;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned:—And the said Motion and Original Question were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 29th day of this instant June, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Roads, &c. (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Roads, &c. (*Scotland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Reformatory Schools (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Reformatory Schools (*Ireland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Bill 140.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Government of India Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Government of *India* Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 1st day of July next.

Weedon Establishment.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant June, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, relative to *Weedon* Establishment.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday next.

County Management Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the County Management Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Insurance and Assurance Institutions Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 16th day of this instant June, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the Insurance and Assurance Institutions Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 7th day of July next, and which Amendment was, to leave out the words "Wednesday the 7th day of July next," in order to add the words "this day six months," instead thereof;

And the Question being again proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate:—And the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 7th day of July next.

Wills of British Subjects Abroad

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law in relation to the Wills of *British* Subjects dying whilst resident Abroad: And that Sir *Richard Bethell* and Mr. *Ayrton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Administration of Justice.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to assist the Administration of Justice, by affording better means for ascertaining the Law of other Countries in cases where Questions as to such Law shall arise: And that Sir *Richard Bethell* and Mr. *Dunlop* do prepare, and bring it in.

Art Unions Act Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Act for legalizing Art Unions: And that Mr. *William Ewart*, Mr. *Dunlop* and Mr. *Stirling* do prepare, and bring it in.

Stipendiary Magistrates, &c.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law concerning the Powers of Stipendiary Magistrates and Justices of the Peace in certain cases: And that Mr. *Hardy* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Railway and Canal Legislation.

The Select Committee on Railway and Canal Legislation was nominated of Mr. *Henley*, Mr. *Cardwell*, Sir *James Graham*, Mr. *Gladstone*, Mr. *Lowe*, Mr. *Philip Pleydell Bouverie*, Mr. *Turner* and Sir *Robert Ferguson*.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That Mr. *Stuart Wortley* be one other Member of the said Committee:—It passed in the Negative.

Then Lord *Robert Cecil*, Mr. *Stephenson*, Mr. *Price*, Mr. *Westhead*, Mr. *Cowan*, Colonel *Wilson Patten* and Lord *John Browne* were nominated other Members of the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Four Courts (Dublin) Extension.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for enabling the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland* to acquire certain Lands and Houses for the Site of a new Court or Courts of Law, and other Offices and Buildings required for the Public Service, in extension of the Four Courts in the City of *Dublin*, and for other purposes: And that Lord *Naas* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill.

The Select Committee on the Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill was nominated of Lord *Naas*, Mr. *Sullivan*, Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland*, Mr. *Herbert*, Sir *Robert Ferguson*, Mr. *Stearne Ball Miller*, Mr. *Blake*, Mr. *Spaight*, Colonel *Forde*, Mr. *Fagan*, Mr. Serjeant *Deasy*, Mr. *John Ennis*, Mr. *Gregory*, Mr. *Hume* and Lord *Claud Hamilton*.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Smoke Nuisance Abatement (Metropolis.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to abate the Nuisance arising from the Smoke of Furnaces in the Metropolis, and from Steam Vessels plying to and from any places on the River *Thames* to the westward of the *Nore* Light: And that Mr. *Ayrton* and Sir *James Duke* do prepare, and bring it in.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) [Stamps]

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of imposing Stamp Duties in lieu of Fees payable to Clerks of Petty Sessions in *Ireland*.

Landed Estates (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Landed Estates (*Ireland*) Bill be read a second time this day.

Wills of British Subjects Abroad Bill. Bill 141.

Sir *Richard Bethell* presented a Bill to amend the Law in relation to the Wills of *British* Subjects dying whilst resident Abroad: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Administration of Justice Bill. Bill 142.

Sir *Richard Bethell* presented a Bill to assist the Administration of Justice, by affording better means for ascertaining the Law of other Countries in cases where Questions as to such Law shall arise: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Four Courts (Dublin) Extension Bill. Bill 143.

Lord *Naas* presented a Bill for enabling the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland* to acquire certain Lands and Houses for the Site of a new Court or Courts of Law, and other Offices and Buildings required for the Public Service, in extension of the Four Courts in the City of *Dublin*, and for other purposes: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; and be printed.

Art Unions Act Amendment Bill. Bill 144.

Mr. *William Ewart* presented a Bill to amend the Act for legalizing Art Unions: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

National Portrait Gallery. No. 345.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—First Report of the Trustees of the National Portrait Gallery.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill. Bill 145.

Mr. *Hardy* presented a Bill to amend the Law concerning the Powers of Stipendiary Magistrates and Justices of the Peace in certain cases: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Smoke Nuisance Abatement (Metropolis) Bill. Bill 146.

Mr. *Ayrton* presented a Bill to abate the Nuisance arising from the Smoke of Furnaces in the Metropolis, and from Steam Vessels plying to and from any places on the River *Thames* to the westward of the *Nore* Light: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 21st day of July next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 18° *die Junii*;

Anno 21° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Public Petitions (Fortieth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 14th, 15th and 16th days of this instant June; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Westminster Palace Hotel Company, Limited, Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the *Westminster* Palace Hotel Company, Limited, Bill, no Standing Orders are applicable.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Crystal Palace District Gas Bill.

The Crystal Palace District Gas Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Stockton and Darlington Railway (Durham Lines) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway (*Durham* Lines) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Stockton and Darlington, Wear Valley, &c. Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Stockton* and *Darlington*, *Wear* Valley, &c., Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Sunderland Docks (No. 2) Bill.

A Bill to enable the *Sunderland* Dock Company to extend their Works and raise further Sums of Money, to amend the Acts relating thereto, and for other purposes, was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Viscount Keith's Estate Bill.

Viscount *Keith*'s Estate Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Darley's Estate Bill.

Darley's Estate Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Forty-first Report.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Severn Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

Mr. *Cobbett* reported the *Severn* Valley Railway (Extension of Time) (re-committed) Bill, without further Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Norfolk (Eastern Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the Eastern Division of the County of *Norfolk*, in the room of Sir *Edward North Buxton*, Baronet, deceased.

Bothnia.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of any Memorials addressed to the Treasury, in reference to Losses incurred by *British* Subjects, in consequence of the destruction of their Property by Her Majesty's Forces in the Gulf of *Bothnia*, during the recent War with the Emperor of *Russia*, and of any Replies to the same.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Garston to Liverpool) Bill.

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway (*Garston* to *Liverpool*) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Saint Helen's Canal and Railway Bill.

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Saint Helen*'s Canal and Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Army. No. 346.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Account of Receipt and Expenditure for Army Services (including Militia, Commissariat and Ordnance), in the year ended 31st March 1857.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ramsgate Harbour. No. 347.

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Account relative to *Ramsgate* Harbour, which was presented upon the 12th day of March last, be printed.

Ramsgate Harbour. No. 347.

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Accounts relative to *Ramsgate* Harbour, which were presented upon the 13th day of March 1854, 21st day of February 1855, 3d day of April 1856, and 6th day of March 1857, be printed.

East India. No. 348.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to *East India*, which were presented upon the 17th day of this instant June, be printed.

Sasines (Scotland.) No. 349.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Sasines (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 17th day of this instant June, be printed.

Government Property.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing all Purchases of Land or Tenements made by Government since the year 1830, in the Parishes forming part of or adjoining any of Her Majesty's Dockyards in *Great Britain* or *Ireland*, and War Office Establishments or Civil Establishments connected therewith; showing in detail the Year of Purchase, the Quantity of Land purchased, Number of Houses purchased, the Rateable Value, the Rate in the Pound paid to the Poor Rate in the Year of such Purchase, according to the following Form:

Dock Yards and Establishments (separate Parishes).	Year of Purchase.	Land.			Houses.			Present Contribution of Government to the Poor Rate from such Lands or Houses.
		Quantity of Land bought.	Rateable Value of Land bought (aggregate.)	Per-centage in the £. to the Poor Rate.	Number of Houses.	Aggregate Rateable Value of Houses.	Per-centage in the £. to the Poor Rate.	

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

East Kent Railway (Dover Extension) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the East *Kent* Railway (*Dover* Extension) Bill, without any Amendment:

Taunton Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Taunton* Water Bill, without any Amendment:

Blyth Harbour and Dock Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Blyth* Harbour and Dock Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Ware, Hadham* and *Buntingford* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Luton Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Luton* Gas Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Edinburgh and Glasgow, and Stirling and Dunfermline Railways Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Edinburgh* and *Glasgow*, and *Stirling* and *Dunfermline* Railways Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Fife and Kinross and Kinross-shire Railways Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Fife* and *Kinross* and *Kinross-shire* Railways Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Salisbury and Yeovil Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Funded Debt Bill.

The Funded Debt Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause, N° 3.

Question again proposed, That the word "two" stand part of the Clause.

Question put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, N° 4 (Appointment of future Judges).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 10: To leave out from the word "standing" to the word "to," in l. 13.

Question, That the words "who shall have actually practised" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 12: After the word "*Dublin*" to insert the words "or at "*Westminster*."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Denham Norreys*, Sir *Erskine Perry*: } 27.

Tellers for the Noes, { Lord *Henry Lennox*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 114.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses, N° 5 to N° 19, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.

Clause, N° 20, disagreed to.

Clauses, N° 21 to N° 29, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.

Clause, N° 30 (Judges to frame general orders).

Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 12: To leave out the word "ninety" in order to insert the words "seventy two."

Question put, That the word "ninety" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *Denham Norreys*, Mr. *Grogan*: } 35.

Tellers for the Noes, { Lord *Henry Lennox*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 140.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses, N° 31 to N° 33, agreed to.

Clause, N° 34 (Judges may receive Affidavits in evidence).

Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 33: At the end of the Clause, to add the words "and generally "the examination as to all disputed facts shall be "according to the rules of Common Law."

Question, That those words be there added——put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses, N° 35 to N° 39, with Amendments to one of them, agreed to.

Clause, N° 40 (Proceedings in each matter to be taken before a single Judge).

Amendment proposed, in p. 16, l. 37: To leave out the word "not."

Question, That the word "not" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses, N° 41 to N° 46, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.

Clause, N° 47 (Vendor or vendee may apply for an investigation of Title, and a conveyance with indefeasible Title).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Clauses, N° 48 to N° 50, agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 19° *die Junii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Nisi Prius Court (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Nisi Prius Court (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Public Health Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Stanhope and Wolsingham Rectories Bill.

The *Stanhope* and *Wolsingham* Rectories Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) [Stamps.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) [Stamps];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill;

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

Cowley's Charity Bill, Harvey's Charity Bill, Bristol Municipal Charities Bill, and Bristol Saint Nicholas and Saint Leonard's Charities Bill.

Cowley's Charity Bill.

The Orders of the day being read, for the Committees on *Cowley*'s Charity Bill, *Harvey*'s Charity Bill, *Bristol* Municipal Charities Bill, and *Bristol Saint Nicholas* and *Saint Leonard's* Charities Bill;

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to the same Committee.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through *Cowley*'s Charity Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Harvey's Charity Bill, Bristol Municipal Charities Bill, and Bristol Saint Nicholas and Saint Leonard's Charities Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also reported, That the Committee had gone through *Harvey*'s Charity Bill, *Bristol* Municipal Charities Bill, and *Bristol Saint Nicholas* and *Saint Leonard's* Charities Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, that the Bills be read the third time upon Monday next.

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill;

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

Public Grounds and Playgrounds Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Public Grounds and Playgrounds Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

County Management Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the County Management Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Tuesday next.

Landed Estates (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Landed Estates (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Portendic and Albreda Convention.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to remove doubts as to the operation of a Convention between Her Majesty and the Emperor of the *French*, relative to *Portendic* and *Albreda*: And that Sir *Bulwer Lytton* and Mr. *Seymour Fitz Gerald* do prepare, and bring it in.

Railways Act (Ireland) Continuance.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue the Railways Act (*Ireland*) 1851: And that Lord *Naas* and Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* do prepare, and bring it in.

Coinage (United States.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of a joint Resolution of the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States respecting the Appointment of a suitable Person to confer with the proper Functionaries in *Great Britain*, with regard to some plan for the mutual arrangement of the Coinage of the two Countries, so that thereafter their units shall be easily and exactly commensurable.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Railways Act (Ireland) Continuance Bill. Bill 147.

Lord *Naas* presented a Bill to continue the Railways Act (*Ireland*) 1851: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Portendic and Albreda Convention Bill. Bill 148.

Sir *Bulwer Lytton* presented a Bill to remove doubts as to the operation of a Convention between Her Majesty and the Emperor of the *French*, relative to *Portendic* and *Albreda*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 21° *die Junii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Railway Bills (Group 8.)

ORDERED, That the Committee on Group 8 of Railway Bills, have leave to sit this day till Five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Railway and Canal Legislation.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to Lord *Belper* to attend to be examined as a Witness before the Select Committee on Railway and Canal Legislation: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Viscount Keith's Estate Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of Viscount *Keith*'s Estate Bill, no Standing Orders are applicable.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Darley's Estate Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of *Darley*'s Estate Bill, no Standing Orders are applicable.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Exeter and Exmouth Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Exeter* and *Exmouth* Railway Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Staines, Wokingham and Woking Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Staines, Wokingham* and *Woking* Railway Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Chiswick Improvement Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Chiswick* Improvement Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill.

The *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Cleveland Railway Bill (*changed from* Durham and Cleveland Union Railway.)

The *Cleveland* Railway Bill (changed from *Durham* and *Cleveland* Union Railway) was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for making a Railway from or near *Guisborough* to or near to *Skinningrove*, all in *Cleveland*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Hove Improvement Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Hove* Improvement Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Saint Leonard, Shoreditch, Parish Bill.

The *Saint Leonard, Shoreditch*, Parish Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Athenry and Tuam Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Athenry* and *Tuam* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Dublin and Meath Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Dublin* and *Meath* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Redditch Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Redditch* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Stockton, Middlesbrough and Yarm Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Stockton, Middlesbrough* and *Yarm* Water Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Stockton and Darlington Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

New General Post-office (Edinburgh) Bill.

The New General Post-office (*Edinburgh*) Bill was read a second time; and committed to Lord *John Manners*, Mr. *Hamilton*, Mr. *Black*, Mr. *Cowan*, the Earl of *Dalkeith*, the Lord Advocate, and Five Members to be added by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit and proceed upon Friday next.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum.

Westminster Palace Hotel Company, Limited, Bill.

Ordered, That the *Westminster* Palace Hotel Company, Limited, Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Sunderland Dock (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That Standing Order 203 be suspended in the case of the *Sunderland* Dock (No. 2) Bill; and that the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, and Forty-second Report.

Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday the 29th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Poor Removal Law Amendment Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Poor Removal Law Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 29th day of this instant June.

Colonels.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of all Lieutenant Colonels promoted to the Rank of Colonel during the years 1856, 1857, and up to the 18th day of June 1858; showing how many Lieutenant Colonels on Full-pay each of the said Officers so promoted passed over on his Appointment to the Rank of Colonel.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Mauritius.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Government of the *Mauritius* during the year 1857:——Of the Balances and Investments in this Country of the said Government during the same year:——And, Copies or Extracts of Correspondence relating to an additional Grant of £.5,000 *per annum* by the Government of *Mauritius* towards Imperial Military Expenditure.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as

as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Public Health Bill. Bill 149.

Ordered, That the Public Health Bill, as amended, be printed.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dalglish* have leave of absence for a week, on account of illness in his family.

Receipt and Draft Stamps.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of April last, for Returns relative to Receipt and Draft Stamps.

Dead Letter Office.

Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of May last, for a Return relative to the Dead Letter Office.

Loans (Public Works.)

Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of May last, for Returns relative to Loans (Public Works).

Fees (Record Office, &c. Dublin.)

Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of this instant June, for Returns relative to Fees (Record Office, &c., *Dublin*).

Tobacco.

Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to Tobacco.

East India (Deccan.)

Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of this instant June, for Returns relative to *East India* (*Deccan*).

Wheat, &c.

Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant June, for Returns relative to Wheat, &c.

Forgery, &c.

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 15th day of March last, for a Return relative to Forgery, &c.

Principal Secretary of State.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 10th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to the Office of Principal Secretary of State.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Greenwich Hospital.

Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of this instant June, for Returns relative to *Greenwich* Hospital.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Lands purchased by Commissioners for the Exhibition of 1851, to be released on repayment of Parliamentary Grants and moiety of rents).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 27: After the word "payment" to insert the words "within one year or "sooner."

Question, That those words be there inserted ——put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 28: To leave out from "1851" to the word "into" in l. 30, in order to insert the words "all sums of money "which have been paid by the Treasury on account "of the *Kensington Gore* Estate, or any disburse- "ment connected therewith, together with a moiety "of the net rents received by the said Commis- "sioners."

Question, That the words "of a sum or sums" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 30: After the word "pence" to insert the words "with "interest at the rate of Five *per cent.*, calculated "from the passing of this Act."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Blackburn*, Mr. *Jackson*:	99.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*:	208.

Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 2 and N° 3, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Supply. Paper Duty.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House is of opinion that the maintenance of "the Excise on Paper, as a permanent source of "Revenue, would be impolitic, and that such "financial arrangements ought to be made as will "enable Parliament to dispense with that Tax," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question: —The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Paper Duty.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House is of opinion that the main- "tenance of the Excise on Paper, as a permanent "source of Revenue, would be impolitic," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "this House is of opinion that the maintenance of "the Excise on Paper, as a permanent source of "Revenue, would be impolitic," be added instead thereof:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That this House is of opinion that the maintenance of the Excise on Paper, as a permanent source of Revenue, would be impolitic.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.563,435, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for Public Education in *Great Britain*, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £.548,684, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for Public Education in *Great Britain*, to the 31st day of March 1859: —Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Law of False Pretences Amendment Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law of False Pretences; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause, N° 51 (Owner may obtain a Declaration of indefeasible Title from Court).

Question proposed, That the Clause stand part of the Bill.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

The *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Public Health Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday the 29th day of this instant June, at Twelve of the clock.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Nisi Prius Court (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Nisi Prius Court (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, that they have Power to make Provision therein for the Continuance in Office of the present Tipstaffs of the Superior Courts of Law and Equity in *Ireland*, notwithstanding the death of the Judge by whom they may have been appointed.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Titles to Land (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Titles to Land (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Legitimacy Declaration Bill;

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

Police Force (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Police Force (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Administration of Justice (Dublin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Administration of Justice (*Dublin*) Bill;

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

Wills, &c. of British Subjects Abroad Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Wills, &c. of *British* Subjects Abroad Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill. Bill 150.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Copyright of Designs Bill.

The Copyright of Designs Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill.

The Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Funded Debt Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Funded Debt Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill.

The Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Portendic and Albreda Convention Bill.

The *Portendic* and *Albreda* Convention Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Law of Property Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Cowley's Charity Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration *Cowley's* Charity Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Harvey's Charity Bill.

Harvey's Charity Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Bristol Municipal Charities Bill.

The *Bristol* Municipal Charities Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Bristol Saint Nicholas and Saint Leonard's Charities Bill.

The *Bristol Saint Nicholas* and *Saint Leonard's* Charities Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Wills of British Subjects Abroad Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Wills of *British* Subjects Abroad Bill;

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

Art Unions Act Amendment Bill.

The Art Unions Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Public Grounds and Playgrounds Bill.

The Public Grounds and Playgrounds Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Railway and Canal Legislation.

Ordered, That Mr. *Price* and Sir *Robert Ferguson* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Railway and Canal Legislation.

Ordered, That Mr. *Stuart Wortley* and Mr. *Joseph Locke* be added to the Committee.

William Henry Barber.

The Select Committee on the Petition of *William Henry Barber* was nominated of Mr. *Brady*, Mr. *Hardy*, Mr. *Milner Gibson*, Lord *Hotham*, Mr. *Bright*, Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Crossley*, Mr. *Collier*, Mr. *Adams*, Sir *John Trollope*, Viscount *Goderich*, Mr. *Massey*, Mr. *Arthur Mills*, Mr. *Cobbett* and Mr. *Yorke*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Chief Justice of Bombay Bill.

Bill 151.

The Chief Justice of *Bombay* Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Accounts relating to Trade and Navigation, for the Month ended 31st May 1858, and Five Months ended 31st May 1858. Trade and Navigation. No. 68.

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The Order made upon the 11th day of this instant June, for presenting to Her Majesty an humble Address, that She would be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns relative to Poor Relief (*Wick*), was read, and discharged. Poor Relief (Wick.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of or Extracts from the Report upon the Parish of *Wick* made to the Board of Supervision for the Relief of the Poor in *Scotland*, by Mr. *Briscoe*, Poor Law Superintendent, and dated on or about the 31st day of March 1858, which were sent by the Board of Supervision to the Parochial Board of *Wick*; together with Copy of any Minute of the Parochial Board of *Wick*, containing their Observations thereon:—And, of any Correspondence between the Board of Supervision and other Parties, with reference to such Report. Poor Relief (Wick.)

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Mr. *Wickham* reported from the Committee on Group S. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Middlesbrough* Improvement Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by inserting Provisions which were rendered necessary in order to make the Preamble consistent with the objects of the Bill as agreed to by the Committee; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto. Middlesbrough Improvement Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 22° *die Junii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Luton* Gas Bill: And the same were twice read, and, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to. Luton Gas Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to. Salisbury and Yeovil Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Blyth* Harbour and Dock Bill: And the same was twice read, and agreed to. Blyth Harbour and Dock Bill.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Chiswick Improvement Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Chiswick* Improvement Bill: And the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Stockton and Darlington Railway (Durham Lines) Bill.

The *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway (*Durham* Lines) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for enabling the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway Company to make a new Railway in the County of *Durham*, in connexion with the *Wear* Valley and *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railways, to acquire additional Lands, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Stockton and Darlington, Wear Valley, &c. Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Stockton* and *Darlington*, *Wear* Valley, &c., Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Sunderland Dock (No. 2) Bill.

The *Sunderland* Dock (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Westminster Palace Hotel Company, Limited, Bill.

The *Westminster* Palace Hotel Company, Limited, Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Four Courts (Dublin) Extension Bill.

Ordered, That in the case of the Four Courts (*Dublin*) Extension Bill, the Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills have leave to sit and proceed upon Thursday next.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Forty-second Report.

Cornwall (Western Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the Western Division of the County of *Cornwall*, in the room of *Michael Williams*, Esquire, deceased.

London Corporation. No. 350.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of this instant June, for Returns relative to the *London* Corporation.

Finance.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Finance Accounts (I.—VIII.) of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, for the Financial year 1857–58, ended 31st March 1858.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *London* Corporation, be printed.

Receipt and Draft Stamps. No. 351.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Receipt and Draft Stamps, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant June, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Loans (Public Works), which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant June, be printed. **Loans (Public Works.) No. 352.**

Ordered, That the Return relative to Tobacco, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant June, be printed. **Tobacco. No. 353.**

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (*Deccan*), which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant June, be printed. **East India (Deccan.) No. 354.**

Ordered, That the Return relative to Wheat, &c., which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant June, be printed. **Wheat, &c. No. 355.**

Ordered, That the Return relative to Forgery, &c., which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant June, be printed. **Forgery, &c. No. 356.**

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Greenwich* Hospital, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant June, be printed. **Greenwich Hospital. No. 357.**

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Medical Practitioners Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill. **Medical Practitioners Bill. Bill 152.**

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 1st day of July next, at Twelve of the clock.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government Bill. **Local Government Bill.**

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

Clauses, N° 1 to N° 4, with Amendments to two of them, agreed to.

Clause, N° 5 (Act to take effect from September 1858, in places under the Public Health Act, but not to affect Qualification of Members in such places).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 15: To leave out the words "Provided always" inclusive to the end of the Clause.

Question proposed, That the words "Provided "always that nothing in this Act" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses, N° 6 to N° 8, agreed to.

Clause, N° 9 (Act to be adopted by Resolution of Council, Improvement Commissioners, or Owners and Ratepayers.)

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 8: After the word "adopted" to insert the words "or any part "thereof."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 10: To leave out the words "by a Resolution of the "Council," in order to insert the words "and in all "other places having a known and defined boun-"dary, by a Resolution of the Owners and Rate-"payers."

Question, That the words "by a Resolution of "the Council" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, N° 10 (Summoning of meeting).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, lines 41 and 42: To leave out the words "one of Her Majesty's "Principal Secretaries of State," in order to insert the words "the Committee of Her Majesty's Privy "Council for Public Health."

Question

Question, That the words "one of Her Majesty's "Principal Secretaries of State" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 14: To leave out the words "provided that," in order to insert the word "and."

Question, That the words "provided that" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 11 to N° 19, with Amendments to two of them, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 20 (Local Boards how constituted).

Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 5: To leave out from the word "the" inclusive, to the word "and" in l. 8, in order to insert the words "notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Public "Health Act, 1848, no person elected shall in any "case continuously remain in office for more than "one year, and on the days appointed for going out "of office, a number of persons shall be elected "equal to the number of those going out, and so "many others as may be necessary to complete the "full number of the Local Board of Health in "respect of which the election is to be made."

Question, That the words "the election of Local "Boards" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 21 to N° 26, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 27 (Local Boards may cleanse or contract for cleansing).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 8: After the word "health" to insert the words "also "bye-laws for the prevention of slaughtering of "diseased cattle, and the punishment of persons "slaughtering such cattle; for the punishment of "persons failing to give notice to the Local Board "of the existence of diseased cattle, or unsound "meat, upon their premises, or elsewhere; for the "conduct, management and regulation of slaughterhouses, and the books to be kept by the occupiers or keepers of such slaughterhouses, and for "preventing the introduction of diseased cattle or "unsound meat within the district."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 28, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 29 (New streets and houses).

Amendment proposed, in p. 13, l. 33: After the word "fires" to insert the words "within One hundred yards of existing buildings."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 5: After the word "district" to insert the words "and "nothing in this Act shall be held to affect the right "of the landowners to make private roads on their "own property."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 30 (Cost of highway repair to be defrayed out of general district rate in certain cases).

Amendments made.

And it being ten minutes before Four o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Buller* reported from the Committee on Group L. of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Clyde* Navigation Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by setting forth the present amount of the debt of the *Clyde* Trust, and by reciting the Constitution of the River and Harbour Board; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had considered the Reports from the Boards of Trade and Admiralty with respect to the Bill, referred by the House to the Committee, and adopted such of the suggestions of those Reports as appeared applicable to the case; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto. Clyde Navigation Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *Forster* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 17th and 18th days of this instant June; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House. Public Petitions (Forty-first Report.)

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Conviction of *William Craft*, committed at the *Wareham* Petty Sessions to *Dorchester* Gaol for six months, with hard labour, for kissing Miss *Collyns*, on landing from the "*Ursa Major*" Steamer at *Swanage*. William Craft.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Her Majesty's Ships and Vessels employed on the Coast of *Cuba* for the Suppression of the Slave Trade, from the 8th day of June 1857; stating the Dates of their Arrival on, and their Departure from, their respective Cruising Stations, with the Names of their several Captains and Commanders; and distinguishing Steam Ships and Gun Boats from Sailing Vessels (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 91, of Session 1857). Slave Trade (Cuba.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of Fees received by the Clerk of Petty Sessions Police Court, Borough of *Cork*, during each Quarter, from March 1854 to March 1858, both inclusive. Cork Petty Sessions Fees.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That it is contrary to the usage and derogatory to the dignity of this House, that any of its Members should bring forward, promote or advocate, in this House, any proceeding or measure in which he may have acted or been concerned for or in consideration of any pecuniary fee or reward; Rewards to Members.

And the Previous Question being put, That that Question be now put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Lord *Hotham*, Mr. *Divett:*	151.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Edward Pleydell Bouverie*, Mr. *FitzRoy:*	80.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question being put, That it is contrary to the usage and derogatory to the dignity of this House, that any of its Members should bring forward, promote or advocate, in this House, any proceeding or measure in which he may have acted or been concerned for or in consideration of any pecuniary fee or reward;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, { Lord *Hotham*, Mr. *Divett*: } 210.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Schneider*, Mr. *Joseph Locke*: } 27.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Tramore Embankment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Tramore* Embankment Bill, without any Amendment:

Bradford Corporation Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Bradford* Corporation Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Ayr and Dalmellington Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Ayr* and *Dalmellington* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Newton to Compstall) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Manchester, Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway (*Newton* to *Compstall*) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Luton, Dunstable and Welwyn Junction and Hertford and Welwyn Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Luton, Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction and *Hertford* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Assessed and Income Taxes.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the mode of collecting the Taxes, both Assessed and Income, is attended with great disadvantage and loss, and requires immediate attention:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Lunatics.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to quire into the Laws relating to Lunatics under the are of the Court of Chancery:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Bankruptcy and Insolvency.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to Bankrupts and Insolvents: And that Lord *John Russell* and Mr. *Headlam* do prepare, and bring it in.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurii, 23° *die Junii*, 1858:

Coroners' Inquests.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the state of the Law and Practice as regards the taking of Inquisitions in cases of Deaths; the Appointment, Duties and Remuneration of the Officers employed therein; and whether it is expedient that any, and what, alteration should be made in any such matters:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till this day.

Sale of Grain, &c.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Sale of Grain, Meal, Flour, Butter and Potatoes, and other Agricultural Produce, by the Pound Avoirdupois, the Score of Twenty Pounds, the Hundred weight of One hundred Pounds, and the Ton of Two thousand Pounds: And that Mr. *M'Cann* and Mr. *William Brown* do prepare, and bring it in.

County, &c. Property Conveyance.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Conveyance of County, City and Borough Property to the Clerk of the Peace or Town Clerk of the County, City or Borough: And that Mr. *Palk* and Mr. *Miles* do prepare, and bring it in.

Expiring Laws.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to inquire what temporary Laws of a public and general nature were in force on the 1st day of January last, and what Laws of the like nature expired between the time to which the last Report on the subject was made up and the said 1st day of January, and also which of the said Laws in force on the said 1st day of January last are limited to expire at particular periods, or in consequence of any contingent public event; and to report the same, with their Observations thereupon, to the House:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. *Hamilton*, Mr. *FitzRoy*, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. *Adderley*, Mr. *Cowper*, Sir *William Jolliffe*, General *Peel*, Mr. *William Williams*, Lord *Naas*, Lord *John Manners* and Mr. *Hardy*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill;

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

County Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the County Franchise Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Members' Freedom from Arrest Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Members' Freedom from Arrest Bill;

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

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) [Stamps.]

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) [Stamps];

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill;

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

County Management Bill.

The County Management Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Landed Estates (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Landed Estates (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Railways Act (Ireland) Continuance Bill.

The Railways Act (*Ireland*) Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Supply.

Mr. *Hamilton* reported from the Committee of Supply, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Education (Great Britain.)

That a Sum, not exceeding £. 563,435, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for Public Education in *Great Britain*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The

Nisi Prius Court (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Nisi Prius Court (*Ireland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

Cowley's Charity Bill.

Cowley's Charity Bill was, according to Order, read the third time; and verbal Amendments were made to the Bill; and an Amendment was made to the Title of the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Headlam*, Mr. *Wilson*: } 60.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Cowan*, Mr. *Robert Philips*: } 13.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution (No. 3) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Bishops' Trusts Substitution (No. 3) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 7th day of July next.

Sale of Grain, &c. Bill. Bill 153.

Mr. *M'Cann* presented a Bill for the Sale of Grain, Meal, Flour, Butter and Potatoes, and other Agricultural Produce, by the Pound Avoirdupois, the Score of Twenty Pounds, the Hundred weight of One hundred Pounds, and the Ton of Two thousand Pounds: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of July next; and to be printed.

Bankruptcy and Insolvency Bill. Bill 154.

Mr. *Headlam* presented a Bill to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to Bankrupts and Insolvents: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

County, &c. Property Conveyance Bill. Bill 155.

Mr. *Palk* presented a Bill to provide for the Conveyance of County, City and Borough Property to the Clerk of the Peace or Town Clerk of the County, City or Borough: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 6th day of July next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Mercurii, 23° die Junii;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Edinburgh and Glasgow and Stirling and Dunfermline Railways Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Edinburgh* and *Glasgow* and *Stirling* and *Dunfermline* Railways Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Fife and Kinross and Kinross-shire Railways Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Fife* and *Kinross* and *Kinross-shire* Railways Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Severn Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Severn* Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Forty-second Report.

Registration of Partnerships Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Registration of Partnerships Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day three months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment and Motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Medical Profession and Medical Corporations Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Medical Profession and Medical Corporations Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 1st day of July next.

Election Committees Scrutiny Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Election Committees Scrutiny Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day three months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Collins*, Mr. *John Locke*: } 87.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Warren*, Mr. *Barrow*: } 125.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day three months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day three months.

Piers and Harbours Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Piers and Harbours Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *James White*, Mr. *Salisbury:* } 136.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Fitz Roy*, Mr. *Ridley:* } 33.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day three months.

Weedon Establishment.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant June, for presenting to Her Majesty an humble Address relative to the *Weedon* Establishment;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Law of Property Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Coroners' Inquests.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 22d day of this instant June, for the appointment of a Select Committee relative to Coroners' Inquests;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill;

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

Landed Estates (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Landed Estates (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Navy (Pensions.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Seamen, Marines and Warrant Officers in receipt of Out-Pensions for Wounds and Hurts, and the Amount of Pensions:——And, like Return of Pensions for Services, specifying the Number of each Class of Pensions.

Letters of Credit.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make Letters of Credit transferable: And that Mr. *Horsfall*, Mr. *Kirkman Hodgson* and Mr. *Bovill* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That the Finance Accounts, which were presented upon the 22d day of this instant June, be printed. Finance. No. 358.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 23d day of March last, for a Return relative to the expense of re-fitting certain Ships. Navy.

Mr. *Horsfall* presented a Bill to make Letters of Credit transferable: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed. Letters of Credit Bill. Bill 156.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 24° *die Junii;*

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

THE *Athenry* and *Tuam* Railway Bill was read the third time. Athenry and Tuam Railway Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill was read the third time. Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The *Dublin* and *Meath* Railway Bill was read the third time. Dublin and Meath Railway Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the *Redditch* Railway Bill be read the third time To-morrow. Redditch Railway Bill.

The *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill was read the third time. Stockton and Darlington Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for enabling the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway Company to make new Railways in the North Riding of the County of *York*, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Whitehaven* Junction Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee. Whitehaven Junction Railway Bill.

A Clause (Company not to be entitled to exclusive right of water frontage), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Dividends on preference shares how to be paid), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. Public Petitions.

Vide Forty-third Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Navy, which was presented upon the 23d day of this instant June, be printed. Navy. No. 359.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *London* Corporation Regulation Bill; London Corporation Regulation Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

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An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "the Bill be re-committed to the same Select Committee," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till this day.

Four Courts (Dublin) Extension Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Four Courts (*Dublin*) Extension Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Galway Harbour and Port Act Amendment Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, in respect of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the *Galway* Harbour and Port Act Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Warrington and Stockport Railway (Capital) Bill.

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway (Capital) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, for the purpose of setting out more clearly and accurately the exact position of the Company as regards their Capital and borrowing Powers, and for the appropriation of their Capital; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Warrington and Stockport Railway Bill.

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and made a verbal alteration therein; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 2) Bill.

Sir *John Hanmer* reported the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 2) Bill, with Amendments.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 1) Bill.

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway Bills; That in the case of the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 1) Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Railway Bills (Group 8.)

Sir *John Hanmer* reported from the Committee on Group 8 of Railway Bills; That Mr. *Butler Johnstone*, one of the Members of the said Committee, was not present during the sitting of the Committee this day.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Tees Conservancy Bill.

Sir *James East* reported from the Committee on Goup 11 of Private Bills; That in the case of the *Tees* Conservancy Bill, they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by making certain alterations which had become necessary to meet the requirements of the case; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Great Southern of India Railway Company Bill.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported from the Committee on the Great Southern of *India* Railway Company Bill; That they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and amended the same, by adding a reference to the Company's articles of association, and a statement of the Powers of increasing their Capital and borrowing Money, which the Company possess under their existing constitution; and found the same, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Vancouver's Island.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of all Lands in *Vancouver's Island* sold to any Individual or Company, with the Names of the Persons or Company to whom such Lands have been sold, the Extent to which such Lands are under Cultivation, and the Localities in which they are situated.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

East India (Sunday Trains.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of all the Correspondence that has taken place between the Court of Directors or any of the Local Governments of *India*, and any of the *Indian* Railway Companies, on the subject of running Trains on the Lord's Day.

Tottenham-court-road Accident.

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 10th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to the *Tottenham-court-road* Accident.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Aldershot Hospital.

General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of May last, for a Return relative to *Aldershot* Hospital.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Local Acts. No. 118.

Mr. *Corry* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—A Further Report from the Admiralty, relative to Applications for Local Acts.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 1, by leaving out the words "in the occupation and."

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore:*	126.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Wilson*, Mr. *Kinnaird:*	81.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

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

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.

The Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Peace Preservation (Ireland) Act Continuance Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Peace Preservation (*Ireland*) Act Continuance Bill, without any Amendment:

Eastern Steam Navigation Company Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Eastern Steam Navigation Company Bill, without any Amendment:

Globe Insurance Company Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Globe Insurance Company Bill, without any Amendment:

Cromford and High Peak Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Cromford* and *High Peak* Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Manchester Poor Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Manchester* Poor Bill, without any Amendment:

Wallasey Improvement Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Wallasey* Improvement Bill, without any Amendment:

Ballymena, Ballymoney, Coleraine and Portrush Junction Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Ballymena*, *Ballymoney*, *Coleraine* and *Portrush* Junction Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

London and South Western Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *London* and South Western Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Yar Bridge Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Yar* Bridge Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Liverpool Improvement Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Liverpool* Improvement Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Act of the twentieth and twenty-first *Victoria*, chapter eighty-five; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Act of the twentieth and twenty-first *Victoria*, chapter seventy-seven; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Holroyd's Estate Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting Estates of the late Mr. *Henry Holroyd*, deceased, in Trustees for Sale; and for authorizing Grants in Fee and Building Leases for long Terms of Years of the same Estates, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Nisi Prius Court (Ireland) Bill.

The Nisi Prius Court (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to appoint a Clerk of Nisi Prius for the Consolidated Nisi Prius Court in *Ireland*, and to make Provision for the Appointment of Tipstaffs in the Superior Courts of Common Law and Equity in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords and desire their concurrence.

Railways Act (Ireland) Continuance Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Railways Act (*Ireland*) Continuance Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

Local Government Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Portendic and Albreda Convention Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Portendic* and *Albreda* Convention Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

Funded Debt Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Funded Debt Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) [Stamps.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) [Stamps].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the following Stamp Duties, in lieu of Fees payable to Clerks of Petty Sessions in *Ireland*, shall be charged for and in respect of the under-mentioned Documents, *viz.*:

	s.	*d.*
On every Summons - - - - - -	–	6
On every Information or Deposition - - (The Recognizance to bind the Deponent to prosecute or give Evidence may be added at foot, without any further Stamp Duty).	1	–
On every solemn Declaration (not being a Declaration as to Loss of Pawnbrokers' Duplicates or as to the Admission of Paupers into Workhouses) - - - - - - -	1	–
On every Copy of any written Information or Complaint in summary Proceedings - -	–	6
On every Warrant - - - - - - -	–	6
On every Recognizance, when not at foot of an Information or Deposition - - - -	1	–
On the Entry of each Order - - - -	–	6
On every Certificate of Order - - - -	1	–
On every Appeal, including the Recognizance to prosecute - - - - - - -	2	–
On every Certificate of Justices to obtain an Excise Licence - - - - - - -	2	6
On every Notice of Appeal to be served on the Respondent - - - - - - - -	1	–
On any other Notice in Proceedings by or before Justices, when such Notice is drawn by the Petty Sessions Clerk - - - - - -	–	6
On every Adhesive Stamp which may be attached to any Form upon which any Fee is now payable by Law to the Clerks of Petty Sessions other than the aforesaid, any Sum not exceeding - - - - - - -	2	6

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill. Bill 157.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Administration of Justice Bill.

The Administration of Justice Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

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Chief Justice of Bombay Bill.

The Chief Justice of *Bombay* Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 51 (Owner may obtain a declaration of indefeasible title from Court.)

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 131.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Dobbs*, Mr. *Malins*: } 8.

CLAUSE, N° 52, agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 25° *die Junii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

The Legitimacy Declaration Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House for this day.

Wills, &c. of British Subjects Abroad Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Wills, &c. of *British* Subjects Abroad Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Copyright of Designs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyright of Designs Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bleaching and Dyeing Works.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant June, That leave be given to bring in a Bill relative to Bleaching and Dyeing Works, was read, and discharged.

Reformatory Schools (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Reformatory Schools (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 7th day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill;

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

London Corporation Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which was, this day, proposed to be made to the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the *London* Corporation Regulation Bill);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Herring Fisheries (Scotland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to impose Fees on the Branding of Barrels under the Acts concerning the Herring Fisheries in *Scotland*: And that the Lord Advocate and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ecclesiastical Commission Bill.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House, a Copy of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships on the Ecclesiastical Commission Bill: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill.

The Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Bill 158.

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Bill 159.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment.

A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of making Provision, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, for the Payment of the Retiring Pensions of Assistant Barristers in *Ireland*, and of amending the Act of the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her present Majesty, relating to Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*);

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Herring Fisheries (Scotland) Bill.

The Lord Advocate presented a Bill to impose Fees on the Branding of Barrels under the Acts concerning the Herring Fisheries in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

Bill 160.

East India.

Lord *Stanley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command, — Letter from the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Honourable *East India* Company to the President of the Board of Control.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 25° *die Junii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Ayr and Dalmellington Railway Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Ayr* and *Dalmellington* Railway Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath

agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Bradford Corporation Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Bradford* Corporation Water Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Luton, Dunstable and Welwyn Junction, and Hertford and Welwyn Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Luton*, *Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction and *Hertford* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Newton to Compstall) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway (*Newton* to *Compstall*) Bill: And the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Ware*, *Hadham* and *Buntingford* Railway Bill: And the same were twice read, and, with an Amendment to one of them, agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Redditch Railway Bill.

The *Redditch* Railway Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Sunderland Dock (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Selection, that they have Power to appoint the Committee on the *Sunderland* Dock (No. 2) Bill to meet any day not earlier than Seven clear days after the second reading of the Bill.

Holroyd's Estate Bill.

Holroyd's Estate Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Forty-third Report.

Dead Letter Office. No. 360.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Dead Letter Office, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant June, be printed.

Aldershot Hospital. No. 361.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Aldershot* Hospital, which was presented upon the 24th day of this instant June, be printed.

Valuation, &c. (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of May last, for a Return relative to Valuation, &c. (*Ireland*).

Fees (Registry of Deeds Office, &c. Dublin.)

Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of this instant June, for Returns relative to Fees (Registry of Deeds Office, &c., *Dublin*).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Fire Insurance.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of April last, for a Return relative to Fire Insurance.

Spirits.

Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of April last, for a Return relative to Spirits.

Paper.

Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to Paper.

Arterial Drainage (Ireland.)

Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of this instant June, for a Return relative to Arterial Drainage (*Ireland*).

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Committee of the whole House on the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill have leave to sit this day till Four of the clock, and to report at Six of the clock.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

Clause, N° 1 (King's College and Marischal College, *Aberdeen*, to be united under Title of "University of *Aberdeen*.")

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 14: To leave out the words "and College."

Question put, That the words "and College" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:* 125.

Tellers for the Noes, Colonel *Sykes*, Lord *Haddo:* 90.

Clause agreed to.

Clause, N° 2, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, N° 3 (University Courts to be constituted).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 23: After the word "shall" to insert the words "be an open "court, and shall."

Question, That those words be there inserted—put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause: To add the words "Four shall be a quorum, "and the Rector and Assessors hereinafter mentioned shall continue in office for Four years, and "no Principal or Professor of any University shall "be eligible to the office of Rector."

Question proposed, That those words be there added.

Amendment proposed to the said proposed Amendment: To leave out the first word "Four," in order to insert the words "a majority."

Question proposed, That the word "Four" stand part of the said proposed Amendment:—Amendment to proposed Amendment, and Original Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause, N° 4 (Powers of the Senatus Academicus and Principal).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 28: To leave out the words "whole Professors" in order to insert the words "of two Professors to be annually elected as "delegates by the whole Professors of each of the "Faculties of Arts, Medicine, Law and Theology "existing."

Question proposed, That the words "whole Professors" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 33: To leave out the words "and administer its Property and Revenues."

Question proposed, That the words "and administer its Property and Revenues" stand part of the Clause;

And it being Four o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill, and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Standing Orders.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Four Courts (Dublin) Extension Bill.

1. That in the case of the Four Courts (*Dublin*) Extension Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

Galway Harbour and Port Act Amendment Bill.

2. That in the case of the *Galway* Harbour and Port Act Amendment Bill, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

The first Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions (Forty-second Report.)

Mr. *Thornely* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 21st, 22d and 23d days of this instant June, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

New General Post-office (Edinburgh) Bill.
Bill 161.

Lord *John Manners* reported from the Select Committee on the New General Post-office (*Edinburgh*) Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Curragh and Aldershot Camps.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing, in a Tabular Form, the Gross Sum of Money expended in the Erection of the Camp at the *Curragh*; the Number of Troops it is capable of accommodating; the Number of Troops quartered there on the 1st day of June last; and the Rate *per cent. per annum* of the Mortality among the Troops, specifying the Number who have died in each year:——And, similar Return as to the Camp at *Aldershot*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Accidents on Railways.
No. 362.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Accidents on Railways have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Mr. *Bentinck* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Billeting System.
No. 363.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Billeting System have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

General *Codrington* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names, Salaries, Date of Appointment, and Nature of Office of all Judicial Officers of the Crown, Law Officers of the Crown, and other Principal Officers connected with the Administration of Justice in the *East Indies*, and specifying such Officers as shall have belonged to the Legal Profession in *England*, *Ireland* or *Scotland* respectively. — East India (Administration of Justice.)

Ordered, That the Four Courts (*Dublin*) Extension Bill be read a second time upon Monday next. — Four Courts (Dublin) Extension Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next. — Adjournment.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth: — Message from the Lords.

The Lords have agreed to the *Caledonian* Railway (Branch to *Port Carlisle* Railway) Bill, without any Amendment: — Caledonian Railway (Branch to Port Carlisle Railway) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Balby* and *Worksop* Road Bill, without any Amendment: — Balby and Worksop Road Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Llanelly* Harbour Bill, without any Amendment: — Llanelly Harbour Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Waterford* Gas Bill, without any Amendment: — Waterford Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the *Luton* Gas Bill, without any Amendment: — Luton Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: — Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Halifax* Park and Improvements Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: — Halifax Park and Improvements Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Dean* Forest Turnpike Trust Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: — Dean Forest Turnpike Trust Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway (*Shoreham* to *Henfield*, &c.) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: — London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Shoreham to Henfield, &c.) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Oude* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: — Oude Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Andover* Canal Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: — Andover Canal Railway Bill.

The Lords request that this House will be pleased to give leave to Colonel *John Wilson Patten*, a Member of this House, to attend to be sworn, in order to his being examined as a Witness before the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships in the present Session of Parliament, on Proceedings on Private Bills: — Proceedings on Private Bills.

The Lords request that this House will be pleased to give leave to *Thomas Erskine May*, Esquire, Clerk Assistant of this House, to attend to be sworn, in order to his being examined as a Witness before the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships in the present Session of Parliament, on Proceedings on Private Bills.

Resolved, That *Thomas Erskine May*, Esquire, have leave to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint them that this House hath given leave to *Thomas Erskine May*, Esquire, to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill.

The Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Secretary of State to exercise Powers now exercised by the Company or Board of Control).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 23: After the words "Secretaries of State," to insert the words "and the Council of *India*."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 23: After the words "Secretaries of State," to insert the words "in Council."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Chichester Fortescue*, Mr. *Gregson:*	77.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	221.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 4 to N° 6, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 7 (Council of *India* established).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 20: To leave out the word "Fifteen," in order to insert the word "Twelve."

Question put, That the word "Fifteen" stand part of the Clause;"

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	227.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Hayter*, Mr. *Brand:*	165.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 20: After the word "Members" to insert the words "to "be appointed by Her Majesty by Warrant under "Her Royal Sign Manual."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Hayter*, Mr. *Brand:*	147.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	240.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 26° *die Junii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 53 (Court to ascertain tenancies, right of common, &c.)

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Railways Act (Ireland) Continuance Bill.

The Railways Act (*Ireland*) Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Portendic and Albreda Convention Bill.

The *Portendic* and *Albreda* Convention Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Chief Justice of Bombay Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Chief Justice of *Bombay* Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Funded Debt Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Funded Debt Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) [Stamps.]

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) [Stamps], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the following Stamp Duties, in lieu of Fees payable to Clerks of Petty Sessions in *Ireland*, shall be charged for and in respect of the undermentioned Documents, *viz.*:

	s.	*d.*
On every Summons	–	6
On every Information or Deposition (The Recognizance to bind the Deponent to prosecute or give Evidence may be added at foot, without any further Stamp Duty).	1	–
On every solemn Declaration (not being a Declaration as to Loss of Pawnbrokers' Duplicates or as to the Admission of Paupers into Workhouses)	1	–
On every Copy of any written Information or Complaint in summary Proceedings	–	6
On every Warrant	–	6
On every Recognizance, when not at foot of an Information or Deposition	1	–

On

	s.	d.
On the Entry of each Order	–	6
On every Certificate of Order	1	–
On every Appeal, including the Recognizance to prosecute	2	–
On every Certificate of Justices to obtain an Excise Licence	2	6
On every Notice of Appeal to be served on the Respondent	1	–
On any other Notice in Proceedings by or before Justices, when such Notice is drawn by the Petty Sessions Clerk	–	6
On every Adhesive Stamp which may be attached to any Form upon which any Fee is now payable by Law to the Clerks of Petty Sessions other than the aforesaid, any Sum not exceeding	2	6

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Legitimacy Declaration Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Wills, &c. of British Subjects Abroad Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Wills, &c. of *British* Subjects Abroad Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment.

(In the Committee.)

1. *Resolved*, That Provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, for the payment of the Retiring Pensions of Assistant Barristers in *Ireland*.

2. *Resolved*, That it is expedient to amend the Act of the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her present Majesty, relating to Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*).

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Herring Fisheries (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Herring Fisheries (*Scotland*) Bill;

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

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill;

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

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Law of Property Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Art Unions Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Art Unions Act Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Administration of Justice Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Administration of Justice Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

"Cagliari" Steamer.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Further Correspondence respecting the "*Cagliari*."

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

And then the House, having continued to sit till One of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 28° *die Junii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Liverpool Improvement Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Liverpool* Improvement Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Yar Bridge Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Yar* Bridge Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill.

The North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to enable the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Company to construct a new Branch from their Railway; to make a Deviation in the Main Line and other Works; to alter and amend the Acts relating to the Company, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Severn Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

The *Severn* Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Stockton, Middlesbrough and Yarm Water Bill.

The *Stockton*, *Middlesbrough* and *Yarm* Water Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Whitehaven Junction Railway Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Whitehaven* Junction Railway Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bil to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Limerick and Castle-Connell Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the *Limerick* and *Castle-Connell* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Wednesday next.

Middlesbrough Improvement Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Middlesbrough* Improvement Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

South Wales Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the South *Wales* Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Darley's Estate Bill.

Darley's Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Viscount Keith's Estate Bill.

Viscount *Keith*'s Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Four Courts (Dublin) Extension Bill.

The Four Courts (*Dublin*) Extension Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to Lord *Naas*, Mr. *Hamilton*, Mr. *Henry Herbert*, Mr. Serjeant *Deasy*, Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland*, Lord *John Browne*, Mr. *Grogan*, Mr. *Joseph Ewart*, and Five Members to be added by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit and proceed upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Clyde Navigation Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the *Clyde* Navigation Bill, as amended in the Committee, be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, with Instruction to examine and report whether the Standing Orders of the House have been complied with in relation to the Amendments made in Committee;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Edward Pleydell Bouverie*, Mr. *Dunlop*: } 17.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Arthur Mills*, Mr. *Pugh* (*Carmarthenshire*): } 75.

So it passed in the Negative.

Holroyd's Estate Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of *Holroyd*'s Estate Bill, no Standing Orders are applicable.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Forty-fourth Report.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Metropolitan Turnpike Trusts. No. 364.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Metropolitan Turnpike Trusts, which was presented upon the 6th day of May last, be printed.

Fire Insurance. No. 365.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Fire Insurance, which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant June, be printed.

Spirits. No. 366.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Spirits, which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant June, be printed.

Paper. No. 367.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Paper, which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant June, be printed.

Arterial Drainage (Ireland.) No. 368.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Arterial Drainage (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant June, be printed.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Committee of the whole House on the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill have leave to sit this day till Four of the clock, and to report at Six of the clock.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause, N° 4. Question, That the words "and "administer its property and revenues" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 85.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Dunlop*, Mr. *Black*: } 22.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 37: To leave out from the word "vote" to the end of the Clause.

Question, That the words "and the Principal "shall be bound to undertake" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words, "and, as regards the "University of *Edinburgh*, the administration of "the property and revenues shall remain in the "Town Council of *Edinburgh*, subject to the con-"trol and review of the University Court."

Question put, That those words be there added;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Black*, Mr. *Cowan*: } 22.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 78.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words, "Provided always, That "the several Faculties shall, subject to the regu-"lations of the Senatus Academicus, have Power "to maintain order and exercise discipline among "the students belonging to them respectively, an "appeal being competent from each Faculty to the "Senatus Academicus."

Question, That those words be there added——put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, N° 5 (General Councils of the Universities to be constituted).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 26: After the word "provided" to insert the words "and to "approve of or to reject all regulations to effect "improvements in the internal arrangements of the "University proposed by the University Court, as "mentioned in the twelfth section of this Act."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, N° 6 (General Council of the University of *Aberdeen*).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 32: After the word "Professors" to insert the words "in "King's and Marischal Colleges."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, N° 7 (*Saint Andrew's*. University Court, of whom to consist).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 42: After the word "appointed" to insert the words "the "Provost of *Saint Andrew's*."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Blackburn*, Mr. *Dunlop*: } 38.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore*: } 99.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, N° 8, amended and agreed to.

Clause, N° 9 (*Aberdeen*. University Court, of whom to consist).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 41: After the

the words "Senatus Academicus," to insert the words "an Assessor to be nominated by the Town "Council of *Aberdeen*."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 10 (*Edinburgh*. University Court, of whom to consist).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 5, l. 12: After the word "*Edinburgh*" to insert the words "of "whom the Lord Provost shall be one."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*:	118.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Black*, Mr. *Cowan*:	35.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 11, disagreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 12, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 13 (Right of nomination to Professorships vested in University Courts).

Amendment proposed, in p. 6, l. 15: After the word "thereof" to insert the words "or by any "body politic or corporate, or by any public body, "or any portion thereof."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

And it being Four o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Army (Turkey and Crimea.) General *Peel* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—A Paper, intituled, "Medical and Surgical History of the *British* Army, which served in *Turkey* and the *Crimea*, during the War against *Russia*, in the years 1854, 1855, 1856."

Ordnance Survey. General *Peel* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of this instant June, for Returns relative to the Ordnance Survey.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Coals (Woolwich and Portsmouth.) Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 6th day of May last, for a Return relative to Coals (*Woolwich* and *Portsmouth*).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

William Craft. Mr. *Hurdy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 22d day of this instant June, for a Return relative to *William Craft*.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Wills of British Subjects Abroad Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Wills of *British* Subjects Abroad Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Wills and Domicile of British Subjects Abroad, &c. Bill. Bill 162. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law in relation to the Wills and Domicile of *British* Subjects dying whilst resident Abroad, and of Foreign Subjects dying whilst resident within Her Majesty's Dominions: And that Sir *Richard Bethell*, Mr. *Ayrton* and Mr. *FitzRoy* do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. *FitzRoy* accordingly presented the said Bill: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Royal Assent. A Message was delivered by Mr. *Pulman*, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

An Act to abolish the Property Qualifications of Members of Parliament: **Property Qualification Bill.**

An Act to amend the Course of Procedure in the High Court of Chancery, the Court of Chancery in *Ireland*, and the Court of Chancery of the County Palatine of *Lancaster*: **Chancery Amendment Bill.**

An Act to continue the Peace Preservation (*Ireland*) Act, 1856: **Peace Preservation (Ireland) Act Continuance Bill.**

An Act for confirming a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners for Sir *Eliab Harvey*'s Charity in the Town of *Folkestone*: **Harvey's Charity Bill.**

An Act for confirming a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners for certain Municipal Charities in the City of *Bristol*: **Bristol Municipal Charities Bill.**

An Act for confirming a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners for certain Charities in the Parishes of *Saint Nicholas* and *Saint Leonard*, in the City of *Bristol*: **Bristol Saint Nicholas and Saint Leonard's Charities Bill.**

An Act to enable the East *Suffolk* Railway Company to construct a Branch Railway near *Lowestoft*, to raise further Sums of Money, and for other purposes: **East Suffolk Railway Bill.**

An Act to confer upon the *Waterford* and *Kilkenny* Railway Company facilities for raising Money: **Waterford and Kilkenny Railway (Capital) Bill.**

An Act for repairing and maintaining the Road from *Horsham*, in the County of *Sussex*, through *Dorking* and *Leatherhead* to *Epsom*, in the County of *Surrey*, and from *Capel* to *Stone Street*, at *Ockley*, in the said County of *Surrey*: **Horsham Turnpike Trust Bill.**

An Act for extending the Time for the Completion of the Works authorized by "The *Stokes Bay* Railway and Pier Act, 1855," and for other purposes: **Stokes Bay Railway and Pier Bill.**

An Act to amend the Acts relating to "The East *Kent* Railway (Extension to *Dover*):" **East Kent Railway (Dover Extension) Bill.**

An Act for better supplying with Water the Inhabitants of the Town of *Taunton*, in the County of *Somerset*: **Taunton Water Bill.**

An Act to amend "The *Tramore* Embankment Act, 1852:" **Tramore Embankment Bill.**

An Act for authorizing the Abandonment of part of the authorized Line of the *Exeter* and *Exmouth* Railway; and the making, instead of the part so abandoned, of an Extension of the Main Line of the Railway; and for reducing and regulating the Capital and borrowing Powers of the *Exeter* and *Exmouth* Railway Company, and for other purposes: **Exeter and Exmouth Railway Bill.**

An Act to confer upon the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company further Powers for raising Money, and to authorize the Purchase and Lease by them of the Undertakings of certain other Railway Companies: **London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Capital, &c.) Bill.**

Staines, Wokingham and Woking Railway Bill.

An Act to authorize a Lease of the *Staines, Wokingham* and *Woking* Railway to the *London* and South Western Railway Company, and for other purposes connected with the *Staines, Wokingham* and *Woking* Railway Company:

Eastern Steam Navigation Company Bill.

An Act for enabling the Eastern Steam Navigation Company to extend their Powers of Trading, to increase their Capital, and to alter and amend their Charter and Deed of Settlement:

Globe Insurance Company Bill.

An Act to enable the Globe Insurance Company to alter and amend some of the Provisions of their Deed of Settlement, and to confer further Powers on the Company:

Cromford and High Peak Railway Bill.

An Act to authorize the *Cromford* and *High Peak* Railway Company to raise further Sums of Money, and for other purposes:

Manchester Poor Bill.

An Act providing for the separate Incorporation of the Overseers of the several Townships of *Manchester, Ardwick, Chorlton-upon-Medlock* and *Hulme*, for specific purposes; for the levying and Collection of Rates; for the extinguishing the Exemption of Gas Works from Rates:

Wallasey Improvement Bill.

An Act for enabling the Local Board of Health for the District of *Wallasey* to construct Works and supply their District with Water and Gas; for enlarging their Powers with respect to the Acquisition and Maintenance of Ferries, and for other purposes:

Ballymena, Ballymoney, Coleraine and Portrush Junction Railway Bill.

An Act to enable the *Ballymena, Ballymoney, Coleraine* and *Portrush* Junction Railway Company to sell their Undertaking to the *Belfast* and *Ballymena* Railway Company:

Salisbury and Yeovil Railway Bill.

An Act to extend the Time for the Completion of the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway, and to authorize the Sale thereof to the *London* and South Western Railway Company:

Edinburgh and Glasgow and Stirling and Dunfermline Railways Bill.

An Act to vest the *Stirling* and *Dunfermline* Railway in the *Edinburgh* and *Glasgow* Railway Company, and for other purposes:

Fife and Kinross and Kinross shire Railways Bill.

An Act for the Formation of a Junction between the *Fife* and *Kinross* and *Kinross-shire* Railways, and the Construction of a Joint Station at *Kinross*:

Blyth Harbour and Dock Bill.

An Act to repeal "The *Blyth* Harbour and Dock Act, 1854," and to regulate the Company constituted thereby, and for other purposes:

Chiswick Improvement Bill.

An Act for the Improvement of the Parish of *Chiswick*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and for other purposes:

Caledonian Railway (Branch to Port Carlisle Railway) Bill.

An Act to enable the *Caledonian* Railway Company to make a Branch Railway to the *Port Carlisle* Railway, and for other purposes:

Ayr and Dalmellington Railway Bill.

An Act for enabling the *Ayr* and *Dalmellington* Railway Company to raise additional Capital; for vesting their Undertaking in the *Glasgow* and South Western Railway Company, and for other purposes:

Bradford Corporation Water Bill.

An Act for extending the Limits of the *Bradford* Waterworks, and for authorizing the Construction of new and altered Works, and for empowering the Corporation of *Bradford* to borrow a further Sum of Money, and for other purposes:

Luton, Dunstable and Welwyn Junction and Hertford and Welwyn Junction Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

An Act for the Amalgamation of the *Hertford* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Company, and the *Luton, Dunstable* and *Welwyn* Junction Railway Company into one Company, to be called "The *Hertford, Luton* and *Dunstable* Railway Company," and for regulating the Capital of the Company formed by the Amalgamation, and for other purposes:

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire Railway (Newton to Compstall) Bill.

An Act for enabling the *Manchester, Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway Company to make a Railway from near their *Newton* and *Hyde* Station to the Township of *Marple*, in the Parish of *Stockport*, in the County of *Chester*, to be called "The *Newton* and *Compstall* Branch," and for other purposes:

Luton Gas Bill.

An Act to incorporate the *Luton* Gas and Coke Company, to authorize the Adjustment and Increase of the present Capital, and for other purposes:

Balby and Worksop Road Bill.

An Act to repeal "An Act for amending and maintaining the Turnpike-road from the Northern End of the Village of *Balby*, in the County of *York* to *Worksop*, in the County of *Nottingham*," and to make other Provisions in lieu thereof, so far as regards a Portion of the said Turnpike-road:

Llanelly Harbour Bill.

An Act to alter and amend the Acts for the Improvement of the Navigation of the Rivers *Burry, Loughor* and *Lliedi*, in the Counties of *Carmarthen* and *Glamorgan*, and to improve the Harbour of *Llanelly*, in the said County of *Carmarthen*:

Waterford Gas Bill.

An Act for incorporating the City of *Waterford* Gas Company, and for authorizing them to acquire the existing Gas Works at *Waterford*, and to supply Gas, and for other purposes.

War Department. No. 369.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of all Correspondence that has taken place between the Treasury, the War Department, and the Office of Works, in relation to the Purchase of Nos. 80, 81 and 82, *Pall Mall*, adjoining the Offices of the War Department.

Lord *John Manners* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Army of the East.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Report, called for by the Director General of the Army Medical Department, relative to the sanitary condition of the Army of the East, and furnished to him by Doctor *Mapleton* in June 1857.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Education (Mauritius.)

Sir *Bulwer Lytton* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 31st day of May last, for Returns relative to Education (*Mauritius*).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Funded Debt Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Funded Debt Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House is of opinion that the extraordinary "expenditure incurred during a War, beyond what "is obtained from taxation, should be raised in the "form of terminable loans, the redemption of which "should be provided for within a specified period "after the return of Peace; or if, with a view to "greater economy, it is raised by loans in the shape "of permanent annuities, that a Provision should "be made for the liquidation of the same by moderate annual instalments after the War expenditure "shall have ceased, from surplus revenue to be "provided for that purpose," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

The

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words

Greenwich Hospital.

"it is the opinion of this House, that Sailors and "Marines in *Greenwich* Hospital should be allowed "to receive their pensions for Wounds and Injuries "in the same manner that the Officers do," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add

River Thames.

the words "this House considers it the duty of the "Executive Government to take immediate mea-"sures for abating the dangerous nuisance caused "by the noxious state of the *Thames*," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:——

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 29° *die Junii*, 1858:

The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words

Weedon Establishment.

"an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, "praying that She will be graciously pleased to "appoint a Royal Commission to inquire into the "system upon which the Books and Stock have "been respectively kept at *Weedon*, as well as the "general mode in which the business of the Esta-"blishment at *Weedon* has been conducted, the re-"sult of such mode of conducting the business, and "the state of the Books and Stock of Stores," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "an "humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, "praying that She will be graciously pleased to "appoint a Royal Commission to inquire into the "system upon which the Books and Stock have "been respectively kept at *Weedon*, as well as the "general mode in which the business of the Esta-"blishment at *Weedon* has been conducted, the re-"sult of such mode of conducting the business, and "the state of the Books and Stock of Stores," be added instead thereof:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She will be graciously pleased to appoint a Royal Commission to inquire into the system upon which the Books and Stock have been respectively kept at *Weedon*, as well as the general mode in which the business of the Establishment at *Weedon* has been conducted, the result of such mode of conducting the business, and the state of the Books and Stock of Stores.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Message from the Lords.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize the raising of Money to be expended in permanent Improvements on the Entailed Estates of *Braco*, *Marr*, *Carraldstoun*, and others; and the granting of Feus and long Leases of parts of the said Estates; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Earl Fife's Estate Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill;

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Police Force (*Ireland*) Bill;

Police Force (Ireland) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Administration of Justice (*Dublin*) Bill;

Administration of Justice (Dublin) Bill.

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

The Chief Justice of *Bombay* Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Chief Justice of Bombay Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Herring Fisheries (*Scotland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Herring Fisheries (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Prince Edward Island* Loan Bill;

Prince Edward Island Loan Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 12th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 11th day of this instant June, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Juries (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill;

Juries (Ireland (No. 2) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill.

Bill 163.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Titles to Land (*Scotland*) Bill;

Titles to Land (Scotland) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Copyright of Designs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyright of Designs Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

London Corporation Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 24th day of this instant June, was proposed to be made to the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the *London* Corporation Regulation Bill);

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

New General Post-office (Edinburgh) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the New General Post-office (*Edinburgh*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill.

The Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Legitimacy Declaration Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Wills, &c. of British Subjects Abroad Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Wills, &c. of *British* Subjects Abroad Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. That Provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, for the payment of the Retiring Pensions of Assistant Barristers in *Ireland*.

2. That it is expedient to amend the Act of the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her present Majesty, relating to Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*).

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. *FitzRoy*, Lord *Naas* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Transfer of Land Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Transfer of Land Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill;

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

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill;

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

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Law of Property Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Art Unions Act Amendment Bill.

The Art Unions Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Pauper Lunatics.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws concerning the Maintenance of Pauper Lunatics: And that Mr. *Hardy*, Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt* and Mr. *Knight* do prepare, and bring it in.

Carlisle Diocese.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of all Monies received by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for *England* from the Diocese of *Carlisle*, applicable to the Common Fund for the Augmentation of Poor Benefices:——Of all Grants made out of the same Fund to Poor Benefices in the Diocese of *Carlisle*; specifying the Name of such Benefice, the Amount of the Grant, the Year in which it commenced, and the Aggregate Amount paid up to the present time; and of all Applications for the Augmentation of Benefices within the said Diocese which have been refused, stating the Cause of such Refusal:——Of the Terms and Conditions on which the Estates and Revenues of the Bishopric of *Carlisle*, and of the Dean and Chapter of *Carlisle*, have been transferred to the said Commissioners:——And, of all Monies received and paid under the Provisions of the said two Orders in Council under which the Estates of the Bishop and Dean and Chapter of *Carlisle* were transferred to the said Commissioners.

Pauper Lunatics Bill. Bill 164.

Mr. *Hardy* presented a Bill to amend the Laws concerning the Maintenance of Pauper Lunatics: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Railway Accidents.

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, upon certain Accidents which have occurred on Railways during the Months of January, February, March, and April 1858. (Part Second.)

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 29° *die Junii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Andover Canal Railway Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Andover* Canal Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Dean Forest Turnpike Trust Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Dean* Forest Turnpike Trust Bill; and the same were twice read, and, with an Amendment to one of them, agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Oude Railway Company Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Oude* Railway Company Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Clyde Navigation Bill.

Ordered, That the *Clyde* Navigation Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Great Southern of India Railway Company Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Great Southern of *India* Railway Company Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Tees Conservancy Bill.

Ordered, That the *Tees* Conservancy Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Warrington and Stockport Railway (Capital) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway (Capital) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Earl Fife's Estate Bill.

Earl *Fife*'s Estate Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Proceedings on Private Bills.

The House proceeded to take into consideration that part of the Message from the Lords, of the 25th day of this instant June, wherein their Lordships request that this House will give leave to Colonel *John Wilson Patten*, a Member of this House, to attend their Lordships, to be sworn, in order to his being examined as a Witness before the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships in the present Session of Parliament on Proceedings on Private Bills.

And Colonel *John Wilson Patten*, being present in his place, declared that he was willing, with leave of the House, to go the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships.

Resolved, That Colonel *John Wilson Patten* have leave to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, if he think fit.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint them that this House hath given leave to Colonel *John Wilson Patten* to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, if he think fit: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. Public Petitions.

Vide Forty-fourth Report.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Ordnance Survey, which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant June, be printed. Ordnance Survey. No. 370.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Education (*Mauritius*), which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant June, be printed. Education (Mauritius.) No. 371.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of May last, for a Return relative to *East India* Company (Sums repaid). East India (Sums repaid.) No. 372.

Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of May last, for a Return relative to Endowed Schools (*Ireland*). Endowed Schools (Ireland.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Sums repaid) be printed.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Thirty-sixth Report of the Inspectors-General on the general state of the Prisons of *Ireland*, 1857; with Appendices. Prisons (Ireland.)

A Paper, intituled, "Results of an Inquiry into the different proportions of Death produced by certain Diseases in different Districts of *England*, communicated to the General Board of Health, with an Introductory Notice by the Medical Officer of the Board on the Preventability of certain kinds of Premature Death." Diseases.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Sir *Bulwer Lytton* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of May last, for a Return relative to Imports and Exports (*British* Colonies). Imports and Exports (British Colonies.)

Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of May last, for Returns relative to Emigration. Emigration.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Galway* Freemen Disfranchisement Bill. Galway Freemen Disfranchisement Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Question, That the Preamble be postponed—— put, and agreed to.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do now leave the Chair;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Butt*, Mr. *Hope*: } 90.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *George Clive*, Mr. *John Fitzgerald*: } 107.

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Freemen of the Town of *Galway* disfranchised).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 6: To leave out the words "no Freeman of," in order to insert the words "the voters who have been proved before "the said Commissioners to have given or taken "bribes in the last and previous Election for the."

Question put, That the words "no Freeman of" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Clive*, Mr. *John Fitzgerald*: } 101.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 158.

Another Amendment made.

And it being ten minutes before Four o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Local Government Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Public Health Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Expiring Laws. No. 373.

Mr. *Hamilton* reported from the Committee on Expiring Laws; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions (Forty-third Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 24th and 25th days of this instant June; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway Bill.

The House was moved, That the Entry in the Votes of the 25th day of this instant June, of the Proceedings of the House in respect of the consideration of the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Ware, Hadham* and *Buntingford* Railway Bill, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the said Proceedings be null and void.

Ordered, That the said Amendments be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration.

The Amendment in p. 7, l. 2, being read a second time, was disagreed to.

The other Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to the Amendment to which this House hath disagreed:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. *Charles Forster*, Sir *Minto Farquhar*, Mr. *Corbally*, Mr. *Butt*, Colonel *Smyth*, Mr. *Gard*, Mr. *Stuart Wortley* and Mr. *Puller*:—And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Divine Worship in Populous Districts.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House, a Copy of the Report from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships on the means of Divine Worship in Populous Districts, together with the Minutes of Evidence and Appendix: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Mediterranean, &c. Telegraphic Communications.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 4th day of May last, for Returns relative to *Mediterranean*, &c. Telegraphic Communications.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Colonels.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of Colonels promoted to the Rank of Major General in the Brevets of 1851 and 1854, having served Six years or more as Effective Field Officers on Full Pay, and not being now Colonels of Regiments; stating the Length of each Officer's Service as Effective Major, and as Effective Lieutenant Colonel on Full Pay, and distinguishing Cavalry from Infantry.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dutton* have leave of absence till the 8th day of July next, on account of a domestic affliction. **Leave of Absence.**

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Telegraph Companies to which Concessions or Guarantees of Aid from the Treasury have been granted or promised, whether to established or new intended Companies, between the 1st day of January 1854 and the 1st day of March 1858; setting forth the Name, Destination, Capital, Cost of Construction, and Annual Amount granted or guaranteed from the Treasury. **Telegraph Companies.**

Resolved, That upon Tuesday next, and on every succeeding Tuesday during the present Session, Government Orders of the day shall have precedence of Notices of Motions. **Public Business.**

Mr. *Charles Forster* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to one of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the *Ware, Hadham* and *Buntingford* Railway Bill; That they had drawn up a Reason accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House: And the same was read, as followeth: **Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway Bill.**

The Commons disagree to the Lords' Amendment in p. 7, l. 2, for the following Reason:

> Because it is expedient that the Railway should be made over the Road numbered 27 in the Parish of *Ware*, on the level thereof.

The said Reason, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reason (with the Bill and Amendments): And that the Clerk do carry the same.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Irremovable Poor have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them. **Irremovable Poor. No. 374.**

Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of any Experiments made at the Royal Arsenal on Cast Iron for the Manufacture of Cannon; stating the various Descriptions of Iron received for Testing; the Trials to which they were submitted, whether separately or mixed; and the Results arrived at in each case, so far as they have been hitherto ascertained. **Cast Iron Experiments.**

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That it is the opinion of this House, that the costs of management on the Crown Allotment of *Hainault*, since the date of the Act under which it was disafforested, **Hainault Allotment.**

afforested, have been excessive, and that the management generally has not been satisfactory:—It passed in the Negative.

Message from the Lords. Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Wexford Harbour Embankment Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Wexford* Harbour Embankment Bill, without any Amendment:

Mersey Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Mersey Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Cornwall Railway Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Cornwall* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Sir Benjamin Hall's Estate Bill. The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to grant further Powers and to make further Provisions in respect to the Estates subject to the Trusts of the Will of *Benjamin Hall*, Esquire, deceased; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Glasgow College Estate Bill. The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for regulating the *Dundonald* Bursaries in the University and College of *Glasgow*, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Sir Benjamin Hall's Estate Bill. Sir *Benjamin Hall*'s Estate Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Endowed Schools (Ireland.) A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, prompt measures ought to be applied to the evils and abuses which are disclosed in the Report of the Commissioners of Endowed Schools in *Ireland*:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Orange Lodges (Ireland) A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That, in the opinion of this House, the appointment to Offices connected with the Administration of the Criminal Law of Members of the Orange Confederation, or of any other political confederation founded on principles of religious exclusion, inculcating secrecy on its members, and acting by means of delegates or representatives, and of affiliated branches, tends to create well-founded jealousy and suspicion highly detrimental to the ends of justice, and ought to be discouraged;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurii, 30° *die Junii*, 1858:

And the Question being put:—It passed in the Negative.

Clyde Navigation Bill. *Ordered*, That the Petitions of the Provost and Bailies of *Port Glasgow*;—of the Harbour Trustees of *Greenock*;—of the Pilot Board of *Greenock*;—of Deep Sea Pilots licensed by the said Board;—and, of *John Kerr Gray*, Clerk to the said Board;—against the Amendments made by the Committee on the *Clyde* Navigation Bill, and which Petitions are deposited in the Private Bill Office, be printed.

Navigation Advances (Ireland.) *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend the Time for making Advances towards Navigations in *Ireland*, under the Provisions of an Act of the nineteenth and twentieth *Victoria*, chapter sixty-two: And that Mr. *Hamilton* and Lord *Naas* do prepare, and bring it in.

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue and amend the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act, 1854: And that Mr. Secretary *Walpole* and Mr. *Hardy* do prepare, and bring it in.

Game Law (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Game Law (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Friendly Societies Act Amendmen Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Poor Removal Law Amendment Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Poor Removal Law Amendment Bill;

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

Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill;

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

County Franchise Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the County Franchise Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Juries (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bankruptcy and Insolvency Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Bill;

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

Coroners' Inquests. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 22d day of this instant June, for the appointment of a Select Committee relative to Coroners' Inquests;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Landed Estates (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Landed Estates (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Wills and Domicile of British Subjects Abroad, &c. Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Wills and Domicile of *British* Subjects Abroad, &c. Bill;

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

Funded Debt Bill. The Funded Debt Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Copyright of Designs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyright of Designs Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

New General Post-office (Edinburgh) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the New General Post-office (*Edinburgh*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Legitimacy Declaration Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Wills, &c. of British Subjects Abroad Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Wills, &c. of *British* Subjects Abroad Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Transfer of Land Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Transfer of Land Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee.

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Law of Property Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment.

The Order, That Mr. *FitzRoy*, Lord *Naas* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring in the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That Mr. *FitzRoy*, Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland*, Lord *Naas* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring in the Bill.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

Bill 165.

Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* presented a Bill to amend an Act of the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her present Majesty, to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Civil Bills and the Courts of Quarter Sessions in *Ireland*, and to transfer to the Assistant Barristers certain Jurisdiction as to Insolvent Debtors: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.

Bill 166.

Mr. Secretary *Walpole* presented a Bill to continue and amend the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act, 1854: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Two of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Mercurii, 30° die Junii;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Shoreham to Henfield, &c.) Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London, Brighton* and South Coast Railway (*Shoreham* to *Henfield*, &c.) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 2) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Warrington and Stockport Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Clyde Navigation Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Clyde* Navigation Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Limerick and Castle-Connell Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Limerick* and *Castle-Connell* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Tees Conservancy Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Tees* Conservancy Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Forty-fourth Report.

Navigation Advances (Ireland) Bill.

Bill 167.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill to extend the Time for making Advances towards Navigations in *Ireland* under the Provisions of an Act of the nineteenth and twentieth *Victoria*, chapter sixty-two: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

School of Mines (Jermyn-street.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Names of all Students who have attended the Lectures or Laboratory of the School of Mines, *Jermyn-street*, for the Session 1857–1858, ending the 31st day of March 1858; with a Specification of the Lectures each Student has attended, and the Fees he has paid:——And, of the Names of all Students who have satisfactorily passed the Examinations of the School of Mines, *Jermyn-street*, from its Establishment to the present time; with a Specification of their present Engagements.

Coals (Woolwich and Portsmouth.) No. 375.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Coals (*Woolwich* and *Portsmouth*), which was presented upon the 28th day of this instant June, be printed.

Endowed Schools (Ireland.) No. 376.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Endowed Schools (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant June, be printed.

Ordered,

Emigration. No. 377.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Emigration, which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant June, be printed.

Imports and Exports (British Colonies.) No. 378.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Imports and Exports (*British* Colonies), which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant June, be printed.

British Museum.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of this instant June, for Returns respecting the want of space for exhibiting Collections in the *British* Museum.

Woods, Forests and Land Revenues.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—The Thirty-sixth Report of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests and Land Revenues, in obedience to the Acts 10 *Geo.* 4, c. 50, and 2 *Will.* 4, c. 1, being the Seventh Report under the Act of the 14 & 15 *Vic.* c. 42, dated 30th June 1858.

Marriage Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 7th day of this instant June, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the Marriage Law Amendment Bill);

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House will, upon this day three months, re-"solve itself into the said Committee," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Viscount *Bury*, Mr. *Schneider*: } 99.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Lygon*, Mr. *Hope*: } 58.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Marriages with deceased Wife's Sister before the passing of this Act, not to be void or voidable, and such marriages to be legal in future).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, ls. 7 and 8: To leave out the words "which has been celebrated at "any time or place whatever within this realm or "without."

Question put, That the words "which has been "celebrated" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Viscount *Bury*, Mr. *Schneider*: } 129.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Lygon*, Mr. *Hope*: } 78.

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1. l. 9: After the word "Sister" to insert the words "or "deceased Wife's Niece."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Andrew Stuart*, Mr. *Lygon*: } 65.

Tellers for the Noes, { Viscount *Bury*, Mr. *Schneider*: } 129.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Provision for saving rights).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 11: After the word "interest" to insert the words "in "any dignity or title of honour, or in any lands, "hereditaments, chattels or effects."

Question, That those words be there inserted:——put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4 (Extent of Act).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "or *Ireland*."

Question put, That those words be there added;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Monsell*, Mr. *De Vere*: } 140.

Tellers for the Noes, { Lord *John Browne*: Mr. *Bagwell*: } 98.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause (That nothing herein contained shall render valid any marriage with the Sister of a deceased Wife, if either of the parties to such marriage shall, after having contracted such marriage, and before the passing of this Act, have married any other person)——brought up, and read 1°.

Question preposed, That the Clause be now read a second time;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Lygon*, Mr. *Hope*: } 94.

Tellers for the Noes, { Viscount *Bury*, Mr. *Schneider*: } 145.

Question again proposed, That the Clause be now read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do now leave the Chair:——put, and negatived.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Protection of Female Children Bill.

The Protection of Female Children Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Members' Freedom from Arrest Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Members' Freedom from Arrest Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day three months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Hunt*, Mr. *Moffatt*: } 129.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Edward Pleydell Bouverie*, Mr. *Henry Berkeley*: } 75.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

Letters of Credit Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Letters of Credit Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bankruptcy and Insolvency Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Bill;

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

New General Post-office (Edinburgh) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the New General Post-office (*Edinburgh*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

Medical Practitioners Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock, on the Medical Practitioners Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 1° *die Julii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Middlesbrough Improvement Bill.

A MOTION being made, That the *Middlesbrough* Improvement Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

South Wales Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill.

A Motion being made, That the South *Wales* Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *FitzRoy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Warrington and Stockport Railway Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Glasgow College Estate Bill.

The *Glasgow* College Estate Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Forty-fifth Report.

British Museum.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *British* Museum, which was presented upon the 30th day of June last, be printed.

No. 379.

Woods, Forests and Land Revenues.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Woods, Forests and Land Revenues, which was presented upon the 30th day of June last, be printed.

No. 380.

New General Post-office (Edinburgh) Bill.

The New General Post-office (*Edinburgh*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Committee of the whole House on the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill have leave to sit this day till Four of the clock, and to report at Six of the clock.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill.

Bill 168.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 13.

Question again proposed, That the words "or by "any body politic or corporate, or by any public "body or any portion thereof," be inserted after the word "thereof," in p. 6, l. 15:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "and the right of nomi- "nation or presentation to the said Professorship of "Divinity in the University of *Glasgow*, and to the "office of Principal, and the Professorships of Di- "vinity and *Hebrew* and Oriental Languages in the "University of *Edinburgh*, shall be transferred to, "and in all time coming be exercised by, Her Ma- "jesty and Her heirs and successors; and the right "of nomination or presentation to all other Pro- "fessorships in the University of *Edinburgh* in times "past and presently exercised by the Town Council "of *Edinburgh*, or by one or more of the members "thereof, shall be transferred to, and in all time "coming be exercised by, the University Court of "the said University."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "and it shall not be com- "petent to elect any member of the University "Court to any office in the University while a "member of the said Court, or within twelve "months after he shall have ceased to be a member "thereof."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause,

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 14, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 15 (Powers of Commissioners).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 35: After the word "officers" to insert the words "including the mode of voting for the rector."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 32: After the word "operation" to insert the words "to "inquire and report to Her Majesty how far it may "be practicable and expedient that an University "should be constituted to be a National University "for *Scotland*; and in case Her Majesty shall be "pleased, at any time within the duration of the "Commission, to grant a Charter for the erection "of such an University, it shall be lawful for the "*Scottish* Universities named in this Act, or any of "them, if they shall think fit, to surrender the "powers of examining for and of granting Degrees, "with or without the exception of theological "Degrees, and to become Colleges, one or more, as "the case may be, of the said National University; "and it shall be lawful for the Commissioners, with "consent of such Universities respectively, to make "arrangements for such conversion into Colleges, "and for the representation of such Colleges in the "governing body of the said National University; "but no such surrender or consent shall be valid "except it be signified in writing by the Chancellor "and the University Court of the University con-"cerned therein; nor except it be declared by them "that the said surrender or consent is given with "the approval of the Senatus Academicus, and "likewise of the University Council; and any "scheme for so converting an University into one "or more Colleges shall be subject, before taking "final effect, to the same conditions and forms as "are by this Act prescribed in the case of other "Rules, Statutes and Ordinances of the Commis-"sioners."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 32: To leave out from the word "operation" to the word "Provided," in l. 41, in order to insert the words "and all statutes and ordinances to be made by "the Commissioners shall be laid before Her Ma-"jesty in Council without any unnecessary delay, "and be forthwith published in the *Edinburgh* "Gazette; and it shall be lawful for every Uni-"versity, or any College thereof, and for the trustees "or patron of any foundation, mortification, bur-"sary, donation, or endowment, and for any other "person directly affected by such statutes or ordi-"nances, within one month after such publication as "aforesaid, to petition Her Majesty in Council, "praying Her Majesty to withhold her approbation "of the whole or any part thereof, and every such "petition shall be referred by Her Majesty by "Order in Council for the consideration and advice "of five Members of Her Privy Council, of whom "two, not including the Lord President, shall be "Members of the Judicial Committee, who shall be "named in such Order, and such five Members "may, if they think fit, admit any petitioner or pe-"titioners to be heard by Counsel in support of his "or their petition."

Question, That the words "Provided always, "that all rules, statutes and ordinances" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 35: After the word "Gazette" to insert the words "or "in the North *British* Advertiser."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 16, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 17 (Statutes may be altered or revoked).

Amendment proposed, in p. 10, l. 23: After the word "consent" to insert the words "of the general "Council thereof, and also with the consent."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 18, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 19 (How Parliamentary Grant to be applied).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "Provided also, that it "shall not be lawful for the Commissioners to apply "any portion of such moneys for the endowment of "new Professorships in theology, or the additional "endowment of existing Professorships in theology."

Question put, That those words be there added;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Baxter*, Mr. *Dalglish*: 94.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: 102.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: 125.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir *John Trelawny*, Mr. *Charles Gilpin*: 76.

CLAUSES, N° 20 to N° 24, with an Amendment to one of them, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow; and be printed.

Weedon Establishment.

The Comptroller of the Household reported to the House, That their Address of the 28th day of June last, relative to *Weedon* Establishment, had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address, praying that a Royal Commission may be appointed to inquire into the system upon which the Books and Stock have been respectively kept at *Weedon*, as well as the general mode in which the business of the Establishment at *Weedon* has been conducted, the result of such mode of conducting the business, and the state of the Books and Stock of Stores.

And having taken your Address into consideration, I have directed that a Commission shall issue for the purposes which you have requested.

Bank Acts.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Bank Acts have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Bank Acts. No. 381.

Mr. *Cardwell* reported from the said Committee, That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

East India (Transport of Troops.) No. 382.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on *East India* (Transport of Troops) have Power to report their Opinion thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Sir *De Lacy Evans* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and had come to several Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix:—And the Resolutions of the Committee were read, as follow:

1. That the Inquiry which this Committee has been appointed to conduct may be divided into three branches: the first, relating to the Overland Route to *India*; the second, to the employment of Steamers, as compared with Sailing Vessels, for the Transport of Troops round the *Cape of Good Hope*; and the third, to the use made during the Mutiny of the Military resources of this country and of the Colonies.

2. That the Court of Directors appear from the first intelligence of the Mutiny at *Meerut* to have been sensible of the advantages of the Overland Route, and to have lost no time in recommending its adoption; but that political and other considerations deterred Her Majesty's Ministers from at once assenting to that recommendation.

3. That the Committee cannot judge of the validity of those political objections, as they felt themselves precluded from inquiring into them; but that they ceased to prevail in the first week of September, when the more serious character of the war and the lateness of the season for ships departing for *Calcutta*, led to a formal requisition from the Court of Directors, and to a compliance with it on the part of the Cabinet.

4. That it would have been desirable, independently of political considerations, to have taken advantage of the Overland Route at the earliest possible period, and, apart from such considerations, it is much to be regretted that the steps that were taken in September to transmit small bodies of troops by this route were not resorted to at an earlier date. That the transport, however, of any large body of troops would have required previous arrangements, and that the evidence laid before the Committee leaves great room to doubt whether any considerable reinforcements could have been sent in the months of July and August, with a prospect of their arrival in *India* so far in advance of those sent round the *Cape* as to give any great advantage in favour of this route.

5. That although the Overland Route may be advantageously employed in times of emergency, it would not be advisable that it should be relied upon as the ordinary route for the transmission of troops to *India*.

6. That if Steamers had been used in greater numbers, the reinforcements would have reached *India* more quickly than they did by Sailing Vessels; but that no evidence has been laid before the Committee to show that, at the time the emergency arose, a greater amount of Steam transport was attainable, whilst it has been shown that grave doubts existed whether the supply of coal on the route would have been sufficient for a larger number of Steam Vessels than were actually employed.

7. That Steamers should for the future be always made use of, as far as possible, in urgent cases; but that, for the transmission of the ordinary reliefs the Committee would not recommend the adoption of so costly a mode of transport.

8. That the Governors of *Ceylon* and the *Mauritius* gave early and valuable assistance to the Government of *India*, and deserve great praise for the zeal and promptitude with which they acted; that the Governor of the *Cape*, without loss of time, forwarded treasure and horses, together with a portion of the troops at his disposal, but that he did not send the whole amount of the force which he was instructed by the Home Government to transmit to *India*; that the Committee have not the means of judging whether the circumstances of the colony did or did not justify Sir *George Grey* in taking this course.

9. That the Committee observe with satisfaction that the people of *Canada* displayed great readiness to afford assistance to the Mother Country; and that the Committee are of opinion that it is highly desirable to give every encouragement to such demonstrations of loyalty on the part of the colonies.

10. That on the whole, considering the suddenness of the danger, and the distance to which the troops were to be sent, the Committee are of opinion that great credit is due to the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company for the promptitude and efficiency with which they discharged the difficult task of transmitting reinforcements to the Army in *India* during the past year.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Four Courts (Dublin) Extension Bill. Bill 174.

Lord *Naas* reported from the Select Committee on the Four Courts (*Dublin*) Extension Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Land Transport Corps.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy or Extracts of Despatches of General *Codrington* to the Secretary of State for War on the subject of the Land Transport Corps, No. 158, February 27th, 1857; No. 43, December 18th, 1855.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Education (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of Report of the Committee of the National Board of Education in *Ireland*, appointed on the 11th day of September 1857, to inquire into the conduct of *J. W. Kavanagh*, Esquire, Head Inspector of National Schools:——Of Appendices to the foregoing Report, marked A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H:——Extracts from the Minutes of the Proceedings of the 27th day of November 1857, with reference to the Report of the Committee appointed to inquire into the conduct of *J. W. Kavanagh*, Esquire, Head Inspector of National Schools:——And, Statement of Further Proceedings connected with *J. W. Kavanagh*, Esquire, subsequent to the Order of the Board, dated the 27th day of November 1857, depressing him from the Rank of Head Inspector to that of District Inspector of the First Class.

Queen *v.* Kent and another.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of all Memorials or Representations addressed to Her Majesty's Treasury by or on behalf of Messrs. *Clagett* and Co. or Mr. *John William Dean*, in reference to the case of The Queen v. *Henry Kent* and *William Pierson*, and of the Replies thereto.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Repton* have leave of absence for the remainder of the Session, on account of a domestic affliction.

Convict Prisons.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Discipline of the Convict Prisons for 1856 and 1857, and operation of the Acts 16 & 17 *Vic.* c. 99 (1853), and 20 & 21 *Vic.* c. 3 (1857), by which Penal Servitude has been substituted for Transportation, by Colonel *Jebb*, C. B., Surveyor General of Prisons, Chairman of the Directors, &c.

Mr.

Cork Petty Sessions Fees.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 22d day of June last, for a Return relative to *Cork* Petty Sessions Fees.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Railway and Canal Companies.

Mr. *Henley* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of April last, for a Return relative to Railway and Canal Companies.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Caledonian Canal. No. 383.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Fifty-third Report of the Commissioners of the *Caledonian* Canal.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 7.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 20: After the word "*India*" to insert the words "and "it shall consist of the following persons."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 8 (First Members of the Council).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, ls. 25 and 26: To leave out the words "or having been theretofore such "Directors."

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore*: } 146.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *John Shelley*, Sir *Ferguson Davie*: } 71.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 26: After "Directors" to insert the words "not being "Nominees of the Crown."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 26: To leave out the word "Seven," in order to insert the word "Ten."

Question, That the word "Seven" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 9 (Vacancies in the Council how to be filled up).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 37: To leave out from the words "filled up" to the end of the Clause, in order to insert the words "by persons, to "be elected as hereinafter mentioned, from among "persons who have been Ten years, at least, in "*India*, in the Service of Her Majesty, or of the "Government of *India*, in any department, whether "legal, civil, naval or military, or who have been "Fifteen years resident in *India*; and the persons "qualified to vote in the election of such members "shall be proprietors of capital in *Indian* Stock, or "of paid-up capital in Railways or other public "works in *India*, of the amount of One thousand "pounds; or of persons who have been Ten years "in the military, naval or civil service of the *East* "*India* Company, or of Her Majesty: Provided "always, that no person shall be entitled to vote in "the election of such members as aforesaid unless "he shall have been qualified as aforesaid for Six "months before the election, and be registered ac-"cording to the regulations hereinafter to be men-"tioned."

Question, That the words "by Her Majesty" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 10, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 11 (Tenure of Office of Members of the Council).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 10: To leave out the words "good behaviour" in order to insert the words "Five years, and shall be eligible for re-"election."

Question put, That the words "good behaviour" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 154.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Gregson*, Mr. *Robert Wygram Crawford*: } 118.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 12 (Members of the Council not to sit in Parliament).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 22: To leave out the word "No."

Question put, That the word "No" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 245.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Liddell*, Mr. *Elliot*: } 121.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 23: After the word "in" to insert the words "the Com-"mons House of."

Question, That those words be there inserted——put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Police Force (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Police Force (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Administration of Justice (Dublin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Administration of Justice (*Dublin*) Bill;

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

Herring Fisheries (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Herring Fisheries (*Scotland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

Titles to Land (Scotland) Bill. Bill 169.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Titles to Land (*Scotland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

Local Government Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 2° *die Julii*, 1858:

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 11th day of June last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time; and which Amendment was to leave out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, to add the words "upon this day six months;"

And the Question being again proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	161.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Blackburn*, Mr. *Dillwyn:*	96.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Juries (Ireland) (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Juries (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses, N° 53 to N° 60, with Amendments to two of them, agreed to.

Clause, N° 61 (Conveyance not to affect certain paramount charges).

Amendments made.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Public Health Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Tuesday next.

London Corporation Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which, upon the 24th day of June last, was proposed to be made to the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair (for Committee on the *London* Corporation Regulation Bill);

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Preamble be postponed.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Copyright of Designs Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Copyright of Designs Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

Clauses, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

Clause, N° 3 (Extension of term as to Class 10).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 18: To leave out the word "tenth" in order to insert the word "sixth."

Question proposed, That the word "tenth" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clause, N° 4, agreed to.

Clause, N° 5, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, N° 6 to N° 8, agreed to.

Clause, N° 9, disagreed to.

Clause, N° 10, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Legitimacy Declaration Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Wills, &c. of British Subjects Abroad Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Wills, &c. of *British* Subjects Abroad Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill.

The Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill;

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

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill;

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

The

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Law of Property Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Government of India Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Government of *India* Bill;

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

Medical Profession and Medical Corporations Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Medical Profession and Medical Corporations Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of this instant July.

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill;

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

Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Pauper Lunatics Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Pauper Lunatics Bill;

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

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Marriage Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Marriage Law Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now taken into consideration:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

A Clause (Not to render marriage with deceased Wife's Sister valid, if either of the parties have afterwards, before passing of Act, married any other person), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Government of New Caledonia.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Government of *New Caledonia:* And that Sir *Bulwer Lytton* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend an Act of the thirteenth and fourteenth years of Her present Majesty, to amend the Laws concerning Judgments in *Ireland:* And that Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* and Lord *Naas* do prepare, and bring it in.

Detached Parts of Counties.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law concerning Detached Parts of Counties: And that Mr. Secretary *Walpole*, Mr. *Hardy* and Sir *John Pakington* do prepare, and bring it in.

Superannuation Law Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws concerning Superannuations and other Allowances to Persons having held Civil Offices in the Public Service: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Education (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of all Correspondence from the 1st day of July 1857 to the present date, which passed between the Commissioners of National Education in *Ireland* and Mr. *James W. Kavanagh*, Head Inspector of National Schools, omitting such only as is of a mere routine nature, or not bearing upon any matter in dispute between Mr. *Kavanagh* and any other party, excluding also the Returns respecting the *Ballindine* National Schools, and so much of the Correspondence, &c. as may be ordered on the Motion of Mr. *Henry Herbert:*——And, Return of the Names of the Members appointed on the Special Committee of the 11th day of September last, in reference to Mr. *Kavanagh*, with the Names of those subsequently added; the precise matters which the Committee was first appointed to investigate, with a Statement of any others afterwards added; the Dates of the several Sittings of the Committee, with the Members present at each; and, Copy of the Minutes of the Business transacted; of the Report of the Committee, with the Names of those Members (as laid before the Board on the 27th day of November last) of the Committee present when it was adopted; of the Names of the Commissioners present at the Board's meeting of the 27th day of November last; and of all Communications which the Members of the Board or other public Parties may have forwarded to the Commissioners, or to the Resident Commissioner, in reference to the case of Mr. *Kavanagh*, within the whole of the above period.

Admiralty Court.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Serjeants, Barristers-at-Law, Attornies and Solicitors to practise in the High Court of Admiralty: And that Mr. *Warren* and Mr. *Hopwood* do prepare, and bring it in.

Bothnia.

Ordered, That the Petitions of Messrs *Mathiesen* and *Ritter*;—and, Messrs. *Henry Dresser* and Co., complaining of the Destruction of their Property at *Uleaborg*, in the Gulf of *Bothnia*, by Her Majesty's Forces, during the *Russian* War, which were presented upon the 24th day of June last, be printed.

Government of New Caledonia Bill. Bill 170.

Sir *Bulwer Lytton* presented a Bill to provide for the Government of *New Caledonia:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill. Bill 171.

Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* presented a Bill to amend an Act of the thirteenth and fourteenth years of Her present Majesty, to amend the Laws concerning Judgments in *Ireland:* And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Admiralty Court Bill. Bill 172.

Mr. *Warren* presented a Bill to enable Serjeants, Barristers-at-Law, Attornies and Solicitors to practise in the High Court of Admiralty: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Superannuation Law Amendment Bill. Bill 173.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill to amend the Laws concerning Superannuations and other Allowances to Persons having held Civil Offices in the Public Service: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 2° die Julii;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Cornwall Railway Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Cornwall* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

London and South Western Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London* and South Western Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill; and the same were twice read, and, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Mersey Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Halifax Park and Improvements Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Halifax* Park and Improvements Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Great Southern of India Railway Company Bill.

The Great Southern of *India* Railway Company Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Warrington and Stockport Railway (Capital) Bill.

The *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway (Capital) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Holroyd's Estate Bill.

Holroyd's Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to inspect the Journals of the House of Lords with relation to any Proceedings upon the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Bill, and to make Report thereof to the House:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. *Charles Forster*, Mr. *Horsfall*, Mr. *Blackburn*, Mr. *Woodd*, Mr. *Kendall* and Mr. *Vance*:—And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Forty-fifth Report.

Contracts (Public Departments) (Third Report.) No. 398.

Colonel *Boldero* reported from the Select Committee on Contracts (Public Departments); That they had taken further Evidence on the matters to them referred, which they had directed him to report to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Metropolitan Police. No. 384.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Metropolitan Police, which was presented upon the 10th day of June last, be printed.

Railway and Canal Companies. No. 385.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Railway and Canal Companies, which was presented upon the 1st day of this instant July, be printed.

Education (Ireland.) No. 386.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 1st day of this instant July, for Returns relative to the Report of the Committee of the National Board of Education in *Ireland*, respecting *J. W. Kavanagh*, Esquire.

Ordered, That the said Return be printed.

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.

Ordered, That the Committee of the whole House on the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill, have leave to sit this day till Four of the clock, and to report at Six of the clock.

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 13 (Salaries of Members of Council).

Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 25: To leave out the words "One thousand two," in order to insert the word "Five."

Question put, That the words "One thousand "two" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 224.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Collins*, Mr. *Gregson*: } 57.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 14 (Retiring Pensions).

An Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 31: To leave out the word "Ten," in order to insert the word "Fifteen."

Question, That the word "Ten" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Amendments made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 199.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Rich*, Mr. *James White*: } 101.

CLAUSES, N° 15 to N° 18, amended, and agreed to.

And it being Four o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Public Petitions (Forty-fourth Report)

Mr. *Dillwyn* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 28th, 29th and 30th days of June last; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill.

Mr. *Horsfall* reported from the Committee appointed to inspect the Journals of the House of Lords, with relation to any Proceedings upon the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Bill, and to make Report thereof to the House; That they had inspected the said Journals accordingly, and found the following Entries:

"*Die Jovis*, 1° *Julij*, 1858.

"The Lord *Redesdale* reported from the Lords' Committees, to whom 'The *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Bill' was committed; That they had considered the said Bill, and examined the allegations thereof, which were found to be true; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made one Amendment thereto.

"Which Amendment was read by the Clerk, as follows: *viz.*

"Leave out Clause XVI.

"*Ordered*, That the consideration of the said Amendment be put off to this day three months."

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway (No. 2.)

The House was moved, That the Petition for leave to bring in the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Bill, which was presented upon the 8th day of February last, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to empower the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Company to abandon a part of the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* and *Ingleton* Railway, and to alter and divert certain Roads in connexion with their Railway, to acquire additional Lands, and for other purposes: And that Colonel *Lowther*, Mr. *Howard* and Mr. *Marshall* do prepare, and bring it in.

Gold (Fraser's River District.)

Sir *Bulwer Lytton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copies or Extracts of Correspondence relative to the Discovery of Gold in the *Fraser's* River District in *British North America*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway (No. 2) Bill.

A Bill to empower the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Company to abandon a part of the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* and *Ingleton* Railway, and to alter and divert certain Roads in connexion with their Railway, to acquire additional Lands, and for other purposes, was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

British Museum.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Communications to the Trustees, from the Heads of Departments in the *British* Museum, with reference to the Memorial of certain Assistants on the subject of Salaries, of the 11th day of March 1858, and the Proceedings of the Trustees thereupon.

Stevens' Regulating Air-Doors.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report made to the Honourable the Corporation of the Trinity House, by the Chief Engineer of the Trinity Steam Ship "*Argus*," relative to the ascertained results from the use of the Patent Regulating Air-Doors fitted to her Steam-boiler Furnaces by Mr. *John Lee Stevens*.

Education.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Income, Expenditure, and Number of Pupils of all Training Institutions aided by Parliamentary Grants, for the year ending the 31st day of December 1857: The Returns to be made under the same Heads as in the Minutes 1857–8, pp. 737–8 and 760–3.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Netley Hospital.

General *Peel* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Site, &c., of the Royal *Victoria* Hospital, near *Netley* Abbey.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill; That they had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, again resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSES, N° 19 and N° 20, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 21 (President and Vice-President).

Amendment proposed, in p. 7, l. 4: To leave out from the word "Council" to the end of the Clause, in order to insert the words "and in the absence of "the Secretary, a Member of the Council chosen by "themselves."

Question, That the words "and it shall be "lawful" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 22 to N° 26, with Amendments to three of them, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 27 (Orders now sent through Secret Committee may be sent by Secretary of State without communication with the Council).

Amendments made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	119.
Tellers for the Noes,	Colonel *Sykes*, Mr. *Chichester Fortescue:*	95.

CLAUSE, N° 28, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 29 (Appointments to be made by or with the approbation of Her Majesty).

Amendment proposed, in p. 9, l. 11: After the word "*India*" to insert the words "and the appointments of Lieutenant Governors of Provinces "or Territories, and the appointments of Members "of the Council of the Governor General of *India*, "and of the several Presidencies."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 30 to N° 33, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 34, disagreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 35, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 36, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 37 (Powers of Sale and Purchase, and contracting).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 5: After the word "*India*" to insert the words "subject to the debts and liabilities mentioned or referred to in the last preceding Clause of this Act."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 38 (Dividend of the Company and existing and future debts and liabilities and expenses charged on Revenues of *India*).

Amendment proposed, in p. 12, l. 27: To leave out the word "alone."

Question, That the word "alone" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 39 to N° 42, with Amendments to three of them, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 43 (Power to grant Letter of Attorney for Sale, &c. of Stock and receipt of Dividends).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "Provided always, that "no such general Letter of Attorney or Order shall "be executed or signed except the same has been "first authorized by a Resolution passed in Council."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 44 to N° 49, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 50, disagreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 51 to N° 66, with Amendments to nine of them, agreed to.

Clause (With all convenient speed after the commencement of this Act, regulations shall be made for admitting any persons, being natural-born subjects of Her Majesty (and of such age and qualifications as may be prescribed in this behalf), who may be desirous of becoming candidates for cadetships in the Engineers and in the Artillery, to be examined as candidates accordingly, and for prescribing the branches of knowledge in which such candidates shall be examined, and generally for regulating and conducting such examinations; and the candidates who may be found entitled under such regulations shall be recommended for such cadetships according to the order of their proficiency, as shown by such examinations)——brought up, and read 1°.

Question proposed, That the Clause be now read a second time;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again——put, and negatived.

Clause read 2°.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 3° *die Julii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Message from the Lords. Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Belfast and County Down Railway Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Belfast* and County Down Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Norwich Gas Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Norwich* Gas Bill, without any Amendment:

Manchester Corporation Water Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Manchester* Corporation Water Bill, without any Amendment:

Municipal Franchise Bill (*changed from* Poor Law Amendment.) The Lords have agreed to the Municipal Franchise Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Portsmouth Railway Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Portsmouth* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Bury and Radcliffe Water Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Bury* and *Radcliffe* Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Llandaff and Canton District Markets Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Llandaff* and *Canton* District Markets Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

South Devon and Tavistock Railway Bill. The Lords have agreed to the South *Devon* and *Tavistock* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Northampton Gas Bill. The Lords have agreed to the *Northampton* Gas Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Colonization and Settlement (India.) The Lords request that this House will be pleased to communicate to their Lordships, Copies of Reports from the Select Committee appointed by this House in the present Session of Parliament, on Colonization and Settlement (*India*), together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before the said Committee:

Divine Worship in Populous Districts. The Lords communicate a Copy of the Report from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships in the present Session of Parliament, to inquire into the deficiency of Means of Spiritual Instruction and Places of Divine Worship in Populous Districts, together with the Minutes of Evidence and Appendix, as desired by this House.

Universities (Scotland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 61, further considered.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 62 (Court may order delivery of tenants' leases, &c.)

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again——put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 63 to N° 86, with Amendments to two of them, agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Local Government Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Four Courts (Dublin) Extension Bill. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Four Courts (*Dublin*) Extension Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

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

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.

The Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Navigation Advances (Ireland) Bill.

The Navigation Advances (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Herring Fisheries (Scotland) Bill.

The Herring Fisheries (*Scotland*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill;

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

Wills and Domicile of British Subjects Abroad, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Wills and Domicile of *British* Subjects Abroad, &c. Bill;

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

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Marriage Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Marriage Law Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day three months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Viscount *Bury*, Mr. *Schneider*:	100.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Hope*, Mr. *Lygon*:	70.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next. **Adjournment.**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend an Act of the last Session, to render more effectual the Police in Counties and Burghs in *Scotland*: And that the Lord Advocate and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in. **Police (Scotland) Act Amendment.**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend an Act of the last Session, for the Regulation of the Care and Treatment of Lunatics, and for the Provision, Maintenance and Regulation of Lunatic Asylums in *Scotland*: And that the Lord Advocate and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in. **Lunatics (Scotland) Act Amendment.**

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Particulars of the Receipts and Expenditure on account of the Highways in each County of *England* and *Wales* for the year ending the 25th day of March 1856, made out in the Form required by the Act 12 & 13 *Vic.* c. 35; distinguishing Cities, Boroughs, Towns, Boards of Health, and Places under local Acts, from the ordinary Highways. **Highways.**

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Mr. Secretary *Walpole* presented a Bill to amend the Law concerning Detached Parts of Counties: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed. **Detached Parts of Counties Bill. Bill 175.**

The Lord Advocate presented a Bill to amend an Act of the last Session, to render more effectual the Police in Counties and Burghs in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed. **Police (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill. Bill 176.**

The Lord Advocate presented a Bill to amend an Act of the last Session, for the Regulation of the Care and Treatment of Lunatics, and for the Provision, Maintenance and Regulation of Lunatic Asylums in *Scotland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed. **Lunatics (Scotland) Act Amendment Bil.. Bill 177.**

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 5° die Julii;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Earl Fife's Estate Bill.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of Earl *Fife*'s Estate Bill, no Standing Orders are applicable.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Sir Benjamin Hall's Estate Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of Sir *Benjamin Hall*'s Estate Bill, no Standing Orders are applicable.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Glasgow College Estate Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the *Glasgow* College Estate Bill, the Standing Orders have been complied with.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Darley's Estate Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported *Darley*'s Estate Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Viscount Keith's Estate Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported Viscount *Keith*'s Estate Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Clyde Navigation Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Clyde* Navigation Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Limerick and Castle-Connell Railway Bill.

The *Limerick* and *Castle-Connell* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 2) Bill.

The *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 2) Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Tees Conservancy Bill.

A Motion being made, That the *Tees* Conservancy Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to confer additional Powers on the *Tees* Conservancy Commissioners, to regulate the Fisheries in the River *Tees*, to vest the Anchorage and Plankage Dues in the said Commissioners, to alter and amend their existing Acts, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Warrington and Stockport Railway Bill.

The *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to lease the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway to certain other Companies, and to extend the Time granted for the completion of the same Railway.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway (No. 2) Bill.

The Order for referring the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway (No. 2) Bill to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That in the case of the said Bill, Standing Order 203 be dispensed with, and that the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Forty-sixth Report.

Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill;

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

Wills and Domicile of British Subjects Abroad, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Wills and Domicile of *British* Subjects Abroad, &c. Bill;

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

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Cayley* have leave of absence for a fortnight, on account of illness in his family.

Saint Helena and Hong Kong.

Sir *Bulwer Lytton* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of May last, for a Return relative to *Saint Helena* and *Hong Kong*.

German Emigration (Cape of Good Hope.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of June last, for Returns relative to *German* Emigration (*Cape of Good Hope*).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Lunatic Asylums Commission (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of June last, for a Return relative to the Lunatic Asylums Commission (*Ireland*).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Divine Worship in Populous Districts.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Divine Worship in Populous Districts, which was communicated from the Lords upon the 2d day of this instant July, be printed.

No. 387.

British Museum.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of June last, for Returns relative to the Salaries of the Officers and Assistants in the *British* Museum.

East India (Sunday Trains.)

Return to an Order, dated the 24th day of June last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Sunday Trains).

East India (Administration of Justice.)

Return to an Order, dated the 25th day of June last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Administration of Justice).

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill.

Bill 178.

(In the Committee.)

Clause (With all convenient speed after the commencement of this Act, regulations shall be made for admitting any persons being natural-born subjects of Her Majesty (and of such age and qualifications as may be prescribed in this behalf), who may be desirous of becoming candidates for cadetships in the Engineers and in the Artillery, to be examined as candidates accordingly, and for prescribing the branches of knowledge in which such candidates shall be examined, and generally for regulating and conducting such examinations; and the candidates who may be found entitled under such regulations shall

shall be recommended for such cadetships according to the order of their proficiency, as shown by such examinations)——further considered.

Amendment proposed, in l. 4: To leave out the words "in the Engineers and in the Artillery," in order to insert the words "to the Military College "at *Addiscombe*."

Question, That the words "in the Engineers and "in the Artillery" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to, and added.

Another Clause added.

Another Clause (Except as aforesaid, all persons to be recommended for military cadetships shall be nominated by the Secretary of State and Members of Council, so that out of seventeen nominations the Secretary of State shall have two, and each Member of Council shall have one; but no person so nominated shall be recommended unless the nomination be approved of by the Secretary of State in Council)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be read a second time;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore:*	165.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *Erskine Perry*, Mr. *Lowe:*	91.

Clause agreed to, and added.

Two other Clauses added.

Another Clause (The vacancies happening from time to time among those Members of the Council nominated by Her Majesty, shall be filled up by Her Majesty by Warrant under Her Royal Sign Manual; and every other vacancy shall be filled up by the Council by election made at a meeting to be held for that purpose)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time——put, and negatived.

Another Clause (That, with a view to enabling the Secretary of State for War and the Commander-in-Chief of the Army for the time being to have proper cognizance of the constitution and organization of our Army in *India*, they are hereby appointed *ex officio* Members of the Council for *India*)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time——put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Whereas by an Act passed in the thirty-seventh year of the reign of King *George* the Third, chapter one hundred and forty. it was provided, that from and after the passing of that Act no *British* subject should, by himself or by any other person employed by him, lend, or be concerned in lending, any money to any native prince in *India*; and whereas certain claims against the revenues of the kingdom of *Oude*, in *British India*, for monies advanced by *British* subjects whose representatives are in *England*, previous to the passing of that Act, to Nabob *Asuf-Uo-Dowlah*, the then Sovereign of *Oude*, for the purposes of his government, are still outstanding; and whereas the kingdom of *Oude* was, on the 1st day of January One thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, annexed to the territories of the *East India* Company, and it is expedient that such claims should be investigated and adjusted; be it enacted, that it shall be lawful for the Council, by and with the consent in writing of the person or persons making any such claim as aforesaid, to refer any such claim to the auditor of the accounts of the Council, or other person or persons to be from time to time appointed by the Council, with the approval of the claimant for that purpose, and to direct such referee or referees to investigate such claim and all matters relating thereto; and such referee or referees shall have Power to examine any person in *Great Britain* who shall appear before him or them in support of such claim, and any person or persons who shall be tendered by or on behalf of such claimant for that purpose, and also any officers and servants in *Great Britain* of the Council, as he or they may see fit, in relation thereto, and for such purpose, by writing under his or their hand or hands, to summon before him or them any such person or persons, officer or servant, and also by writing under his or their hand or hands, to require the production of any accounts, books, papers and documents in *Great Britain* relating to such claim in the posession or power of the said claimant, or of any other person or persons indicated by him, and also any books, papers and documents in *Great Britain* relating to such claim, in the possession or power of the said Council, their officers or servants; and such referee or referees shall report to the Secretary of State his opinion as to the justice and propriety of such claim, with such remarks and observations in relation thereto as he may think fit, and the Secretary of State shall thereupon make such order therein as to him shall seem just and proper; and such order shall be binding and conclusive upon the person or persons making such claim as aforesaid, and upon all persons claiming through or under him or them)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time——put, and negatived.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow; and be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee; Universities (Scotland) Bill. Bill 179.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Provost, Magistrates and Council of the City of *Aberdeen* be heard by themselves or their Counsel upon their Petition against the Bill:—It passed in the Negative.

Then the House proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

A Clause (On grant of Charter for a National University of *Scotland*, *Scottish* Universities may surrender Power of granting Degrees), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (No such surrender, &c. to be valid unless signified in writing by the Chancellor, &c.), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (In each University the assessor to be nominated by the rector shall, in the absence of the rector, be entitled to preside and vote in the University Court in like manner as the rector, if present, might have done):—And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Offices of Principal in *Glasgow*, *Aberdeen* and *Edinburgh*, not to be deemed "Chairs of Theology"):—And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Dunlop*, Mr. *Baxter:*	82.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore:*	58.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative:—The said Clause was accordingly read a second time; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (No distinction to be henceforward

ward recognized among Professors of *Glasgow* University), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 3, l. 43, by inserting after the word "elected" the words "Members of the University, "Professors, and."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 7, l. 5, by inserting after the name of "*Alexander Murray Dunlop*, Esquire," the name of "Dr. *John Brown*, junior."

And the Question being put, That the name of "Dr. *John Brown*, junior," be there inserted:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, after l. 12, by inserting the words "10. To make provision by ordinance, conferring "powers to admit within any of the said Universities "any College which may hereafter be founded, "with such conditions as to endowment and other "matters as to them may seem fit."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It passed in the Negative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 9, l. 35, by inserting after the word "Provided" the words "that a faculty of arts, "being such as shall afford a course of education "sufficient to qualify students to be examined for "degrees in arts, shall be maintained in each of the "said King's College and Marischal College."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Colonel *Sykes*, Mr. *Grant Duff:*	47.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore:*	142.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 12, l. 28, by inserting after the word "conferred" the words "Provided also, that it "shall not be lawful for the Commissioners to apply "any portion of such monies for the salaries of "principals or professors required to subscribe a "religious test, and not included in the provisions "of the sixteenth and seventeenth *Victoria*, chapter "eighty-nine."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Baxter*, Mr. *Charles Gilpin:*	102.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore:*	118.

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow; and be printed.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill, and Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Orders of the day being read, for the Committees on the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill, and the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to the same Committee:—Then the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(In Committee on the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill.)

Clause, N° 87 (Duty payable on Proceedings).

Amendment proposed, in p. 40, l. 15: To leave out from the word "respectively" to the end of the Clause.

Question put, That the words "where such value "shall be less than Ten thousand pounds" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore:*	117.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Vance*, Mr. *Grogan:*	104.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, N° 88, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, N° 89 and N° 90, agreed to.

A Clause added.

Another Clause (Upon *Stephen Woulfe Flanagan*, Esquire, ceasing to hold his present office of Master, it shall and may be lawful for Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors, by any Letters Patent under the Great Seal of *Ireland*, to give and grant to him an annuity or yearly sum not exceeding One thousand pounds, to be paid out of such monies as may be provided by Parliament for that purpose, during his life: Provided always, that in case the said *Stephen Woulfe Flanagan* shall hereafter be appointed to any office under Her Majesty, the amount of the salary he shall receive in respect of his said office shall be deducted from the amount of retiring pension which he is entitled to receive under this Act, or his retiring pension shall be deducted from the amount of his salary, as the case may be; and provided also, that in computing the time on the expiration of which the said *Stephen Woulfe Flanagan*, Esquire, shall be at liberty to retire from any office to which he may hereafter be appointed, or in computing the amount of any retiring pension to which he may become entitled on such retirement, the period during which he shall have held the office of Master shall be counted as if he had served such period in such office to which he may be so hereafter appointed)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time——put, and negatived.

Another Clause (There shall be established, in connexion with the Court of Landed Estates, an office for registering, in a public manner, the ownership of estates in manner hereinafter provided)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

(In Committee on Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill.)

Preamble postponed.

Clauses, N° 1 to N° 3, agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 6° *die Julii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill. **Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.**

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next; and be printed. **Bill 180.**

Mr. *FitzRoy* also reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again. **Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.**

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Twelve of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

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

Navigation Advances (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Navigation Advances (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Four Courts (Dublin) Extension Bill.

The Four Courts (*Dublin*) Extension Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for enabling the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland* to acquire certain Lands and Houses for the Site of a new Court or Courts, and other Offices and Buildings required for the Public Service, in Extension of the Four Courts in the City of *Dublin*, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.
Bill 181.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Legitimacy Declaration Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Wills, &c. of British Subjects Abroad Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Wills, &c. of *British* Subjects Abroad Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore:* } 89.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *John FitzGerald*, Mr. Serjeant *Deasy:* } 34.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

Pauper Lunatics Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Pauper Lunatics Bill;

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

Superannuation Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Superannuation Law Amendment Bill;

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

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Police Force (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Police Force (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Administration of Justice (Dublin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Administration of Justice (*Dublin*) Bill;

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

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Copyright of Designs Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Copyright of Designs Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Stipendiary Magistrates &c. Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Detached Parts of Counties Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Detached Parts of Counties Bill;

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

Police (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Police (*Scotland*) Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Lunatics (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Lunatics (*Scotland*) Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Protection of Female Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Protection of Female Children Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill;

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

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill;

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

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Law of Property Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bankruptcy and Insolvency Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Bill;

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

Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Common Law Procedure Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Admiralty Court Bill.

The Admiralty Court Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday the 16th day of August next.

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

William Henry Barber.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That Viscount *Goderich* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on the Petition of *William Henry Barber*:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore*: } 51.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Brady*, Mr. *Lindsay*: } 41.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till this day.

County Franchise Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, this day, on the County Franchise Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after One of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 6° die Julii;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Bury and Radcliffe Water Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Bury* and *Radcliffe* Water Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Portsmouth Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Portsmouth* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

South Devon and Tavistock Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the South *Devon* and *Tavistock* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Earl Fife's Estate Bill.

Earl *Fife*'s Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Sir Benjamin Hall's Estate Bill.

Sir *Benjamin Hall*'s Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway (No. 2) Bill.

The *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That in the case of the said Bill, Standing Orders 175, 177, 178 and 204 be dispensed with, and that the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection; and that they have Power to appoint the Committee on the Bill with leave to sit and proceed forthwith.

Sunderland Dock (No. 2) Bill.

The Order, That the *Sunderland* Dock (No. 2) Bill be committed, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Forty-sixth Report.

Poor Law (District Schools.)

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of April last, for a Return relative to Poor Law (District Schools).

Telegraph Companies.

Return to an Order, dated the 29th day of June last, for a Return relative to Telegraph Companies.

British Museum.

Return to an Order, dated the 2d day of this instant July, for a Return relative to the *British* Museum.

Court of Chancery.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 7th June 1858, granting a Compensation Allowance to Mr. *William Vine*, late Junior Clerk to Sir *George Rose*, one of the Masters in Chancery.

Saint Helena and Hong Kong.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Saint Helena* and *Hong Kong*, which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant July, be printed.

No. 388.

German Emigration (Cape of Good Hope.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to *German* Emigration (*Cape of Good Hope*), which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant July, be printed.

No. 389.

British Museum.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *British* Museum, which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant July, be printed.

No. 390.

East India (Sunday Trains.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Sunday Trains), which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant July, be printed.

No. 391.

East India (Administration of Justice.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Administration of Justice), which was presented upon the 5th day of this instant July, be printed.

No. 392.

Medical Practitioners Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Medical Practitioners Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House will, upon this day three months, resolve itself into the said Committee," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore*: } 95.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Thomas Duncombe*, Mr. *Black*: } 8.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:

Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSES, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3 (Medical Council).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be postponed:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 4 (Members of Council).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 8: To leave out the words "the University of *Durham*."

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 23: After the word "*Ireland*" to insert the words "the "organized body of persons practising Medical "Botany throughout *Great Britain*."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 5 to N° 13, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 14, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 15 (Registration of persons now qualified, and persons hereafter qualified).

Amendment proposed, in p. 5, ls. 19 and 20: To leave out the words "and (subject to the provisions "hereinafter contained) every person hereafter be-"coming possessed."

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Cowper*, Lord *Elcho:*	138.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Headlam*, Mr. *Adair*:	51.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 16, disagreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 17 to N° 21, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 22, disagreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 23 to N° 40, with Amendments to four of them, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 41, disagreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 42 to N° 51, with Amendments to four of them, agreed to.

Clause (After the passing of this Act the Medical Registrars shall, under the authority of the respective Branch Councils, require proof from every person who applies to be registered as a Physician, and who is not qualified to be registered as such under the provisions of section fifteen of this Act, that he has completed the age of Twenty-four years, and that he has graduated in Arts and Medicine, or in Medicine after having passed the examinations for a Degree in Arts in some University of the United Kingdom, or in some Foreign University approved by the General Council, or that his case comes within some special exception established by the General Council, and that he has been examined by and has received letters testimonial as a Physician from one of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of *England*, *Scotland* or *Ireland*, and has been enrolled as a Member of that College)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time——put, and negatived.

Two Clauses added.

Schedule A. amended, and agreed to.

Schedules B. and C. agreed to.

Schedule D. added.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill. **Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill.**

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill; **Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.**

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill. **Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.**

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 4 (Repeal of Acts).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 16: To leave out the word "second."

Question proposed, That the word "second" stand part of the Clause.

And it being ten minutes before Four o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 21st day of June last, for Returns relative to Poor Relief (*Wick*). **Poor Relief (Wick.)**

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway (No. 2) Bill, without Amendment. **Lancaster and Carlisle Railway (No. 2) Bill.**

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Westminster* Palace Hotel Company, Limited, Bill, without Amendment. **Westminster Palace Hotel Company, Limited, Bill.**

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 1st and 2d days of this instant July, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House. **Public Petitions (Forty-fifth Report.)**

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Memorial addressed to Her Majesty's Government by the Promoters and Cultivators of Science, on the subject of the proposed severance from the *British* Museum of its Natural History Collections, together with the Signatures attached thereto. **British Museum.**

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this **Army (Purchase of Commissions.)**

House, a Copy of Report upon the Evidence given by Sir *Charles Trevelyan* before the Commission appointed to inquire into the Purchase and Sale of Commissions in the Army; together with a Copy of Sir *Charles Trevelyan*'s Evidence and Statements, and Copy of his Letter to the Secretary of State for War, dated the 1st day of July 1858.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Gas (Metropolis.) No. 393.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Gas (Metropolis) have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House.

The Judge Advocate reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Viscount *Goderich* have leave of absence for the remainder of the Session, on account of a domestic affliction.

Gold (Australia.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Quantity of Gold exported from the several Ports in *Australia* during the year 1857, and specifying to what Countries such Exports have been made (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 309, of Session 2, 1857).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

East India (Alumbagh.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Letter from Lord *Canning*, dated the 30th day of April 1858, with its enclosed Copy of a Report from Lieutenant General Sir *James Outram*, G.C.B., describing the Services rendered by the Force under that Officer's Command during the occupation of *Alumbagh*.

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Repeal of certain Sections of 16 & 17 *Victoria*, chapter 95), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (With all convenient speed after the passing of this Act, regulations shall be made by the Secretary of State, with the advice and assistance of the Commissioners for the time being acting in execution of Her Majesty's Order in Council of 21st May 1855, "for regulating the admission of persons to the Civil Service of the Crown," for admitting all persons being natural-born subjects of Her Majesty (and of such age and qualification as may be prescribed in this behalf), who may be desirous of becoming candidates for appointment to the Civil Service of *India*, to be examined as candidates accordingly, and for prescribing the branches of knowledge in which such candidates shall be examined, and generally for regulating and conducting such examinations under the superintendence of the said last-mentioned Commissioners, or of the persons for the time being entrusted with the carrying out of such regulations as may be from time to time established by Her Majesty for examination, certificate, or other test of fitness in relation to appointments to junior situations in the Civil Service of the Crown, and the candidates who may be certified by the said Commissioners or other persons as aforesaid to be entitled under such regulations, shall be recommended for appointment according to the order of their proficiency, as shown by such examinations, and such persons only as shall have been so certified as aforesaid shall be appointed or admitted to the Civil Service of *India* by the Secretary of State in Council: Provided always, that all regulations to be made by the said Secretary of State under this Act shall be laid before Parliament within fourteen days after the making thereof, if Parliament be sitting, and, if Parliament be not sitting, then within fourteen days after the next meeting thereof), was brought up, and read a first and second time, and amended; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Except for repelling actual invasion, or under other sudden and urgent necessity, Her Majesty's Forces in the *East Indies* shall not be employed in any military operation beyond the external frontier of Her Majesty's *Indian* Possessions, without the consent of Parliament to the purposes thereof), was brought up, and read a first and second time, and amended.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Clause, as amended, be made part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*:	152.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Henry Herbert*, Mr. *Kinnaird*:	46.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (That so much of this Act as relates to the nomination, election, numbers, duration of service, salaries, and retired allowances of the Councillors, shall not continue in force longer than for Five years from the First day of August One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight):—And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Hayter*, Viscount *Duncan*:	115.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*:	149.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Whereas it is expedient to promote Civil Servants who have shown conspicuous ability, although by the length of their service they may not be entitled to such promotion, and likewise to throw open some offices hitherto exclusively filled by members of the Civil Service to other qualified persons; be it enacted, that the fifty-sixth and fifty-seventh sections of the Act of the thirty-third *George* the Third, chapter fifty-two, are hereby repealed; and the Secretary of State for *India* in Council shall, within one year of the passing of this Act, publish a list of offices in *India*, declaring which shall be open to all qualified persons, and which shall be reserved only to the members of the Civil Service):—And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time; but it appearing that due notice had not been given thereof, the same was withdrawn.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Whereas it is expedient that some offices hitherto exclusively filled by members of the Civil Service should be thrown open to other qualified persons, the fifty-seventh section of the Act of the thirty-third year of *George* the Third, chapter fifty-two, is hereby repealed):—And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time; and, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the

the Bill, in p. 4, l. 17, by inserting after the word "behaviour" the words "and shall not, so long as "he shall remain such Councillor, accept, hold or "carry on any other office or situation, or any pro- "fession or employment from which any gain or "profit shall be derived."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It passed in the Negative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by leaving out Clause 27.

And the Question being put, That Clause 27 stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 176.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Schneider*, Mr. *Knatchbull-Hugessen*: } 149.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then another Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 10, ls. 7 and 8, by leaving out the words "in the Engineers and in the Artillery," and inserting the words "to the Military College at "*Addiscombe*," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurii, 7° *die Julii*, 1858:

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

County Management Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the County Management Bill, without any Amendment:

Ulverstone and Lancaster Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Ulverstone* and *Lancaster* Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Corris, Machynlleth and River Dovey Tramroad Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Corris*, *Machynlleth* and River *Dovey* Tramroad Bill, without any Amendment:

Great Northern and Western (of Ireland) Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Great Northern and Western (of *Ireland*) Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Limerick and Foynes Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Limerick* and *Foynes* Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Midland Great Western Railway of Ireland Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Midland Great Western Railway of *Ireland* Bill, without any Amendment:

Mersey Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill, without any Amendment:

Dean Forest Turnpike Trust Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the *Dean* Forest Turnpike Trust Bill, without any Amendment:

Blackburn Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Blackburn* Railway Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

East Suffolk, Yarmouth and Haddiscoe, and Lowestoft and Beccles Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the East *Suffolk*, *Yarmouth* and *Haddiscoe*, and *Lowestoft* and *Beccles* Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Formartine and Buchan Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Formartine* and *Buchan* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

East Kent Railway (Western Extension) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the East *Kent* Railway (Western Extension) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

North British Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the North *British* Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Shrewsbury and Welchpool Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Shrewsbury* and *Welchpool* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway Bill.

The Lords do not insist upon the Amendment made by their Lordships to the *Ware*, *Hadham* and *Buntingford* Railway Bill, to which the Commons disagree:

Stearne's Charities.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend an Act of the Parliament of *Ireland*, passed in the eleventh and twelfth years of the reign of King *George* the Third, intituled, An Act for vesting the Estate of the Right Reverend Father in God, Doctor *John Stearne*, late Lord Bishop of *Clogher*, deceased, in Trustees, in trust for carrying the charitable and other bequests of his Will into execution; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

The Universities (*Scotland*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Local Government Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Local Government Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Public Health Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

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

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Navigation Advances (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Navigation Advances (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Titles to Land (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Titles to Land (*Scotland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Juries (Ireland (No. 2) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Juries (*Ireland*) (No. 2) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Government of New Caledonia Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Government of *New Caledonia* Bill;

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

Wills, &c. of British Subjects Abroad Bill.

The Wills, &c. of *British* Subjects Abroad Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Copyright of Designs Bill.

The Copyright of Designs Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill.

The Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Police (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Police (*Scotland*) Act Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Lunatics (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Lunatics (*Scotland*) Act Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill;

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

County, &c. Property Conveyance Bill.

The County, &c. Property Conveyance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Poor Removal Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Poor Removal Law Amendment Bill;

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

Coroner's Inquests.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 22d day of June last, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the state of the Law and Practice as regards the taking of Inquisitions in cases of Deaths; the appointment, duties and remuneration of the Officers employed therein; and whether it is expedient that any and what alteration should be made in any such matters;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Landed Estates (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Landed Estates (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Wills and Domicile of British Subjects Abroad, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Wills and Domicile of *British* Subjects Abroad, &c. Bill;

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

Pauper Lunatics Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Pauper Lunatics Bill;

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

Juries (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Juries (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

William Henry Barber.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 5th day of this instant July, That Viscount *Goderich* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on the Petition of *William Henry Barber*;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Endowed Schools Law Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law respecting Endowed Schools: And that Mr. *Dillwyn* and Mr. *Massey* do prepare, and bring it in.

Landlord and Tenant (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law of Landlord and Tenant, and to facilitate the Improvement of Land in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Magan* and Mr. *Roupell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Emblements, &c. (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to improve and amend the Law of Landlord and Tenant in relation to Emblements and awaygoing Crops in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Magan* and Mr. *Roupell* do prepare, and bring it in.

Fisheries.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Communication from the Government of *France*, with the several Replies thereto, since the 30th day of March 1855, concerning the Fisheries in the Seas between the Coasts of the two Countries, pursuant to the Convention of August 1839.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Leasing Powers (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Powers of Leasing and improving Lands in *Ireland*: And that Mr. *Stearne Ball Miller* and Mr. *Hume* do prepare, and bring it in.

Property and Income Tax.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of Property assessed to the Income Tax for the year ended the 5th day of April 1857, under Schedules B. and D., in each County in the United Kingdom, exclusive of and distinguished from that charged in the Parliamentary Cities or Boroughs:—And, similar Return for each Parliamentary City or Borough.

Hainault Forest. No. 394.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Report from Mr. *Charles Gore*, one of Her Majesty's Commissioners of Woods and Forests, to the Treasury, dated the 5th day of July 1838, "as to the extent of the Forest of *Hainault*, and the Expenditure upon the Crown Allotment."

Mr.

Mr. *Hamilton* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Endowed Schools Law Amendment Bill. Bill 182.

Mr. *Dillwyn* presented a Bill to amend the Law respecting Endowed Schools: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday the 20th day of this instant July; and to be printed.

Landlord and Tenant (Ireland) Bill. Bill 183.

Mr. *Magan* presented a Bill to amend the Law of Landlord and Tenant, and to facilitate the Improvement of Land in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon this day month; and to be printed.

Emblements, &c. (Ireland) Bill. Bill 184.

Mr. *Magan* presented a Bill to improve and amend the Law of Landlord and Tenant in relation to Emblements and awaygoing Crops in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon this day month; and to be printed.

Leasing Powers (Ireland) Bill. Bill 185.

Mr. *Stearne Ball Miller* presented a Bill to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Powers of Leasing and Improving Lands in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon this day month; and to be printed.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution (No. 3) Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the Bishops' Trusts Substitution (No. 3) Bill, was read, and discharged.

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

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Mercurii, 7° *die Julii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Northampton Gas Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Northampton* Gas Bill: And the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway (No. 2) Bill.

Ordered, That in the case of the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway (No. 2) Bill, Standing Orders 182, 208 and 212 be dispensed with, and that the Bill be now considered:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

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

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Forty-sixth Report.

Municipal Franchise Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Municipal Franchise Bill be taken nto consideration To-morrow.

Stearne's Charities Bill.

Stearne's Charities Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Queen's Colleges (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the whole of the Expenditure paid out of the Consolidated Fund, or by Annual Votes of Parliament, for the erection of the Queen's Colleges in *Ireland*, and for the annual Support and Endowment of same, including also the Queen's University, for each year since their Foundation:——Of the Number for each year of Matriculated Students in each Queen's College, and of the Number that have taken Degrees or Diplomas; distinguishing their Religious Denominations:—— And, of the Number of Students in each year who were holders of Scholarships, Exhibitions, Bourses or other Emoluments paid out of the Public Funds, with the Value of each, stated in Classes, and the Numbers of each Religious Denomination who have obtained them.

Quartermasters.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Memorial addressed to the Secretary of State for the War Department by Quartermasters placed on Half-pay previous to the date of the Declaration of War with *Russia*:—— And, Return of the Names of Quartermasters who would be entitled to the benefit of the Royal Warrant of the 17th day of December 1855, if the prayer of the Memorialists were granted; stating the Age and Length of Service, as well as the War Services of each of the said Quartermasters.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Poor Law (District Schools.) No. 395.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Poor Law (District Schools), which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant July, be printed.

British Museum. No. 390.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *British* Museum, which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant July, be printed.

Poor Relief (Wick.) No. 396.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Poor Relief (*Wick*), which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant July, be printed.

New Trial in Criminal Cases Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the New Trial in Criminal Cases Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day three months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *M'Mahon*, Mr. *Bowyer*: 145.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Miles*, Mr. *Blakemore*: 91.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be committed;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *M'Mahon*, Mr. *Bowyer*: 129.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Edward Pleydell Bouverie*, Mr. *Egerton*: 112.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day three weeks.

Insurance and Assurance Institutions Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Insurance and Assurance Institutions Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being

proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day three months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "upon this day three months" be added at the end of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day three months.

Reformatory Schools (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Reformatory Schools (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

Clauses, N° 1 and N° 2, agreed to.

Clause, N° 3 (Power to Justices of a County or Council of Borough to grant Money in aid of maintenance of offenders in Reformatory Schools).

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. Serjeant *Deasy*, Mr. *Bagwell:*	157.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Grogan*, Mr. *Vance:*	41.

Clauses, N° 4 to N° 6, agreed to.

Clause, N° 7 (Juvenile offenders how to be dealt with).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 28: Before the word "then" to insert the words "and "who shall previously to such conviction have been "convicted of any offence in the manner afore-"said."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Cogan*, Mr. *De Vere:*	16.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. Serjeant *Deasy*, Mr. *Bagwell:*	176.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 38: After the word "always" to insert the words "that "no offender shall be directed to be so sent, and "detained as aforesaid, unless the sentence passed "as a punishment for his offence, at the expiration "of which he is directed to be so sent and de-"tained, shall be one of imprisonment for Fourteen "days at the least; and provided also."

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Grogan*, Mr. *Vance:*	105.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. Serjeant *Deasy*, Mr. *Bagwell:*	42.

And it being a quarter before Six o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Members' Freedom from Arrest Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Members' Freedom from Arrest Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 21st day of this instant July, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill. Bill 186.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill;

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

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Medical Practitioners Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Medical Practitioners Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Navigation Advances (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Navigation Advances (*Ireland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

Titles to Land (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Titles to Land (*Scotland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Police (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Police (*Scotland*) Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Lunatics (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Lunatics (*Scotland*) Act Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

County, &c. Property Conveyance Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the County, &c. Property Conveyance Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

The

Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Poor Removal Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Poor Removal Law Amendment Bill;

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

Pauper Lunatics Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Pauper Lunatics Bill;

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

William Henry Barber. No. 397.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Petition of *William Henry Barber* have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Lord *Hotham* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 8° *die Julii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Llandaff and Canton District Markets Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Llandaff* and *Canton* District Markets Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Darley's Estate Bill.

Darley's Estate Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Viscount Keith's Estate Bill.

Viscount *Keith*'s Estate Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway (No. 2) Bill.

The *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Forty-seventh Report.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Wellington Monument. No. 400.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report of the First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works, &c. to the Treasury, dated the 14th day of August 1857, transmitting the Report of the Judges appointed to examine the Models submitted in competition for a Monument to the late Duke of *Wellington*.

Lord *John Manners* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mines under the Sea (Cornwall.) No. 399.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Papers relating to a reference to the Right honourable Sir *John Patteson*, in regard to the respective Rights of Her Majesty and His Royal Highness the Prince of *Wales* and Duke of *Cornwall*, in the Mines and Minerals within land, lying below high-water mark, in and adjacent to the County of *Cornwall*.

Mr. Secretary *Walpole* accordingly presented the said Papers.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Local Government Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 30 (Cost of highway repair to be defrayed out of General District Rate in certain cases)——further considered.

Other Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 14, l. 33: To leave out from the word "Provided," inclusive, to the end of the Clause.

Question, That the words, "Provided that it "shall not be necessary" stand part of the Clause ——put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 31 to N° 41, with Amendments to seven of them, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 42, disagreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 43 (Power of carrying water mains).

Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause: To add the words "Provided always, that they do "not interfere with ornamental grounds, gardens, "roads or lands laid out for building purposes."

Question, That those words be there added—— put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 44, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 45 (Mode of assessment of General District Rate, and Provision for compounding for rates in the case of small tenements).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 22, l. 38: After the word "grounds" to insert the words "or "the occupier of any buildings (other than farm "buildings) not actually used as dwelling-houses."

Question, That those words be there inserted—— put, and negatived.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 46 to N° 64, with Amendments to ten of them, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 65 (Extension of borrowing powers in certain cases).

Amendment proposed, in p. 35, l. 43: To leave out the words "a provisional," in order to insert the word "an."

Question, That the words "a provisional" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 66 (Secretary of State to provide for execution of Act).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 36, l. 3: After the second word "such" to insert the words "medical and other."

Question put, That those words be there inserted

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Thomas Duncombe*, Mr. *Cox:*	30.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	148.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 67, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 68, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, N° 69, disagreed to.
Five Clauses added.

And it being ten minutes before Four o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Public Health Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Land Transport Corps. No. 401.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Land Transport Corps have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Lord *Adolphus Vane Tempest* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

East India (Railways.)

Ordered, That the Select Committee on *East India* (Railways) have leave to sit this day during the sitting of the House.

Public Income and Expenditure. No. 402.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Gross Public Income and Expenditure for the year ended the 30th day of June 1858; together with the Balance in the Exchequer at the commencement and at the termination of the year, and the Amount of Funded or Unfunded Debt created or redeemed in the said year.

Mr. *Hamilton* accordingly presented the said Account.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Works (Ireland.)

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Twenty-sixth Report from the Board of Public Works, *Ireland*, with the Appendices, 1857.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Gold and Silver Watch Cases.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Quantities of Gold and Silver Watch Cases marked at the following Halls during the years 1856 to 1858, inclusive, *viz.*, *London*, *Chester* and *Birmingham* (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 334, of Session 1855).

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Salisbury* have leave of absence for three weeks, on account of ill health.

Suspended Canonries.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for *England* of the Total Sums allowed as Grants or Reductions, from the 1st day of January 1840 to the 1st day of July 1858, to the several Chapters of *England* and *Wales*, to pay Substitutes for performing the additional Duties imposed upon them by the Suspension of Canonries, specifying the Date of the last Grant or Reduction in each case.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Flogging (Army.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Persons flogged in the Army and Militia of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in the year 1857; specifying the Offence, the Regiments, the Place of Station, the Time, the Sentence, and the Number of Lashes inflicted on each Person (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 110, of Session 1, 1857).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Flogging (Navy.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Persons flogged in the Navy in the year 1857; specifying the Name of the Ship, the Offence, the Sentence, and Number of Lashes inflicted on each Person (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 48, of Session 1, 1857).

East India (Charges on Consolidated Fund.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Charges on the Consolidated Fund for all Services rendered in *India*, including all Pensions connected therewith, during the year 1857.

Metropolis (Drainage.) No. 403.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Letter to the Right honourable Lord *John Manners*, M.P., First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works, &c., from the Referees for the Main Drainage of the Metropolis, in answer to the Report made by Messrs. *Bidder*, *Hawksley* and *Bazalgette*, to the Metropolitan Board of Works, upon the Report of the Referees.

Lord *John Manners* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Fisheries (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Report of the Commissioners of Fisheries, *Ireland*, for 1857, to his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, pursuant to the Act 5 & 6 *Vic.* c. 106.

Universities (Scotland.)

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 10th day of June last, for Returns relative to Universities (*Scotland*).

Highways.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 2d day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Highways.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Chamber of London.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Annual Accounts from the Chamber of *London*.

Meteorological Department.

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Meteorological Department of the Board of Trade, 1858.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.

The Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Hainault* Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

The

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Chinese Passenger Act (1855) Amendment Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act prohibiting the Carriage of *Chinese* Emigrants to Foreign Countries in *British* Ships, and amending in that respect the *Chinese* Passenger Act, 1855; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Government of New Caledonia Bill.

The Government of *New Caledonia* Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Police Force (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Police Force (*Ireland*) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day three months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Lord *Henry Lennox*:	125.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Patrick O'Brien*, Mr. Serjeant *Deasy*:	66.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be committed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 9° *die Julii*, 1858:

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till this day.

Superannuation Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Superannuation Law Amendment Bill;

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

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

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

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Officers of Incumbered Estates Court hereafter appointed to office under Her Majesty, to reckon such previous service in assessing Pension), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 40, l. 32, by leaving out from the word "respectively" to the words "Provided "always," in l. 40.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*:	66.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Griffith*, Mr. *Vance*:	54.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by leaving out Clause Eighty-eight.

And the Question being put, That Clause Eighty-eight stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Administration of Justice (Dublin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Administration of Justice (*Dublin*) Bill;

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

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Detached Parts of Counties Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Detached Parts of Counties Bill;

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

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Application to Court for Divorce and Matrimonial Causes for declaration of legitimacy or validity or invalidity of marriage).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 13: After the word "*England*" to insert the words "or *Ireland*."

Question proposed, That the words "or *Ireland*" be there inserted.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Navigation Advances (Ireland) Bill.

The Navigation Advances (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Titles to Land (Scotland) Bill.

The Titles to Land (*Scotland*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Lunatics (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Lunatics (*Scotland*) Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Protection of Female Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Protection of Female Children Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill;

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

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill;

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

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Law of Property Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Municipal Franchise Bill. Bill 187.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Municipal Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Medical Practitioners Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Medical Practitioners Bill, as amended in the Committee; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 13, Clause 45, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "and shall be free from all "Stamp Duty, in case the existing Stamp Duty "shall have been already paid on the Diploma, and "by such Physician, from the College of Physi- "cians to which he belongs."

And the Question being put, That those words be there added;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Hadfield*, Mr. *Dillwyn*: } 16.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Seymour FitzGerald*, Lord *Claud Hamilton*: } 40.

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

County, &c. Property Conveyance Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the County, &c. Property Conveyance Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Local Government Bill. Bill 188.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Local Government Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Six other Clauses added.

Schedules agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Church Rates Commutation.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the voluntary Commutation of Church Rates: And that Mr. *Alcock* and Mr. *Evans* do prepare, and bring it in.

Militia Ballots Suspension.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to suspend the making of Lists and the Ballots for the Militia of the United Kingdom: And that General *Peel* and the Judge Advocate do prepare, and bring it in.

Militia Estimates.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare Estimates of the Charge of the Disembodied Militia of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* for the year ending on the 31st day of March 1859:—And a Committee was appointed of General *Peel*, The Judge Advocate, Mr. Secretary *Walpole*, Mr. *Ellice*, Colonel *North*, Colonel *Wilson Patten*, Colonel *Smyth*, Sir *John Ramsden*, Colonel *Gilpin*, Mr. *Hardy*, Colonel *Taylor*, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Hamilton*, and all Colonels of Militia.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum.

Dublin Metropolitan Police.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Income and Expenditure of the *Dublin* Metropolitan Police Force for the last two Financial years of the Force, showing as to the Income the several Sources from which it has been derived, and the Expenditure under proper Heads: ——Copies of the Notice or Proclamation issued from time to time to procure Recruits for the Force: ——Of the Rules of the Force:——Statements of the Annual Pay of each Class of Officers and Men: ——Of the Annual Pay of each Class of Officers and Men in the Constabulary Force:——Returns of the Number of Superintendents, Inspectors and Men of the Force on the 1st day of January 1858, with the proportion of each professing the Protestant, Roman Catholic and Presbyterian Religions respectively:——And, of the Number of Resignations and Dismissals from the Force since the 1st day of January 1856, with the causes of such Resignations or Dismissals respectively, arranged under appropriate Heads.

Rateable Property (Ireland.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws relating to the Valuation of Rateable Property in *Ireland*, and the Assessment of Grand Jury Cess and Poor Rate thereon: And that Lord *Naas* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

New Writs.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend the Act of the twenty-fourth year of King *George* the Third, chapter Twenty-six, for issuing Writs during the Prorogation or Adjournment of the House of Commons: And that Mr. *Collins* and Mr. *Ayrton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Gaols and Houses of Correction Act Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for amending an Act for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the building, repairing and regulating of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction in *England* and *Wales*: And that Mr. *Whitbread* and Mr. *Scholefield* do prepare, and bring it in.

Railway Cheap Trains, &c.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Cheap Trains, and to restrain the exercise of certain Powers by Canal Companies, being also Railway Companies: And that Mr. *Henley* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Militia Ballots Suspension Bill.

General *Peel* presented a Bill to suspend the making of Lists and the Ballots for the Militia of the United Kingdom: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day.

Mr.

New Writs Bill. Bill 189.

Mr. *Collins* presented a Bill to extend the Act of the twenty-fourth year of King *George* the Third, chapter Twenty-six, for issuing Writs during the Prorogation or Adjournment of the House of Commons: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Rateable Property (Ireland) Bill. Bill 190.

Lord *Naas* presented a Bill to amend the Laws relating to the Valuation of Rateable Property in *Ireland*, and the Assessment of Grand Jury Cess and Poor Rate thereon: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Gaols and Houses of Correction Act Amendment Bill. Bill 191.

Mr. *Whitbread* presented a Bill for amending an Act for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the building, repairing and regulating of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction in *England* and *Wales*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 12th day of August next; and to be printed.

Railway Cheap Trains, &c. Bill. Bill 192.

Mr. *Henley* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Cheap Trains, and to restrain the exercise of certain Powers by Canal Companies, being also Railway Companies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Hainault* Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill be taken into consideration this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Two of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 9° die Julii;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

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East Kent Railway (Western Extension) Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the East *Kent* Railway (Western Extension) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Formartine and Buchan Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Formartine* and *Buchan* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

North British Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the North *British* Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill; and the same were twice read, and, with an Amendment to one of them, agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Shrewsbury and Welchpool Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Shrewsbury* and *Welchpool* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Blackburn Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Blackburn* Railway Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

East Suffolk, Yarmouth and Haddiscoe, and Lowestoft and Beccles Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the East *Suffolk, Yarmouth* and *Haddiscoe*, and *Lowestoft* and *Beccles* Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Westminster Palace Hotel Company, Limited, Bill.

The *Westminster* Palace Hotel Company, Limited, Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Glasgow College Estate Bill.

The *Glasgow* College Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Forty-seventh Report.

Sanitary Improvements (Metropolis.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of Number of Houses in each District under the Metropolis Local Management Act in respect to which the Medical Officer of Health has recommended the issue of Orders for Sanitary Improvement since the 1st day of January 1856: ——Of Number of Houses in respect of which Orders for Sanitary Improvement have been issued by the Local Board of Vestry since the 1st day of January 1856:——Of Number of Houses in which the Sanitary Improvements thus ordered have been afterwards certified by the Officer of the Local Board to have been satisfactorily executed:—— And, of Number of other Nuisances injurious to Health similarly certified to have been remedied in each such District.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Highways. No. 404.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Highways, which was presented upon the 8th day of this instant July, be printed.

Chamber of London. No. 405.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the Chamber of *London*, which were presented upon the 8th day of this instant July, be printed.

Public Income and Expenditure.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of April last, for Accounts relative to Public Income and Expenditure.

Bothnia.

Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of June last, for a Return relative to *Bothnia*.

Queen v. Kent and another.

Return to an Order, dated the 1st day of this instant July, for a Return relative to the case of The Queen v. *Kent* and another.

East India (Alumbagh.)

Return to an Order, dated the 6th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to *East India* (*Alumbagh*).

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words

Public Roads (Scotland.)

"an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, "praying She will be graciously pleased to issue a "Royal Commission to inquire and report how far it "may be desirable and practicable to substitute an "equitable system of assessment in lieu of the present "mode of maintaining the Public Roads in *Scotland* "by tolls and statute labour," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question: —The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words

River Thames.

"this House is of opinion that the cost of the puri- "fication of the River *Thames* in the vicinity of the "Metropolis should be borne by the Consolidated "Fund and the Metropolitan Ratepayers in equal "proportions," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question: —It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 73,730, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expenses of the General Management of the Department of Science and Art, of the Schools throughout the Kingdom in connexion with the Department, and of the Geological Surveys of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, &c., to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 21,350, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expenses of the General Management of the Department of Science and Art, of the Schools throughout the Kingdom in connexion with the Department, and of the Geological Surveys of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, &c., to the 31st day of March 1859:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question again proposed.

And it being ten minutes before Four o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the matter to them referred; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Six of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Petitions (Forty-sixth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 5th, 6th and 7th days of this instant July; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Railway Accidents.

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, upon certain Accidents which have occurred on Railways during the month of May 1858 (Part Third).

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Constabulary and Revenue Police (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 23d day of March last, for Returns relative to Constabulary and Revenue Police (*Ireland*).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Slave Trade (Cuba.)

Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 22d day of June last, for a Return relative to Slave Trade (*Cuba*).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Superintendent Registrars of Births, &c.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of Fees and other Emoluments received by each Superintendent Registrar in respect of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages registered in *England* and *Wales* during the year ending the 31st day of March 1858, showing separately the Amount received by each for the Registration of Marriages.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 73,730, to complete the Sum for the Department of Science and Art.
2. £. 223,000, for Public Education in *Ireland*.
3. £. 680, for the Commissioners of Education in *Ireland*.
4. £. 3,654, for the University of *London*.
5. £. 7,510, for the *Scottish* Universities.
6. £. 2,323, for the Queen's University in *Ireland*.
7. £. 4,800, for the Queen's Colleges in *Ireland*.
8. £. 500, for the Royal *Irish* Academy.
9. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 300, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of the Royal *Hibernian* Academy, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the item in the proposed Vote of £. 100, "Life School Models and Visitors," be reduced by the Sum of £. 20;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Lord *Haddo*, Mr. *Kinnaird:*	24.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	148.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

10. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries of the Theological Professors and the Incidental Expenses of the General Assembly's College at *Belfast*, and Retired Allowances to Professors of the *Belfast* Academical Institution, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report these Resolutions to the House——put, and negatived.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 450, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries of the Theological Professors and the Incidental Expenses of the General Assembly's College at *Belfast*, and Retired Allowances to Professors of the *Belfast* Academical Institution, to the 31st day of March 1859;

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The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Crossley*, Mr. *Baxter:* } 34.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:* } 122.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 10° *die Julii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, at Twelve of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Portendic and Albreda Convention Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Portendic* and *Albreda* Convention Bill, without any Amendment:

Railways Act (Ireland) Continuance Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Railways Act (*Ireland*) Continuance Bill, without any Amendment:

Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill, without any Amendment:

Eastern Counties Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Eastern Counties Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

West End of London and Crystal Palace Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the West End of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Vale of Towy Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Vale of *Towy* Railway Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Hove Improvement Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Hove* Improvement Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Victoria Station and Pimlico Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Victoria* Station and *Pimlico* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Sale of Poisons, &c. Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to restrict and regulate the Sale of Poisons; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Marriages (Moscow, Tahiti and Ningpo) Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to remove Doubts as to the validity of certain Marriages of *British* Subjects Abroad Bill; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

County Court Districts Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for the re-arrangement of the Districts of the County Courts among the Judges thereof; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

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

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill;

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Secretary *Walpole*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. Secretary *Walpole*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Public Health Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Police Force (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant July, That the Police Force (*Ireland*) Bill be committed;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Tuesday next.

Superannuation Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Superannuation Law Amendment Bill;

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

Detached Parts of Counties Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Detached Parts of Counties Bill;

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

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Legitimacy Declaration Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Militia Ballots Suspension Bill.

The Militia Ballots Suspension Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Hainault* Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill; and the same were twice read, and, with an Amendment to one of them, agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Government of India Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Government of *India* Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

County Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the County Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Medical Practitioners Bill.

The Medical Practitioners Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Sheep, &c. Contagious Diseases Prevention.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue certain Acts to prevent the spreading of Contagious or Infectious Diseases among Sheep, Cattle and other Animals: And that Mr. *Hardy* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Continuance.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue certain temporary Provisions concerning Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction in *England*: And that Mr. *Hardy* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, &c.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue Appointments under the Act for consolidating the Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, and for completing Proceedings under the Tithe Commutation Acts: And that Mr. *Hardy* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Indemnity.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to indemnify such Persons in the United Kingdom as have omitted to qualify themselves for Offices and Employments, and to extend the time limited for those purposes respectively: And that Mr. *Hardy* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Charitable Trusts Acts Continuance.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill further to continue the Exemption of certain Charities from the operation of the Charitable Trusts Acts: And that Mr. *Hardy* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Turnpike Trusts Arrangements.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made under an Act of the fifteenth year of Her present Majesty, to facilitate Arrangements for the Relief of Turnpike Trusts, and to extend the Provisions of the said Act: And that Mr. *Hardy* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Cornwall Submarine Mines.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to declare and define the respective Rights of Her Majesty, and of His Royal Highness the Prince of *Wales* and Duke of *Cornwall*, to the Mines and Minerals in or under Land lying below high-water mark, within and adjacent to the County of *Cornwall*, and for other purposes;

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And Notice being taken, that the interest of the Prince of *Wales*, as Duke of *Cornwall*, is concerned therein;

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, gives Her Consent, as far as the Prince of *Wales*'s interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore*:	35.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Augustus Smith*, Mr. *James White*:	6.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative:—And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Solicitor General and Mr. *Whitmore* do prepare, and bring in the Bill.

Army Service.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to revive and continue an Act amending the Act for limiting the time of Service in the Army: And that General *Peel* and the Judge Advocate do prepare, and bring it in.

Wine, &c. (Ireland.)

The House was moved, That the several Acts relative to the Sale of Wine, Spirits, Beer and Cider by retail in *Ireland*, might be read; and the same being read;

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the said Acts:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws relating to the Sale of Wine, Spirits, Beer and Cider by retail in *Ireland*.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hamilton* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Hamilton* accordingly reported a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws

Laws relating to the Sale of Wine, Spirits, Beer and Cider by retail in *Ireland*:—And he moved the House accordingly.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. *Hamilton* and Lord *Naas* do prepare, and bring it in.

Chinese Passenger Act (1855) Amendment Bill.
Bill 193.

The *Chinese* Passenger Act (1855) Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Cornwall Submarine Mines Bill.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill to declare and define the respective Rights of Her Majesty, and of His Royal Highness the Prince of *Wales* and Duke of *Cornwall*, to the Mines and Minerals in or under Land lying below high-water mark, within and adjacent to the County of *Cornwall*, and for other purposes.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the first time;

And Notice being taken, that Forty Members were not present:—The House was told by Mr. Speaker; and Forty Members not being present, and it being then half an hour after One of the clock on Saturday morning:—The House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till Monday next.

Lunæ, 12° *die Julii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Stamford Writ.

ORDERED, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of *Stamford*, in the room of *John Inglis*, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the office of Her Majesty's Lord Justice Clerk in *Scotland*.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Votes, and Forty-eighth Report.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Law of False Pretences Amendment Bill.
Bill 194.

The Law of False Pretences Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Supply.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Department of Science and Art, &c.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 73,730, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expenses of the General Management of the Department of Science and Art, of the Schools throughout the Kingdom in connexion with the Department, and of the Geological Surveys of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, &c., to the 31st day of March 1859.

Education (Ireland.)

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 223,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Public Education in *Ireland*, under the Charge of the Commissioners of National Education in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 680, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salary of the Secretary and the Expenses of the Office of the Commissioners of Education in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

University of London.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,654, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expenses of the University of *London*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,510, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay Grants to *Scottish* Universities, formerly defrayed from the Hereditary Revenues of the Crown, to the 31st day of March 1859. Scottish Universities.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,323, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Queen's University in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859. Queen's University (Ireland.)

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,800, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray certain Expenses of the Queen's Colleges in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859. Queen's Colleges (Ireland.)

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 500, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of the Royal *Irish* Academy, to the 31st day of March 1859. Royal Irish Academy.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 300, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of the Royal *Hibernian* Academy, to the 31st day of March 1859. Royal Hibernian Academy.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,500, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries of the Theological Professors and the Incidental Expenses of the General Assembly's College at *Belfast*, and Retired Allowances to Professors of the *Belfast* Academical Institution, to the 31st day of March 1859. Theological Professors, &c. Belfast.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Public Income and Expenditure, which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant July, be printed. Public Income and Expenditure. No. 407.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Bothnia*, which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant July, be printed. Bothnia. No. 406.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (*Alumbagh*), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant July, be printed. East India (Alumbagh.) No. 408.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Constabulary and Revenue Police (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant July, be printed. Constabulary and Revenue Police (Ireland.) No. 409.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Slave Trade (*Cuba*), which was presented upon the 9th day of this instant July, be printed. Slave Trade (Cuba.) No. 410.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply. Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 16,474, for the National Gallery.
2. £. 5,039, for Magnetic Observations Abroad.
3. £. 500, for the Royal Geographical Society.
4. £. 1,000, to enable the Royal Society to carry on certain Experiments for Public Objects.
5. £. 4,050, for the Civil Establishment of the *Bermudas*.
6. £. 6,878, for the Ecclesiastical Establishment of the *British North American* Provinces.
7. £. 3,388, for the *Indian* Department in *Canada*.
8. £. 24,728, for the Governors, Lieutenant Governors, and others, in the *West Indies* and certain other Colonies.
9. £. 20,550, for the Stipendiary Justices in the *West India* Colonies and the *Mauritius*.
10. £. 10,230, for the Civil Establishments on the Western Coast of *Africa*.
11. £. 7,262, for Charges connected with the Island of *Saint Helena*.
12. £. 960, for *Heligoland*.
13. £. 4,376, for the *Falkland Islands*.
14. £. 6,021, for the Charge of *Labuan*.
15. £. 10,000, for the Colony of *Hong Kong*.
16. £. 7,914, for the Colony of *Western Australia*.

17. £. 12,828, for the Emigration Board.

18. £. 11,000, for the Support of Captured Negroes and Liberated *Africans.*

19. £. 117,527, to complete the Sum for the Consular Establishments Abroad.

20. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 20,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary for the Extraordinary Disbursements of Her Majesty's Embassies and Missions Abroad, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 10,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary for the Extraordinary Disbursements of Her Majesty's Embassies and Missions Abroad, to the 31st day of March 1859;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Wise*, Mr. *Locke King*: 55.
Tellers for the Noes, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore*: 85.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 15,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary for the Extraordinary Disbursements of Her Majesty's Embassies and Missions Abroad, to the 31st day of March 1859;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Wise*, Mr. *Locke King*: 69.
Tellers for the Noes, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore*: 81.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

21. £. 162,889, for Superannuation Allowances and Compensations.

22. £. 1,978, for Relief to *Toulonese* and *Corsican* Emigrants, *Saint Domingo* Sufferers, *American* Loyalists and others.

23. £. 2,000, for the National Vaccine Establishment.

24. £. 325, for the Refuge for the Destitute.

25. £. 3,515, for *Polish* Refugees, and Allowances to distressed *Spaniards.*

26. £. 4,281, to pay Miscellaneous Allowances formerly defrayed from the Civil List, the Hereditary Revenues, &c.

27. £. 2,717, for Treasurers of Public Infirmaries in *Ireland.*

28. £. 2,600, for the *Westmoreland* Lock Hospital, *Dublin.*

29. £. 700, for the *Rotunda* Lying-in Hospital, *Dublin.*

30. £. 200, for the *Coombe* Lying-in Hospital, *Dublin.*

31. £. 7,600, for the Hospitals of the House of Industry, *Dublin.*

32. £. 2,500, for the House of Recovery and Fever Hospital, *Cork-street, Dublin.*

33. £. 600, for the *Meath* Hospital, *Dublin.*

34. £. 100, for *Saint Mark's* Ophthalmic Hospital, *Dublin.*

35. £. 1,300, for Doctor *Steevens'* Hospital, *Dublin.*

36. £. 285, for the Board of Superintendence of Hospitals in *Dublin.*

37. £. 9,341, to pay Charitable Allowances charged on the Concordatum Fund in *Ireland.*

38. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 39,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Non-conforming, Seceding, and Protestant Dissenting Ministers in *Ireland,* to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 366, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Non-conforming, Seceding, and Protestant Dissenting Ministers in *Ireland,* to the 31st day of March 1859;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Baxter*, Mr. *Crossley*: 55.
Tellers for the Noes, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: 165.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the item of £. 346. 3 *s.* 4 *d.* for New Ministers be omitted from the propose Vote;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Charles Gilpin*, Mr. *James White*: 69.
Tellers for the Noes, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: 147.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

39. £. 424,285, to complete the Sum for the Customs Department.

40. £. 712,258, to complete the Sum for the Inland Revenue Department.

41. £. 1,026,031, to complete the Sum for Post Office Services.

42. £. 242,875, to complete the Sum for Superannuations and Compensation Allowances, Pensions and other Non-effective Charges, in the Departments of Customs, Inland Revenue, and Post Office.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the General Board of Health, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,700, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the General Board of Health, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Motion, and Original Question, by leave, withdrawn.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Six of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of *Stearne*'s Charities Bill, the Standing Orders have been complied with. **Stearne's Charities Bill.**

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The County Court Districts Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed. **County Court Districts Bill.**

A Message was delivered by Mr. *Pulman,* Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod: **Royal Assent.**

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

An Act to make valid certain Acts of the late Chief Justice of *Bombay:* **Chief Justice of Bombay Bill.**

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County Management Bill. An Act for the better Management of County Rates:

Commissioners for Exhibition 1851 Bill. An Act for releasing the Lands of the Commissioners for the Exhibition of 1851, upon the Repayment of Monies granted in aid of their Funds:

Railways Act (Ireland) Continuance Bill. An Act to continue "The Railways Act (*Ireland*) 1851:"

Portendic and Albreda Convention Bill. An Act to remove doubts as to the operation of a Convention between Her Majesty and the Emperor of the *French*, relative to *Portendic* and *Albreda*:

Wexford Harbour Embankment Bill. An Act for enabling the *Wexford* Harbour Embankment Company to alter the Number of their Shares, and to issue Preference Shares in lieu of Unissued Shares, and for other purposes:

Liverpool Improvement Bill. An Act for enabling the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of *Liverpool* to acquire Lands for a Post Office and Public Offices, and to make a new, and widen existing Streets within the Borough, and for other purposes:

Yar Bridge Bill. An Act for making and maintaining a Bridge over the River *Yar*, in the *Isle of Wight*, with Approaches and Roads thereto, and for other purposes:

Belfast and County Down Railway Bill. An Act to extend the Time for purchasing certain Lands required by the *Belfast* and County *Down* Railway Company, and for other purposes connected with the same Company:

Norwich Gas Bill. An Act for better enabling the *British* Gas-Light Company, Limited, to light with Gas the City of *Norwich* and Suburbs thereof; to dissolve the *Norwich* Gas-Light Company, and to repeal the Acts relating thereto:

Andover Canal Railway Bill. An Act to authorize the Construction of a Railway from *Andover* to *Redbridge*, in the County of *Southampton*, and for that purpose to convert the *Andover* Canal into a Railway:

Oude Railway Company Bill. An Act to incorporate and regulate "The *Oude* Railway Company;" to enable the Company to construct and maintain Railways in the *East Indies*; and to enter into Contracts with the *East India* Company, and for other purposes:

London, Brighton and South Coast Railway (Shoreham to Henfield, &c.) Bill. An Act to enable the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company to complete the Communication by Railway between *Shoreham*, *Henfield*, and the Mid-*Sussex* Railway, and for other purposes connected with their Undertaking:

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Bondholders' Arrangements) Bill. An Act to amend the *Birkenhead* Improvement Amendment Act, 1850, especially with respect to the General Mortgage Debt of the Commissioners, and their Powers to sell certain Lands, and for other purposes:

Dean Forest Turnpike Trust Bill. An Act to repeal the Act relating to the *Dean* Forest Turnpike Roads, and to make other Provisions in lieu thereof; and to authorize the Construction of a new Road, and for other purposes:

Cornwall Railway Bill. An Act to extend the Time for the Completion of so much of the *Cornwall* Railway as lies between *Truro* and *Falmouth*, and for other purposes:

London and South Western Railway Bill. An Act for authorizing the *London* and South Western Railway Company to make new Works, and to make Arrangements with other Companies, and for authorizing a Lease to them of the *Salisbury* and *Yeovil* Railway, and for regulating their Capital and borrowing Powers, and for other purposes:

Mersey Docks and Harbour (New Works) Bill. An Act to enable the *Mersey* Docks and Harbour Board, to construct certain Works at *Birkenhead*, in substitution for, and in addition to, those already authorized, and for other purposes:

Mersey Docks and Harbour (Consolidation of Acts) Bill. An Act to consolidate and amend the Provisions of the several Acts relating to the *Liverpool* and *Birkenhead* Docks, and the Port and Harbour of *Liverpool*, and for other purposes connected therewith:

Halifax Park and Improvements Bill. An Act for confirming the Gift by *Francis Crossley*, Esquire, to the Borough of *Halifax* of a Park, for the benefit of the Inhabitants of the Borough; and for authorizing the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough to maintain and regulate the Park, and to provide, maintain and regulate Public Baths in the Park, and for making a Cemetery, and for making further Provision with respect to the Waterworks, and the Gas Works, and the Improvement of the Borough, and for other purposes:

Manchester Corporation Water Bill. An Act for amending the Acts relating to the *Manchester* Corporation Waterworks:

Ware, Hadham and Buntingford Railway Bill. An Act for making a Railway from the *Hertford* and *Ware* Branch of the Eastern Counties Railway to *Buntingford*:

Ulverstone and Lancaster Railway Bill. An Act for authorizing the raising by the *Ulverstone* and *Lancaster* Railway Company of further Money, and the selling or leasing of their Railway to the *Furness* Railway Company, or the making by the two Companies of Working Arrangements; and for giving further Powers to the two Companies respectively, and for other purposes:

Corris, Machynlleth and River Dovey Tramroad Bill. An Act for making a Tramroad from the *Aberllefenny* Slate Quarries, in the Parish of *Talyllyn*, in the County of *Merioneth*, to the River *Dovey*, in the Parish of *Llanfihangel-Genu'r-Glyn*, in the County of *Cardigan*, with Branches therefrom, and for other purposes:

Great Northern and Western (of Ireland) Railway Bill. An Act to enable the Great Northern and Western (of *Ireland*) Railway Company to make Deviations in their authorized Railways, and to empower the Midland Great Western Railway (of *Ireland*) Company to acquire Shares in the Undertaking of the Great Northern and Western (of *Ireland*) Railway Company, and for other purposes:

Limerick and Foynes Railway Bill. An Act to afford Facilities to the *Limerick* and *Foynes* Railway Company for raising the Funds necessary to enable them to execute their Undertaking:

Midland Great Western Railway (of Ireland) Bill. An Act to enable the Midland Great Western Railway (of *Ireland*) Company to make an Alteration in the Line of their *Streamstown* and *Clara* Junction Railway, and for other purposes:

Eastern Counties Railway Bill. An Act for enabling the Eastern Counties Railway Company to abandon a Portion of the *Newmarket* and *Chesterford* Railway; and also a Railway to the River *Thames*, at *Galleon's* Reach:

Bury and Ratcliffe Water Bill. An Act to enable the *Bury* and *Ratcliffe* Waterworks Company to raise further Sums of Money, and to amend the Act relating to the Company:

Portsmouth Railway Bill An Act for enabling the *Portsmouth* Railway Company to extend their Railway from *Havant* to *Hilsea*; to acquire additional Lands; to use a Portion of the *London* and South Western, and *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railways, and for other purposes:

South Devon and Tavistock Railway Bill. An Act to authorize the South *Devon* and *Tavistock* Railway Company to lease their Railway; to enable them to raise further Capital for the Completion of their Undertaking, and to make Arrangements as to their Share and Borrowed Capital, and for other purposes:

Northampton Gas Bill. An Act for lighting with Gas the Town of *Northampton*, and the Neighbourhood thereof, in the County of *Northampton*:

West End of London and Crystal Palace Railway Bill. An Act for enabling the *Battersea* Park Commissioners to sell, and the West End of *London* and Crystal Palace Railway Company to purchase Pieces of Land, situate near the South End of the New Bridge leading from *Chelsea* to *Battersea* Park; for Lease of Undertaking to the *London*, *Brighton* and South Coast Railway Company for extending the Time for completing Extension to *Farnborough*, and for other purposes:

Llandaff and Canton District Markets Bill. An Act for constructing a Market, Market-places and Slaughter-houses, with all necessary Conveniences, within the Hamlet of *Canton*, in the County of *Glamorgan*, to be called "The *Llandaff* and *Canton* District Markets:"

Blackburn Railway Bill. An Act for vesting the Undertaking of the *Blackburn* Railway Company in the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* and East *Lancashire* Railway Companies, and for other purposes:

Darley's Estate Bill.

An Act for enabling Mining Leases to be granted of an Estate in the North Riding of *Yorkshire*, late of *Henry Darley*, Esquire, deceased, and for other purposes, and of which the short Title is "*Darley*'s Estate Act, 1858:"

Viscount Keith's Estate Bill.

An Act to confirm certain Arrangements with regard to the Trust Estate of the late *George* Viscount *Keith*, and to enable his Trustees to carry the same into effect:

Railway and Canal Legislation.

No. 411.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Railway and Canal Legislation have Power to report their Opinion thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and come to several Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix; and the Resolutions of the Committee were read, as follow;

1. That all Railway and Canal Bills be deposited at the Private Bill Office and at the Board of Trade on or before the 23d of December, previous to the next Session of Parliament.

2. That the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills commence their sittings on the 18th of January, and that they be directed by Mr. Speaker to make such arrangement for the examination of Petitions as shall facilitate the introduction of Private Bills at as early a period as possible in each Session.

3. That compliance with the Standing Orders of both Houses, except the *Wharncliffe* Order, be proved before the introduction of a Railway Bill into Parliament.

4. That an early day be fixed at the commencement of each Session, after which no Railway Bill shall be read a second time without the express sanction of the House.

5. That the panel of Chairmen of Committees on Railway and Canal Bills should be reduced to the smallest number consistent with the proper transaction of the business of the Session, such number, if possible, not to exceed Five.

6. That it would tend to shorten the labours of Committees, and diminish the expense of inquiries before them, if they continued their sittings not less than Five hours each day.

7. That it is desirable that arrangements be made for a portion of the private business of each Session being commenced in the House of Lords.

8. That, with a view to promote such an arrangement, it is desirable that the House of Commons should not insist on its privileges as regards Money Clauses in Private Bills, when such Clauses relate to tolls and charges for services performed, and are not in the nature of a tax.

9. That, with the same view, Committees of the House of Commons should have the power of examining Witnesses on oath.

10. That the Standing Orders relating to Subscription Contracts be repealed.

11. That Evidence taken before Committees of the House of Lords on Private Bills be received by Committees of the House of Commons, under the same regulations which have heretofore been in force in Committees on Divorce Bills.

12. That the form annexed to the Standing Orders with regard to Notices to Landowners and Occupiers be altered so as to avoid the necessity of sending with the Notice a description of the Plan and Section.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Holroyd's Estate Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported *Holroyd*'s Estate Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported Sir *Benjamin Hall*'s Estate Bill, without Amendment. Sir Benjamin Hall's Estate Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported Earl *Fife*'s Estate Bill, without Amendment. Earl Fife's Estate Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Mr. *Alcock* presented a Bill for the voluntary Commutation of Church Rates: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed. Church Rates Commutation Bill. Bill 196.

Mr. *Hardy* presented a Bill to continue certain Acts to prevent the spreading of Contagious or Infectious Diseases among Sheep, Cattle and other Animals: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed. Sheep, &c. Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill. Bill 197.

Mr. *Hardy* presented a Bill to continue certain temporary Provisions concerning Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction in *England*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed. Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Continuance Bill. Bill 198.

Mr. *Hardy* presented a Bill further to continue the exemption of certain Charities from the operation of the Charitable Trusts Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed. Charitable Trusts Acts Continuance Bill. Bill 199.

Mr. *Hardy* presented a Bill to confirm certain Provisional Orders made under an Act of the fifteenth year of Her present Majesty, to facilitate Arrangements for the Relief of Turnpike Trusts, and to extend the Provisions of the said Act: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed. Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill. Bill 200.

Mr. *Hardy* presented a Bill to continue Appointments under the Act for consolidating the Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, and for completing Proceedings under the Tithe Commutation Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed. Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, &c. Bill. Bill 201.

Mr. *Hardy* presented a Bill to indemnify such Persons in the United Kingdom as have omitted to qualify themselves for Offices and Employments, and to extend the time limited for those purposes respectively: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed. Indemnity Bill. Bill 202.

The Sale of Poisons, &c. Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed. Sale of Poisons, &c. Bill. Bill 203.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Destitution (*Gweedore* and *Cloughaneely*) have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before them. Destitution (Gweedore and Cloughaneely.) No. 412.

Mr. *Bagwell* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matter to them referred, and directed him to make Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The *Cornwall* Submarine Mines Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed. Cornwall Submarine Mines Bill. Bill 204.

Lord *Naas* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 8th day of this instant July, for Returns relative to the *Dublin* Metropolitan Police. Dublin Metropolitan Police.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Mr.

Inclosure Commission.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Special Report of the Inclosure Commissioners, 1858.

Friendly Societies (Scotland.)

Mr. *Hardy* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report of the Proceedings of the Registrar of Friendly Societies in *Scotland*, in his Office of Registrar, and of the principal matters transacted by Friendly Societies, which have come under his cognizance during the past year.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Militia (Volunteers.)

General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of April last, for a Return relative to Militia (Volunteers).

Iron Ordnance Factory (Woolwich.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 4th day of May last, for Returns relative to the Iron Ordnance Factory (*Woolwich*).

War Department.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 21st day of May last, for Returns relative to the War Department.

Military Courts Martial.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of June last, for a Return relative to Military Courts Martial.

Army of the East.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 28th day of June last, for a Return relative to the Army of the East

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "it is expedient to discontinue the practice of authorizing Her Majesty's Ships to visit and search "Vessels under Foreign Flags, with a view of suppressing the Traffic in Slaves," instead thereof.

Right of Search.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 223.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Hutt*, Mr. *Patrick O'Brien*: } 24.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 13° *die Julii*, 1858:

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

£. 11,050 for the Mixed Commissions established under Treaties with Foreign Powers for suppressing the Traffic in Slaves.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Government of New Caledonia Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Government of *New Caledonia* Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Ecclesiastical Commission Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act further to amend the Acts relating to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, and the Act concerning the Management of Episcopal and Capitular Estates in *England*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Ecclesiastical Commission Bill. Bill 205.

The Ecclesiastical Commission Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till this day.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 4 (Repeal of Acts).

Question again proposed, That the word "second" stand part of the Clause.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 5, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 6 (One Clerk may be appointed to several Districts).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 27: To leave out the words "Lord Lieutenant."

Question, That the words "Lord Lieutenant" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 7, disagreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 8 to N° 11, with an Amendment to one of them, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 12, disagreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 13 to N° 32, with Amendments to five of them, agreed to.

A Clause added.

Schedules A. and B. agreed to.

Schedule C. amended, and agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Legitimacy Declaration Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Superannuation Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Superannuation Law Amendment Bill;

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

Prince Edward Island Loan Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Prince Edward Island* Loan Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Tuesday the 27th day of this instant July.

Administration of Justice (Dublin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Administration of Justice (*Dublin*) Bill;

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

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Local Government Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Local Government Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Railway Cheap Trains, &c. Bill.

The Railway Cheap Trains, &c. Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Public Health Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Militia Ballots Suspension Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Militia Ballots Suspension Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Municipal Franchise Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Municipal Franchise Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill;

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

Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill;

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

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill;

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

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Law of Property Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Bankruptcy and Insolvency Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Bill;

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

Wills and Domicile of British Subjects Abroad, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Wills and Domicile of *British* Subjects Abroad, &c. Bill;

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

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill;

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

County, &c. Property Conveyance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the County, &c. Property Conveyance Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

New Writs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the New Writs Bill;

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

Corporal Punishment (Navy.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Corporal Punishment inflicted in the Navy, from the 1st day of January 1854 to the 31st day of December 1857, and whether by Court Martial or not.

False Weights and Measures (Westminster, &c.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Persons amerced for or convicted of using false Weights and Measures in the City of *Westminster* and County of *Middlesex*, for the year ending the 31st day of December 1857, specifying the extent of the inaccuracy in each case, and the amercement or penalty inflicted; also, whether any or what portion of such amercement or penalty has been paid to parties hearing Appeals, informing, or otherwise enforcing the Law under the Acts 29 *Geo.* 2, c. 25, 31 *Geo.* 2, c. 17, and 5 & 6 *Will.* 4, c. 63.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Ecclesiastical Courts.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Persons appointed to Offices or Employment under the Acts passed in the last Session for abolishing the Ecclesiastical Courts, and the Salaries or Emoluments thereof; distinguishing such of them as have claimed or are entitled, or but for such appointment would have been entitled, to Compensation.

Inclosure of Lands.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize the Inclosure of certain Lands, in pursuance of a Special Report of the Inclosure Commissioners of *England* and *Wales:* And that Mr.

Mr. *Hardy* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Army Service Bill. Bill 206.

General *Peel* presented a Bill to revive and continue an Act amending the Act for limiting the time of Service in the Army: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

Inclosure of Lands Bill. Bill 207.

Mr. *Hardy* presented a Bill to authorize the Inclosure of certain Lands, in pursuance of a Special Report of the Inclosure Commissioners of *England* and *Wales*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

Tribunals of Commerce, &c. No. 413.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Tribunals of Commerce, &c. have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Mr. *Ayrton* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Embassy House (Paris.) No. 414.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Correspondence and Reports, in reference to the Vote of £.19,269, now proposed for the Embassy House, *Paris*.

Mr. *Hamilton* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Bothnia. No. 406.

Ordered, That there be added to the Papers, "in reference to Losses incurred by *British* Subjects in consequence of the destruction of their Property by Her Majesty's Forces in the Gulf of *Bothnia* during the recent War with the Emperor of *Russia*," which were presented to this House on the 9th day of this instant July, "Copies of Reports from the Admiralty, dated the 7th day of June 1856, and of its Enclosures; and the 26th day of February 1858, as Memorials from Messieurs *Mathieson* and *Ritter* for compensation for Property belonging to them destroyed in the Gulf of *Bothnia* by Rear-Admiral *Plumridge*'s Squadron in 1854."

Mr. *Hamilton* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Colonization and Settlement (India) (Third Report.) No. 415.

Mr. *William Ewart* reported from the Select Committee on Colonization and Settlement (*India*); That they had taken further Evidence on the matters to them referred, and directed him to report the same to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Two of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 13° *die Julii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions (Forty-seventh Report.)

MR. *Charles Forster* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 8th and 9th days of this instant July; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Victoria* Station and *Pimlico* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to. Victoria Station and Pimlico Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Stearne's Charities Bill was read a second time; and committed. Stearne's Charities Bill.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Selection, that they have Power to appoint the Committee on the *Glasgow* College Estate Bill to meet any day not earlier than Seven clear days after the second reading of the Bill, on Three clear days' Notice being given of the meeting of the Committee. Glasgow College Estate Bill.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed for revising the Standing Orders:—And a Committee was appointed of Colonel *Wilson Patten*, Mr. *Henley*, Sir *James Graham*, Mr. *FitzRoy*, Mr. *Edward Pleydell Bouverie*, Sir *John Yarde Buller*, Mr. *Wrightson*, Sir *Robert Ferguson*, Mr. *Lockhart*, Mr. *Bonham-Carter*, Mr. *John Arthur Wynne*, Mr. *Deedes*, Mr. *Edward Egerton* and Mr. *Scholefield*; with Power to send for persons, papers and records. Standing Orders Revision.

Ordered, That Five be the quorum.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on *East India* (Railways) have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them. East India (Railways.) No. 416.

Mr. *Liddell* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Foreign Office Re-construction have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them. Foreign Office Re-construction. No. 417.

Mr. *Hope* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The House being informed, That the Lord Mayor of the City of *Dublin* attended at the door, he was called in; and at the Bar presented,—A Petition of the Right honourable the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of *Dublin*:—And then he withdrew. Police Force (Ireland) Bill.

And the said Petition, praying the House not to sanction the Police Force (*Ireland*) Bill, was read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. Public Petitions.

Vide Forty-eighth Report.

Colonel *Boldero* reported from the Select Committee on Contracts (Public Departments); That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House. Contracts (Public Departments) (Fourth Report.) No. 418.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased Mr. G. H. Ryland.

to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of all Papers and Correspondence, or Extracts of Correspondence, between the Imperial Government and Government of *Canada*, from the 1st day of June 1855, relative to the case of Mr. *George H. Ryland*, formerly Clerk of the Council in *Canada*, including Lord *John Russell's* Despatch of the 20th July 1855, together with Instructions issued to Chief Justice *Carter* to examine and report on the case, and his Report thereon, with accompanying Papers.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

East India (Education.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of all Correspondence on the subject of Education, between the Court of Directors and the Government of *India*, since the 19th day of July 1854, not already presented to Parliament, until the latest date at which such Correspondence is known in this Country.

Metropolitan Main Drainage. No. 419.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Report presented to the Metropolitan Board of Works by Messrs. *Hawksley*, *Bidder* and *Bazalgette*, 1858.

Lord *John Manners* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

County Rates (Ireland.) No. 420.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on County Rates (*Ireland*) have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Mr. *Miles* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

East India (Cabul and Affghanistan.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Correspondence of Sir *Alexander Burnes* with the Governor General of *India*, during his Mission to *Cabul* in the years 1837 and 1838, or such part thereof as has not already been published:——And, of the Correspondence of the Governor General of *India* with the President of the Board of Control, and with the Secret Committee of the *East India* Company, from the 1st day of September 1837 to the 1st day of October 1839, relative to the Expedition to *Affghanistan*, or of such part thereof as has not been already published.

Inclosure Commission.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Special Report of the Inclosure Commissioners to the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

Convict Prisons.

Copy of Reports of the Directors of Convict Prisons on the Discipline and Management of *Pentonville*, *Millbank* and *Parkhurst* Prisons, and of *Portland*, *Portsmouth*, *Dartmoor*, *Chatham* and *Brixton* Prisons, with *Fulham* Refuge, and the Invalid Prison at *Lewes*, for the year 1857.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Trade of Foreign Countries.

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Abstract (No. 6) of Reports on the Trade of various Countries and Places, for the years 1855, 1856, 1857, received by the Board of Trade (through the Foreign Office) from Her Majesty's Ministers and Consuls.

Railways.

Mr. *Henley* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 5th day of February last, for Returns relative to Railways.

Stevens' Regulating Air Doors.

Return to an Order, dated the 2d day of this instant July, for a Return relative to *Stevens'* Regulating Air Doors.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Inland Revenue.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 6th day of May last, for Returns relative to Inland Revenue.

Friendly Societies (Scotland.) No. 421.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Friendly Societies (*Scotland*), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant July, be printed.

Militia (Volunteers.) No. 422.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Militia (Volunteers), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant July, be printed.

Iron Ordnance Factory (Woolwich.) No. 423.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Iron Ordnance Factory (*Woolwich*), which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant July, be printed.

War Department. No. 424.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the War Department, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant July, be printed.

Army of the East. No. 425.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Army of the East, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant July, be printed.

Colonization and Settlement (India.)

The House proceeded to take into consideration that part of the Message from the Lords of the 2d day of this instant July, wherein their Lordships request, that this House will communicate to their Lordships, Copies of Reports from the Select Committee appointed by this House, in the present Session of Parliament, on Colonization and Settlement (*India*), together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the said Committee.

Ordered, That Printed Copies of the said Reports be communicated to the Lords, as desired by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do deliver the same.

Supply.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

National Gallery.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 16,474, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the National Gallery, including the Purchase of Pictures, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Magnetic Observations Abroad, &c.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,039, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Magnetic Observations Abroad, including the Superintendent's Establishment at *Woolwich*; also, for Observations and Services under the direction of the Astronomer Royal, and for Meteorological Observations at Sea, &c., to the 31st day of March 1859.

Royal Geographical Society.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 500, be granted to Her Majesty, to enable the Royal Geographical Society to provide Accommodation for their Meetings, &c., to the 31st day of March 1859.

Royal Society.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,000, be granted to Her Majesty, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, to enable the Royal Society to carry on certain Experiments for Public Objects.

Bermudas.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,050, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Charge of the Civil Establishment of the *Bermudas*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Ecclesiastical Establishment (British North America.)

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,878, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Ecclesiastical Establishment of the *British North American* Provinces, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Indian Department (Canada.)

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,388, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the *Indian* Department

Department in *Canada*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Governors and others (West Indies.)

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 24,728, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Salaries of the Governors, Lieutenant Governors, and others, in the *West Indies*, and certain other Colonies, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Stipendiary Justices (West Indies and Mauritius.)

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 20,550, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries, Allowances and Contingencies of the Stipendiary Justices in the *West India* Colonies and the *Mauritius*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Western Coast of Africa.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 10,230, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Charge of the Civil Establishments on the Western Coast of *Africa*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Saint Helena.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,262, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Charges connected with the Island of *Saint Helena*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Heligoland.

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 960, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of *Heligoland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Falkland Islands.

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,376, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Charge of the *Falkland* Islands, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Labuan.

14. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,021, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Charge of *Labuan*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Hong Kong.

15. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 10,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray certain Charges connected with the Colony of *Hong Kong*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Western Australia.

16. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,914, be granted to Her Majesty, to make good former Advances from the Treasury Chest to the Colony of Western *Australia*, to supply Deficiencies in the Colonial Resources.

Emigration.

17. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 12,828, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Emigration Board, and of the Emigration Officers at the different Ports of this Kingdom, also to defray certain Expenses connected with Emigration, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Captured Negroes and Liberated Africans.

18. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 11,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, to the 31st day of March 1859, Expenses incurred for the Support of Captured Negroes and Liberated *Africans*, and other Charges under the Acts for the Abolition of the Slave Trade.

Consular Establishments.

19. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 117,527, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Expense of the Consular Establishments Abroad, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Embassies and Missions Abroad.

20. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 20,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary for the Extraordinary Disbursements of Her Majesty's Embassies and Missions Abroad, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Superannuation Allowances, &c.

21. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 162,889, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Superannuation Allowances and Compensations to Persons formerly employed in the Public Service, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Toulonese and Corsican Emigrants, &c.

22. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,978, be granted to Her Majesty, to enable Her Majesty to grant Relief, to the 31st day of March 1859, to *Toulonese* and *Corsican* Emigrants, *Saint Domingo* Sufferers, *American* Loyalists, and others who have heretofore received Allowances from Her Majesty.

National Vaccine Establishment.

23. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the National Vaccine Establishment, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Refuge for the Destitute.

24. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 325, be granted to Her Majesty, towards the Support of the Refuge for the Destitute, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Polish Refugees, &c.

25. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,515, be granted to Her Majesty, for Payment of the Subsistence of the *Polish* Refugees, and Allowances to distressed Spaniards, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Miscellaneous Allowances.

26. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,281, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay, to the 31st day of March 1859, Miscellaneous Allowances formerly defrayed from the Civil List, the Hereditary Revenues, &c., and for which no permanent Provision has been made by Parliament.

Treasurers of Infirmaries (Ireland.)

27. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,717, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay, to the 31st day of March 1859, to the Treasurers of Public Infirmaries in *Ireland*, the Allowances granted under certain Acts of Parliament.

Westmoreland Lock Hospital (Dublin.)

28. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the *Westmoreland* Lock Hospital, *Dublin*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Rotunda Lying-in Hospital (Dublin.)

29. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 700, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of the Rotunda Lying-in Hospital, *Dublin*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Coombe Lying-in Hospital (Dublin.)

30. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 200, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of the *Coombe* Lying-in Hospital, *Dublin*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Hospitals of House of Industry (Dublin.)

31. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Hospitals of the House of Industry, *Dublin*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

House of Recovery and Fever Hospital (Dublin)

32. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,500, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of the House of Recovery and Fever Hospital, *Cork-street*, *Dublin*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Meath Hospital (Dublin.)

33. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 600, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of the *Meath* Hospital, *Dublin*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Saint Mark's Ophthalmic Hospital (Dublin.)

34. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 100, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of *Saint Mark's* Ophthalmic Hospital, *Dublin*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Doctor Steevens' Hospital (Dublin.)

35. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,300, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of Doctor *Steevens'* Hospital, *Dublin*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Superintendence of Hospitals (Dublin.)

36. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 285, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Board of Superintendence of Hospitals in *Dublin*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Charitable Allowances &c. (Ireland.)

37. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 9,341, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay, to the 31st day of March 1859, Charitable Allowances charged on the Concordatum Fund in *Ireland*, and other Allowances and Bounties formerly defrayed from Grants for the Lord Lieutenant's Household, Civil Contingencies, &c.

Non-conforming, &c. Ministers (Ireland.)

38. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 39,400, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of Non-conforming, Seceding and Protestant Dissenting Ministers in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Customs Department.

39. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 424,285, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Customs Department, which will come in course of payment during the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

Inland Revenue Department.

40. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 712,258, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Inland Revenue Department, which will come in course of payment during the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

Post-office Services.

41. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,026,031, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charges for Post-office Services,

Services, and the Collection of the Revenue, which will come in course of payment during the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

Superannuations, &c. (Revenue Departments.)

42. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 242,875, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge for Superannuations and Compensation Allowances, Pensions, and other Non-effective Charges, in the Departments of Customs, Inland Revenue, and Post-office, which will come in course of payment during the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

Mixed Commissions (Slave Trade.)

43. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 11,050, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay, to the 31st day of March 1859, the Salaries and Expenses of the Mixed Commissions established under the Treaties with Foreign Powers for suppressing the Traffic in Slaves.

The first Resolution being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, by leaving out "£. 16,474," and inserting "£. 16,174," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That "£. 16,474," stand part of the Resolution;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:* } 110.

Tellers for the Noes, { Lord *Elcho*, Mr. *Coningham:* } 128.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That "£. 16,174" be inserted instead thereof:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the said Resolution, so amended, was agreed to, as followeth:

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 16,174, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the National Gallery, including the Purchase of Pictures, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Then the subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Supply.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

Occasional Forms of Prayer.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "an humble Address be presented to Her "Majesty, praying that She will be graciously "pleased to take into Her Royal consideration the "Proclamation of the first year of Her Majesty's "reign, commanding that Forms of Prayer and "Service made for the 5th day of November, the 30th "day of January, and the 29th day of May, should "be annexed to the Book of Common Prayer of the "United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, to be "used yearly on the said days, with a view to the "discontinuance of those Forms of Prayer and "Service," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words "an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, "praying that She will be graciously pleased to "take into Her Royal consideration the Proclamation "of the first year of Her Majesty's reign, command-"ing that Forms of Prayer and Service made for "the 5th day of November, the 30th day of "January, and the 29th day of May, should be "annexed to the Book of Common Prayer of the "United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, to be "used yearly on the said days, with a view to the "discontinuance of those Forms of Prayer and "Service," be added instead thereof:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She will be graciously pleased to take into Her Royal consideration the Proclamation of the first year of Her Majesty's reign, commanding that Forms of Prayer and Service made for the 5th day of November, the 30th day of January, and the 29th day of May, should be annexed to the Book of Common Prayer of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, to be used yearly on the said days, with a view to the discontinuance of those Forms of Prayer and Service.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Supply.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into the Committee of Supply.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,568, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray a portion of the Expenses of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for *England*, to the 31st day of March 1859;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:* } 67.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Knatchbull-Hugessen*, Mr. *Hadfield:* } 61.

2. £. 16,340, for the Charity Commission for *England* and *Wales*.

3. £. 20,000, for the Incumbered Estates Commission, and for the proposed Court for Sale and Transfer of Land in *Ireland*.

4. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 11,402, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Salaries and Expenses of sundry temporary Commissions, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That the item of £. 1,861, for the Statute Law Commission, be omitted from the proposed Vote;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Locke King*, Mr. *M'Mahon:* } 52.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:* } 85.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

5. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 26,198, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Fees, Salaries, Expenses and Compensations, payable under the Provisions of the Patent Law Amendment Act, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the item in the proposed Vote of £. 8,500, for Fees payable to the Law Officers of the Crown in *England*, be reduced by the Sum of £. 4,000——put, and negatived.

Original Question again proposed;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the item in the proposed Vote of £. 5,126, for Patent Office, Salaries, &c., be reduced by the Sum of £. 2,000:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

6. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 13,822, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Fisheries in *Scotland*, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,160, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Fisheries in *Scotland*, to the 31st day of March 1859;

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The Committee divided.
Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *John Trelawny*, Mr. *White*: } 58.
Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 119.
Original Question put, and agreed to.

7. £. 2,000, for the Annuity to the Board of Manufactures in *Scotland*.

8. Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account of the Commissioners of Highland Roads and Bridges, to the 31st day of March 1859;

The Committee divided.
Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 118.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Charles Gilpin*: } 73.

9. £. 2,000, for Bounties on Slaves and Tonnage Bounties on Slave Vessels captured.

10. £. 900, for the Commission appointed to superintend the Publication of the Ancient Laws and Institutes of *Ireland*, and for the Publication of the Volumes of Laws and Institutes.

11. £. 9,000, for the Pay of the Process Servers in *Ireland*.

12. £. 58,900, for Pensions to Masters and Seamen of the Merchant Service, and to their Widows and Children.

13. £. 2,084, for the Office for the Registration of Joint Stock Companies.

14. £. 1,693, for the Registration of Designs Office.

15. £. 50,000, for Payments on account of the difference of Dues payable by *British* or Foreign Vessels under Treaties of Reciprocity.

16. £. 4,700, for Inspectors of Corn Returns.

17. £. 20,000, for Distressed *British* Seamen Abroad.

18. £. 3,600, for Quarantine Arrangements.

19. £. 17,850, for Remuneration to Revising Barristers in *England* and *Wales*.

20. £. 3,856, for the Constabulary Police at the Military Camps of *Aldershott* and *Shorncliffe*.

21. £. 3,000, for the Inspection of Burial Grounds in *England* and *Wales*.

22. £. 1,053, for certain Professors in the University of *Cambridge*.

23. £. 27,100, for certain Lighthouses Abroad.

24. £. 1,000, for Half Salary payable to the Officers lately employed in the Settlement of the *Orange River* Territory (*Cape of Good Hope*).

25. Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 20,000, be granted to Her Majesty, for promoting the Improvement of the Kafirs, and the Settlement and Government of *British Kaffraria*, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859;

The Committee divided.
Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 177.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Nicoll*, Sir *Denham Norreys*: } 30.

26. £. 29,940, for Expenses on account of the Treasury Chest.

27. £. 2,000, for the Gallery of Portraits of the most eminent Persons in *British* History.

28. £. 2,000, for the Inquiry into the Ravages of the Cholera in the *West Indies*.

29. Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,600, be granted to Her Majesty, for the Expense of adjusting and defining the Boundaries of Counties, Baronies and Parishes in *Ireland*, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859;

The Committee divided.
Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 118.
Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *Denham Norreys*, Mr. *Macarthy*: } 91.

30. £. 3,100, for collecting Agricultural and Emigration Statistics in *Ireland*.

31. £. 6,318, for the Purchase of certain Lands and Buildings adjacent to the New Public Offices at *Belfast*.

32. £. 15,000, for Purchase of certain Ground and Houses as a site for a New Court or Courts of Law and Offices in *Dublin*.

33. £. 5,000, for a National Gallery for Paintings, Sculpture and the Fine Arts, and for the reception of Archbishop *Marsh*'s Public Library in *Dublin*.

34. £. 1,000, for Fittings for the New Museum and Library of the Royal *Dublin* Society.

35. £. 10,000, for the Industrial Museum at *Edinburgh*.

36. £. 2,033, for Fittings for the Rooms in the Royal Institution, *Edinburgh*, appropriated as an Antiquarian Museum.

37. £. 7,500, for Public Offices in connexion with Her Majesty's General Register House, *Edinburgh*.

38. £. 200, for additional Iron Presses, for the General Repository for Public Records.

39. £. 6,000, for completing the Stylobate, &c. of the *Nelson* Column in *Trafalgar-square*.

Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report these Resolutions to the House ——put, and negatived.

40. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 8,836, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, Expenses in Payments to Engineers, and other Charges incurred in the Examination of a Plan and Estimate for the Main Drainage of *London*;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, Expenses in Payments to Engineers, and other Charges incurred in the Examination of a Plan and Estimate for the Main Drainage of *London*:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurii, 14° *die Julii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Athenry and Tuam Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Athenry* and *Tuam* Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire*, and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill, without any Amendment:

Cleveland Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Cleveland* Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Stockton and Darlington Railway (Durham Lines) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway (*Durham* Lines) Bill, without any Amendment:

Stockton and Darlington Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill, without any Amendment:

Stockton and Darlington, Wear Valley, &c. Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Stockton* and *Darlington, Wear* Valley, &c. Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill, without any Amendment:

Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Oxford, Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Crystal Palace District Gas Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Crystal Palace District Gas Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Windsor New Road Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Windsor* New Road Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Devon Valley Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Devon* Valley Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Oaths Bill.

The Lords insist on the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Oaths Bill, to which the Commons have disagreed, for which they assign Reasons:

Jews' Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for the Relief of Her Majesty's Subjects professing the Jewish Religion; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Davidson's Estate Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for authorizing the Trustees of the late *James Davidson*, of *Ruchill*, to sell part of his Lands of *Ruchill, Garrioch* and *Balgray*, in the County of *Lanark*, and to re-invest the Prices of such Lands, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Government of New Caledonia Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Government of *New Caledonia* Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

Detached Parts of Counties Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Detached Parts of Counties Bill;

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

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 12th day of this instant July, That the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Poor Removal Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Poor Removal Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Pauper Lunatics Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Pauper Lunatics Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Local Government Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Local Government Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Proceedings, Contracts, &c. under repealed Act may be proceeded with), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Powers of section 114 of "The Public Health Act, 1848," for appointment of Receiver, may be exercised in event of failure to elect a Local Board), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Course of proceeding in event of failure to elect a Local Board), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (When houses taken down, Local Board may prescribe line in which same shall be built), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Public Health Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Militia Ballots Suspension Bill.

The Militia Ballots Suspension Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Rateable Property (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Rateable Property (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Police Force (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant July, That the Police Force (*Ireland*) Bill be committed;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Thursday next.

Sheep, &c. Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill.

The Sheep, &c. Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Continuance Bill.

The Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

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Charitable Trusts Acts Continuance Bill.

The Charitable Trusts Acts Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill.

The Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, &c. Bill.

The Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, &c. Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Indemnity Bill.

The Indemnity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Army Service Bill.

The Army Service Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Inclosure of Lands Bill.

The Inclosure of Lands Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Protection of Female Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Protection of Female Children Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

County, &c. Property Conveyance Bill. Bill 209.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the County, &c. Property Conveyance Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and amended the Title, as followeth:

County Property Conveyance Bill.

A Bill to provide for the Conveyance of County Property to the Clerk of the Peace or Treasurer of the County.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Friday next; and be printed.

New Writs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the New Writs Bill;

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

British Museum.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Report of the Keeper of the Department of Antiquities to the Trustees of the *British* Museum, respecting the want of accommodation for that Department, dated the 7th day of July 1858.

Slave Trade.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Slaves captured in each year since the 1st day of January 1847, and for which a Sum has been paid as Bounty to Captors from the Public Revenue; stating the Number of those Slaves landed alive, and how the same were disposed of (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 116, of Session 1848).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Bray's Traction Engine.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report to the War Department respecting the applicability of *Bray*'s improved Traction Engine relative to the Transport or Conveyance of heavy Artillery.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Returns to Secretary of State.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal certain Enactments requiring Returns to be made to one of the Secretaries of State: And that Mr. *Hardy* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Turnpike Acts Continuance.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue certain Turnpike Acts in *Great Britain*: And that Mr. *Hardy* and Mr. Secretary *Walpole* do prepare, and bring it in.

Foreign Shipping.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Sums under the Act 59 *Geo.* 3, c. 54, and subsequent Orders of the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, in the year 1857, for the difference of Rates and Charges due to Corporations, Companies or Individuals for Foreign Vessels which, under Treaties of Reciprocity or otherwise, are admitted into the Ports of the United Kingdom at the same Rates of Charge as *British* Vessels, specifying each of the several Rates; on what account the same were paid, whether for Light Dues, Dock Dues, Dues on Ships or Merchandize, Pilotage, or otherwise; also the Total Amount (under the Reciprocity Treaties) paid to such Corporations, Companies or Individuals, up to the 31st day of December 1857 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 70, of Session 2, 1857).

Jews' Bill. Bill 210.

The Jews' Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Oaths Bill. Bill 211.

Ordered, That the Reasons assigned by the Lords for insisting on the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Oaths Bill, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill. Bill 208.

Lord *Naas* reported from the Select Committee on the Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

Returns to Secretary of State Bill. Bill 212.

Mr. *Hardy* presented a Bill to repeal certain Enactments requiring Returns to be made to one of the Secretaries of State: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Turnpike Acts Continuance Bill. Bill 213.

Mr. *Hardy* presented a Bill to continue certain Turnpike Acts in *Great Britain*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

General Board of Health. No. 162—VII. 1.

Mr. *Adderley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted to defray the Expenses of the General Board of Health for the year 1858, down to 1st September, and of the Service in lieu of that now rendered by that Board, from 1st September 1858 to 31st March 1859.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Davidson's Estate Bill.

Davidson's Estate Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Two of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Mercurii, 14° *die Julii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Stade Tolls. No. 429.

ORDERED, That the Select Committee on the Stade Tolls have Power to report their Opinion thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Mr. *Henley* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and come to several Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix; and the Resolutions of the Committee were read, as follow:

1. That the foundation of the claim of *Hanover* to levy the Stade Toll was a Treaty with *Denmark* in 1719 A.D., by which, whatever right to levy such Toll *Denmark* possessed, was transferred to the Elector of *Hanover*.

2. That the proportion of Stade Toll to freight in *British* ships from *Hull* to *Hamburg* is, at the present time, on a bale of spun silk, 115 *per cent.*; on a bale of cotton goods, 142 *per cent.*; and on a bale of woollen yarn, 26 *per cent.* That the average annual amount of Stade Tolls levied on cargoes, under the *British* flag, has risen from £. 3. 10 *s.* *per* 100 tons *British* in 1847, to £. 4. 6 *s.* 4 *d.* in 1855.

3. That the increase on *British* tonnage entering the port of *Hamburg* has been 102 *per cent.* since 1849, while the increase on *Hamburg* tonnage has been 248 *per cent.* since 1849; and the foreign tonnage, exclusive of *British* and *Hamburg*, entering the port of *Hamburg*, has, during the same period, increased 99 *per cent.*

4. That the Stade Toll is injurious to the Trade and Shipping of the United Kingdom.

5. That the Tax is specially prejudicial to the part of our produce and trade which has to compete in Foreign Markets with similar articles not subject to the Tax, and this is felt sensibly in the Coal Trade, and particularly in the Export of the less valuable descriptions of Coal.

6. That goods, the property of *Hamburg* Citizens, and carried in *Hamburg* ships, are exempt from the Stade Toll, and *British* ships are thereby exposed to an unfair competition.

7. That the general trade to *Hamburg*, notwithstanding the discouragement occasioned by the Tax, has more than doubled within the last Ten years.

8. That the trade to *Hamburg*, which is free from Stade Toll, has risen in a still more striking ratio; that of *Bremen*, the *Elsfleth* Toll on the *Weser* having ceased, and that of *Stettin* (the Sound Dues having been abolished), have also increased in a very large proportion.

9. That the Stade Toll differs from the Sound Dues, inasmuch as the Sound Dues were a Tax charged not only upon articles of Export, but also on articles of general use imported into the United Kingdom; but the Stade Toll is levied on Exports from and not on Imports into the United Kingdom.

10. That it does not appear that any service whatever is rendered by *Hanover*, in return for the Tax levied upon the commerce of *Great Britain*.

11. That if the Treaty of 1844, by which the United Kingdom is bound for a limited period to assent to the payment of the Stade Toll, were determined by notice pursuant to the terms thereof, but little injury or inconvenience would arise to the trade of this Country.

12. That it is expedient that notice should be given to terminate the Treaty of 1844 with *Hanover*.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Hove Improvement Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Hove* Improvement Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Stearne's Charities Bill.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Selection, That they have Power to appoint the Committee on *Stearne*'s Charities Bill to meet on any day not earlier than Seven clear days after the second reading of the Bill, provided that Three clear days' notice be given of the meeting of such Committee.

Davidson's Estate Bill.

Ordered, That in the case of *Davidson*'s Estate Bill, the Examiner of Petitions for Private Bills have leave to sit and proceed forthwith.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Forty-eighth Report.

Davidson's Estate Bill.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of *Davidson*'s Estate Bill, no Standing Orders are applicable.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

Bankrupts' Certificates.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Applications for Bankrupts' Certificates heard before each Commissioner, during each of the last Five years, until the 5th day of July 1858, showing the Number granted (distinguishing the Classes), the Number suspended, and the Number refused; also the Number of Bankrupts' Examinations adjourned *sine die* in each year.

Mr. Commissioner _____

Year.	Certificates heard.	Granted.			Suspended.	Refused.
		1st Class.	2d Class.	3d Class.		

Leave of Absence.

Ordered, That Mr. *Mackie* have leave of absence for ten days, on account of a domestic affliction.

Dublin Metropolitan Police. No. 430.

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Return relative to the *Dublin* Metropolitan Police, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant July, be printed.

Railways. No. 431.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Railways, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant July, be printed.

Stevens' Regulating Air Doors. No. 432.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Stevens*' Regulating Air Doors, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant July, be printed.

Inland Revenue. No. 433

Ordered, That the Return relative to Inland Revenue, which was presented upon the 13th day of this instant July, be printed.

Medical Profession and Medical Corporations Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Medical Profession and Medical Corporations Bill;

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

Reformatory Schools (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Reformatory Schools (*Ireland*) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, N° 7 (Juvenile offenders, how to be dealt with).

Another

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 42: To leave out from the word "offender" to the word "previous," in p. 4, l. 7, in order to insert the words "or to such Reformatory as the parents or "guardians of such offender shall select, with the "sanction and permission of the judge or justices "before whom such offender shall have been con- "victed first had and obtained for that purpose: "Provided also, that the."

Question put, That the words "and in all cases "in which the religion" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *John FitzGerald*, Mr. *Bagwell:* } 42.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Grogan*, Mr. *Vance:* } 15.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 4, l. 11: To leave out from the word "School" to the end of the Clause.

Question, That the words "Provided always, "that whenever any order shall" stand part of the Clause——put, and agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 8 to N° 16, with an Amendment to one of them, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 17 (Provisions in case of default in payment by parents).

Amendment proposed, in p. 8, l. 30: To leave out the words "House of Correction or Common "Gaol" in order to insert the words "Debtors' "Prison."

Question put, That the words "House of Correc- "tion or Common Gaol" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Bagwell*, Mr. *John FitzGerald:* } 94.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Blake*, Mr. *Maguire:* } 1.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to:

CLAUSES, N° 18 to N° 21, agreed to.

Clause (That it shall be lawful for the parents, guardians or other persons interested in any such young person so detained in any Reformatory School as aforesaid, to tender to the Judge or Court by whom such detention shall have been directed, at any time during such detention, security for the good behaviour of such young person; such security to be for a sum not less than One pound and not more than Five pounds, and for any period not exceeding Twelve calendar months; and the said Judge or Court shall decide upon the amount of such security, and shall accept the same if it shall appear good and sufficient, and shall thereupon direct the discharge of such young person from such Reformatory School)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time——put, and negatived.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Supply.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Ecclesiastical Commission.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,568, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray a portion of the Expenses of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for *England*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Charity Commission.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 16,340, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Salaries and Expenses of the Charity Commission for *England* and *Wales*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Incumbered Estates Commission, &c.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 20,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Salaries and Expenses of the Incumbered Estates Commission, and of the proposed Court for Sale and Transfer of Land in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Temporary Commissions.

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 11,402, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Salaries and Expenses of sundry temporary Commissions, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Patent Law Amendment Act.

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 26,198, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Fees, Salaries, Expenses and Compensations payable under the Provisions of the Patent Law Amendment Act, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Board of Fisheries (Scotland.)

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 13,822, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Board of Fisheries in *Scotland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Board of Manufactures (Scotland.)

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, to the 31st day of March 1859, the Charge on account of the Annuity to the Board of Manufactures in *Scotland*, in discharge of Equivalents under the Treaty of Union.

Highland Roads and Bridges.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,000, be granted to Her Majesty, on account of the Commissioners of Highland Roads and Bridges, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Bounties on Slaves, &c.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Bounties on Slaves and the Tonnage Bounties on Slave Vessels captured, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Ancient Laws and Institutes of Ireland.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 900, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Commission appointed to superintend the Publication of the Ancient Laws and Institutes of *Ireland*, and for the Publication of the Volumes of Laws and Institutes, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Process Servers (Ireland.)

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 9,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Pay of the Process Servers in *Ireland*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Pensions, &c. (Merchant Service.)

12. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 58,900, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Pensions to Masters and Seamen of the Merchant Service, and to their Widows and Children, under the Merchant Seamen's Fund Act, and for Compensation to the late Officers of the Trustees of the Merchant Seamen's Fund, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Registration of Joint Stock Companies.

13. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,084, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Office for the Registration of Joint Stock Companies, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Registration of Designs.

14. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,693, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Salaries and Expenses in the Registration of Designs Office, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Payments under Treaties of Reciprocity.

15. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 50,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for Payments on account of the difference of Dues payable by *British* or Foreign Vessels under Treaties of Reciprocity, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Corn Returns.

16. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 4,700, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries of Inspectors of Corn Returns, and the Expenses defrayed by Counties for Corn Returns, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Distressed British Seamen Abroad.

17. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 20,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, the Charges on account of Distressed *British* Seamen Abroad.

Quarantine Arrangements.

18. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,600, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Expenses connected with Quarantine Arrangements, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Revising Barristers.

19. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 17,850, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Remuneration to Revising Barristers in *England* and *Wales*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Constabulary Police (Aldershott and Shorncliffe)

20. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,856, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge for the Constabulary Police at the Military Camps of *Aldershott* and *Shorncliffe*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Inspection of Burial-grounds.

21. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Inspection of Burial-grounds in *England* and *Wales*, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Professors (Cambridge University.)

22. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,053, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, the Charge for the Salaries of certain Professors in the University of *Cambridge*.

Lighthouses Abroad.

23. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 27,100, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, the Expense of erecting and maintaining certain Lighthouses Abroad.

Settlement of Orange River Territory.

24. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, the Charge for Half Salary payable to the Officers lately employed in the Settlement of the *Orange River* Territory (*Cape of Good Hope*).

Improvement of the Kafirs, &c.

25. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 20,000, be granted to Her Majesty, for promoting the Improvement of the Kafirs, and the Settlement and Government of *British Kaffraria*, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

Treasury Chest.

26. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 29,940, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Expenses on account of the Treasury Chest, to the 31st day of March 1859.

National Portrait Gallery.

27. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,000, be granted to Her Majesty, towards the Formation, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, of the Gallery of Portraits of the most Eminent Persons in *British* History.

Cholera in the West Indies.

28. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, the Expenses connected with the Inquiry into the Ravages of the Cholera in the *West Indies*.

Boundaries of Counties, &c. (Ireland.)

29. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,600, be granted to Her Majesty, for the Expense of adjusting and defining the Boundaries of Counties, Baronies and Parishes in *Ireland*, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

Agricultural and Emigration Statistics (Ireland.)

30. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,100, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, the Cost of collecting Agricultural and Emigration Statistics in *Ireland*.

New Public Offices (Belfast.)

31. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,318, be granted to Her Majesty, for the purpose of repaying, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, to Civil Contingencies the Monies advanced for the Purchase of certain Lands and Buildings adjacent to the New Public Offices at *Belfast*.

Four Courts (Dublin.)

32. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 15,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to enable the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland*, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, to purchase certain Ground and Houses required as a site for a New Court or Courts of Law and Offices in extension of the Four Courts, *Dublin*.

National Gallery (Dublin.)

33. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,000, be granted to Her Majesty, towards the erection and completion, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, of a National Gallery for Paintings, Sculpture and the Fine Arts, and for the reception of Archbishop *Marsh*'s Public Library, in *Dublin*.

Royal Dublin Society.

34. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,000, be granted to Her Majesty, towards providing Fittings for the New Museum and Library of the Royal *Dublin* Society, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

Industrial Museum (Edinburgh.)

35. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 10,000, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of the Erection of the Industrial Museum at *Edinburgh*, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

Royal Institution (Edinburgh.)

36. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 2,033, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, the Cost of Cases and Fittings required for the Rooms in the Royal Institution, *Edinburgh*, appropriated as an Antiquarian Museum.

General Register House (Edinburgh.)

37. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 7,500, be granted to Her Majesty, towards the Erection, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, of a New Building, to contain additional Accommodation for Public Offices in connexion with Her Majesty's General Register House, *Edinburgh*.

Repository for Public Records.

38. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 200, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, the Expense of additional Iron Presses, for the General Repository for Public Records.

Nelson Column (Trafalgar-square.)

39. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, the Expense of completing the Stylobate, &c. of the *Nelson* Column in *Trafalgar-square*.

Main Drainage of London.

40. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 8,836, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, Expenses in Payments to Engineers, and other Charges incurred in the Examination of a Plan and Estimate for the Main Drainage of *London*.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 111,429, for a New Bridge at *Westminster*.

2. £. 1,500, for the Embankment Wall in *Thames-street*, &c., *Windsor*.

3. £. 70,000, for Premises in Doctors' Commons for the Court of Probate.

4. Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding £. 19,296, be granted to Her Majesty, for the Repairs and Restoration of the *British* Embassy House at *Paris*, and for additional Fittings and Furniture, to the 31st day of March 1859;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*:	113.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *James White*, Mr. *Cox*:	51.

5. £. 13,000, for the New Consular Offices, &c., at *Constantinople*.

6. £. 1,092, for Old Gun Metal to be employed in the construction of a Statue of the late Sir *Henry Havelock*, and of a Monument at *Woolwich* to the Officers and Men of the Royal Artillery who fell during the late War with *Russia*.

7. £. 3,000, towards reimbursing Losses sustained by Major General *Chesney*, in connexion with his "History of the *Euphrates* Expedition."

8. £. 5,000, for Improvements at *Newhaven* Harbour (*Sussex*).

9. £. 1,500, for an Expedition for exploring *British North America*.

10. £. 6,479, for the General Board of Health.

11. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum,

a Sum, not exceeding £. 50,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Civil Contingencies, to the 31st day of March 1859;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the item of £. 2,337. 10*s*. for Services rendered to the Statute Law Commissioners be omitted from the proposed Vote——put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Local Government Bill. The Local Government Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Militia Estimates. No. 428. General *Peel* reported from the Select Committee on Militia Estimates; That they had prepared the said Estimates, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

And a Motion being made, That the Report be referred to the Committee of Supply;

General *Peel*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Army. No. 427. General *Peel* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Supplementary Army Estimate, 1858-59: Surveys of the United Kingdom, &c.

Army. No. 426. Supplementary Army Estimate, 1858-59: Vote 14. Barracks.

Ordered, That the said Estimates be referred to the Committee of Supply; and be printed.

Hong Kong. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies or Extracts of Correspondence between the Colonial Department and the Governor of *Hong Kong*, and between the Colonial Department and the Foreign Office, on the subject of Emigration from *Hong Kong*, and from the *Chinese* Empire to the *British West Indies*, and to Foreign Countries and their Possessions, since the 1st day of January 1853.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Sale of Poisons, &c. Bill. The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Sale of Poisons, &c. Bill, was read, and discharged.

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

Ecclesiastical Courts. The Order made upon the 12th day of this instant July, That there be laid before this House, a Return relative to Ecclesiastical Courts, was read, and discharged.

Ecclesiastical Courts. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of all Persons appointed to Offices or Employment under the Acts passed in the last Session for abolishing the Ecclesiastical Courts, and the Salaries or Emoluments thereof; distinguishing such of them as have claimed or are entitled, or but for such appointment would have been entitled, to Compensation.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

British Museum. The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to the *British* Museum.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 15° *die Julii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Earl Fife's Estate Bill. EARL *Fife*'s Estate Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Holroyd's Estate Bill. *Holroyd*'s Estate Bill was read the third time; and a verbal Amendment was made to the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendment, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Sir Benjamin Hall's Estate Bill. Sir *Benjamin Hall*'s Estate Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Davidson's Estate Bill. *Ordered*, That in the case of *Davidson*'s Estate Bill, Standing Order 203 be suspended; and that the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Public Petitions. Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, and Forty-ninth Report.

East India (Revenues, &c.) No. 201. The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Further Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of April last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Revenues, &c.)

Shoreham Harbour. The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Report of the Commissioners acting under and by virtue of an Act of Parliament passed in the 56th year of the reign of his Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled, "An Act for the more effectual Security and Improvement of the Harbour of *New Shoreham*, in the County of *Sussex*."

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Revenues, &c.) be printed.

British Museum. No. 434. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to the *British* Museum, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant July, be printed.

Supply. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. £. 432,990, for the Disembodied Militia.
2. £. 133,000, for Barracks.

£. 65,000,

3. £. 65,000, to complete the Sum for the Survey of the United Kingdom.

4. £. 1,000, in addition to £. 14,118 already granted, for the General Register House, *Edinburgh*.

5. £. 20,000, for a Monument to the late Duke of *Wellington*.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved into a Committee on the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

Clause, N° 1 (As to travelling expenses of Voters).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 15: After the word "shall" to insert the word "not."

Question put, That the word "not" be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Griffith*, Mr. *Greer*:	70.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*:	165.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 15: After the word "lawful" to insert the words "in "elections of knights of the shire, but it shall not "be lawful in elections of burgesses."

Question, That those words be there inserted—— put, and negatived.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 15: To leave out from the word "to" to the end of the Clause, in order to insert the words "provide con-"veyance for any voter for the purpose of an "election, but it shall not be lawful to pay any "money or give any valuable consideration to a "voter for or in respect of his travelling expenses "for such purpose."

Question proposed, That the word "pay" stand part of the Clause.

And it being ten minutes before Four o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Public Health Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Law of False Pretences Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Law of False Pretences Amendment Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Ship "Resolute," &c.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 21st day of May last, for a Return relative to the Ship "*Resolute*," &c.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Debtors and Creditors Bill. Bill 214.

Mr. *Headlam* presented a Bill to authorize and carry into execution the voluntary Assignments of Debtors for the benefit of their Creditors: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 29th day of this instant July; and to be printed.

Judicial Statistics.

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—A Paper, intituled, "Judicial Statistics: Part I. *England* and *Wales*. Police—Criminal Proceedings—Prisons; being Returns for the year 1857, compiled by order of Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department. Comprising 1. Police and Constabulary.—Statements of the Police Establishments and Expenses, and of the Number of Offences committed, and Offenders apprehended: Also, Statements of the Number of Inquests held by Coroners. 2. Criminal Proceedings.—Number of Persons committed for Trial at the Assizes and Sessions, with the Result of the Proceedings, and the Costs of Prosecution. 3. Prisons.—State of the Prisons, Number of Prisoners, Establishments, and Expenses, with Returns of Reformatory Schools and Criminal Lunatics.—And Part II. *England* and *Wales*. Common Law—Equity—Civil and Canon Law; being Preliminary Report for the year 1857, with Copies of the Forms of Return adopted, prepared by order of Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department."

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

School of Mines (Jermyn-street.

Mr. *Adderley* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of June last, for Returns relative to the School of Mines (*Jermyn-street*).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Land Transport Corps.

General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 1st day of this instant July, for a Return relative to the Land Transport Corps.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Orders of the Day.

Ordered, That the Orders of the day be now read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the said Orders be postponed till after the Notice of Motion for leave to bring in a Bill relative to the Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment.

Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Metropolis Local Management Act (1855), and to extend the Powers of the Metropolitan Board of Works for the Purification of the *Thames* and the Main Drainage of the Metropolis: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Lord *John Manners* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Cornwall Submarine Mines Bill.

The *Cornwall* Submarine Mines Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause, N° 1, l. 13.

Question again proposed, That the words "or "*Ireland*" be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses, N° 2 to N° 7, agreed to.

Clause, N° 8 (Person domiciled in *Scotland* may insist, on an Action of Declarator, that he is entitled to be deemed a natural-born subject).

Question

Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: 137.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Edward Henry Craufurd*, Mr. *Kinnaird*: 31.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *Edward Henry Craufurd*, Mr. *Ewing*: 14.

Tellers for the Noes, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: 148.

CLAUSE, N° 9, disagreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 10, agreed to.

Clause (This Act shall not extend to *Scotland*, except as herein provided)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time: — Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Funded Debt Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Funded Debt Bill, without any Amendment:

Dublin and Meath Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Dublin* and *Meath* Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

North British Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the North *British* Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill, without any Amendment:

Nisi Prius Court, &c. (Ireland) Bill (*changed from* Nisi Prius Court (Ireland.)

The Lords have agreed to the Nisi Prius Court, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment (1856) Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend and extend the Settled Estates Act of 1856; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Ray's Estate Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for authorizing Mining, Building and other Leases, the obtaining of the Enfranchisement of Copyholds, and the Renewal of Leases, and the making of Partitions, Sales and Exchanges of the Estates devised and bequeathed by the Will of *Henry Belward Ray*, Esquire, deceased, and for other purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant July, That the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day month."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 16° *die Julii*, 1858:

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: 97.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Cogan*, Mr. *Roebuck*: 62.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day, at Twelve of the clock.

Detached Parts of Counties Bill.

The Detached Parts of Counties Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Police Force (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant July, That the Police Force (*Ireland*) Bill be committed;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Superannuation Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Superannuation Law Amendment Bill;

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

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Supply.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Westminster Bridge.

1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 111,429, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of erecting a New Bridge at *Westminster*, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

Windsor Improvements.

2. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,500, be granted to Her Majesty, towards completing, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, the Embankment Wall in *Thames-street*, for removing the dilapidated Hundred Steps, and forming a New Approach to the North Terrace, *Windsor* Castle, from *Thames-street*.

Court of Probate, &c.

3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 70,000, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, the Expense of acquiring suitable Premises in Doctors' Commons for the Court of Probate, the Principal Registry of the Court of Probate, Court of Admiralty, Registry of the Court of Admiralty, Court of Arches and Offices, and for Fittings, &c.

British Embassy House (Paris.)

4. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 19,296, be granted to Her Majesty, for the Repairs and Restoration of the *British* Embassy House at *Paris*, and for additional Fittings and Furniture, to the 31st day of March 1859.

New Consular Offices, &c. (Constantinople.)

5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 13,000, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, the Expense of enlarging and completing the New Consular Offices, the *British* Seamen's Hospital, with Surgeon's House, &c., and the Prison, at *Constantinople*.

Statue of Sir Henry Havelock, &c.

6. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,092, be granted to Her Majesty, for the Purchase, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, of Old Gun Metal to be employed in the construction of a Statue of the late Sir *Henry Havelock*, and of a Monument to be erected at *Woolwich* to the memory of Officers and Men of the Royal Artillery who fell during the late War with *Russia*.

History of the Euphrates Expedition.

7. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 3,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to enable Her Majesty to contribute, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, towards reimbursing the Losses sustained by Major

General *Chesney*, in connexion with the Printing and Publication of the First Two Volumes of his History of the *Euphrates* Expedition, and for his Labour in preparing Material for the completion of the Work.

Newhaven Harbour.

8. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 5,000, be granted to Her Majesty, in aid of the Improvements to be carried out by the Trustees of *Newhaven* Harbour (*Sussex*), in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

British North America.

9. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 1,500, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859, the cost of an Expedition, for the purpose of exploring the Region of *British North America*, which lies along the Parallels of 49° and 53° North Latitude, and from 100° to 115° West Longitude.

General Board of Health.

10. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 6,479, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the General Board of Health, to the 31st day of March 1859.

Civil Contingencies.

11. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 50,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of Civil Contingencies, to the 31st day of March 1859.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Administration of Justice (Dublin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Administration of Justice (*Dublin*) Bill;

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

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Railway Cheap Trains, &c. Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Railway Cheap Trains, &c. Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Government of New Caledonia Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Government of *New Caledonia* Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Rateable Property (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Rateable Property (*Ireland*) Bill;

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

Sheep, &c. Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill, Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction

The Orders of the day being read, for the Committees on the Sheep, &c. Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill, the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Continuance Bill, the Charitable Trusts Acts Continuance Bill, the Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill, the Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, &c. Bill, the Indemnity Bill, and the Army Service Bill;

Continuance Bill, Charitable Trusts Acts Continuance Bill, Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill, Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, &c. Bill, Indemnity Bill, and Army Service Bill.

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to the same Committee.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee on the Charitable Trusts Acts Continuance Bill.)

Preamble postponed.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do leave the Chair:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, N° 1, agreed to.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Sheep, &c. Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Sheep, &c. Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Continuance Bill, Charitable Trusts Acts Continuance Bill, Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill, Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, &c. Bill, Indemnity Bill, and Army Service Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also reported, That the Committee had gone through the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Continuance Bill, the Charitable Trusts Acts Continuance Bill, the Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill, the Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, &c. Bill, the Indemnity Bill, and the Army Service Bill; and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bills be read the third time this day.

Returns to Secretary of State Bill.

The Returns to Secretary of State Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Turnpike Acts Continuance Bill.

The Turnpike Acts Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Chinese Passenger Act (1855) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Chinese* Passenger Act (1855) Amendment Bill;

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

County Court Districts Bill.

The County Court Districts Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Ecclesiastical Commission Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Ecclesiastical Commission Bill;

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

Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill;

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

Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill;

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

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill;

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

The

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Law of Property Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill.

The Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Church Rates Commutation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Church Rates Commutation Bill;

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

Bankruptcy and Insolvency Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Bill;

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

Wills and Domicile of British Subjects Abroad, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Wills and Domicile of *British* Subjects Abroad, &c. Bill;

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

New Writs Bill.

The New Writs Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day, at Twelve of the clock.

Reformatory Schools (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Reformatory Schools (*Ireland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by adding, at the end of Clause 3, the words "Provided always, that it shall not be lawful for "such Grand Jury, or for such Town Council as "aforesaid, to present any sum of money to be "raised off such County or Borough respectively "in aid of the maintenance of such offenders sentenced to or detained in any Reformatory School, "of which the direction and management shall "be exclusively under the control or in the hands "of Jesuits and members of other religious orders, "communities or societies of the Church of *Rome*, "other than religious orders, communities or establishments of females, bound by monastic or religious vows, unless such Jesuits or other persons "shall have delivered to the Clerk of the Peace or "to his deputy of the county or place where he or "they shall reside the notice or statement required "by the Act passed in the tenth year of the reign "of his Majesty *George* the Fourth, chapter "seven."

And the Question being put, That those words be there added:—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Public Health Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Pilotage Certificates.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Masters and Mates of Steam and other Vessels, who, having applied to the Trinity Corporation of *London* to be examined as to their competency to take their vessels in and out of the Port under the Jurisdiction of the said Corporation, have obtained Pilotage Certificates in accordance with the Provisions of the Merchants' Shipping Act of 1854:——Similar Return for the Port of *Liverpool*:——And, similar Return for the Port of *Dublin*.

East India (Captain Robert Frith.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Correspondence between General *Palmer*, while resident at *Lucknow*, and the Government of *India*, and of all other Papers not already given to Parliament, relative to the Claim of the late Captain *Robert Frith* on the Government of *Oude*.

Evidence on Oath (Private Bill Committees.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Committees of the House of Commons on Private Bills to take Evidence upon Oath: And that Colonel *Wilson Patten* and Mr. *Henley* do prepare, and bring it in.

Wine, &c. (Ireland) Bill. Bill 215.

Lord *Naas* presented a Bill to amend the Laws relating to the Sale of Wine, Spirits, Beer and Cider by retail in *Ireland*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill. Bill 216.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented a Bill to alter and amend the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855, and to extend the Powers of the Metropolitan Board of Works for the Purification of the *Thames* and the Main Drainage of the Metropolis: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Evidence on Oath (Private Bill Committees) Bill. Bill 217.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* presented a Bill to enable Committees of the House of Commons on Private Bills to take Evidence upon Oath: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) [Fines, &c.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of placing the Fund arising from the Collection of Fines, Amerciaments and Forfeited Recognizances in *Ireland*, and all accumulations thereof, at the disposal of the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*, for the several purposes of any Act of the present Session relating to the Office of Clerk of Petty Sessions in *Ireland*;

Mr. Secretary *Walpole*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment [Guarantee of Repayment of Money.]

A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of guaranteeing the Repayment of any Money that may be borrowed under the Provisions of any Act of the present Session for the purpose of the Main Drainage of the Metropolis;

Mr. Secretary *Walpole*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the subject-matter of this Motion, recommends it to the consideration of the House.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Two of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 16° *die Julii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Devon Valley Railway Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Devon* Valley Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Oxford, Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Windsor New Road Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Windsor* New Road Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Davidson's Estate Bill.

Davidson's Estate Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Standing Orders Revision.

Ordered, That Mr. *John Arthur Wynne* be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Standing Orders Revision.

Ordered, That Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt* and Mr. *Robert Palmer* be added to the Committee.

Ray's Estate Bill.

Ray's Estate Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Forty-ninth Report.

Jeffries's Smoke-consuming Apparatus. No. 435.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Jeffries*'s Smoke-consuming Apparatus, which was presented upon the 15th day of June last, be printed.

Tottenham-court-road Accident. No. 436.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *Tottenham-court-road* Accident, which was presented upon the 24th day of June last, be printed.

Land Transport Corps. No. 437.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Land Transport Corps, which was presented upon the 14th day of this instant July, be printed.

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act-Continuance Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

CLAUSE, No. 1 (As to travelling expenses of voters).

Question put, That the word "pay" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Knatchbull-Hugessen*, Mr. *Patrick O'Brien*: } 39.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Ayrton*: } 145.

Question put, That the words "provide conveyance for any voter for the purpose of an Election; but it shall not be lawful to pay any money or give any valuable consideration to a voter for or in respect of his travelling expenses for such purpose," be there inserted;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Ayrton*, Sir *William Jolliffe*: } 133.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Cox*, Mr. *Greer*: } 58.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the last Amendment, to add the words "Provided also, "that such candidate shall be reimbursed from "the County, City or Borough Rate, as the case "may be, in which such voter's name may appear "upon the Register."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 125.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Byng*, Sir *William Dunbar*: } 68.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Section 34, amended, as to Election auditors' further commission).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 4: To leave out from the word "shall" to the end of the Clause, in order to add the words "cease to be payable on and "after the passing of this Act."

Question proposed, That the words "be payable "only" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 3 and N° 4, agreed to.

Clause (For better securing to Returning Officers the expenses incurred by them in taking polls at Elections, be it enacted, That the persons proposing any candidate shall be jointly liable with such candidate for the payment by him to the Returning Officer of an equal share of the said expenses)—— brought up, and read 1°, 2°.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause be added to the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Edward Egerton*, Mr. *Deedes*: } 144.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Ayrton*, Mr. *Brady*: } 34.

And it being ten minutes before Four o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill; **Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.**

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill; **Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.**

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

New Writs Bill. Bill 218.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the New Writs Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Carlisle Diocese.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 28th day of June last, for Returns relative to *Carlisle* Diocese.

Patents for Inventions.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Report of the Commissioners of Patents for Inventions, 1857.

Queen's Colleges (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of Her Majesty's Commissioners appointed to inquire into the progress and condition of the Queen's Colleges at *Belfast*, *Cork* and *Galway*; with Minutes of Evidence, Documents, and Tables and Returns.

Turnpike Trusts (Scotland.)

An Abstract of the General Statements of the Income and Expenditure of the several Turnpike Trusts in *Scotland*, between the term of Whitsunday 1855, and the term of Whitsunday 1856, pursuant to the Act 12 & 13 *Vic.* c. 31.

Highways.

An Abstract of the General Statements of the Receipts and Expenditure on account of the Highways of the several Parishes, Townships, &c. in *England* and *Wales*, for the year ending 25th March 1856, pursuant to the Act 12 & 13 *Vic.* c. 35.

County Courts.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of March last, for Returns relative to County Courts.

County Court Treasurers.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of June last, for a Return relative to County Court Treasurers.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Proceedings on Private Bills.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House, a Copy of the Report from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships on Proceedings on Private Bills: And that the Clerk do carry the said Message.

Occasional Forms of Prayer.

The Treasurer of the Household reported to the House; That their Address of the 13th day of this instant July, relative to Occasional Forms of Prayer, had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address, praying that I will take into my consideration the Proclamation of the first year of my reign, commanding that Forms of Prayer and Service made for the 5th day of November, the 30th day of January, and the 29th day of May, should be annexed to the Book of Common Prayer of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, to be used yearly on the said days, with a view to the discontinuance of those Forms of Prayer and Service:

And I shall take care that the subject of your Address receives the careful consideration which its importance demands.

Public Petitions (Forty-eighth Report.)

Mr. *Bonham-Carter* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 12th, 13th and 14th days of this instant July, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Lighthouses.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, in continuation of an Account rendered by Mr. *James Walker*, an Engineer of the Trinity House, from 1834 to 1842, both inclusive, as given in Appendix No. 5 (P.) page 413, of the Report on Lighthouses to the House of Commons in 1845, from the years 1843 to 1857, both inclusive, divided under the same Heads.

Sittings of the House.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Days on which the House sat in the present Session, stating, for each Day, the Date of the Month, and the Day of the Week, the Hour of Meeting, and the Hour of Adjournment; and the Total Number of Hours occupied in the Sittings of the House, and the Average Time; and showing the Number of Hours on which the House sat each Day, and the Number of Hours after Midnight: and the Number of Entries in each Day's Votes and Proceedings (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 321, of Session 1857).

Divisions of the House.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Divisions of the House in the present Session; stating the Subject of the Division, and the Number of Members in the Majority and Minority, Tellers included; also the Aggregate Number in the House on each Division, distinguishing the Divisions on Public Business from Private; and also the Number of Divisions before and after Midnight (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 83, of Session 1857).

Select Committees.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Select Committees appointed in the Session of 1857–8; the Subjects of Inquiry; the Names of the Members appointed to serve on each, and of the Chairman of each; the Number of Days each Committee met, and the Number of Days each Member attended; the Total Expense of the attendance of Witnesses at each Select Committee, and the Name of the Member who moved for such Committee; also the Total Number of Members who served on Select Committees, and the Number of Members who served on no Select Committee at all (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 287, of Session 1857).

Private Bills.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Private Bills introduced and brought from the House of Lords, and of Acts passed in the present Session, classed according to the following Subjects:—Railways; Roads and Bridges; Waterworks; Ports; Piers; Harbours and Docks; Canals and Navigations; Churches, Chapels and Burying-grounds; Paving, Lighting and Improving; Gaols and other County Buildings; Inclosures; Small Debts Courts; and all other Bills and Acts:——Of all the Private Bills which, in the present Session, have been treated as Opposed Bills; specifying those which have been classified in Groups by the Committee of Selection, or by the General Committee on Railway and Canal Bills; together with the Names of the Selected Members who served on each Committee; the first and also the last Day of the sitting of each Committee; the Number of Days on which each Committee sat; the Number of Days on which each Selected Member has served; the Bills the Preambles of which were reported to have been proved; the Bills the Preambles of which were reported to have been not proved; the Bills referred back to the Committee of Selection, or to the General Committee on Railway and Canal Bills, as having become unopposed;

and the Bills withdrawn, or not proceeded with by the Parties:——And, of all Private Bills which, in he present Session, have been referred by the Committee of Selection, or by the General Committee on Railway and Canal Bills, to the Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means; together with the Names of the Members who served on each Committee; the Number of Days on which each Committee sat; and the Number of Days on which each Member attended (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 82, of Session 1857).

Emigration. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of all Letters addressed by Members of the *West India* Committee to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of Emigration from *China* to the Colonies of *British Guiana* and *Trinidad*, and of any Documents connected therewith; also, of any Replies either from the Colonial Secretary or the Emigration Commissioners.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Session Clerks. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of any Sessions at which the Clerk is paid by Salary, and in such case the extent of the Jurisdiction and the Amount of the Salary.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Postal Arrangements (Spain.) Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,— Copy of Convention between Her Majesty and the Queen of *Spain* relative to Communication by Post. Signed at *Aranjuez*, May 21, 1858.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Adjournment. *Resolved*, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Contracts (Public Departments) (Fifth Report.) No. 438. Mr. *Collins* reported from the Select Committee on Contracts (Public Departments); That they had made further Progress in the matters to them referred, and taken further Evidence thereon, which they had directed him to report to the House, together with an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Jews' Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Jews' Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day three months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Hayter*, Mr. *John Abel Smith*:	156.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Spooner*, Mr. *Newdegate*:	65.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Supply. Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Disembodied Militia. 1. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 432,990, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Charge of the Disembodied Militia of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, which will come in course of payment in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

Barracks. 2. That a further Sum, not exceeding £. 133,000, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Charge for Barracks, which will come in course of payment in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

Survey of the United Kingdom, &c. 3. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 65,000, be granted to Her Majesty, to complete the Sum necessary to defray the Charge of the Survey of the United Kingdom, and of the Topographical Department, which will come in course of payment in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

General Register House (Edinburgh), &c. 4. That, in addition to the Sum of £. 14,118, already granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the several Offices in Her Majesty's General Register House, *Edinburgh*, to the 31st day of March 1859, the Sum of £. 1,000 be granted to defray the Salary of the Keeper of the General and Particular Registers of Sasines; making together the Sum of £. 15,118.

Wellington Monument. 5. That a Sum, not exceeding £. 20,000, be granted to Her Majesty, for the erection of a Monument to the late Duke of *Wellington*, in the year ending the 31st day of March 1859.

The first three Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The fourth Resolution being read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, by leaving out "£. 15,118," and inserting "£. 14,118," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That "£. 15,118" stand part of the Resolution:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the said Resolution was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Militia Pay. *Ordered*, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to defray the Charge of the Pay, Clothing and contingent and other Expenses of the Disembodied Militia in *Great Britain* and *Ireland*; to grant Allowances in certain cases to Subaltern Officers, Adjutants, Paymasters, Quartermasters, Surgeons, Assistant Surgeons, and Surgeons Mates of the Militia; and to authorize the Employment of the Non-commissioned Officers: And that Mr. *FitzRoy*, General *Peel* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Ways and Weans. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

Account referred. *Ordered*, That the Account relative to Unfunded Debt, which was presented upon the 22d day of June last, be referred to the Committee.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Consolidated Fund. 1. *Resolved*, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Sum of £. 11,226,255. 1 *s.* 1 *d.* be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.

Surplus of Ways and Means. 2. *Resolved*, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, there be issued and applied to the Service of the year 1858, the Sum of £. 4,327,292. 18 *s.* 11 *d.*, being the Surplus of Ways and Means granted for the Service of preceding years.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy*

Roy reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Hesketh Marsh Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Hesketh* Marsh Bill, without any Amendment:

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Universities and College Estates Bill (*changed from* Oxford and Cambridge Universities, &c. Estates.)

The Lords have agreed to the Universities and College Estates Bill (*changed from Oxford* and *Cambridge* Universities, &c. Estates), with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Stanhope and Wolsingham Rectories Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Stanhope* and *Wolsingham* Rectories Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *London* and North Western Railway (Additional Works) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Saint Leonard Shoreditch Parish Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Saint Leonard, Shoreditch*, Parish Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Stockton, Middlesbrough and Yarm Water Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Stockton, Middlesbrough* and *Yarm* Water Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Incumbered Estates (West Indies) Act Amendment Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the *West Indian* Incumbered Estates Act, 1854; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) [Fines, &c.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) [Fines, &c.]

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to place the Fund arising from the Collection of Fines, Amerciaments, and Forfeited Recognizances in *Ireland*, at the disposal of the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*, for the several purposes of any Act of the present Session relating to the Office of Clerk of Petty Sessions in *Ireland*.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, disagreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3 (When £. 98,777. 10*s*. 6*d*. shall have been paid off, no toll to be taken for foot passengers passing over *Chelsea* Bridge).

Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 14: To leave out from the words "after the" to the word "no" in l. 16, in order to insert the words "passing of this "Act."

Question put, That the words "time when the "said" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 118.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *John Shelley*, Mr. *Byng*: } 41.

Another Amendment proposed, in p. 3, l. 14: To leave out the words "Sum of Ninety-eight thousand "seven hundred and seventy-seven pounds ten shil-"lings and sixpence," in order to insert the words "capital Sum of Eighty-thousand pounds, with four "*per cent.* interest *per annum* thereon, and all "arrears of such interest up to the date of payment."

Question put, That the words "Sum of" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 116.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Stanhope*, Mr. *Bentinck*: } 45.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Preamble amended, and agreed to.

Title amended.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning;

Sabbati, 17° *die Julii*, 1858:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and amended the Title, as followeth:

A Bill to amend the Act of the Ninth and Tenth years of Her present Majesty, chapter Thirty-nine, and to abolish Foot Passenger Tolls on *Chelsea* Bridge after payment of the sum of Eighty thousand pounds, and Interest.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Inclosure of Lands Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Inclosure of Lands Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Cornwall Submarine Mines Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Cornwall* Submarine Mines Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Augustus Smith*, Mr. *Cox*: } 17.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore*: } 109.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself "into the said Committee," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore:* } 92.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Augustus Smith*, Mr. *Briscoe:* } 20.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Legitimacy Declaration Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Railway Cheap Trains, &c. Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Railway Cheap Trains, &c. Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Government of New Caledonia Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Government of *New Caledonia* Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Rateable Property (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Rateable Property (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Sheep, &c. Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Sheep, &c. Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Continuance Bill.

The Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Charitable Trusts Acts Continuance Bill.

The Charitable Trusts Acts Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill.

The Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, &c. Bill.

The Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, &c. Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Indemnity Bill.

The Indemnity Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Army Service Bill.

The Army Service Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Returns to Secretary of State Bill, and Turnpike Acts Continuance Bill.

The Orders of the day being read, for the Committees on the Returns to Secretary of State Bill, and the Turnpike Acts Continuance Bill;

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to the same Committee.

Returns to Secretary of State Bill.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Returns to Secretary of State Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Turnpike Acts Continuance Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also reported, That the Committee had gone through the Turnpike Acts Continuance Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Public Health Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Public Health Bill, as amended in the Committee; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment [Guarantee of Repayment of Money.]

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment [Guarantee of Repayment of Money].

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That it is expedient to guarantee the Repayment of any Money that may be borrowed under the Provisions of any Act of the present Session for the purpose of the Main Drainage of the Metropolis, together with the Interest thereon; and for the purpose of giving effect to such Guarantee, it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to cause Advances to be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, of such Sums as may be necessary for the Repayment of such Principal and Interest, in aid of any other Moneys applicable for that purpose under the said Act.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Law of False Pretences Amendment Bill.

The Law of False Pretences Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next,

Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill.

The Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

County Property Conveyance Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the County Property Conveyance Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

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Wills and Domicile of British Subjects Abroad, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Wills and Domicile of *British* Subjects Abroad, &c. Bill;

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

Reformatory Schools (Ireland) Bill.

The Reformatory Schools (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.
Bill 219.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Another Clause added.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Gaols and Houses of Correction (No. 2).

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to explain and amend the Act of the Fourth year of King *George* the Fourth, chapter Sixty-four, for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the building, repairing and regulating of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction in *England* and *Wales*: And that Mr. *Bowyer*, Mr. *Maguire* and Mr. *Cox* do prepare, and bring it in.

Universities and College Estates Bill.
Bill 220.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Universities and College Estates Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Incumbered Estates (West Indies) Act Amendment Bill.
Bill 221.

The Incumbered Estates (*West Indies*) Act Amendment Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Marriages (Moscow, Tahiti and Ningpo) Bill.
Bill 222.

The Marriages (*Moscow*, *Tahiti* and *Ningpo*) Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Sale of Poisons, &c. Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, upon Monday next, the Sale of Poisons, &c. Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day month.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Two of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 19° *die Julii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Ray's Estate Bill.

MR. Speaker laid upon the Table,—Report from one of the Examiners of Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of *Ray*'s Estate Bill, no Standing Orders are applicable.

Ordered, That in the case of the said Bill, Standing Order 203 be suspended; and that the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

Crystal Palace District Gas Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Crystal Palace District Gas Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fiftieth Report.

Savings Banks.
No. 441.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Savings Banks have Power to report their Opinion and Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Mr. *Sotheron Estcourt* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and come to several Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House, with their Observations, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix; and the Resolutions of the Committee were read, as follow:

1. That the laws relating to Savings Banks in the United Kingdom require to be amended and to be consolidated in one Act.

2. That it is expedient to place the superintendence and management of the general funds of the Savings Banks in the United Kingdom in a Commission consisting of Five Members.

3. That it is desirable that this Commission be constituted of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Governor of the Bank of *England*, or in his absence the Deputy Governor, and Three other persons appointed by the Crown, of whom one shall be paid.

4. That all expenses of the Commission be paid out of the monies of Savings Banks; that the surplus fund shall be invested in public securities, and the interest carried to the account of the surplus fund, out of which such expenses shall be defrayed.

5. That the powers and duties of the Commission shall be defined by Act of Parliament; that Provision be made for the summoning and holding at stated intervals the meetings of the Commission; that Three shall be a Quorum; and the Minutes of each meeting duly recorded and signed by the Chairman.

6. That the Rules and Regulations relating to the receipt and payment of all monies, and to the purchases and sales of stocks and all securities be passed at meetings of the Commission specially convened for that purpose, and shall be subject to the approval of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

7. That the annual accounts of the Commission, containing the receipts and payments of all monies, and every detail as to the sales and purchases of stocks and other securities belonging to the Savings Banks, within the year ending on November 20, in each year, be audited by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Audit.

8. That monthly accounts of the receipts and payments of all monies, and of sales and purchases of stocks and other securities, be prepared by the Commissioners, and copies of the monthly accounts

shall be forwarded to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and to the Governor of the Bank of *England*, within one week of the following month.

9. That the annual accounts, containing the receipts and payments of all monies, and every detail as to the sales and purchases of stock, and of other securities of the Savings Banks, be laid before both Houses of Parliament in the first week of February, if Parliament is sitting; and if Parliament is not sitting, then within Ten days next after the first sitting of Parliament.

10. That no sales, purchases or exchanges of stocks or securities held by the Commission shall be made, except as required for the purposes of the Savings Banks, and that no funding of Exchequer Bills held by the Commission shall in future be made without the special authority of an Act of Parliament.

11. That the Commission should be empowered by Parliament to invest a portion of such funds, not exceeding one-third of the whole, in other securities than those now authorized to be purchased with those funds; these securities being such as are created or guaranteed under an Act of Parliament.

12. That it is inexpedient that any existing deficiency of the funds should be made the ground of reducing the present rate of interest allowed to the banks, but the whole subject of the estimated deficiency be referred to the consideration of Parliament.

13. That any future surplus income of the Board shall be carried to the credit of a guarantee fund, to meet any casual charges, losses or deficiency of income; but if there shall be no surplus to meet such deficiency of income, the rate of interest allowed to Savings Banks shall be proportionately diminished.

14. That the Commission shall have power to frame regulations respecting the accounts to be kept, and the audit thereof, and respecting the receipt and payment of deposits, on the adoption whereof by any Savings Bank, such bank shall acquire security for the deposits therein guaranteed by Parliament, and that such Savings Bank shall have a special title.

15. That the Commission may appoint such officers as may be requisite for the proper audit and inspection of such accounts, and for obtaining due compliance with such regulations.

16. That no banking concerns should be permitted to assume the name of Savings Banks, except such as have had their rules duly certified.

17. The Rules of every Savings Bank shall be in force only after they have been certified by the Barrister, to whom no fee shall be payable.

18. That the responsibility of Trustees be enacted in the same terms as in the Act 9 *Geo.* 4, c. 92.

19. That the present limits of yearly and total amounts of deposits payable on demand be maintained.

20. That whenever any deposit shall amount to £. 150, the Commissioners may, with the consent of the depositor, invest a portion of that deposit in the purchase for the depositor of £. 100 stock, the interest on which shall be received by the Commissioners, and be placed to the depositor's account.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

River Thames. No. 442.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the River *Thames* have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Mr. *Kendall* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Appropriation Bill. No. 439.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Correspondence between the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury and the Secretary of State for War, respecting the proposed omission of certain obsolete Provisions of the Annual Appropriation Act; and, Copies of the Sections of the Act of last Session which it is proposed to omit from the Appropriation Bill to be introduced in the present Seesion.

Mr. *Hamilton* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

National Debt. No. 443.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of May, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the whole Amount of the National Debt of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* (including any Foreign Loans which have been considered as forming part of the National Debt of *Great Britain*), Funded and Unfunded, separately; also, of all Annuities for terms of years; and also, of the Charge for Management of the National Debt, stated year by year, from the year 1691 (as far as practicable) to the 5th day of January 1857; the *Irish* Debt only to be included from the Date of the Union.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

East India.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Documents described in the Enclosure 16, in the Letter of the Governor General of *India* in Council to the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company, of the 23d day of November 1857 (No. 136), as the Records of Survivors and others from whom the information furnished in that Enclosure is gathered.

Clerks of the Peace.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of Compensation paid to the Clerks of the Peace under the Act 18 & 19 *Vic.* c. 126, s. 18.

National Education (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Pupils on the Rolls of all the *Irish* National Schools for the Quarter ended the 31st day of March 1858, specifying the Number of each Religious Denomination:——Of the Number of Literary Teachers, Agricultural Teachers, Assistant Teachers, Pupil Teachers, Paid Monitors, Senior and Junior, and Workmistresses in all *Irish* National Schools; specifying the Number of each Religious Denomination, with the Amount paid as Salary to those of each Religious Denomination, during the year ended the 31st day of March 1858:——Of the Number of Managers of each Religious Denomination on the 31st day of March 1858:——Of the Names of all Officers in the Board's Service in receipt of Salaries or Emoluments amounting in the aggregate to One hundred pounds *per annum*, or upwards; distinguishing their Religion, Office and Rank therein, and County and Town of Birth:——Of the Names of all Officers in the Board's Service in receipt of Salaries or Emoluments under One hundred pounds *per annum*; distinguishing their Religion, Office and Rank therein, and County and Town of Birth:——Of the Names of the Commissioners of National Education in *Ireland*, with the Number of Attendances made by each at Ordinary, or General, and at Special Meetings of the Board; distinguishing the Total Number of Meetings of each kind held, with the Number of Attendances made by each Member at each Class of Meeting, from the 1st day of July 1855 to the 1st day of July 1858:— Of the Names of the Commissioners, and of the Officers of the Board who attended

tended at Special, Sub, and Finance Committees; distinguishing the Total Number of Meetings of each kind held, with the Number of Attendances made by each Commissioner and Officer of the Board at each Class of Meeting, from the 1st day of July 1855 to the 1st day of July 1858:——Of the Titles of all Books published or sanctioned by the *Irish* National Board, with the Names of the Authors or Editors of each Work:——And, Copy of such portions of the General Report of 1855, by Mr. *Keenan*, Head Inspector, as bear upon the practice of Religious Instruction in the National Schools then under his Inspection.

Public Establishments (Exemption from Rates.) No. 444.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Public Establishments (Exemption from Rates) have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Sir *George Lewis* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Lunatic Asylums (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Commissioners of Inquiry into the State of the Lunatic Asylums and other Institutions for the custody and treatment of the Insane in *Ireland*; with Minutes of Evidence, and Appendices.

Municipal Boroughs (England and Wales.)

Mr. *Hardy* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Abstracts of the Accounts of the Treasurers of Boroughs in *England* and *Wales*, for one year from 1st September 1856 to 31st August 1857.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Navy.

Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 10th day of May last, for Returns relative to the Navy.

Naval Prize Money, &c.

Mr. *Corry* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Account showing the Receipt and Expenditure of Naval Prize, Bounty, Salvage and other Monies, between the 1st April 1857 and 31st March 1858.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Friendly Societies (Ireland.)

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Report of the Proceedings of the Registrar of Friendly Societies in *Ireland*, and of the principal matters connected with Friendly Societies, which have come under his cognizance during the past year.

Carlisle Diocese, No. 440.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Carlisle* Diocese, which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant July, be printed.

County Courts. No. 445.

Ordered, That the Return relative to County Courts, which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant July, be printed.

County Court Treasurers. No. 446.

Ordered, That the Return relative to County Court Treasurers, which was presented upon the 16th day of this instant July, be printed.

Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill.

The Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

Ways and Means.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

Consolidated Fund.

1. That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Sum of £. 11,226,255. 1 *s*. 1 *d*. be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.

Surplus of Ways and Means.

2. That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, there be issued and applied to the Service of the year 1858, the Sum of £. 4,327,292. 18 *s*. 11 *d*., being the Surplus of Ways and Means granted for the Service of preceding years.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund and the Surplus of Ways and Means to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament: And that Mr. *Fitz Roy*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Cornwall Submarine Mines Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the *Cornwall* Submarine Mines Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this Bill, to declare and define certain rights "of the Crown, in the beneficial interests of which "the Public are concerned during the reign of Her "Majesty, as part and parcel of the hereditary "Revenues, ought not to be proceeded with till such "time as Copies of all the Documents, Cases and "Opinions of Counsel submitted to Sir *John* "*Patteson*, and on which his Arbitration is founded, "are laid on the Table of this House," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Holroyd's Estate Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to *Holroyd*'s Estate Bill, without any Amendment:

Saint Mary Magdalen (Newcastle) Charity Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for confirming a Scheme of the Charity Commissioners for the Hospital of *Saint Mary Magdalen* in the Borough of *Newcastle*; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Proceedings on Private Bills.

The Lords communicate a Copy of the Report from the Select Committee appointed in the present Session of Parliament to inquire into the present system of Proceedings in Parliament on Private Bills; together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before the said Committee, as desired by this House:

Savings Banks.

The Lords request, that this House will be pleased to communicate to their Lordships, a Copy of the Report from the Select Committee appointed in the present Session of Parliament on Savings Banks, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before the said Committee:

Railway and Canal Legislation.

The Lords request, that this House will be pleased to communicate to their Lordships, a Copy of the Report from the Select Committee appointed in the present Session of Parliament on Railway and Canal Legislation,

Legislation, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before the said Committee.

Jews' Bill, Government of New Caledonia Bill, Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill, and Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Orders of the day being read, for the Committees on the Jews' Bill, the Government of *New Caledonia* Bill, the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill, and the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to the same Committee.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. *John Abel Smith*, Mr. *Brand*: 144.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *Grogan*, Mr. *Ormsby Gore*: 40.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

Jews' Bill.

(In Committee on the Jews' Bill.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Either House of Parliament may modify the Form of the Oath to be taken instead of the Oaths of Allegiance, &c., by a Jew, to entitle him to sit and vote in such House).

Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "Provided always, that such Re- "solution shall not be acted on until the consent of "the Crown is signified to both Houses of Parlia- "ment.

Question, That those words be there added——put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 2 to N° 4, agreed to.

Bill to be reported.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

(In Committee on the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill.)

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSE, N° 1, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2 (Removal of Assistant Barristers for misbehaviour or inability).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 41: After the words "Lord Lieutenant" to insert the words "by "Order in Council, on hearing what may be offered "by or on behalf of such Assistant Barrister with "reference to the matter of such certificate."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted;

Whereupon Motion made, and Question, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again——put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: 98.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. *John Fitzgerald*, Mr. *Cogan*: 50.

CLAUSE, N° 3, disagreed to.

A Clause added.

Another Clause (Lord Lieutenant may appoint Divisional Magistrate)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time——put, and negatived.

Another Clause (Provided always, That no person shall continue to hold the Office of Assistant Barrister after he shall have attained the age of Seventy years)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time——put, and negatived.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

(In Committee on the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill.)

Preamble postponed.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 20° *die Julii*, 1858:

Jews' Bill, and Government of New Caledonia Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Jews' Bill, and the Government of *New Caledonia* Bill; and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bills be read the third time this day.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also reported, That the Committee had gone through the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) [Fines, &c.]

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) [Fines, &c.], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to place the Fund arising from the Collection of Fines, Amerciaments and Forfeited Recognizances in *Ireland*, at the disposal of the Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland*, for the several purposes of any Act of the present Session relating to the Office of Clerk of Petty Sessions in *Ireland*.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Railway Cheap Trains, &c.) Bill.

The Railway Cheap Trains, &c. Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Detached Parts of Counties Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Detached Parts of Counties Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Police Force (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 8th day of this instant July, That the Police Force (*Ireland*) Bill be committed;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Superannuation Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Superannuation Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Administration of Justice (Dublin) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Administration of Justice (*Dublin*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Inclosure of Lands Bill.

The Inclosure of Lands Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

The Legitimacy Declaration Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sheep, &c. Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill.

The Sheep, &c. Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Returns to Secretary of State Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Returns to Secretary of State Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Turnpike Acts Continuance Bill.

The Turnpike Acts Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public Health Bill.

The Public Health Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment [Guarantee of Repayment of Money.]

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported from the Committee on the Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment [Guarantee of Repayment of Money], a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

That it is expedient to guarantee the repayment of any Money that may be borrowed under the Provisions of any Act of the present Session, for the purpose of the Main Drainage of the Metropolis, together with the Interest thereon; and for the purpose of giving effect to such Guarantee, it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to cause Advances to be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, of such Sums as may be necessary for the Repayment of such Principal and Interest, in aid of any other Moneys applicable for that purpose under the said Act.

The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Oaths Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Reasons assigned by the Lords for insisting on the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Oaths Bill;

Ordered, That the said Reasons be taken into consideration this day.

Municipal Franchise Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Municipal Franchise Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Incumbered Estates (West Indies) Act Amendment Bill.

The Incumbered Estates (*West Indies*) Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Marriages (Moscow, Tahiti and Ningpo) Bill.

The Marriages (*Moscow*, *Tahiti* and *Ningpo*) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Universities and College Estates Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Universities and College Estates Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

County Court Districts Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the County Court Districts Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Ecclesiastical Commission Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Ecclesiastical Commission Bill;

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

Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill;

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

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill;

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

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Law of Property Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Law of False Pretences Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Law of False Pretenses Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

New Writs Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the New Writs Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the

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the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

County Property Conveyance Bill.

The County Property Conveyance Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Paper.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns in *England*, *Wales*, *Scotland* and *Ireland*, respecting the Amount of Duty charged on Paper in each period of Six Weeks, from the 15th day of February 1856 to the 15th day of February 1857: ——Of the same, from the 15th day of February 1857 to the 15th day of February 1858:——Of the Gross Amount paid in each similar period, from the 31st day of March 1856 to the 31st day of March 1857:——Of the same, from the 31st day of March 1857 to the 31st day of March 1858:——Of the Net Amount paid between the 31st day of March 1856 and the 31st day of March 1857:——Of the same, from the 31st day of March 1857 to the 31st day of March 1858:——And, Specification for each year of the causes of the difference between the Gross and the Net Amount under separate heads, as—Cost of Collection, Failure of Payment, Drawbacks on Exportation, Drawbacks on Home Consumption; specifying the Class of Articles, as—Bibles, Prayer Books, Confessions of Faith, Books in Greek, Books in Latin, &c.

Constabulary Force (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns, in a tabular form, of the Number of Inspectors General, Deputy Inspectors General, Assistant Deputy Inspectors General, County Inspectors, First Class Sub-Inspectors, Second Class Sub-Inspectors, Third Class Sub-Inspectors, Receivers, Surgeons, Assistant Surgeons, Veterinary Surgeons, Paymasters, Chief Clerks, First Class Head Constables, Second Class Head Constables, Third Class Head Constables, Constables, Sub-Constables, Commandant of Depôt, and Adjutant of Depôt, now forming the Constabulary Force in *Ireland*; and stating the Pay and Emoluments of each Class, and the Numbers in each Class who profess the Protestant and Roman Catholic religions respectively:——Of the Number of Promotions or Appointments to each Class above the rank of Sub-Constable in each year for Ten years past; and stating in each instance the Number of Protestants and Roman Catholics promoted:——And, of the Number of Sub-Constables who have left the Force within the last Three years.

Militia Act Continuance (No. 2.)

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill further to continue an Act to authorize the embodying of the Militia: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, General *Peel* and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Militia (Service Abroad) Act Continuance.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue an Act to enable Her Majesty to accept the Services of the Militia out of the United Kingdom: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, General *Peel*, and Mr. *Hamilton* do prepare, and bring it in.

Militia Act Continuance (No. 2) Bill.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill further to continue an Act to authorize the embodying of the Militia: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day.

Militia (Service Abroad) Act Continuance Bill.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill to continue an Act to enable Her Majesty to accept the Services of the Militia out of the United Kingdom: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day.

Militia Pay Bill.

General *Peel* presented a Bill to defray the Charge of the Pay, Clothing, and contingent and other Expenses of the Disembodied Militia in *Great Britain* and *Ireland*; to grant Allowances in certain cases to Subaltern Officers, Adjutants, Paymasters, Quartermasters, Surgeons, Assistant Surgeons, and Surgeons' Mates of the Militia; and to authorize the Employment of the Non-commissioned Officers: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill. Bill 224.

Mr. *FitzRoy* presented a Bill to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund and the Surplus of Ways and Means, to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

Gaols and Houses of Correction (No. 2) Bill. Bill 225.

Mr. *Cox* presented a Bill to explain and amend the Act 4 *Geo.* 4, c. 64, for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the building, repairing and regulating of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction in *England* and *Wales*: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Nisi Prius Court, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Nisi Prius Court, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Stanhope and Wolsingham Rectories Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Stanhope* and *Wolsingham* Rectories Bill be taken into consideration this day.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after Two of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 20° *die Julii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions (Forty-ninth Report.)

MR. *Charles Forster* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 15th and 16th days of this instant July; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Davidson's Estate Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported *Davidson*'s Estate Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Glasgow College Estate Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* reported the *Glasgow* College Estate Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *London* and North Western Railway (Additional Works) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Saint Leonard, Shoreditch, Parish Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Saint Leonard, Shoreditch*, Parish Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Stockton, Middlesbrough and Yarm Water Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Stockton, Middlesbrough* and *Yarm* Water Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Ray's Estate Bill.

Ray's Estate Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That in the case of the said Bill, Standing Orders 178 and 204 be dispensed with; and that it be an Instruction to the Committee of Selection, that they have Power to appoint the Committee on the Bill to meet upon Thursday next.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fiftieth Report.

Bray's Traction Engine.

General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 13th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to *Bray*'s Traction Engine.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Navy. No. 447.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Navy, which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant July, be printed.

Naval Prize Money, &c. No. 448.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Naval Prize Money, &c., which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant July, be printed.

Friendly Societies (Ireland.) No. 449.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Friendly Societies (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant July, be printed.

Proceedings on Private Bills. No. 450.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Proceedings on Private Bills, which was communicated from the Lords upon the 19th day of this instant July, be printed.

Friendly Societies.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of the Report of the Registrar of Friendly Societies in *England*.

Civil List Pensions.

A List of all Pensions granted between the 20th day of June 1857, and the 20th day of June 1858, and charged upon the Civil List.

Skerries Harbour.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of all Documents and Reports furnished to or by the Board of Admiralty, in reference to a Harbour of Refuge at *Skerries*, in the County of *Dublin*.

Manchester Model Secular School.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Correspondence between the Committee of the Model Secular School at *Manchester*, and the Committee of Council on Education, relating to the subject of admitting the *Manchester* Model Secular School to a participation in the Parliamentary Grant for Education.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Bankruptcy (Scotland.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report of the Accountant in Bankruptcy in *Scotland* to the Court of Session, for the year ending October 1857, with its Appendices.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

East India (Executions.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all the Executions that have taken place in *India* between the 1st day of July 1857 and the 1st day of July 1858; specifying by whom the Execution was ordered, and the Crime for which Death was inflicted.

Orders of the Day.

Ordered, That the Orders of the day be now read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the said Orders be postponed till after the Notices of Motions relative to the *Hudson's Bay* Company, and *Bothnia*.

Hudson's Bay Company.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the privileges of the *Hudson's Bay* Company, about to expire, ought not to be renewed:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Bothnia.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She will be graciously pleased to appoint a Royal Commission to inquire into the Complaints made by certain of Her subjects of the destruction of their Property by Her Majesty's Forces at *Uleaborg*, in the Gulf of *Bothnia*, during the recent War with the Emperor of *Russia*, as more particularly set forth in Memorials addressed by Messrs. *Mathiesen* and *Ritter*, and Messrs. *Henry Dresser* and Co., to the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurii, 21° *die Julii*, 1858:

And the Question being put;
The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Crawford*, Mr. *Adams*:	65.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*:	105.

So it passed in the Negative.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

New General Post Office (Edinburgh) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the New General Post Office (*Edinburgh*) Bill, without any Amendment:

Navigation Advances (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Navigation Advances (*Ireland*) Bill, without any Amendment:

Prescription (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Prescription (*Ireland*) Bill, without any Amendment:

Newport, Abergavenny and Hereford Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Newport, Abergavenny* and *Hereford* Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Whitehaven Junction Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Whitehaven* Junction Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment:

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the *Durham* County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill, without any Amendment:

Plymouth Great Western Docks Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Plymouth* Great Western Docks Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Middlesbrough Improvement Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Middlesbrough* Improvement Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Tees Conservancy Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Tees* Conservancy Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Worcester and Hereford Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Worcester* and *Hereford* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill. Bill 226.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day; and be printed.

Cornwall Submarine Mines Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the *Cornwall* Submarine Mines Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Government of New Caledonia Bill.

The Government of *New Caledonia* Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Detached Parts of Counties Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Detached Parts of Counties Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House:—The House immediately resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Bill into consideration.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill, as amended in the Committee;

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Jews' Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Jews' Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Newdegate*, Mr. *Warren:* } 38.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *John Abel Smith*, Mr. *Knatchbull-Hugessen:* } 86.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Colonel *North*, Mr. *Newdegate:* } 22.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *John Abel Smith*, Mr. *Knatchbull-Hugessen:* } 99.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till this day.

Oaths Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Reasons assigned by the Lords for insisting on the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Oaths Bill;

Ordered, That the said Reasons be taken into consideration this day.

The

Markets and Fairs (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Markets and Fairs (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Wine, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Wine, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Returns to Secretary of State Bill.

The Returns to Secretary of State Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Militia Act Continuance (No. 2) Bill.
Bill 227.

The Militia Act Continuance (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Militia (Service Abroad) Act Continuance Bill.
Bill 228.

The Militia (Service Abroad) Act Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Militia Pay Bill.

The Militia Pay Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Churches, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Nisi Prius Court, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Nisi Prius Court, &c. (*Ireland*) Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Stanhope and Wolsingham Rectories Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Stanhope* and *Wolsingham* Rectories Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Incumbered Estates (West Indies) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Incumbered Estates (*West Indies*) Act Amendment Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Marriages (Moscow, Tahiti and Ningpo) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Marriages (*Moscow, Tahiti* and *Ningpo*) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

County Court Districts Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the County Court Districts Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Ecclesiastical Commission Bill.

The Ecclesiastical Commission Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill;

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

Law of False Pretences Amendment Bill.

The Law of False Pretences Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Protection of Female Children Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Protection of Female Children Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Chinese Passenger Act (1855) Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Chinese* Passenger Act (1855) Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day month.

Endowed Schools Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Endowed Schools Law Amendment Bill;

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

Factories.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law relating to Accidents, and to provide for the more general Education of Young Persons above Thirteen and under Sixteen years of Age employed in Factories: And that Mr. *Akroyd*, Mr. *Cobbett* and Mr. *Edwards* do prepare, and bring it in.

Rev. Edward Repton.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Reverend *Edward Repton*, which was presented upon the 12th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, be printed.

Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, this day, on the Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Factories Bill. Bill 229.

Mr. *Akroyd* presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to Accidents, and to provide for the more general Education of Young Persons above Thirteen and under Sixteen years of Age employed in Factories: And the same was read the first time; and

ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Slave Trade.

Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of June last, for Returns relative to the Slave Trade.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Two of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Mercurii, 21° die Julii;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fiftieth Report.

Saint Mary Magdalen (Newcastle) Charity Bill. Bill 230.

The *Saint Mary Magdalen* (*Newcastle*) Charity Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Bray's Traction Engine. No. 451.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Bray*'s Traction Engine, which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant July, be printed.

Friendly Societies. No. 452.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Friendly Societies, which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant July, be printed.

Civil List Pensions. No. 453.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Civil List Pensions, which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant July, be printed.

Slave Trade. No. 454.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Slave Trade, which was presented upon the 20th day of this instant July, be printed.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Smoke Nuisance Abatement (Metropolis) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Smoke Nuisance Abatement (Metropolis) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Members' Freedom from Arrest Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Members' Freedom from Arrest Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Church Rates Commutation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Church Rates Commutation Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Cornwall Submarine Mines Bill.

The *Cornwall* Submarine Mines Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Detached Parts of Counties Bill.

The Detached Parts of Counties Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Jews' Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 20th day of this instant July, That the Jews' Bill be now read the third time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day three months."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *John Abel Smith*, Mr. *Knatchbull-Hugessen*: } 129.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Warren*, Mr. *Hopwood*: } 55.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Oaths Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Reasons assigned by the Lords for insisting on the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Oaths Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House does not consider it necessary to examine the Reasons offered by the Lords for insisting upon the exclusion of Jews from Parliament, as by a Bill of the present Session, intituled, "An Act to provide for the Relief of Her Majesty's Subjects professing the Jewish Religion," their Lordships have provided for the admission of persons professing the Jewish Religion to Seats in the Legislature;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "the exclusion "of Jews from Parliament," and inserting the words "their Amendments to leave out Clauses Five and "Eight," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by inserting after the word "provided" the word "means."

And the Question being put, That the word "means" be there inserted:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof, the words "the said Bill being in direct contraven- "tion to the clear and cogent reasons assigned by "their Lordships against the enactments of such "Bill."

And the Question being put, That those words be there added:—It passed in the Negative.

Then the Main Question, so amended, being put;

Resolved, That this House does not consider it necessary to examine the Reasons offered by the Lords for insisting upon the exclusion of Jews from Parliament, as by a Bill of the present Session, intituled, "An Act to provide for the Relief of Her Majesty's Subjects professing the Jewish Religion," their Lordships have provided means for the admission of persons professing the Jewish Religion to Seats in the Legislature.

Resolved, That this House doth not insist upon its disagreement with the Lords in their Amendments to the said Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House doth not

not insist upon its disageement with the Lords in their Amendments to the said Bill.

Marriages (Moscow, Tahiti and Ningpo) Bill.

The Marriages (*Moscow, Tahiti* and *Ningpo*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

County Court Districts Bill.

The County Court Districts Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

East India (Mutiny.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Despatches or Public Letters of Sir *John Lawrence* to his Excellency the Governor General, relative to the Causes of the Mutiny in *India*.

Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill, was read, and discharged.

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

Army (100th Regiment.)

The Order made upon the 17th day of June last, for presenting to Her Majesty an humble Address, that She would be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return relative to the 100th Regiment, was read, and discharged.

Army (100th Regiment.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Cost of levying the 100th Regiment of the Line, and conveying it to *England* (so far as such Return can be completed).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Railway and Canal Legislation.

Ordered, That the Report of the Select Committee on Railway and Canal Legislation be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders Revision.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 22° die Julii;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions.

SEVERAL Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fifty-first Report.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 24, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 25 (Expenditure for Navy and Army Services respectively to be confined to the separate Services for which granted).

Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause, to add the words "Provided always, That whenever, in "consequence of an exigency of the Public Service, "the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury "shall authorize an appropriation of the Public "Money, in addition to the aggregate sum voted "for any Service in any Department, every such "appropriation shall be presented in a Supplemen-"tary Estimate, to be approved and sanctioned by "the House of Commons, if Parliament is sitting, "and if Parliament is not sitting, then within one "month after the meeting of Parliament."

Question put, That those words be there added;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *Henry Willoughby*, Mr. *William Williams:*	41.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	89.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 26 to N° 30, agreed to.

A Clause added.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit this day till Four of the clock, and to report at Six of the clock.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House will, upon this day three months, re-"solve itself into the said Committee," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	133.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Butler*, Mr. *Coningham:*	11.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSE, N° 1 (The Metropolitan Board of Works to commence the intercepting Sewerage Works as soon as may be).

Amendment proposed, in p. 1, l. 14: To leave out from the word "speed" to the end of the Clause, in order to insert the words "such Works as may "be necessary for purifying the *Thames*, and im-"proving the Drainage of the Metropolis."

Question proposed, That the words "according "to such plan" stand part of the Clause.

And it being Four o'clock, the Chairman left the Chair to report Progress.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Ray's Estate Bill.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported *Ray*'s Estate Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Stearne's Charities Bill.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported *Stearne*'s Charities Bill, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time.

Sudden Deaths (Scotland).

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Instructions issued by the Lord Advocate, directing Inquiry into Cases of Sudden Death in *Scotland*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

East India (List of Killed and Wounded).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of *Europeans* killed and wounded by the Rebels in *India*, since the commencement of the Mutiny in 1857, giving the Names, Designation, Place and Date, and the circumstances under which the Murder or Wounds took place:—

Christian and Surname.	Rank or Profession or other Designation.	Place.	Date.	Circumstances under which the Murder or Wounds took place.

British Museum.

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 6th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to the *British* Museum.

Education (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Annual Report of the Commissioners of Education in *Ireland*, 1857–58.

Constabulary (Ireland.)

Statement of Amount of the Constabulary Force employed in each County, County of a City, and County of a Town in *Ireland*, on the 1st day of January 1858.

Court of Probate (Ireland).

Copy of Rules, Orders and Forms for regulating the Procedure and Practice of the Assistant Barrister's Courts, and the Judges and Officers thereof, in relation to their Jurisdiction and Proceedings under the Probates and Letters of Administration Act (*Ireland*) 1857; made by the Right Honourable the Judge of Her Majesty's Court of Probate, with the assistance of the Assistant Barristers named for that purpose by the Lord High Chancellor of *Ireland*, pursuant to said Act, July 1858; with Index, and Table of Fees to be taken in the Assistant Barristers' Courts, as fixed by the Lord Chancellor.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Army (100th Regiment).

General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 21st day of this instant July, for a Return relative to the Army (100th Regiment).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill.

Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee on the Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill had made Progress in the Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, again resolve itself into the said Committee:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Clause, N° 1.

Question put, That the words "according to such "plan" stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 81.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Headlam*, Mr. *Akroyd*: } 38.

An Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, N° 2 (Points of outfall, &c.; sewage to be deodorised).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 15: To leave out from the word "matter" to the end of the Clause, in order to insert the words "the Board may make "outfalls at any point or points within either of the "parishes of *Kensington* or *Fulham*, on the left "bank of the River *Thames*, and at any point or "points not higher up the said River than the River "*Lea*, on the left bank of the said River, and "*Deptford Creek* on the right bank of such River."

Question proposed, That the words "the points "of outfall may" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause stand part of the Bill——put, and negatived.

Clause, N° 3 (Metropolitan Board may construct works on the shores and bed of the *Thames*).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 18: To leave out the word "may," in order to insert the words "shall not."

Question proposed, That the word "may" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, N° 4, agreed to.

Clause, N° 5 (Metropolitan Board of Works may appoint a Committee for the purposes of the works).

Amendment proposed, in p. 2, l. 35: To leave out the word "Six," in order to insert the word "Fifteen."

Question, That the word "Six" stand part of the Clause——put, and negatived.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause stand part of the Bill——put, and negatived.

Clause, N° 6, disagreed to.

Clauses, N° 7 and N° 8, agreed to.

Clause, N° 9 (The Treasury may guarantee payment of monies borrowed).

Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause: To add the words "And no such payment of prin-"cipal or interest shall be so guaranteed by the "Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, except "upon a certificate of such officer as they shall "appoint, that the works from time to time con-"structed by the Metropolitan Board of Works "for the purification of the *Thames*, and for the "improvement of the drainage of the Metropolis, "have been in all respects designed and executed "conformably to the Provisions of this Act."

Question, That those words be there added——put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clause, N° 10, agreed to.

Clause, N° 11 (Money borrowed under this Act to be applied only to works under this Act).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause: To add the words "Provided always, That "it shall be lawful for the said Metropolitan Board "of Works to expend a Sum, not exceeding Ten "thousand pounds, in experiments, with the object "of determining the most efficient means for carry-"ing into execution the objects of this Act, or any "further Sum, with the sanction of the Commis-"sioners of the Treasury; and in making any such "experiments, it shall be lawful for the said Board "to use the Powers conferred upon them for the "purposes of this Act."

Question, That those words be there added——put, and negatived.

Clause,

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 12 (Appointment of inspecting engineers).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause: To add the words "And should such "Report so laid before them by such inspecting "engineer cause the Commissioners of Her Ma- "jesty's Treasury to entertain serious doubts as to "the eligibility of the course taken by the Metro- "politan Board of Works to effect such drainage, "it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her "Majesty's Treasury to suspend the further issue "of bonds, debentures and other securities on the "part of the Metropolitan Board of Works, until "the opinion of Parliament shall have been taken "on the points at issue."

Question, That those words be there added——put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 13 to N° 25, with Amendments to three of them, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 26 (Board not to create a nuisance).

Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause: To add the words "Provided always, That the "Metropolitan Board, for all works to be carried "on under this Act, shall first obtain a certificate "in writing from the Board of Trade, stating that "in the opinion of such last-mentioned Board the "works proposed to be carried into effect by the "said Metropolitan Board are not likely to be or "to create a nuisance."

Question, That those words be there added——put, and negatived.

Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 27 to N° 30, agreed to.

Three Clauses added.

Another Clause (Works, &c., to be approved of by the Admiralty)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (That the plans of the intended works shall be open to public inspection for One calendar month before the commencement of the works, at some convenient place within the Metropolis; and public notice shall be given by the said Metropolitan Board of the time and place where such plans can be so inspected)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time——put, and negatived.

Another Clause (The Metropolitan Board of Works shall, in the month of June in every year, make a Report of all their Proceedings in relation to the Main Drainage of the Metropolis, and shall, in the said month, send a copy thereof, together with an account, in detail, of all Sums expended during the preceding year, in execution of the works authorized by this Act, to one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, which shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within One month after the receipt thereof, if Parliament be sitting, or, if Parliament be not then sitting, then within One month after the next meeting of Parliament)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be read a second time:—Motion and Clause, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Clause (Main Drainage Rate)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time——put, and negatived.

Another Clause (It shall be lawful for the Board to elect one of their number to act as Deputy Chairman of the said Board, who shall receive a salary of £. 500 *per annum*)——brought up, and read 1°.

Motion made, and Question, That the Clause be read a second time——put, and negatived.

Two Schedules added.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Militia Ballots Suspension Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Militia Ballots Suspension Bill, without any Amendment:

Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Continuance Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Continuance Bill, without any Amendment:

Charitable Trusts Acts Continuance Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Charitable Trusts Acts Continuance Bill, without any Amendment:

Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, &c. Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, &c. Bill, without any Amendment:

Indemnity Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Indemnity Bill, without any Amendment:

Army Service Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Army Service Bill, without any Amendment:

Severn Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Severn* Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill, without any Amendment:

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Manchester* South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment:

Redditch Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Redditch* Railway Bill, without any Amendment:

Copyright of Designs Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Copyright of Designs Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

West End of London and Clapham and Norwood Junction Railway Abandonment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the West End of *London* and *Clapham* and *Norwood* Junction Railway Abandonment Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Bank Acts.

The Lords request, that this House will be pleased to communicate to their Lordships, a Copy of the Report from the Select Committee appointed by this House, in the present Session of Parliament, on the Bank Acts; together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before the said Committee.

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill, Militia Act Continuance (No. 2) Bill, Militia (Service Abroad) Act Continuance Bill, Militia Pay Bill, and Incumbered Estates (West Indies) Act Amendment Bill.

The Orders of the day being read, for the Committees on the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill, the Militia Act Continuance (No. 2) Bill, the Militia (Service Abroad) Act Continuance Bill, the Militia Pay Bill, and the Incumbered Estates (*West Indies*) Act Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to the same Committee.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee on the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill.)

CLAUSE, N° 1 (Creditor may file supplemental affidavit as to certain matters).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause: To add the words "Provided that nothing "in this Act contained shall affect any action, "cause or matter founded on a judgment, decree "or order, in which any question has been raised "on the records of any Court, on or before the 1st "day of July One thousand eight hundred and "fifty-eight."

Question proposed, That those words be there added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, agreed to.

Three Clauses added.

Preamble amended, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 23° *die Julii*, 1858:

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Militia Act Continuance (No. 2) Bill, and the Militia (Service Abroad) Act Continuance Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also reported, That the Committee had gone through the Militia Act Continuance (No. 2) Bill, and the Militia (Service Abroad) Act Continuance Bill.

Ordered, That the Bills, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day, at Twelve of the clock.

Militia Pay Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also reported, That the Committee had gone through the Militia Pay Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day, at Twelve of the clock.

Incumbered Estates (West Indies) Act Amendment Bill.

Mr. *FitzRoy* also reported, That the Committee had gone through the Incumbered Estates (*West Indies*) Act Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day.

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (That it shall not be lawful for the collector of rates and taxes of any borough, county or city, or his partner or agent, to act as agent, clerk or canvasser for, or to be employed on behalf of, any candidate for such borough, county or city; and any such person who shall so offend shall for his said offence be liable to forfeit the sum of to any person who shall sue for the same, together with full costs of suit):—And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time, with a blank.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House do now adjourn:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being again proposed, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till this day, at Twelve of the clock.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

Bill 231.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Preamble be postponed.

Whereupon Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 1, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 2, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 3, agreed to.

Two Clauses added.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day; and be printed.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

New Writs Bill. Bill 232.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the New Writs Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *FitzRoy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration this day; and be printed.

Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Law of Property Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz-Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Saint Mary Magdalen (Newcastle) Charity Bill.

The *Saint Mary Magdalen* (*Newcastle*) Charity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee.

Boots (Army.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Pairs of Boots of all descriptions sold at the Tower or *Woolwich*, by Auction, from the 1st day of January 1856, to the 1st day of July 1858; specifying the Original Cost per pair, together with the Price obtained at each Sale:——And, of the Number of Pairs of Boots which are considered not fit to be issued to the Troops, and are now in Store.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Copyright of Designs Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Copyright of Designs Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Railway and Canal Legislation.

The House proceeded to take into consideration that part of the Message from the Lords of the 19th day of this instant July, wherein their Lordships request, that this House will communicate to their Lordships, a Copy of the Report from the Select Committee appointed in the present Session of Parliament on Railway and Canal Legislation, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before the said Committee.

Ordered,

Ordered, That a Printed Copy of the said Report be communicated to the Lords, as desired by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do deliver the same.

Savings Banks.

The House proceeded to take into consideration that part of the Message from the Lords of the 19th day of this instant July, wherein their Lordships request, that this House will communicate to their Lordships, a Copy of the Report from the Select Committee appointed in the present Session of Parliament on Savings Banks, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before the said Committee.

Ordered, That a Printed Copy of the said Report be communicated to the Lords, as desired by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do deliver the same.

Trade and Navigation. No. 68.

Mr. *Henley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Accounts relating to Trade and Navigation, for the Month ended 30th June 1858, and Six Months ended 30th June 1858.

Railways.

Return showing the Number of Passengers conveyed on all the Railways in *England* and *Wales*, *Scotland* and *Ireland* respectively, during the half-year ended 31st December 1857, distinguished in different Classes, and the Receipts from each Class of Passengers and from Goods, &c.; the Aggregate Number of Miles travelled by each Class of Passengers; the Number of Passenger Trains and of Goods Trains respectively; the Number of Miles travelled by such Trains, and the Length of Railway open at the Commencement and at the Termination of the half-year; compiled from Returns made in pursuance of the Provisions of the Act 3 & 4 *Vic.* c. 97; together with a Summary comparing the Traffic with that during the corresponding period in 1856.

Return showing the Number of Passengers conveyed on all the Railways in *England* and *Wales*, *Scotland* and *Ireland* respectively, during the half-year ended 30th June 1858, distinguished in different Classes, and the Receipts from each Class of Passengers and from Goods, &c.; the Aggregate Number of Miles travelled by each Class of Passengers; the Number of Passenger Trains and of Goods Trains respectively; the Number of Miles travelled by such Trains, and the Length of Railway open at the Commencement and at the Termination of the half-year; compiled from Returns made in pursuance of the Provisions of the Act 3 & 4 *Vic.* c. 97; together with a Summary comparing the Traffic with that in the corresponding period in 1857.

Railway Department.

Copy of Report to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Foreign Plantations, of the Proceedings of the Department relating to Railways, for the year 1857.

Railway Accidents.

Copy of Reports of the Inspecting Officers of the Railway Department to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, upon certain Accidents which have occurred on Railways during the Months of May, June and July 1858:—(Part Fourth).

A Return of the Number and Nature of the Accidents and the Injuries to Life and Limb which have occurred on all the Railways open for Traffic in *England* and *Wales*, *Scotland* and *Ireland* respectively, from the 1st January to the 30th June 1858.

Railways.

Mr. *Henley* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 17th day of June last, for Returns relative to the Number and Description of Persons employed on Railways on the 30th day of June 1858.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Accounts relative to Trade and Navigation be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before Two of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 23° *die Julii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Middlesbrough* Improvement Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to. Middlesbrough Improvement Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Plymouth* Great Western Docks Bill; and the same were twice read, and, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to. Plymouth Great Western Docks Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Tees* Conservancy Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to. Tees Conservancy Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Worcester* and *Hereford* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to. Worcester and Hereford Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Davidson's Estate Bill was read the third time. Davidson's Estate Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The *Glasgow* College Estate Bill was read the third time. Glasgow College Estate Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. Public Petitions.

Vide Fifty-first Report.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Further Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of December last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Missionaries), *East India* (Idolatry), and *East India* (Education), so far as relates to *East India* (Missionaries), and *East India* (Idolatry). East India (Missionaries), and East India (Idolatry.)

Return to an Order, dated the 9th day of February last, for Returns relative to the Income Tax. Income Tax.

Return to an Order, dated the 18th day of May last, for an Account relative to Public Income and Expenditure. Public Income and Expenditure. No. 455.

Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of June last, for Returns relative to Revenue (*Ireland*). Revenue (Ireland.)

Return to an Order, dated the 8th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to *East India* (Charges on Consolidated Fund). East India (Charges on Consolidated Fund.)

Foreign Shipping.

Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of this instant July, for an Account relative to Foreign Shipping.

Plymouth Victualling Yard, &c.

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was also laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 4th June 1858, granting, in consideration of his Services, a Retired Allowance of 200*l.* a year to Rear-Admiral *Craigie*, late Superintendent of the Royal Victualling Yard and Royal Naval Hospital at *Plymouth*, in addition to his Half-pay.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Public Income and Expenditure be printed.

British Museum. No. 456.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *British* Museum, which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant July, be printed.

Education (Ireland.) No. 457.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Education (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant July, be printed.

Army (100th Regiment.) No. 458.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Army (100th Regiment), which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant July, be printed.

Railways. No. 459.

Ordered, That the Return of the Number and Description of Persons employed on Railways on the 30th June 1858, which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant July, be printed.

Criminal Offenders (Scotland.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Tables of Criminal Offenders for the year 1857, reported by Her Majesty's Advocate for *Scotland*, in terms of the Statute 1 *Gul.* 4, c. 37, with alterations and additions; ordered and required by one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, in virtue of the Powers therein contained.

Dublin Port.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 22d day of March last, for Accounts relative to *Dublin* Port.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed upon the 22d day of this instant July, That the Clause (That it shall not be lawful for the collector of rates and taxes of any borough, county or city, or his partner or agent, to act as agent, clerk or canvasser for, or to be employed on behalf of, any candidate for such borough, county or city; and any such person who shall so offend shall for his said offence be liable to forfeit the Sum of Fifty pounds to any person who shall sue for the same, together with full costs of suit), which was offered to be added on consideration of the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill, as amended in the Committee, be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *William Vansittart*, Mr. *Patrick O'Brien:*	53.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore:*	66.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Every candidate at any election for any county, city or borough shall be required to make and sign the following statutory declaration, and present, or cause to be presented, a copy of such declaration to the election auditor on or before the day appointed for the audit of bills, charges or claims:

"I, [*A. B.*] a candidate at the election of a [ ] to represent the [ ] in Parliament, do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare, that I have not knowingly made, authorized or sanctioned, and that I will not knowingly make, authorize or sanction any payment on account of the said election, otherwise than is described by the bills, charges and claims rendered to the election auditor, save as excepted and allowed by the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act, 1854:"

And every candidate who shall neglect to make and send in to the Election Auditor a copy of the declaration as aforesaid on or before the day appointed by the Election Auditor, shall be liable to the penalty of , and to a further penalty of for every subsequent week of wilful default or neglect in making and sending in such declaration, to be recovered by any person who will sue for the same, together with full costs of suit: Provided always, That in case any such candidate shall be absent from the United Kingdom at the time of such election, he shall send in to the Election Auditor a copy of the declaration as aforesaid within one month after his return to the United Kingdom, which shall be of the same force and effect as if the same had been sent in as herein provided):—And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time, with blanks.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Nicoll*, Mr. *Greer:*	52.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	83.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (And whereas it is expedient to provide for increasing the number of polling places, and for altering polling districts in *Ireland*; be it therefore enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*, by and with the advice of the Privy Council in *Ireland*, from time to time hereafter, on Petition from the justices of any county or riding in *Ireland*, in quarter sessions assembled, or from one or more of the representatives in Parliament for the said county or riding, or from at least One hundred of the registered electors for the said county or riding, representing that the number of polling places for such county or riding is insufficient, and praying that the place or places mentioned in the said Petition may be a polling place or polling places for the county or riding within which such place or places is or are situate, and that a district or districts in said Petition mentioned and described by the barony or baronies, half barony or half baronies, or by the parish or parishes, and townlands contained therein respectively, may constitute a district or districts for polling at such polling place or polling places respectively, or praying that any polling district or polling districts may be altered, and that any barony or half barony, parish or parishes, or townlands, may be detached from any such polling district, and be annexed to any other polling district, as the case may be, to declare that any place or places mentioned in the said Petition shall be a polling place or polling places for that county or riding, and that the district or districts in such Petition mentioned, or with such alterations thereof as may be deemed suitable and convenient, shall constitute a district or districts for polling at such polling place or polling places respectively; and that the other polling districts of the said county or riding shall be altered accordingly; and every such declaration or order for creating additional polling places, and the polling districts for the same, or for altering any polling district or districts, shall be certified under the hand of the Clerk of the said Privy Council, and when so certified

tified shall be published in the *Dublin* Gazette, and shall be of the same force and effect as if the same had been made by the authority of Parliament: Provided always, That if the said Petition be from registered electors or from a representative or representatives of the said county or riding, proof must be given of the publication of the said Petition in two newspapers, circulating within the said county or riding, at least ten days before such declaration or order shall be made; and at the next registration of voters for the said county or riding, after such declaration or order shall have been made, separate alphabetical lists shall be made of the electors entitled to vote in each polling place, according to the baronies, or to the parishes, or portions of parishes, constituting the said polling districts respectively):—And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Greer*, / Mr. *Cox:* } 26.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, / Colonel *Taylor:* } 112.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to the added to the Bill (The admission and payment, on behalf of any candidate at an election, of any claim or demand in respect to such election, by the Election Auditor, in accordance with the provisions of the seventeenth and eighteenth *Victoria*, chapter One hundred and two, shall be a sufficient protection to such candidate against any action or suit at law in respect to the legality of any such payment; and it shall be the duty of the Election Auditor to refuse to pay any claim or demand on behalf of such candidate which is not in accordance with the Provisions of the above-mentioned Act of the seventeenth and eighteenth *Victoria*, chapter One hundred and two):—And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—It passed in the Negative.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 17, by inserting after the word "voter" the words "within such voter's county or "borough, and seven miles from the boundary "thereof."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Stapleton*, / Mr. *Cox:* } 75.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, / Colonel *Taylor:* } 78.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by leaving out Clause 1.

And the Question being proposed, That Clause 1 stand part of the Bill:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till this day.

Standing Orders Revision. No. 460.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders Revision; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to report the Standing Orders, as revised by them, to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions (Fiftieth Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 19th, 20th and 21st days of this instant July, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Royal Assent.

A Message was delivered by Mr. *Pulman*, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers:—And being returned;

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the desire of the Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, had been at the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

Funded Debt Bill.

An Act to repeal certain Provisions for the Issue out of the Consolidated Fund of fixed Amounts for the Reduction of the Funded Debt:

Hainault Forest (Allotment of Commons) Bill.

An Act to provide for the Allotment of the Commonable Lands within the Boundaries of the late Forest of *Hainault*, in the County of *Essex:*

Durham County Palatine Jurisdiction Bill.

An Act to amend the Provisions of an Act of the sixth year of King *William* the Fourth, for separating the Palatine Jurisdiction of the County Palatine of *Durham* from the Bishoprick of *Durham*, and to make further Provision with respect to the Jura Regalia of the said County:

New General Post-office (Edinburgh) Bill.

An Act to confer Powers on the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, to acquire the Theatre Royal, *Edinburgh*, and adjacent Property, for the Erection of a new General Post-office, and for other purposes:

Navigations Advances (Ireland) Bill.

An Act to extend the Time for making Advances towards Navigations in *Ireland*, under the Provisions of an Act of the nineteenth and twentieth *Victoria*, chapter Sixty-two:

Prescription (Ireland) Bill.

An Act for shortening the Time of Prescription in certain Cases in *Ireland:*

Municipal Franchise Bill.

An Act to amend the Municipal Franchise in certain Cases:

Universities and College Estates Bill.

An Act to give to the Universities of *Oxford*, *Cambridge* and *Durham*, and the Colleges in those Universities, and to the Colleges of *Saint Mary* of *Winchester*, near *Winchester*, and of King *Henry* the Sixth at *Eton*, Power to sell, enfranchise and exchange Lands under certain conditions, and also to grant Leases for agricultural, building and mining purposes, and to deal with the Interests of their Lessees under proper Reservations and Restrictions:

Militia Ballots Suspension Bill.

An Act to suspend the making of Lists and the Ballots for the Militia of the United Kingdom:

Churches, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

An Act further to amend the Law relating to the Erection and Endowment of Churches, Chapels and Perpetual Curacies in *Ireland:*

Confirmation of Executors, &c. Bill.

An Act to amend the Law relating to the Confirmation of Executors in *Scotland*, and to extend over all parts of the United Kingdom the effect of such Confirmation, and of Grants of Probate and Administration:

Ecclesiastical Corporations Leasing Bill.

An Act to amend the Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, for enabling Ecclesiastical Corporations, aggregate and sole, to grant Leases for long Terms of Years:

Nisi Prius Court, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

An Act to appoint a Clerk of Nisi Prius for the consolidated Nisi Prius Court in *Ireland*, and to make Provision for the Appointment of Tipstaffs in the Superior Courts of Common Law and Equity in *Ireland:*

Stanhope and Wolsingham Rectories Bill. — An Act for the future Appropriation of the Tithe or Tenth of Lead Ores in the Parishes of *Stanhope* and *Wolsingham*, in the County of *Durham*, belonging to the respective Rectors thereof, subject to the existing Incumbencies, and for making other Provisions for the Endowment of the said Rectories in lieu thereof, and for other purposes connected therewith:

Law of False Pretences Amendment Bill. — An Act to amend the Law of False Pretences:

Jews' Bill. — An Act to provide for the Relief of Her Majesty's Subjects professing the Jewish Religion:

Oaths Bill. — An Act to substitute one Oath for the Oaths of Allegiance, Supremacy and Abjuration, and for the Relief of Her Majesty's Subjects professing the Jewish Religion:

Marriages (Moscow, Tahiti and Ningpo) Bill. — An Act to remove doubts as to the validity of certain Marriages of *British* Subjects Abroad:

Joint Stock Companies Acts Amendment Bill. — An Act to amend the Joint Stock Companies Acts, 1856 and 1857, and the Joint Stock Banking Companies Act, 1857:

Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Continuance Bill. — An Act to continue certain temporary Provisions concerning Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction in *England*:

Charitable Trusts Acts Continuance Bill. — An Act further to continue the Exemption of certain Charities from the operation of the Charitable Trusts Acts:

Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, &c. Bill. — An Act to continue Appointments under the Act for consolidating the Copyhold and Inclosure Commissions, and for completing Proceedings under the Tithe Commutation Acts:

Indemnity Bill. — An Act to indemnify such Persons in the United Kingdom, as have omitted to qualify themselves for Offices and Employments, and to extend the Time limited for those purposes respectively:

Army Service Bill. — An Act to revive and continue an Act amending the Act for limiting the Time of Service in the Army:

Athenry and Tuam Railway Bill. — An Act for making a Railway from *Athenry* to *Tuam*, in the County of *Galway*, and for other purposes:

Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire and Great Northern Railway Companies Bill. — An Act to authorize the Great Northern, and the *Manchester*, *Sheffield* and *Lincolnshire* Railway Companies, to work in common, and for certain other purposes relating to the Great Northern Railway:

East Kent Railway (Western Extension) Bill. — An Act for enabling the East *Kent* Railway Company to extend their Railway from *Strood*, to join the Mid-*Kent* Railway (*Bromley* to *Saint Mary's Cray*), and for other purposes connected with their Undertaking:

Formartine and Buchan Railway Bill. — An Act for making a Railway from the Great North of *Scotland* Railway to *Old Deer*, and thence to *Peterhead* and *Fraserburgh*, with a Branch to *Ellon*, all in the County of *Aberdeen*, to be called "The *Formartine* and *Buchan* Railway:"

Shrewsbury and Welchpool Railway Bill. — An Act for extending the Powers of the *Shrewsbury* and *Welchpool* Railway Company, for purchasing Lands and completing their Railway, and for other purposes:

East Suffolk, Yarmouth and Haddiscoe, and Lowestoft and Beccles Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill. — An Act for the Amalgamation of the Undertakings of the East *Suffolk* Railway Company, the *Yarmouth* and *Haddiscoe* Railway Company, and the *Lowestoft* and *Beccles* Railway Company, for leasing the same, and for other purposes:

Cleveland Railway Bill. — An Act for making a Railway from or near *Guisbrough*, to or near to *Skinningrove*, all in *Cleveland*, in the North Riding of the County of *York*, and for other purposes:

Stockton and Darlington Railway (Durham Lines) Bill. — An Act for enabling the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway Company to make a new Railway in the County of *Durham*, in connexion with the *Wear* Valley and *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railways, to acquire additional Lands, and for other purposes:

Stockton and Darlington Railway (North Riding Lines) Bill. — An Act for enabling the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway Company to make new Railways in the North Riding of the County of *York*, and for other purposes:

Stockton and Darlington, Wear Valley, &c. Railway Companies Amalgamation Bill. — An Act for the Amalgamation of the *Stockton* and *Darlington*, the *Wear* Valley, the *Middlesbrough* and *Redcar*, the *Middlesbrough* and *Guisbrough*, and the *Darlington* and *Barnard Castle* Railway Companies, and for regulating the Capital and borrowing Powers of the *Stockton* and *Darlington* Railway Company formed by the Amalgamation, and for other purposes:

Victoria Station and Pimlico Railway Bill. — An Act to authorize the Construction of a Station near *Victoria-street*, *Pimlico*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and of a Railway to connect the same with the West *London* and Crystal Palace Railway at *Battersea*, in the County of *Surrey*, in order to afford improved Communication between certain of the Railways South of the *Thames*, and the Western Districts of the Metropolis, and for other purposes:

Hove Improvement Bill. — An Act for the Improvement of the Western Parts of the Parish of *Hove*, in the County of *Sussex*, and for establishing more efficient Police Regulations within the whole of the said Parish:

North British Railway (Consolidation, &c.) Bill. — An Act for consolidating and amending the Acts of the North *British* Railway Company, and for authorizing Alterations in the *Leith* and *Fisherrow* or *Musselburgh* Branches thereof, and for other purposes:

Dublin and Meath Railway Bill. — An Act for making a Railway Communication between *Dublin* and *Meath*:

Hesketh Marsh Bill. — An Act for carrying into effect an Agreement between the *Ribble* Navigation Company, and Sir *Thomas George Hesketh*, Baronet:

Devon Valley Railway Bill. — An Act for making a Railway from the *Tillicoultry* Station of the *Stirling* and *Dunfermline* Railway, to the *Fife* and *Kinross* Railway at *Hopefield*, to be called "The *Devon* Valley Railway," and for other purposes in relation thereto:

Birkenhead Improvement Commissioners (Gas and Water) Bill. — An Act to make Provision for better supplying *Birkenhead* and *Claughton* with Gas and Water, and for transferring the Undertaking of the *Birkenhead* and *Claughton* Gas and Water Company to the *Birkenhead* Improvement Commissioners, and for other purposes:

Oxford, Worcester and Wolverhampton Railway Bill. — An Act to confer further Powers upon the *Oxford*, *Worcester* and *Wolverhampton* Railway Company with respect to the Completion, Alteration or Abandonment of certain of their Branch Railways, and to authorize certain Arrangements with respect to their Share Capital, and the Purchase of the *Stratford-upon-Avon* Canal; and to amend the Acts relating to the Company, and for other purposes:

Windsor New Road Bill. — An Act to authorize the making of a Turnpike-road from *Thames-street*, in the Parish of *Clewer*, in the Borough of *New Windsor*, in the County of *Berks*, to *Oxford* Road in the said Parish, and for other purposes:

Newport, Abergavenny and Hereford Railway Bill. — An Act to enable the *Newport*, *Abergavenny* and *Hereford* Railway Company to divert their Railway in the Parish of *Aberdare*, in *Glamorganshire*, and to confer upon them other Powers:

Crystal Palace District Gas Bill. — An Act to incorporate the Crystal Palace District Gas Company; to enable the said Company to raise further Money; to authorize the Company to contract for and purchase the Undertaking, Land and Premises of the *Sydenham* Gas and Coke Company, and for other purposes connected therewith:

Whitehaven Junction Railway Bill. — An Act to enable the *Whitehaven* Junction Railway Company to construct new Branches; to widen their Line; to erect Shipping Places and other Works; to raise a further Sum of Money, and for other purposes:

Lancaster and Carlisle Railway (No. 2) Bill. — An Act to empower the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* Railway Company to abandon a part of the *Lancaster* and *Carlisle* and *Ingleton* Railway, and to alter and divert certain Roads in connexion with their Railway; to acquire additional Lands, and for other purposes:

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Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill.

An Act to authorize Arrangements between the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Company, and *London* and North Western Railway Company, and to authorize the *Chester* and *Holyhead* Railway Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and for other purposes:

London and North Western Railway (Additional Works) Bill.

An Act for enabling the *London* and North Western Railway Company to construct Works, and to acquire additional Lands in the Counties of *Salop*, *Middlesex*, *Hertford*, *Buckingham*, *Warwick*, *Chester*, *Stafford*, *Northampton*, *Leicester* and *Lancaster*; for authorizing Arrangements in reference to "The Improved Postal and Passenger Communication between *England* and *Ireland* Act, 1855," and for other purposes:

Saint Leonard, Shoreditch, Parish Bill.

An Act for the Establishment of a Board of Guardians of the Poor in the Parish of *Saint Leonard, Shoreditch*, in the County of *Middlesex*, and for other purposes with respect to the Parish:

Stockton, Middlesbrough and Yarm Water Bill.

An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the *Stockton*, *Middlesbrough* and *Yarm* Water Company; to change the Name of the Company, and authorize the Construction of additional Works, and the raising of further Monies, and for other purposes:

North Yorkshire and Cleveland Railway Bill.

An Act to enable the North *Yorkshire* and *Cleveland* Railway Company to construct a new Branch from their Railway; to make a Deviation in the Main Line and other Works; to alter and amend the Acts relating to the Company, and for other purposes:

Severn Valley Railway (Extension of Time) Bill.

An Act for making further Provision with respect to the *Severn* Valley Railway, in order to the Completion thereof, and for other purposes:

Manchester South Junction and Altrincham Railway (No. 2) Bill.

An Act to improve the Management of the *Manchester*, South Junction and *Altrincham* Railway:

Redditch Railway Bill.

An Act to authorize the Construction of a Railway from *Redditch* to the Midland Railway:

Westminster Palace Hotel Company, Limited, Bill.

An Act for confirming and giving effect to an Agreement for a Lease by the *Westminster* Improvement Commissioners of Land in *Victoria-street* and *Tothill-street*, in the City of *Westminster*, to the *Westminster* Palace Hotel Company, Limited, and of which the short Title is, "*Westminster* Palace Hotel Company's Act, 1858":

Earl Fife's Estate Bill.

An Act to authorize the raising of Money to be expended in permanent Improvements on the Entailed Estates of *Braco*, *Marr*, *Carraldstoun*, and others, and the granting of Feus and Long Leases of parts of the said Estates:

Sir Benjamin Hall's Estate Bill.

An Act to grant further Powers, and to make further Provisions in respect to the Estates, subject to the Trusts of the Will of *Benjamin Hall*, Esquire, deceased:

Holroyd's Estate Bill.

An Act for vesting Estates of the late Mr. *Henry Holroyd*, deceased, in Trustees for Sale; and for authorizing Grants in Fee and Building Leases for long Terms of Years of the same Estates; and for other purposes.

Colonization and Settlement (India) (Fourth Report).

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Colonization and Settlement (*India*) have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House.

No. 461.

Mr. *William Ewart* reported from the said Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sugar, &c.

No. 462.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Quantities of Unrefined Sugar imported and cleared for Consumption in each year ending the 5th day of July, from 1842 to 1858, both years inclusive; distinguishing the Produce of the *West Indies*, *Mauritius* and *East Indies*; showing a Total of the Produce of *British* Possessions, Foreign Countries, and the Aggregate of the whole for each year:——Of the same in every respect of Refined Sugar:——Of the same in every respect of Melasses:——Of the same in every respect of the Aggregate of Unrefined and Refined Sugar and Melasses, converting Melasses into Sugar at the rate of Three pounds of Melasses to One pound of Sugar:——Of the same of Rum:——Of the Amount of Duty received on Refined and Unrefined Sugar and on Melasses, in each of the above years; distinguishing the Amounts paid on Foreign and on Colonial Produce, and the Rates of Duty chargeable in each year:——Of the Amount of Duty received on Rum in each year, and the Rate at which it was charged:——And, of the Average prices *per* cwt. of *Muscovado* Sugar, exclusive of Duty, from the *London* Gazette; and the Average Prices *per* cwt. of *Havannah* Sugar (Ordinary Yellow), exclusive of Duty, from the *London* Mercantile Prices Current, for each of the above years (in recapitulation and continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 231, of Session 2, 1857).

Mr. *Hamilton* accordingly presented the said Returns.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Great Southern of India Railway Company Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Great Southern of *India* Railway Company Bill, without any Amendment:

Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Lancashire and Yorkshire and East Lancashire Railway Companies Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* and East *Lancashire* Railway Companies Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Limerick and Castle Connell Railway Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Limerick* and *Castle Connell* Railway Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

South Wales Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the South *Wales* Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Administration of Oaths by Committees Bill.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Committees of both Houses of Parliament to administer Oaths to Witnesses in certain cases; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Military Stores (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of the Contract for the Carriage of Stores in *Ireland*.

East India (Army, &c.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Detailed Statements of the entire Strength and Cost, by the latest Returns, of the Three Native *Indian* Armies, Regular and Irregular, distinguishing their Allowances from their Pay, and new Levies from the old Army:——Of the Total Strength and Cost of the *European* Company's Army in the Three Presidencies, distinguishing Allowances from Pay:——Of the Strength and Cost of the Queen's Troops employed in *India* at the same Date, distinguishing Allowances from Pay:——Of the Cost of maintaining the Camp Equipage, Tents, Camels, Elephants, Horses, Bullocks, Klassies, Lascars, &c. for the Armies of *India*, Civil and Military Establishments, the Governors General, Governors, Commanders-in-Chief, and Heads of Departments, annually

nually for the past Five years:——And, of the Barrack Accommodation now existing for *European* Troops, the Stations occupied and abandoned, and Cause of Abandonment, between 1830 and 1857; and a Detail of proposed New Stations for *European* Troops in the Hills or Plains, and whether or not Railway contiguity is being made a principle in this extension of *European* Barrack Accommodation.

Income Tax, &c. (London.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of Persons employed in the Assessment and Collection of Income Tax and Land and Assessed Taxes, in the City of *London*, during the year ending the 5th day of April 1858, the Capacity in which employed, the Rate of Poundage, Amount of Salaries or Allowances received, and whether employed in other Duties or not; and of the Total Amount of Income Tax, Land Tax and Assessed Taxes in the same Period (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 197, of Session 2, 1857).

Universities (Scotland) Bill. Bill 233.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Adjournment.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	83.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *John FitzGerald*, The *O'Donoghue:*	54.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill. Bill 334.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next; and be printed.

Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause (Works, &c. to be approved of by the Admiralty), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (On complaint of nuisance committed in execution of Works, Secretary of State may order prosecution), was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (That in the event of the whole Metropolis being at any time hereafter brought under the government of one or more municipal bodies, and any new Metropolitan Board of Works being hereafter created, composed in whole or in part of members deputed from the council or councils of such municipal body or bodies, nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the transfer of the Powers granted by this Act to such new Board):—And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—And the said Motion and Clause were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 1, l. 17, by adding, at the end of Clause 1, the words "or from being brought within the "boundaries of the Metropolis by the action of "the tide."

And the Question being put, That those words be there added:—It passed in the Negative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by adding, at the end of Clause 13, the words "but in the City of *London*, the said rate "shall be made upon the assessment adopted in "making the Sewer Rate in the said City."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

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

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill.

The Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Incumbered Estates (West Indies) Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Incumbered Estates (*West Indies*) Act Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

New Writs Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the New Writs Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Copyright of Designs Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Copyright of Designs Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Amendment which was, this day, proposed to be made on consideration of the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill, as amended in the Committee; and which Amendment was to leave out Clause 1;

And the Question being again proposed, That Clause 1 stand part of the Bill:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put;

The House divided.

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The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:* } 94.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Roebuck*, Mr. *Craufurd:* } 66.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in p. 2, l. 27, by leaving out from the word "Election" to the end of the Clause.

And the Question being put, That the words "and all persons nominated" stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next, at Twelve of the clock;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "be" to the end of the Question, in order to add the word "re-committed" instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.
The Yeas to the Right;
The Noes to the Left.
Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:* } 92.
Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Roebuck*, Mr. *Cox:* } 46.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ecclesiastical Commission Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Ecclesiastical Commission Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, at Twelve of the clock, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Militia Pay Bill.

The Militia Pay Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Militia (Service Abroad) Act Continuance Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Militia (Service Abroad) Act Continuance Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Militia Act Continuance (No. 2) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Militia Act Continuance (No. 2) Bill, as amended in the Committee.

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

Indictments, &c. (Queen's Bench.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Indictments tried in the Queen's Bench, at Bar, or at Nisi Prius, during the last Ten years, and of the Number of Motions for New Trials arising out of them, either on the part of the Crown or of the Defendant, with the Results of such Motions, and of the New Trials, if any, which took place in consequence.

Education Grants (Scotland.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return for the year 1857, of the Names of the Places in each Parish and each County in *Scotland* in which any School is situated in respect of which any Money has been paid under the Authority of the Committee of Council on Education, stating the Amount paid for each Parish and each County respectively; specifying the Religious Body with which each School is connected, and distinguishing the Parochial Schools from other Schools connected with the Established Church.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

International Patent Right.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make Provisions to secure International Patent Right: And that Mr. *Seymour FitzGerald*, Mr. *Henley* and Mr. *Hardy* do prepare, and bring it in.

Saint Mary Magdalen (Newcastle) Charity Bill.

The Select Committee on the *Saint Mary Magdalen* (*Newcastle*) Charity Bill was nominated of Mr. *Adderley*, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. *Arthur Mills*, Mr. *Garnett* and Mr. *Stephenson*.

Ordered, That Three be the quorum.

Ordered, That all Petitions relative to the Bill be referred to the Committee.

International Patent Right Bill.

Mr. *Seymour FitzGerald* presented a Bill to make Provisions to secure International Patent Right: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed. Bill 235.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Sabbati, 24° *die Julii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Message from the Lords.

MR. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and to be printed. Bill 236.

Administration of Oaths by Committees Bill.

The Administration of Oaths by Committees Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed. Bill 237.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fifty-first Report.

Spirits.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 7th day of May last, for Returns relative to Spirits.

Constabulary (Ireland.)

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Constabulary (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 22d day of this instant July, be printed. No. 463.

East India (Missionaries), and East India (Idolatry.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Missionaries), and *East India* (Idolatry), which was presented upon the 23d day of this instant July, be printed. No. 71–I.

Income Tax.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Income Tax, which was presented upon the 23d day of this instant July, be printed. No. 465.

Revenue (Ireland.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to Revenue (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 23d day of this instant July, be printed. No. 466.

East India (Charges on Consolidated Fund.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Charges on Consolidated Fund), which was presented upon the 23d day of this instant July, be printed. No. 467.

Foreign Shipping.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Foreign Shipping, which was presented upon the 23d day of this instant July, be printed. No. 468.

Dublin Port. No. 469.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Dublin* Port, which was presented upon the 23d day of this instant July, be printed.

Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself "into the said Committee," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Mr. *Whitmore:* } 42.

Tellers for the Noes, { Lord *Hotham*, Mr. *Warren:* } 17.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee;

(In the Committee.)

Preamble postponed.

Clauses, N° 1 to N° 4, agreed to.

Clause, N° 5 (Power to appoint an additional Registrar).

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, at the end of the Clause: To add the words "Provided also, that the "said Registrars shall not accept or continue in any "other office, or be concerned in any profession or "business whatever, except as Registrar."

Question, That those words be there added—— put, and negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses, N° 6 to N° 23, with Amendments to three of them, agreed to.

Clause, N° 24, disagreed to.

Clauses, N° 25 to N° 35, agreed to.

Four Clauses added.

A Schedule added.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fitz Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended in the Committee, be taken into consideration upon Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

The Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill.

The Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon this "day three months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Incumbered Estates (West Indies) Act Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Incumbered Estates (*West Indies*) Act Amendment Bill;

And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time;

Mr. *Fitz Roy*, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the Bill, gives Her Consent, as far as Her Majesty's interest is concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

New Writs Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the New Writs Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

Militia (Service Abroad) Act Continuance Bill.

The Militia (Service Abroad) Act Continuance Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Militia Act Continuance (No. 2) Bill.

The Militia Act Continuance (No. 2) Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Saint Mary Magdalen (Newcastle) Charity Bill.

Ordered, That all Petitioners for or against the *Saint Mary Magdalen* (*Newcastle*) Charity Bill have leave to appear before the Select Committee on the Bill, by themselves, their counsel or agents.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Titles to Land (Scotland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Titles to Land (*Scotland*) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Cowley's Charity Bill.

The Lords agree to some of the Amendments made by the Commons to *Cowley's* Charity Bill, without Amendment; agree to others, with Amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Commons; and disagree to others; and return the Bill with the Amendments, and their Reasons for disagreeing to the Amendments.

Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered,

Titles to Land (Scotland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Titles to Land (*Scotland*) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill. Bill 238.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next; and be printed.

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment (1856) Bill. Bill 239.

The Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment (1856) Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 26° *die Julii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Prayers.

Army Promotion and Retirement.

General *Peel* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the Question of Promotion and Retirement in the higher Ranks of the Army, commencing with the Rank of Major; with an Appendix.

Quartermasters.

General *Peel* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 7th day of this instant July, for Returns relative to Quartermasters.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Jews (Baron de Rothschild.)

Baron *Lionel Nathan de Rothschild*, returned as one of the Members for the City of *London*, came to the Table to be sworn; and stated, that, being a person professing the Jewish Religion, he entertained a conscientious objection to take the Oath which by an Act passed in the present Session has been substituted for the Oaths of Allegiance, Supremacy and Abjuration, in the Form therein required:—— Whereupon the Clerk reported the matter to Mr. Speaker, who desired Baron *Lionel Nathan de Rothschild* to withdraw; and he withdrew accordingly.

Resolved, That it appears to this House that Baron *Lionel Nathan de Rothschild*, a person professing the Jewish Religion, being otherwise entitled to sit and vote in this House, is prevented from so sitting and voting by his conscientious objection to take the Oath which by an Act passed in the present Session of Parliament has been substituted for the Oaths of Allegiance, Supremacy and Abjuration in the Form therein required.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That any person professing the Jewish Religion may henceforth, in taking the Oath prescribed in an Act of the present Session of Parliament to entitle him to sit and vote in this House, omit the words "and I make this declaration upon the true faith of "a Christian;"

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *John Abel Smith*, / Mr. *Knatchbull-Hugessen*: } 69.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Warren*, / Lord *Hotham*: } 37.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Baron *Lionel Nathan de Rothschild*, being again come to the Table, desired to be sworn on the Old Testament, as being binding on his conscience:—— Whereupon the Clerk reported the matter to Mr. Speaker, who then desired the Clerk to swear him upon the Old Testament.

Baron *Lionel Nathan de Rothschild* was sworn accordingly, and subscribed the Oath at the Table.

Lancashire and Yorkshire and East Lancashire Railway Companies Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* and East *Lancashire* Railway Companies Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Limerick and Castle Connell Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Limerick* and *Castle Connell* Railway Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

West End of London and Clapham and Norwood Junction Railway (Abandonment) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the West End of *London* and *Clapham* and *Norwood* Junction Railway (Abandonment) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ray's Estate Bill.

Ray's Estate Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Stearne's Charities Bill.

Stearne's Charities Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Metropolitan Main Drainage. No. 471.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Observations of Messieurs *Bidder*, *Hawksley* and *Bazalgette*, on the Answer of the Government Referees to their Report to the Metropolitan Board of Works, relative to the Metropolitan Main Drainage.

Lord *John Manners* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Several Public Petitions were also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, and Fifty-first Report.

Spirits. No. 472.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Spirits, which was presented upon the 24th day of this instant July, be printed.

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six weeks."

And the Question being put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, / Colonel *Taylor*: } 93.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Henry Berkeley*, / Mr. *Thomas Duncombe*: } 60.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill do pass;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 92.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *Osborne*, Mr. *Byng*: } 59.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by leaving out Clause 7.

And the Question being put, That Clause 7 stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (Sections 57 and 58 of the said Act are hereby repealed):—And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.
Bill 240.

Ordered, That the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill, as amended by the Lords, be printed.

Navy.
No. 473.

Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 26th of day April last, for a Return relative to the Navy.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Stipendiary Judges.

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 10th day of June last, for Returns relative to Stipendiary Judges.

Pilotage Certificates.

Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of this instant July, for Returns relative to Pilotage Certificates.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Hocquard v. The Queen, Ship "Newport."

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Memorial and Inclosure addressed to the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, on the 28th day of May 1858, by Messrs. *Pinto, Perez* and Co., of *Crutched Friars*, in the City of *London*, in reference to the Judgment of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council on the Appeal of *Hocquard v.* The Queen, Ship "*Newport*," from the Vice-Admiralty Court of *Saint Helena*, and of the Reply thereto:——And, Account of the Expenses incurred by the Crown in respect of the said Appeal.

Gold (Australia.)

Sir *Bulwer Lytton* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 6th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Gold (*Australia*).

Hong Kong.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to *Hong Kong*.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Ecclesiastical Commission Bill.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock, on the Ecclesiastical Commission Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon this day month, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Navy and Army. No. 474.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Detailed Accounts of the Receipt and Expenditure for Navy and for Army Services, in the year ended the 31st day of March 1857.

Mr. *Hamilton* accordingly presented the said Accounts.

Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill.

The said Amendments being read a second time, several were agreed to; and several were disagreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to the Amendments to which this House hath disagreed:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. *Dunlop*, Viscount *Palmerston*, Sir *James Graham*, Mr. *Roebuck*, Mr. *Black*, Mr. *Craufurd*, and Sir *Edward Colebrooke*:—And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Government of India (No. 3) Bill

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill;

Ordered, That the said Amendments be taken into consideration To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Titles to Land (Scotland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Titles to Land (*Scotland*) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Sale and Transfer of Land (*Ireland*) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Endowed Schools Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Endowed Schools Law Amendment Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill;

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

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Law of Property Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Law of Property Amendment Bill, as amended in the Committee;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now taken into consideration;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "be" to the end of the Question, in order to add the word "re-committed," instead thereof.

And the Question being proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment and Motion were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be taken into consideration upon this day month.

International Patent Right Bill.

The International Patent Right Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

Administration of Oaths by Committees Bill.

The Administration of Oaths by Committees Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow, at Twelve of the clock.

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment (1856) Bill.

The Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment (1856) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

New Writs Bill.

The New Writs Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill.

The Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

East India (Annicut in Rajahmundry.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Mr. *Goldingham*'s Report on the Annicut in *Rajahmundry*.

Harbours of Refuge.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to give directions for the appointment of a Royal Commission to complete the inquiry, in the terms recommended in the Report of the Select Committee of this House in the present Session, on Harbours of Refuge;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "and to extend their inquiry to the Harbour of "*Skerries*, in the County of *Dublin*, as regards its "capabilities and circumstances as a site for a "Harbour of Refuge."

And the Question being proposed, That those words be there added:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to give directions for the appointment of a Royal Commission to complete the inquiry, in the terms recommended in the Report of the Select Committee of this House in the present Session, on Harbours of Refuge.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Bank Acts.

The House proceeded to take into consideration that part of the Message from the Lords of the 22d day of this instant July, wherein their Lordships request, that this House will communicate to their Lordships, a Copy of the Report from the Select Committee appointed by this House, in the present Session of Parliament, on the Bank Acts; together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before the said Committee.

Ordered, That a Printed Copy of the said Report be communicated to the Lords, as desired by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do deliver the same.

Universities (Scotland) Bill.

Mr. *Dunlop* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to certain of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill; That they had drawn up Reasons accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House; and the same were read, as follow:

The Commons disagree to the Amendment in p. 2, being to leave out Clause 3, for the following Reason:

Because, by the Act of the 16 & 17 years of Her Majesty, chapter 89, all Professors of the Universities of *Scotland* were relieved from the necessity of taking the religious test to which they previously were subject, except those holding Chairs of Theology; and although the offices of Principals in all the Colleges, with two exceptions, were included under the designation "Chairs of Theology," this proceeded apparently on the assumption that the holders of these offices were actually teachers of Theology, while, in point of fact, none of the Principals of any of the Colleges, except *Saint Mary's*, *Saint Andrews* (a Theological College, and not affected by the Clause struck out by your Lordships), have, as such, taught Theology for more than a century and a half; and because these offices of Heads of Colleges are situations of dignity, which ought to be open to persons of eminence of whatever denomination, and whether Clergymen or Laymen.

The Commons disagree to the Amendments to Clauses 8, 9, 10, and 11, for the following Reason:

Because, by making Professors Co-electors of the Rector with their Students, they would be placed in a position hurtful to their dignity and influence.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment in p. 15, being to leave out Clause 26, for the following Reason:

Because the distinction between the two classes of Professors proposed to be done away with by this Clause is, as set forth in the Report of the Royal Commissioners of Visitation, appointed in 1836, "invidious and unjust; detrimental to the interests of the University; injurious to Her Majesty's Prerogative, and deriving no countenance from the Rights and Charters of the University."

With the preceding exceptions, the Commons agree to the Amendments made by your Lordships to the Bill.

The said Reasons, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reasons (with the Bill and Amendments): And that the Clerk do carry the same.

Kafir War. No. 475.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the disposal of the several Sums voted by Parliament in the Sessions of 1851, 1852 and 1853, for the Estimated Expenses occasioned by the Kafir War, amounting to £.960,000, and the Surplus of those Votes remaining unapplied.

Mr. *Hamilton* accordingly presented the said Account.

Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Cowley's Charity Bill.

Ordered, That the Reasons assigned by the Lords for disagreeing to certain of the Amendments made by this House to *Cowley*'s Charity Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Military Stores (Ireland.)

The Order made upon the 23d day of this instant July, That there be laid before this House, a Return relative to Military Stores (*Ireland*), was read, and discharged.

Military Stores (Ireland.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of the Contract for the Carriage of Stores in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Indictments, &c. (Queen's Bench.)

The Order made upon the 23d day of this instant July, That there be laid before this House, a Return relative to Indictments, &c. (Queen's Bench), was read, and discharged.

Indictments, &c. (Queen's Bench.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Indictments tried in the Queen's Bench, at Bar, or at Nisi Prius, during the last Ten years, and of the Number of Motions for New Trial arising out of them, either on the part of the Crown or of the Defendant, with the results of such Motions, and of the New Trials, if any, which took place in consequence.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Martis, 27° die Julii;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

South Wales Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the South *Wales* Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Vale of Towy Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Vale of *Towy* Railway Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Devon (Southern Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the Southern Division of the County of *Devon*, in the room of Sir *John Buller Yarde Buller*, Baronet, who, since his Election for the said Division of the said County, hath accepted the office of Steward of Her Majesty's Manor of *Hempholme*.

Chester County (Northern Division) Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the electing of a Knight of the Shire to serve in this present Parliament for the Northern Division of the County of *Chester*, in the room of *William Tatton Egerton*, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said Division of the said County, hath accepted the office of Steward of Her Majesty's Manor of *Northstead*, in the County of *York*.

Standing Orders Revision. No. 476.

Ordered, That the Report from the Select Committee on Standing Orders Revision be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Report into consideration; and the same was again read.

The House was moved, That the present Standing Orders of the House relating to Private Bills, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That Standing Orders, Nos. 4, 7, 26, 36, 38, 39, 40, 41, 56 to 65, 90, 91, 94, 95, 99, 101, 106, 121, 135, 163, 171, 175, 178, 179, 196, 204, and 206, be repealed.

Then the Orders relating to Private Bills, as reported by the Committee, with Amendments to several of them, were agreed to.

Resolved, That this House will not insist on its Privileges with regard to any Clauses in Private Bills sent down from the House of Lords which refer to Tolls and Charges for services performed, and are not in the nature of a Tax.

Ordered, That the said Orders and Resolution be Standing Orders of this House.

Ordered, That the Standing Orders of this House be printed.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Public Petition was also presented, and read; and referred to a Select Committee.

Vide Votes, and Fifty-second Report.

Army.

General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of April last, for Returns relative to the Army.

Colonels.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 21st day of June last, for a Return relative to Colonels.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Telegraph Companies. No. 477.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Telegraph Companies, which was presented upon the 6th day of this instant July, be printed.

Stipendiary Judges. No. 478.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Stipendiary Judges, which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant July, be printed.

Quartermasters. No. 479.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Quartermasters, which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant July, be printed.

Gold (Australia.) No. 480.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Gold (*Australia*), which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant July, be printed.

Hong Kong. No. 481.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Hong Kong*, which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant July, be printed.

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East India (Territorial Accounts.)

The following Paper, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Accounts respecting the Territorial Revenues and Disbursements of the *East India* Company, for the year 1856-57; with an Estimate of the same for the succeeding year, and Appendices, containing Comparative Statements for the years 1854-55, 1855-56, 1856-57, and Estimate 1857-58.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Inclosure of Lands Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Inclosure of Lands Bill, without any Amendment:

Sheep, &c. Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Sheep, &c., Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill, without any Amendment:

Turnpike Acts Continuance Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Turnpike Acts Continuance Bill, without any Amendment:

Police (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Police (*Scotland*) Act Amendment Bill, without any Amendment:

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bishops Trusts Substitution Bill, without any Amendment:

Plymouth Great Western Docks Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the *Plymouth* Great Western Docks Bill, without any Amendment:

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Public Health Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Public Health Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Medical Practitioners Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Medical Practitioners Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Four Courts (Dublin) Extension Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Four Courts (*Dublin*) Extension Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Warrington and Stockport Railway (Capital) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway (Capital) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Clyde Navigation Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Clyde* Navigation Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Atlantic Telegraph Company Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Atlantic Telegraph Company Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Amendments be now taken into consideration;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day three months."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the said Amendments be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration.

The said Amendments, as far as the Amendment in p. 9, at the end of Clause 27, being read a second time, were agreed to.

P. 9, at the end of Clause 27, the next Amendment, being read a second time; an Amendment was proposed to be made thereunto, by inserting after the words "communicated to," the words "a "Committee consisting of Four."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted:—It passed in the Negative.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Mr. *Ayrton*, Mr. *Bowyer*: } 38.

Tellers for the Noes, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 106.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then several other Amendments, being read a second time, were disagreed to; another was agreed to; and another was disagreed to.

Ordered, That the further consideration of the said Amendments be adjourned till this day, at Six of the clock.

International Patent Right Bill, and Administration of Oaths by Committees Bill.

The Orders of the day being read, for the Committees on the International Patent Right Bill, and the Administration of Oaths by Committees Bill;

Ordered, That the said Bills be committed to the same Committee.

International Patent Right Bill.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Colonel *Wilson Patten* reported, That the Committee had made Progress in the International Patent Right Bill; and that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Administration of Oaths by Committees Bill.

Colonel *Wilson Patten* also reported, That the Committee had gone through the Administration of Oaths by Committees Bill; and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

Saint Mary Magdalen (Newcastle) Charity Bill (Special Report.)

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the *Saint Mary Magdalen* (*Newcastle*) Charity Bill have leave to make a Special Report.

Mr. *Adderley* reported from the said Committee; That they had heard Counsel in support of the Bill, and had also heard Counsel against the same, and had considered the several Petitions referred to them by the House, and had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, but that the Parties having a mode of proceeding open to them through the Attorney General or the Court of Chancery, the Committee did not consider the scheme proposed should proceed to enactment by the Legislature.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Four Courts (Dublin) Extension Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Four Courts (*Dublin*) Extension Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Courts Martial.

The Order made upon the 14th day of May last, for presenting to Her Majesty an humble Address, that She would be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns relative to Courts Martial, was read, and discharged.

Courts Martial.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of General Courts Martial held on Officers during the last Five years, both at Home and Abroad, briefly indicating the Nature of the Charge in each; the Finding and Sentence in each; in how many Cases they were remitted for re-consideration

deration by the Court, and with what Result; in how many Cases, and in what respects, they were confirmed or modified; the Date of the Finding, of the Transmission to the Horse Guards, to the Judge Advocate General, of the Return to the Horse Guards, of the Confirmation by Her Majesty, and Communication of the Result to the Prisoner; and the Number of Days during which the Court sate:——And, of the Number of Naval Courts Martial of every description, both at Home and Abroad, during the last Five years, and briefly indicating the Nature of the Charge in each; the Finding and Sentence in each; and the Number of Days during which the Court sate.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Public Petitions (Fifty-first Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 22d, 23d, 24th and 26th days of this instant July; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Prisons (Great Britain.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of First Report of the Inspectors appointed under the Provisions of the Act 5 & 6 *Will.* 4, c. 38, to visit the different Prisons of *Great Britain*. IV.—Reformatory Schools.

Fine Arts.

Copy of Eleventh Report of the Commissioners on the Fine Arts; with an Appendix.

Mining Districts.

Copy of Report of the Commissioner appointed under the Provisions of the Act 5 & 6 *Vic.* c. 99, to inquire into the operation of that Act, and into the State of the Population in the Mining Districts, 1858.

Manchester Model Secular School.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to *Manchester* Model Secular School.

Sudden Deaths (Scotland.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 22d day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Sudden Deaths (*Scotland*).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Steam Vessels.

Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of June last, for a Return relative to Steam Vessels.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Consular Service and Appointments. No. 482.

Mr. *Monckton Milnes* reported from the Select Committee on Consular Service and Appointments; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and directed him to make a Report thereof to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them; and an Appendix.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Greenwich Union.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies of the Complaint made (December 1857) by the Reverend *C. S. F. Money*, Incumbent of *Saint John's, Deptford*, against Dr. *Arthur*, Medical Officer of the *Deptford* District of the *Greenwich* Union, to the Guardians of the *Greenwich* Union, and by them transmitted to the Poor Law Board, together with all the Correspondence and subsequent Proceedings and Orders thereon:——Of the Complaint made (February 1858) by the Reverend *T. P. Courtenay*, the Curate of *Saint John's, Deptford*, against Dr. *Arthur*, to the Poor Law Board, together with all the Correspondence and subsequent Proceedings and Orders thereon:——Of the Resignation of Dr. *Arthur*, and the subsequent Correspondence thereon between him and the Guardians of the *Greenwich* Union and the Poor Law Board; also as to his Re-election by the Guardians, and the Non-confirmation thereof by the Poor Law Board:——And, of Dr. *Arthur*'s Letter (1st July 1858) of Complaint to the Right honourable the Secretary of State for the Home Department on the subject.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Public Petitions.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Petitions presented and printed in the Five years ending 1858, with the Total Number of Signatures in each year, and the Average Number of Public Petitions presented and printed, and Signatures:——Abstracts of the Sums paid for Printing, Folding, &c. Reports and Appendixes, and Indexes to Reports and Appendixes on Public Petitions, in the year 1857–58:——And, of the Sums paid for Printing, Folding, &c.; distinguishing the Cost of Paper of the Reports and Appendixes, and Indexes to Reports and Appendixes on Public Petitions, for Five years, ending 1858, showing the Total and Average Expense (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 346, of Session 2, 1857).

Port Patrick and Donaghadee Harbours.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Report addressed to the Secretary of the Admiralty by Captain *George Evans*, R.N., dated the 31st day of July 1846, upon the several Ports and Harbours of *Larne, Lock Ryan, Port Patrick, Donaghadee* and *Belfast*, surveyed by order of the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty:——Of any Memorials or Communications addressed to the Lords of the Treasury in 1855 and 1856, from Persons praying for inquiry as to the shortest and best Sea Passage between the North of *Ireland* and *Scotland*:——And, of the Reports of Captains *Veitch* and *Washington* in January 1856, with Copies of Treasury Minute dated the 15th day of August 1856, and of all subsequent Minutes, Correspondence, Reports and Estimates in reference to the Improvement of *Port Patrick* and *Donaghadee* Harbours.

Lunatics.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Total Number of Lunatics in respect of whom Commissions of Lunacy are now in force, and the Total Amount of their Annual Incomes, and the Total Amount of the Sums allowed for their Maintenance:——For each year, from 1855 to the 1st day of July 1858, inclusive, of the Number of Lunatics in respect of whom Commissions issued; distinguishing those in respect of whom Commissions are now in force:——Of the Total Amount of their Annual Incomes, and the Total Amount of the Sums allowed for their Maintenance; distinguishing the Number of Persons, and Amount of Income, and the Allowance for Maintenance of those who have individually less than £. 100 *per annum*; those who have more than £. 100 and less than £. 200 *per annum*; those who have more than £. 200 and less than £. 400 *per annum*; those who have more than £. 400 and less than £. 600 *per annum*; those who have more than £. 600 and less than £. 1,000 *per annum*; and those who have more than £. 1,000 *per annum*; with the Amount of their Income:——Of the Amounts of per-centage paid in each year, from the 2d day of December 1853 to the 1st day of July 1858, on Lunatics' Incomes, and of the Payments made thereon in each year during the same Period, under the Provisions of the Lunacy Regulation Act, 1853 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 242, of Session 1856):——Of the Number of Commissions of Lunacy superseded in each year, from the 1st day of January 1850 to the 1st day of July 1858, and the duration of the Commission in each Case:——Account of the Allowances made under the Lunacy Regulation Act, 1853, section 24, to the Masters and

and Visitors of Lunatics, for travelling and other Expenses, in each of the years 1856 and 1857:——Return of the Number of Visits made, Patients seen, and Miles travelled by each of the Medical and Legal Visitors of Lunatics in each of the years 1856 and 1857; and the Number of Special Reports made by the Medical Visitors of Lunatics under the General Orders in Lunacy of the 12th day of January 1855:——Account of all Monies received and paid by the Secretary of the Commission in Lunacy, and of all Charges and Expenses incurred under or by virtue of or in execution of the Act 8 & 9 *Vic.* c. 100, during the year ending the 31st day of July 1857:——Copy of Report to the Lord Chancellor under the Act 8 & 9 *Vic.* c. 100, s. 88, of the Number of Visits made, the Number of Patients seen, and the Number of Miles travelled by the several Commissioners in Lunacy during the six months ending on the 4th day of February 1858 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 292, of Session 1850):—— Returns by Commissioners in Lunacy of present Lists of Visitors appointed by Justices of Counties and Boroughs to visit Provincial Houses licensed for the reception of Lunatics:——Of Number and Dates of Visits made to each Provincial Licensed House by the Visitors during the statutory year ending Michaelmas 1857:——Of Number and Dates of Visits made by the Commissioners in Lunacy during the statutory year ending the 31st day of December 1857 to each Licensed House:—1. Metropolitan; 2. Provincial:——List of Licensed Houses, Metropolitan and Provincial; the Numbers for which they are respectively licensed; the Number of Patients therein respectively on the 1st day of January 1858; the Number of Attendants kept at each House at the same Date; and the Number of Attendants dismissed for Misconduct from each House during the year 1857 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 281, of Session 1854):——And, Return of the Number of Coroners' Inquests held on Lunatic Patients during the year ending the 31st day of December 1857.

Coast Guard Stations.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the various Coast Guard Stations in *Great Britain*, and the Number of Persons living at each Station; the Number of Rooms at each Station, and the Size of the Rooms; and if any Ground is attached to the Station, and how much.

Stage Carriages, &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns, distinguishing where possible the Country from the Metropolis, of the Number of Stage Carriages and Omnibuses licensed, and the Number of Persons to whom Licenses have been issued, and the Duty thereon, for each year during the last Five years:——Of the Number of Persons licensed to let Horses for Hire in the year previous to the New Post Horse Act coming into operation, and the Duty received from them:——Of the Number of Post Horse Licenses issued by the Commissioners of Inland Revenue for each year since the New Post Horse Act came into operation, distinguishing the Number in each Class as regards both Carriages and Horses:——Of the Number of Carriages of each Description let for Hire by Coachmakers and others, without Horses, and the Number of Persons assessed for the same, and the Duty thereon for the year 1852, and every succeeding year:——Of the Number of Carriages of each Description, and the Number of Horses and Ponies kept by Private Persons, and the Duty thereon for the same Period, and the Number of Persons assessed for the same:——Of the Number of Carriages of each Description, and the Number of Horses kept by Common Carriers, and the Number of Persons assessed for the same, and the Duty thereon, for the same Period:——Of the Number of Horses exempt from Assessed Tax by reason of their being used for working Stage Carriages and Omnibuses for the last year:——Of the Number of Persons keeping more than Fifteen Carriages, and letting the same for Hire:——And, of the Number of *Hackney* Carriages licensed during the last Two years, and the Duty thereon.

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill; and another Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

P. 10, l. 23, the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	60.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Charles Forster*, Mr. *Knatchbull-Hugessen:*	73.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then several other Amendments being read a second time, one was disagreed to; several were agreed to; another was disagreed to; and another was agreed to.

P. 17, l. 11, the next Amendment, being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Lords in the said Amendment;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor:*	95.
Tellers for the Noes,	Mr. *Charles Gilpin*, Mr. *Roebuck:*	28.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the subsequent Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to the Amendments to which this House hath disagreed:—And a Committee was appointed of Lord *Stanley*, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Solicitor General, Lord *John Russell*, Sir *James Graham* and Mr. *Vernon Smith*:—And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Prince Edward Island Loan Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the *Prince Edward Island* Loan Bill;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill;

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

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment (1856) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment (1856) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hamilton* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Cowley's Charity Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Reasons assigned by the Lords

Lords for disagreeing to certain of the Amendments made by this House to *Cowley*'s Charity Bill; and the same were again read.

Resolved, That this House doth not insist on the Amendments to the said Bill, to which the Lords have disagreed.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House doth not insist on the Amendments to the said Bill, to which their Lordships have disagreed.

Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill.

The said Amendment, being read a second time, was disagreed to; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to the Amendment to which this House hath disagreed:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. Secretary *Walpole*, Mr. *Hardy*, Colonel *Taylor*, Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland* and Lord *Naas*:—And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

International Patent Right Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the International Patent Right Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hamilton* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Administration of Oaths by Committees Bill.

The Administration of Oaths by Committees Bill was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Four Courts (Dublin) Extension Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Four Courts (*Dublin*) Extension Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill.

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were disagreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to the said Amendments:—And a Committee was appointed of Lord *Naas*, Mr. Attorney General for *Ireland*, Mr. *Hardy* and Colonel *Taylor*:—And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Chelsea* Bridge Act Amendment Bill, without any Amendment:

Returns to Secretary of State Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Returns to Secretary of State Bill, without any Amendment:

Detached Parts of Counties Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Detached Parts of Counties Bill, without any Amendment:

Herring Fisheries (Scotland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Herring Fisheries (*Scotland*) Bill, without any Amendment:

County Court Districts Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the County Court Districts Bill, without any Amendment:

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

County Property Conveyance Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the County Property Conveyance Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Legitimacy Declaration Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Lunatics (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Lunatics (*Scotland*) Act Amendment Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

River Thames.

The Lords request, that this House will be pleased to communicate to their Lordships, a Copy of the Report from the Select Committee appointed by this House in the present Session of Parliament on the River *Thames*; together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the said Committee.

Wellington Monument.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That by the terms of the competition under which the Models for the Monument proposed to be erected to the memory of the late Duke of *Wellington* in *Saint Paul's* Cathedral were lately exhibited in *Westminster* Hall, the artists competing were not entitled to expect that any of their Works would be executed at the expense of the Nation unless on the ground of their intrinsic merit; and whereas the Judges have not recommended for execution any of the Works so exhibited, and a new and wholly different site has since been determined upon for this great national Monument, it is therefore expedient that a limited number of distinguished artists should be further employed by Her Majesty's Government to furnish Models with special reference to the new site and altered circumstances, and that those artists should be remunerated for their labour, and their Models purchased for the Country;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas,	Mr. *Stuart Wortley*, Lord *Elcho*:	26.
Tellers for the Noes,	Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*:	44.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurii, 28° *die Julii*, 1858:

Subalterns of the Army.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that She will be graciously pleased to take into consideration the unfavourable position of the Subalterns of the Army, with a view of affording them relief:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned:—And the said Motion and Original Question were severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Equitable Councils of Conciliation.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill on Equitable Councils of Conciliation: And that Mr. *Mackinnon* and Mr. *Ingham* do prepare, and bring it in.

Cort's Inventions.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of a Report made from the Museum of Practical Geology to Viscount *Palmerston*, First Lord

Lord of the Treasury, in 1856, by Dr. *Percy*, F.R.S., Director of the Metallurgical Department, on the Invention of Puddling Iron by the late *Henry Cort*, for making Cast Iron malleable:——And, of a Memorial to Viscount *Palmerston* in 1857, signed by Twenty-five of the most eminent scientific and practical authorities, praying for inquiry, showing the pecuniary value of the late *Henry Cort*'s Inventions to the *British* Nation to be Six hundred millions sterling, presented by Lord *Stanley*, M.P., and since forwarded to the Earl of *Derby*.

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.

Lord *Stanley* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to certain of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill; That they had drawn up Reasons accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House; and the same were read, as follow:

The Commons disagree to the Amendments in p. 9, l. 2 and l. 7, for the following Reasons:

Because they tend to divide the responsibility of the Minister.

Because they create anew the Secret Committee, which, under the new Government, will be no longer necessary.

The Commons disagree to the Amendments in p. 9, ls. 21 and 22, and l. 32, for the following Reason:

Because it is undesirable to increase the patronage of the Minister, without providing a check upon its exercise.

The Commons disagree to the Amendments in p. 10, l. 23, and p. 11, l. 6, for the following Reason:

Because they desire to assert and secure the principle of open and unrestricted competition in a manner not admitting of doubt, and because they think this end would be better attained by Legislative Provision, than by an Order in Council.

The Commons disagree to the Amendment in p. 17, l. 8, for the following Reason:

Because the period of Three months allowed, if Parliament be sitting, is inconsistent with that of One month after the meeting of Parliament, which meeting may take place immediately after the issuing of the Order to which this Clause relates.

With the preceding exceptions, the Commons agree to the Amendments made by your Lordships to the Bill.

The said Reasons, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reasons (with the Bill and Amendments): And that the Clerk do carry the same.

Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill.

Mr. *Hardy* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to the Amendment made by their Lordships to the Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill; That they had drawn up a Reason accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House; and the same was read, as followeth:

The Commons disagree to the Lords' Amendment to the Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill, for the following Reason:

Because it would injuriously interfere with the exercise of the present Powers of the Secretary of State in making arrangements respecting Turnpike Trusts; but the Commons propose to amend the original Bill by leaving out Clause 2, because, in effect, the omission of that Clause carries out the principle of the Amendment made by your Lordships.

The said Reason, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reason (with the Bill and Amendments): And that the Clerk do carry the same.

Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

Lord *Naas* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill; That they had drawn up a Reason accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House; and the same was read, as followeth:

The Commons disagree to the Lords' Amendments in Clause 2, for the following Reason:

Because these Amendments would entirely defeat the object of the Bill; this object is to extend the practice of Vaccination in *Ireland*, by dividing every Dispensary District into several Vaccination Districts, and to induce the Medical Officer to exertion by paying him for his additional labour the sum of One pound for every twenty cases of successful vaccination performed by him in addition to his salary. The Lords' Amendments would leave it optional with the Board of Guardians to pay such Medical Officer any sum that they might think fit as a general Vaccination fee, instead of a sum payable in proportion to the number of cases successfully performed by him, and thereby deprive him of that incentive to exertion on which the success of the Bill mainly depends.

The said Reason, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reason (with the Bill and Amendments): And that the Clerk do carry the same.

Medical Practitioners Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Medical Practitioners Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

County Property Conveyance Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the County Property Conveyance Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Legitimacy Declaration Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Lunatics (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Lunatics (*Scotland*) Act Amendment Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

Public Health Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Public Health Bill be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.

River Thames.

The House proceeded to take into consideration that part of the Message from the Lords of this day, wherein their Lordships request, that this House will communicate to their Lordships, a Copy of the Report from the Select Committee appointed by this House in the present Session of Parliament on the River *Thames*; together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the said Committee.

Ordered, That a Printed Copy of the said Report be communicated to the Lords, as desired by their Lordships: And that the Clerk do deliver the same.

Newspapers, &c.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of June last, for Returns relative to Newspapers, &c.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Parliamentary Papers. No. 483.

Mr. Speaker laid upon the Table,—List of the Bills, Reports, Estimates, and Accounts and Papers printed by Order of the House of Commons, and of the Papers presented by Command, Session 1857-58; with a General Alphabetical Index thereto:—17th Parliament, 2d Session, 21° & 22° *Victoria*, 3 December 1857 to 2 August 1858.

Ordered, That the said Paper be printed.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Thursday next.

Police (Egypt.)

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Papers respecting Police Regulations in *Egypt*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before One of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till Thursday next.

Jovis, 29° *die Julii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Atlantic Telegraph Company.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Atlantic Telegraph Company Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Clyde Navigation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Clyde* Navigation Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Warrington and Stockport Railway (Capital) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway (Capital) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fifty-second Report.

Operations in India.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received two Letters from Viscount *Canning*, Governor General of *India*, dated the 14th and 16th days of June last, enclosing Copies of Letters from the Honourable *F. J. Halliday*, Lieutenant Governor of *Bengal*, and Major General Sir *James Outram*, acknowledging the Thanks of this House for their services relative to operations in *India*, expressed in the Resolutions of the House of the 16th day of March and the 8th day of February last:—And the said Letters were read, as follow:

Sir, *Allahabad*, the 14th June 1858.

dated 27 May 1858.

With reference to my Despatch dated the 11th ultimo, I have the honour to enclose for your information, the accompanying Copy of a Letter from the Honourable *F. J. Halliday*, Lieutenant Governor of *Bengal*, expressing his gratitude for the testimony of approbation which his services have received from the House of Commons, in the Resolutions passed by the House on the 16th March last.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
Canning.

To the Right honourable *John Evelyn Denison*,
Speaker of the House of Commons.

(Copy.)

My Lord, *Alipore*, 27 May 1858.

I have had the honour to receive your Lordship's Letter of the 11th instant, forwarding to me the Copy of a Resolution of the House of Commons, dated 16th March 1858, on the subject of my share in carrying into effect the measures directed by your Lordship, as Governor General of *India*, in Council, for the suppression of the mutiny of the *Bengal* Army.

I am greatly honoured by the testimony of approbation which my very humble services have obtained from the House of Commons, and I desire to express my gratitude for it, and at the same time to thank your Lordship for the manner in which the Resolution has been communicated to me in your Lordship's Letter.

I have, &c.
(signed) *Fred. Jas. Halliday.*

The Right honourable Viscount *Canning*,
Governor General of *India*,
&c. &c. &c.

Sir, *Allahabad*, 16th June 1858.

d. 30th May '58.

In continuation of my Despatch, dated the 14th instant, I have the honour to enclose for your information the accompanying Copy of a Letter from Major General Sir *James Outram*, G.C.B., expressing his grateful sense of the honour conferred upon him by the approbation which his services have received from the House of Commons in the Resolution passed by the House on the 8th February last.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
Canning.

To the Right honourable *John Evelyn Denison*,
Speaker of the House of Commons.

(Copy.)

My Lord, *Calcutta*, 30 May 1858.

I have had the honour to receive your Lordship's Letter of the 11th instant, forwarding to me a Copy of the Resolution of the House of Commons, passed on the 8th February 1858, relative to the performance of the duties which devolved on me while humbly contributing, under the instructions of your Lordship and his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, towards the suppression of the disturbances which originated in the mutiny of the *Bengal* Army.

It will ever be esteemed by me the greatest of honours that my humble services should have received the approbation of the House of Commons. And I trust your Lordship will do me the favour to acknowledge in my behalf, and in suitable terms, my profound and grateful sense of the high honour which has been conferred on me.

For the very kind and flattering manner in which your Lordship has been pleased to communicate to me the Resolution of the House of Commons, I beg to tender my respectful and most grateful acknowledgments.

I have, &c.
(signed) *J. Outram*,
Major General.

To the Right honourable the Viscount *Canning*,
Governor General of *India*.

Mr. Speaker also acquainted the House, That it appeared from a private Letter from Viscount *Canning* to himself, dated *Allahabad*, May 11th, 1858, that he had transmitted by that day's Mail a Letter conveying his own acknowledgments of the Thanks of this House; but that the Letter alluded to had not reached his hands.

Resolved,

West India Colonies and Mauritius.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Copies or Extracts of any Correspondence between the Colonial Office and the Governors of the *West India* Colonies and the *Mauritius*, with respect to the condition of the Labouring Population of such Colonies, both native and immigrant, and the Supply of Labour:——And, of all Colonial Acts or Ordinances at present in force, regulating the condition of imported Labourers.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Railway Cheap Trains, &c. Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Railway Cheap Trains, &c. Bill, without any Amendment:

Local Government Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Local Government Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Cornwall Submarine Mines Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the *Cornwall* Submarine Mines Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Taxing Masters, &c. (Court of Chancery.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number and the Names of the Taxing Masters of the Court of Chancery in *England*:—— Of the several Clerks in their Offices, and the Dates of their several Appointments:——And, Statement of the Duties of each, the Hours of their Attendance, the Salary paid to each, and the Authority under which paid.

Belvoir Agricultural Model School.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Correspondence between the Board of Education in *Ireland* and the Patron of the *Belvoir* National Agricultural Model School, in the County of *Clare*.

Divine Service (Army.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Distribution of the Sum voted in the Army Estimates for the year 1857, for Allowances to Officiating Clergymen for performing Divine Service to the Military at Home and Abroad, and also of any Salaries or Allowances paid to Chaplains or Assistant Chaplains of Her Majesty's Forces for their Services during the said year; stating the Religious Denomination to which each Clergyman belonged, the Office, Title and Service in virtue of which such Allowance or Payment was made, and the Names and Distribution of the Religious Books paid for out of the Sum so voted (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 90, of Session 1858).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Army. No. 484.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Army, which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant July, be printed.

Colonels. No. 485.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Colonels, which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant July, be printed.

East India (Territorial Accounts.) No. 486.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to *East India* (Territorial Accounts), which were presented upon the 27th day of this instant July, be printed.

Manchester Model Secular School. No. 487.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the *Manchester* Model Secular School, which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant July, be printed.

Steam Vessels. No. 488.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Steam Vessels, which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant July, be printed.

Newspapers, &c. No. 489.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Newspapers, &c., which was presented upon the 27th day of this instant July, be printed.

Civil Service Commission. No. 490.

The following Papers were laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of April last, for Returns relative to the Civil Service Commission.

Assessed Taxes. No. 491.

Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of April last, for Accounts relative to Assessed Taxes.

Property and Income Tax. No. 492.

Return to an Order, dated the 6th day of this instant July, for Returns relative to Property and Income Tax.

Gold and Silver Watch Cases. No. 493.

Return to an Order, dated the 8th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Gold and Silver Watch Cases.

Sittings of the House.

Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Sittings of the House.

Divisions of the House.

Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Divisions of the House.

Select Committees.

Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Select Committees.

Private Bills.

Return to an Order, dated the 16th day of this instant July, for Returns relative to Private Bills.

East India. No. 494.

Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to *East India*.

Income Tax, &c. (London.) No. 495.

Return to an Order, dated the 23d day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Income Tax, &c. (*London*).

Public Petitions.

Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of this instant July, for Returns relative to Public Petitions.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to the Civil Service Commission, Assessed Taxes, Property and Income Tax, Gold and Silver Watch Cases, *East India*, and Income Tax, &c. (*London*), be printed.

Local Government Bill. Bill 241.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow; and be printed.

Cornwall Submarine Mines Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Cornwall* Submarine Mines Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Military Prisons.

General *Peel* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report on the Discipline and Management of the Military Prisons, 1857, by Colonel *Jebb*, C. B., Inspector General of Military Prisons; together with Statistics of Crime in the Army.

Curragh and Aldershot Camps.

General *Peel* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 25th day of June last, for Returns relative to *Curragh* and *Aldershot* Camps.

Cast Iron Experiments.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 29th day of June last, for a Return relative to Cast Iron Experiments.

Army (Purchase of Commissions.)

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 6th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Army (Purchase of Commissions).

Courts Martial.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 27th day of this instant July, for Returns relative to Courts Martial.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Criminal Offenders (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Tables showing the Number of Persons committed or held to Bail for Trial at the Assizes and Quarter Sessions in each County in *Ireland*, in the year 1857, and the Result of the Proceedings; with other particulars.

Magistrates Clerks' Fees.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 3d day of May last, for a Return relative to Magistrates Clerks' Fees.

Interments in Vaults.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 6th day of May last, for Returns relative to Interments in Vaults.

Land Registry Offices.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 28th day of May last, for Returns relative to Land Registry Offices.

Suspended Canonries.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 8th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Suspended Canonries.

Fines and Penalties (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hardy* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—An Abstract of the Accounts of all Fines and other Penal Sums in *Ireland* accounted for under the Provisions of the Act 14 & 15 *Vic.* c. 90, for the year ending the 31st March 1857, showing the Total Amount imposed within said Period, the Proceedings had in respect thereto, and the Money received on account thereof, as well as on account of Arrear cases, up to 31st March 1858.

Militia (Ireland.)

A Return of Qualifications of Officers of Militia delivered to Clerks of the Peace in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Public Health Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Public Health Bill;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Amendments be now taken into consideration;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, adding the words "upon "this day six weeks."

And the Question being proposed, That the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the said Amendments be now taken into consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the said Amendments into consideration.

The said Amendments being read a second time, several were agreed to; and one was disagreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to the Amendment to which this House hath disagreed:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. *Adderley*, Mr. Secretary *Walpole*, Mr. Solicitor General, Lord *John Manners* and Mr. *Hamilton*:—And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Lunatics (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Lunatics (*Scotland*) Act Amendment Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Medical Practitioners Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Medical Practitioners Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

County Property Conveyance Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the County Property Conveyance Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Legitimacy Declaration Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Legitimacy Declaration Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Trustees, Mortgagees, &c. Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day month.

Public Health Bill.

Mr. *Adderley* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for disagreeing to one of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Public Health Bill; That they had drawn up a Reason accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House; and the same was read, as followeth:

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords to the Public Health Bill, in p. 3, l. 30, for the following Reason:

> Because the Commons consider it would be advisable that the Bill should be in force for one year only, with a view to amending the Law on the subject, in the course of the next Session of Parliament.

The said Reason, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords to communicate the said Reason (with the Bill and Amendments): And that the Clerk do carry the same.

Education.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy or Extracts of Correspondence between the Committee of the Privy Council on Education and the Managers of Schools and Her Majesty's Inspectors of Schools, relating to the Distribution, Publication and Preparation of the Annual Reports of the Inspectors.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Ordered,

Tax Collectors. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Persons employed in collecting the Taxes paid into the Exchequer, distinguishing the Number employed for the Land, Assessed, Property and Income Tax, and those employed in the Excise Department of the Inland Revenue, and the Number employed in collecting the Customs Dues.

National Education (Ireland.) *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Returns of Name, Parish, and City or County of all Model Farms and Agricultural Schools connected with the Commissioners; the Date of Connection; the extent of Land for agricultural purposes under each; the Name of the Landlord; the Nature and Terms of the Tenure; the Purchase-money, if any, paid in each case for the Land; the Annual Rent; *Griffith*'s Valuation of each Farm; Total Amount expended up to the 31st day of March 1858 upon each Farm and School for agricultural purposes exclusively, with the Amount received from Farm Produce, Boarders' Fees, &c. in each of the Schools managed by the Commissioners themselves; Net Total of the Amount expended on Agriculture out of the Public Grants made to the Commissioners, from the introduction of Agricultural Instruction to the 31st day of March last; present Valuation of all the Property held by the Commissioners in connection with Agriculture, classified under Heads, such as Capitalised Interest in Land, Value of Buildings, Machinery, Implements, Live Stock, Crops, &c.; and distinguishing the Valuation of the Central Model Farm, or *Albert* Institution, *Glasnevin*:——Of Number of Pupils on the Roll of each Agricultural School for the Quarter ending the 31st day of March last, with the Number of those who received Agricultural Instruction habitually, and also the Number who received Weekly Payment as belonging to the Industrial Class:——Of Number of Resident Agricultural Boarders at present in each School, distinguishing the Numbers of those Free and of those partly Free; the Numbers of each Religious Persuasion; the Numbers from each County; and the Average Cost to the Commissioners for the Annual Support and Lodging of each Resident Boarder:——Of the Names of all the Officers in the Service of the Commissioners, or employed by them, connected with the Agricultural Department, with the Rank of Duty, Salary and Emoluments, Religious Persuasion, and Town or County of Birth of each Officer:——And, of the Total Number of Agricultural Boarders who had resided in those Establishments up to the 31st day of March last, and of the Number of those who were then connected with National Schools, distinguishing the Numbers in the Central Model Farm, *Glasnevin*, from the others, and stating in each case the Numbers of each Religious Persuasion; of the Numbers then remaining connected with National Schools, state in how many of these is Agricultural Instruction given.

Message from the Lords. Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill. The Lords have agreed to the Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Government of British Columbia Bill (*changed from* Government of New Caledonia.) The Lords have agreed to the Government of *British Columbia* Bill (*changed from* Government of *New Caledonia*), with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Government of India (No. 3) Bill. The Lords insist on their Amendment in p. 11, l. 6, to the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill, to which the Commons have disagreed, and assign a Reason for insisting thereon:—They also insist on their Amendments in p. 17, l. 8, Clause 54, to which the Commons have disagreed, and assign a Reason for insisting thereon; and they propose a further Amendment in the said Clause, to which they desire the concurrence of the Commons:—They do not insist on the other Amendments to which the Commons have disagreed.

Ordered, That the Reasons assigned by the Lords for insisting on certain of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow; and be printed. Government of India (No. 3) Bill. Bill 242.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow. Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Government of *British Columbia* Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow. Government of British Columbia Bill.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth: Message from the Lords.

The Lords have agreed to the Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill, without any Amendment: Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill, without any Amendment: Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill, with an Amendment; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Art Union Indemnity Bill (*changed from* Art Unions Act Amendment), with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: Art Union Indemnity Bill (*changed from* Art Unions Act Amendment.)

The Lords have agreed to the Reformatory Schools (*Ireland*) Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: Reformatory Schools (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords do not insist upon their Amendments to the Universities (*Scotland*) Bill, to which this House hath disagreed: Universities (Scotland) Bill.

The Lords do not insist upon their Amendments to the Vaccination (*Ireland*) Bill, to which this House hath disagreed: Vaccination (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords do not insist upon their Amendment to the Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill, to which this House hath disagreed; and agree to the Amendment made by the Commons: Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill.

The Lords disagree to one of the Amendments made by the Commons to the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill, and assign a Reason for such disagreement:—They agree to two other of the Amendments, with Amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of the Commons; and agree to the other Amendments in the said Bill, without Amendment. Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Art Union Indemnity Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow. Art Union Indemnity Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended by the Lords, be printed. Bill 243.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Reformatory Schools (*Ireland*) Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow; and be printed. Reformatory Schools (Ireland) Bill. Bill 244.

Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow; and be printed. Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill. Bill 245.

Ordered, That the Reason assigned by the Lords for disagreeing to one of the Amendments made by this House to the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow; and be printed. Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill. Bill 246.

Message from the Lords. Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

New Writs Bill. The Lords have agreed to the New Writs Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

New Writs Bill. Bill 247. *Ordered*, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the New Writs Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended by the Lords, be printed.

Coinage (United States.) Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 18th day of June last, for a Return relative to Coinage (United States).

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Veneris, 30° *die Julii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

Public Petitions (Fifty-second Report.) MR. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 27th and 29th days of this instant July; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Public Petitions. Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fifty-third Report.

Private Bills. No. 476. *Resolved*, That in case any Proprietor in any Company shall by himself, or any person authorized to act for him in that behalf, have dissented at any Meeting called in pursuance of the last preceding Standing Order, such Proprietor shall be permitted to be heard by the Examiners of Petitions, on the compliance with such Standing Order, by himself, his Agents and Witnesses, on a Memorial addressed to the Examiners, or by the Committee on the proposed Bill, by himself, his Counsel or Agents, and Witnesses, on a Petition presented to the House, such Memorial or Petition having been duly deposited in the Private Bill Office.

Resolved, That every Memorial complaining of non-compliance with Standing Order 162 shall be deposited in the Private Bill Office, together with two Copies thereof, before Twelve o'clock on the day preceding that appointed for the Examination.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be Standing Orders of this House; and be printed.

East India (Courts Martial.) *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of General Courts Martial held on Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Privates respectively (distinguishing between them), in the Service of the *East India* Company during the last Five years; briefly indicating the Nature of the Charge, together with the Finding and Sentence:——And, of the Number of District Courts Martial during the same Period.

Colonies. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Cost of the several Colonies of the *British* Empire at the Expense of the *British* Exchequer, from the years 1853 to 1857, both inclusive, under the following heads, and in the Form annexed, as far as can be furnished:—

——	Jamaica.					Leeward Islands.					And so for each Colony.
	1853.	1854.	1855.	1856.	1857.	1853.	1854.	1855.	1856.	1857.	
Governors											
Justices											
Secretaries											
Other Salaries of Clerks, &c.											
Pensions											
Police											
Jails											
Prisoners											
Hospitals											
Fortifications and other Military Defences											
Barracks											
Lighthouses											
Other Public Works											
Survey Department											
Medical and Surgical											
Schools and Education											
Indian Department											
Ecclesiastical											
Miscellaneous Charges and Aids											
Cost of Regular Troops											
Naval Charges											
Steamers, &c.											
Total of each Colony											

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Woods and Forests, &c. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Gross and Net Income of the Woods and Forests and other Crown Property in each year from 1816 to 1858, both inclusive; and showing the Sums of Money expended in each year for General, Current and Ordinary Cost of Management, and for Improvements, less or more of a permanent nature, including Draining, Planting, building Farm-houses, and such like objects; also an Account of all Sums received in each year for the Sale of Crown Property and placed to Capital Account; and of all Sums re-invested in new Property from that Fund.

Public Income and Expenditure. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Public Income and Expenditure in each year from 1816 to 1858, both inclusive, exhibiting the following details:—On one side showing the Net Income derived under each head of Receipts, and the aggregate of the whole:—On the other side showing the Expenditure under each of the heads of Army and Ordnance, Navy, the Charge for the Management of the Debt, other Charges on the Consolidated Fund, and other Civil Services, and an aggregate of the whole:——And, Statement, in separate columns, showing the Excess or Deficiency, as the case may be, of the Income compared with the Expenditure, and showing the Additions to, and Reductions from, the Amount of the Public Debt, in each year.

Supply. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Sums voted in Supply during each year from 1835 to 1858, both inclusive, under the several heads of Army, Navy, Ordnance and Miscellaneous Services:——And, Abstract of Grants for Miscellaneous Services from 1835 to 1858, both inclusive, in the same Form as the Abstract now printed with the Annual Estimates, under the heads of Public Works and Buildings; Salaries, &c.; Public Departments; Law and Justice; Education, Science, and Art; Colonial and Consular Services; Superannuations and Charities; Special and Temporary Objects; with a Sum Total under each Head, in the same Form as Return No. 136, of Session 1857.

Civil Service Estimates. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Continuation of a Return presented in the second Session of 1857, No. 126, containing—1. A detailed Statement of the Estimates for Civil Services (Classes

(Classes I to VII.) for the year 1852, showing, in Parallel Columns, the Increase or Decrease in each item of those Estimates for every subsequent year to 1858 inclusive, with a Summary of the Classes into which the Estimates are divided, and Explanations of the principal Causes of Increase in those years as compared with 1852;—2. Statement of the Costs of Collection of the Revenue in the year 1852, with a Comparison of the Costs of Collection in each subsequent year to 1858, inclusive; showing Increase of Charge as compared with 1852, and Explanations of the Cause of Increase.

Civil Services. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Sums voted in each year for Civil Services, from 1816 to 1858, both inclusive, distinguishing as near as can be, the Sums voted under each of the Seven Classes of Public Works; Salaries of Public Officers; Law and Justice; Education, Science, and Art; Colonial Expenditure; Superannuations and Charities, and Special or Temporary Services, and also for Civil Contingencies; and showing an aggregate of the whole voted, and also an aggregate of the whole expended, under those Heads.

Customs, Excise, &c. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of Customs Duties collected in each year from 1816 to 1858, both inclusive, exclusive of Drawbacks and Bounties, and distinguishing the Cost of Collection, and the Net Sum available for the Exchequer in each year; also, of the Amount of Excise Duties, Stamps and Taxes, as collected under the separate Boards and the United Board of Inland Revenue, and showing the Aggregate Amount in each year, and distinguishing the Cost of Collection, and the Net Aggregate Sum available for the Exchequer.

Customs and Excise. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, an Account showing, in detail, the Additions to and Reductions from the Rates of Customs Duties upon each Article imported from 1800 to 1858, both inclusive, and the Sum of Money expected to be gained or lost in consequence of each Change:—And the same in respect to the Excise Duties upon each Article, and in respect to each Head of the other Duties now collected by the Board of Inland Revenue.

Army, Ordnance and Navy. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Men voted for the Army, in each year from 1816 to 1858, both inclusive; of the Sums voted for the Army in each of those years, distinguishing the Effective and Non-effective Votes, and the Cost of the Civil Establishments; and the Sums for the Ordnance, distinguishing the Cost of the Civil Establishment, and showing a Total of the Votes in each year; also of the Actual Expenditure in each of those years, distinguished in a similar way:—Also the Number of Men voted for the Navy in each of those years; of the Sums voted, distinguishing the Effective from the Non-effective Services; the Cost of the Civil Establishment; and showing a Total of the whole; also of the Actual Expenditure in each year, distinguished in like manner; also showing, in separate Columns, the Aggregate Votes and Actual Expenditure for Army, Ordnance and Navy.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Old Stores. *Ordered*, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing, 1. The Amount paid into the Exchequer in each of the last Three years as the Produce of the Sale of Old Stores; 2. The Proportions of such Amounts paid in by each Department; 3. A Statement of the Articles sold from which such Receipts have been derived; 4. A Statement showing, as far as can be, the Dates when the Stores so sold were purchased; 5. A Statement of the Reasons for the Sales being made.

Tariffs. Mr. Secretary *Walpole* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—A Return of the Changes in Foreign Tariffs during the year 1857-58.

Statistical Tables. Statistical Tables relating to the Colonial and other Possessions of the United Kingdom:—Part III.

Trade and Navigation. Annual Statement of the Trade and Navigation of the United Kingdom, in the year 1857.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

East India (Army.) General *Peel* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 13th day of April last, for a Return relative to *East India* (Army).

Government Property. Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 18th day of June last, for a Return relative to Government Property.

Colonels. Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 29th day of June last, for a Return relative to Colonels.

Flogging (Army.) Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 8th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Flogging (Army).

Boots (Army.) Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 22d day of this instant July, for Returns relative to Boots (Army).

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

Births, Deaths and Marriages. Mr. *Hardy* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Nineteenth Annual Report of the Registrar General of Births, Deaths and Marriages in *England*.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Summary Convictions. *Resolved*, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns from the Metropolitan Police Districts, and from the Towns of *Leeds*, *Liverpool*, *Birmingham* and the City of *Manchester*, of the Number of Summary Convictions under the Act 18 & 19 *Vic.* c. 126, ss. 1, 2 and 3 respectively, distinguishing between ss. 1 and 3; specifying the Cases in which the Prisoners pleaded Guilty; the Number of Cases in which the Justices or Stipendiary Magistrates convicted summarily, notwithstanding there appeared previous Convictions against the Prisoner; the Punishment awarded in such Case; the Number of Cases in which, because of such previous Conviction, the Justice or Stipendiary Magistrate declined to convict summarily; the Number of Cases in which the Prisoners declined to be summarily convicted; the Number of Cases in which a Prisoner pleaded Guilty against whom previous Convictions existed; and the Number of previous Convictions where more than one against each Prisoner summarily convicted.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Equitable Councils of Conciliation Bill. Mr. *Mackinnon* presented a Bill on Equitable Councils of Conciliation: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon this day week; and to be printed. Bill 248.

East India (Captain Robert Frith.) The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 15th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to *East India* (Captain *Robert Frith*).

Moreton Bay District (New South Wales.)

Sir *Bulwer Lytton* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Papers relative to the Separation of the *Moreton Bay* District from *New South Wales*, and the Establishment of a Separate Government.

West Indies.

Copy of a Despatch from the Right honourable Sir *E. Bulwer Lytton*, Bart., to the Governor in Chief of the *Leeward Islands*, dated No. 14, 30th July 1858.

Chinese, &c. Emigrants.

Sir *Bulwer Lytton* also presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of March last, for a Return relative to *Chinese*, &c. Emigrants.

New England Company.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 26th day of March last, for a Return relative to the *New England* Company.

Mauritius.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 21st day of June last, for Returns relative to the *Mauritius*.

Vancouver's Island.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 24th day of June last, for a Return relative to *Vancouver's Island*.

Emigration.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Emigration.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Education. No. 464.

Mr. *Adderley* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 29th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to Education.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Fines and Penalties (Ireland.) No. 470.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Letter from the Clerk of Fines and Penalties in *Ireland*, of the 26th day of July 1858.

Lord *Naas* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Curragh and Aldershot Camps. No. 496.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *Curragh* and *Aldershot* Camps, which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant July, be printed.

Cast Iron Experiments. No. 497.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Cast Iron Experiments, which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant July, be printed.

Army (Purchase of Commissions.) No. 498.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Army (Purchase of Commissions), which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant July, be printed.

Courts Martial. No. 499.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Courts Martial, which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant July, be printed.

Magistrates Clerks' Fees. No. 500.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Magistrates Clerks' Fees, which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant July, be printed.

Land Registry Offices. No. 501.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Land Registry Offices, which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant July, be printed.

Suspended Canonries. No. 502.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Suspended Canonries, which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant July, be printed.

Fines and Penalties (Ireland.) No. 503.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Fines and Penalties (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 29th day of this instant July, be printed.

Government of India (No. 3) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Reasons assigned by the Lords for insisting on certain of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Government of *India* (No. 3) Bill; and the same were again read.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth not insist on its disagreement to the Amendments made by the Lords in p. 11, l. 6;

The House divided.

The Yeas to the Right;

The Noes to the Left.

Tellers for the Yeas, { Sir *William Jolliffe*, Colonel *Taylor*: } 98.

Tellers for the Noes, { Mr. *James White*, Mr. *Coningham*: } 53.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Resolved, That this House doth not insist on its disagreement to the Amendments made by the Lords in p. 17, l. 8, and doth agree to the further Amendment made by their Lordships to Clause 54.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House doth not insist on its disagreement to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the said Bill; and doth agree to the further Amendment made by their Lordships to Clause 54.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Militia Pay Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Militia Pay Bill, without any Amendment:

Militia (Service Abroad) Act Continuance Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Militia (Service Abroad) Act Continuance Bill, without any Amendment:

Militia Act Continuance (No. 2) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Militia Act Continuance (No. 2) Bill, without any Amendment:

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill, without any Amendment:

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill, with Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House.

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill be taken into consideration this day.

Local Government Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Local Government Bill.

The said Amendments being read a second time, (and it appearing that the Amendment in Clause 50 was in furtherance of the provisions of the Public Health Act, 1848), were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Government of British Columbia Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Government of *British Columbia* Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Cornwall Submarine Mines Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the *Cornwall* Submarine Mines Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

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Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Clerk of Petty Sessions (*Ireland*) Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Art Union Indemnity Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Art Union Indemnity Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Reformatory Schools (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Reformatory Schools (*Ireland*) Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill; and the same was twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Reason assigned by the Lords for disagreeing to one of the Amendments made by this House to the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill; and the same was again read.

Resolved, That this House doth insist upon its Amendment to leave out Clause 5; and doth agree to the other Amendments made by the Lords to the Amendments made by this House to the said Bill.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for insisting on the said Amendment:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. Secretary *Walpole*, Mr. Attorney General, the Judge Advocate, Lord *Naas*, and Colonel *Taylor*:—And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

New Writs Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the New Writs Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Judgments (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Civil Bills, &c. (*Ireland*) Act Amendment Bill; and the same were twice read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill, without any Amendment:

Incumbered Estates (West Indies) Act Amendment Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Incumbered Estates (*West Indies*) Act Amendment Bill, without any Amendment:

Public Health Bill.

The Lords do not insist upon their Amendment to the Public Health Bill, to which this House hath disagreed.

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

Mr. Secretary *Walpole* reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be assigned to the Lords for insisting on the Amendment made by this House to the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill, to which the Lords have disagreed; That they had drawn up a Reason accordingly, which they had directed him to report to the House; and the same was read, as followeth:

The Commons insist on their Amendment, to leave out Clause 5, to which Amendment the Lords have disagreed, for the following Reason:

> Because it is not expedient to extend the Act of the last Session to persons resident or domiciled abroad until longer time has been given for testing by experience its practical operation.

The Commons agree to the Amendments made by the Lords to Clauses A and B.

The said Reason, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Reason be communicated to the Lords (with the Bill and Amendments): And that the Clerk do carry the same.

Skerries Harbour.

Mr. *Corry* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of this instant July, for a Return relative to *Skerries* Harbour.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Rewards to Members.

The House was moved, That the Resolution of the House of the 22d day of June last, relative to Rewards to Members, might be read; and the same was read.

Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That a Message had been brought from the Lords, by one of their Clerks, as followeth:

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill.

The Lords do not insist upon their disagreement to the Amendment in the Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill, on which the Commons insist.

Adjournment.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next.

Registry of Deeds (Dublin.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Minute made by the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury in reference to the Classification and Salaries of the Clerks employed in the Registry of Deeds Office, *Dublin*.

Courts Martial.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of Number of General Courts Martial held on Non-Commissioned Officers and Privates respectively, during the last Five years, both at Home and Abroad:——And, of the Number of District Courts Martial held during the same period (in continuation of Return ordered the 27th July 1858).

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Tyne Improvement.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of every Contract entered into between the *Tyne* Improvement Commissioners and any Person or Persons for the Construction of the Piers, Approaches, and Works connected therewith, authorized to be constructed at the Mouth of the River *Tyne*, by the *Tyne* Improvement Act of 1852, or of any portion of such Piers, Approaches and Works; together with the Date of the execution of every such Contract, and the Names and Descriptions of the Parties thereto:——And of every Bond granted to the *Tyne* Improvement Commissioners by any Person or Persons by way of Security for the due and proper fulfilment of any Contract for the Construction of such Piers, Approaches and Works, or for any portion of them; together with the Date of the execution of every such Bond, and the Names and Descriptions of the Parties thereto.

National Education (Ireland.)

The Order made upon the 29th day of this instant July, that there be laid before this House, Returns relative to National Education (*Ireland*), was read, and discharged.

National Education (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of Name, Parish, and City or County of all Model Farms and agricultural Schools connected with the Commissioners; the Date of Connection; the extent of Land for agricultural purposes under each; the Name of the Landlord; the Nature and Terms of the Tenure; the Purchase-money, if any, paid in each case for the Land; the Annual Rent; *Griffith*'s Valuation of each Farm; Total Amount expended up to the 31st day of December 1857 upon each Farm and School for agricultural purposes exclusively, with the Amount received from Farm Produce, Boarders' Fees, &c., in each of the Schools managed by the Commissioners themselves; Net Total of the Amount expended on Agriculture out of the Public Grants made to the Commissioners, from the introduction of Agricultural Instruction to the 31st day of December 1857; Valuation of all the Property held by the Commissioners in connection with Agriculture, classified under Heads, such as Capitalised Interest in Land, Value of Buildings, Machinery, Implements, Live Stock, Crops, &c.; and distinguishing the Valuation of the Central Model Farm, or *Albert* Institution, *Glasnevin*, on the 31st day of December 1857:——Of Number of Pupils on the Roll of each Agricultural School for the Quarter ending the 31st day of March last, with the Number of those who received Agricultural Instruction habitually, and also the Number who received Weekly Payment as belonging to the Industrial Class:——Of Number of Resident Agricultural Boarders at present in each School, distinguishing the Numbers of those Free and of those partly Free; the Numbers of each Religious Persuasion; the Numbers from each County; and the Average Cost to the Commissioners for the Annual Support and Lodging of each Resident Boarder:——Of the Names of all the Officers in the Service of the Commissioners, or employed by them, connected with the Agricultural Department, with the Rank or Duty, Salary and Emoluments, Religious Persuasion, and Town or County of Birth of each Officer:——And, of the Total Number of Agricultural Boarders who had resided in those Establishments up to the 31st day of March last, and of the Number of those who were then connected with National Schools, distinguishing the Numbers in the Central Model Farm, *Glasnevin*, from the others, and stating in each case the Numbers of each Religious Persuasion; of the Numbers then remaining connected with National Schools, state in how many of these is Agricultural Instruction given.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Lunæ, 2° die Augusti;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

PRAYERS.

East India (Mutinies.)

LORD *Stanley* presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Further Papers (Nos. 8 and 9) (in continuation of Nos. 6 and 7), relative to the Insurrection in the *East Indies*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions.

Several Public Petitions were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Vide Fifty-third Report.

Public Petitions (Fifty-third Report.)

Mr. *Gregson* reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 30th day of July last, and the 2d day of this instant August; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Schools of Art, &c.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of all Schools of Art or Design receiving aid from Government (whether in the form of Grants or the use of Public Buildings, or of other Appliances) in which Classes have been formed for the study of the living Model:——And, of the Total Number of Sittings of the Female Life Model in such Schools during the past year, classified under the Heads "wholly Nude, partially Nude or Clothed," together with the Total Number of Attendances of Students at such Sittings during the same Period.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Slave Trade.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence with the *British* Commissioners at *Sierra Leone*, *Havana*, the *Cape of Good Hope*, and *Loanda*, and Reports from *British* Naval Officers, relating to the Slave Trade, from April 1, 1857, to March 31, 1858:—Class A.

Copy of Correspondence with *British* Ministers and Agents in Foreign Countries, and with Foreign Ministers in *England*, relating to the Slave Trade, from April 1, 1857, to March 31, 1858:—Class B.

Commercial Reports.

Copies of Commercial Reports made by Her Majesty's Secretaries of Embassy and Legation, in compliance with the Circular Instructions addressed by the Earl of *Clarendon* to Her Majesty's Ambassadors and Ministers on the 24th February 1857.

Guano.

Copy of Correspondence with the Agents of the *Peruvian* Government as to the Reduction in the Price of Guano.

Copy

Visit of American Vessels.

Copy of Correspondence between Her Majesty's Government and the Government of the United States respecting the Visit of *American* Vessels by *British* Cruizers.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Episcopal and Capitular Property (Metropolis.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Gross and Net Income for the year 1857 of all Episcopal and Capitular Property within the Metropolis, as the same is defined by the Metropolis Local Management Act, showing the Deductions from the Gross Income under the Heads of Rates and Taxes, Repairs and Improvements, and other Charges.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Clerks of the Peace.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of July last, for a Return relative to Clerks of the Peace.

Hocquard *v.* The Queen, Ship "Newport."

Return to an Order, dated the 26th day of July last, for Returns relative to *Hocquard* v. The Queen, Ship "*Newport*."

Lunatic Asylums (Ireland.)

Mr. *Hamilton* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Minute, dated the 27th July 1858, granting an increased Retiring Allowance to Dr. *Francis White*, late Inspector of Lunatic Asylums in *Ireland*.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Harbours of Refuge.

Mr. Secretary *Walpole* reported to the House, That their Address of the 26th day of July last, relative to Harbours of Refuge, had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had been pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following Answer:

I have received your Address, praying that I will give directions for the appointment of a Royal Commission to complete the Inquiry in the terms recommended in the Report of the Select Committee of the House of Commons, in the present Session, on Harbours of Refuge.

And I have given directions that a Royal Commission shall issue for the purpose which you have requested.

Seamen and Marines Invalided.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Seamen and Marines Invalided at home, from the 1st day of January 1856 to the 31st day of July 1858; stating the Date of Invaliding, the Wounds or Injuries received, and the Date of awarding the Pension or Gratuity.

College of Advocates (Doctors' Commons.)

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Communication (with Papers), addressed on the 9th day of June 1858 to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, relating to the College of Advocates, Doctors' Commons.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

National Gallery. No. 504.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Correspondence which has been received at the Treasury from the Trustees and Directors of the National Gallery respecting the Employment and Services of the Travelling Agent.

Mr. *Hamilton* accordingly presented the said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Grand Jurors (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of Persons who for the last Three years have been returned to serve as Grand Jurors for Counties of Cities or Counties of Towns in *Ireland*, with the Names of Secretaries and Treasurers of each, and their Annual Salaries.

Oxford University. No. 505.

Mr. *Adderley* presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Three Ordinances framed by the University Commissioners, the 16th April 1858, under the 17 & 18 *Vic.* c. 81, in relation to certain Exhibitions or Scholarships in Queen's College, and to the Exhibition of Dame *Elizabeth Holford*'s Foundation at Christ Church, Oxford.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Orders of Removal. No. 506.

The following Paper was laid upon the Table by the Clerk of the House,—Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of March last, for a Return relative to Orders of Removal.

Ordered, That the said Return be printed.

Paper. No. 507.

Mr. *Hamilton* presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 19th day of July last, for Returns relative to Paper.

Supply. No. 508.

Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of July last, for Accounts relative to Supply.

Civil Service Estimates. No. 509.

Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of July last, for a Return relative to Civil Service Estimates.

Civil Services. No. 510.

Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of July last, for a Return relative to Civil Services.

Customs and Excise. No. 511.

Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of July last, for an Account relative to Customs and Excise.

Registry of Deeds (Dublin.) No. 512.

Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of July last, for a Return relative to the Registry of Deeds (*Dublin*).

Army Prize Money. No. 527.

Mr. *Hamilton* also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—The Account of Unclaimed Army PrizeMoney, from 18th January 1809 to 31st December 1857.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

District Union Schools. No. 513.

Mr. *Hardy* presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 20th day of April last, for Returns relative to District Union Schools.

Municipal Boroughs (Ireland.) No. 514.

Mr. *Hardy* also presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Abstract of Statement of Monies received and expended on account of certain Boroughs in *Ireland*.

Metropolitan Board of Works. No. 515.

Report of the Proceedings of the Metropolitan Board of Works for the year ending 30th June 1858, and Account in Abstract and Summary Statement.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

East India (Captain Robert Frith.)

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Captain *Robert Frith*), which was presented upon the 30th day of July last, be printed at the Expense of the Party, if he think fit.

East India (Army.) No. 516.

Ordered, That the Return relative to *East India* (Army), which was presented upon the 30th day of July last, be printed.

Government Property. No. 517.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Government Property, which was presented upon the 30th day of July last, be printed.

Colonels. No. 518.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Colonels, which was presented upon the 30th day of July last, be printed.

Flogging (Army.) No. 519. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to Flogging (Army), which was presented upon the 30th day of July last, be printed.

Boots (Army.) No. 520. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to Boots (Army), which was presented upon the 30th day of July last, be printed.

Chinese, &c. Emigrants. No. 521. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to *Chinese*, &c. Emigrants, which was presented upon the 30th day of July last, be printed.

New England Company. No. 522. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to the *New England* Company, which was presented upon the 30th day of July last, be printed.

Mauritius. No. 523. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to the *Mauritius*, which was presented upon the 30th day of July last, be printed.

Vancouver's Island. No. 524. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to *Vancouver's Island*, which was presented upon the 30th day of July last, be printed.

Emigration. No. 525. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to Emigration, which was presented upon the 30th day of July last, be printed.

Skerries Harbour. No. 526. *Ordered*, That the Return relative to *Skerries* Harbour, which was presented upon the 30th day of July last, be printed.

Registrar of Deeds (Ireland). No. 512. *Ordered*, That the Paper relative to the Registrar of Deeds (*Ireland*), which was presented upon the 14th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, be printed.

Royal Assent. A Message was delivered by Sir *Augustus Clifford*, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commissions, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, and for proroguing the present Parliament, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commissions read.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went up to the House of Peers, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Acts therein mentioned; and the Lords, thereby authorized, declared the Royal Assent to the said Acts, as follow:

Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill. An Act to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund and the Surplus of Ways and Means to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Fifty-eight, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament:

Copyright of Designs Bill. An Act to amend the Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Copyright of Designs for ornamenting Articles of Manufacture:

Inclosure of Lands Bill. An Act to authorize the Inclosure of certain Lands in pursuance of a Special Report of the Inclosure Commissioners of *England* and *Wales*:

Sheep, &c. Contagious Diseases Prevention Bill. An Act to continue certain Acts to prevent the spreading of Contagious or Infectious Diseases among Sheep, Cattle and other Animals:

Turnpike Acts Continuance Bill. An Act to continue certain Turnpike Acts in *Great Britain*:

Police (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill. An Act to amend an Act of the last Session, to render more effectual the Police in Counties and Burghs in *Scotland*:

Bishops' Trusts Substitution Bill. An Act to substitute in certain cases the Bishop of one Diocese for the Bishop of another, as a Trustee of certain Trusts:

Titles to Land (Scotland) Bill. An Act to simplify the Forms and diminish the Expense of completing Titles to Land in *Scotland*:

Sale and Transfer of Land (Ireland) Bill. An Act to facilitate the Sale and Transfer of Land in *Ireland*:

Stipendiary Magistrates, &c. Bill. An Act to amend the Law concerning the Powers of Stipendiary Magistrates and Justices of the Peace in certain cases:

County Court Districts Bill. An Act for the Re-arrangement of the Districts of the County Courts among the Judges thereof:

Chelsea Bridge Act Amendment Bill. An Act to amend the Act of the ninth and tenth years of Her present Majesty, chapter thirty-nine, and to abolish Foot Passenger Tolls on *Chelsea* Bridge after Payment of the Sum of Eighty thousand pounds and Interest:

Returns to Secretary of State Bill. An Act to repeal certain Enactments requiring Returns to be made to one of the Secretaries of State:

Detached Parts of Counties Bill. An Act to amend the Law concerning Detached Parts of Counties:

Herring Fisheries (Scotland) Bill. An Act to impose Fees on the branding of Barrels under the Acts concerning the Herring Fisheries in *Scotland*:

Cowley's Charity Bill. An Act for confirming a Scheme, as amended, of the Charity Commissioners for *Cowley*'s Charity in the Parish of *Swineshead*, in the County of *Lincoln*:

Leases and Sales of Settled Estates Act Amendment (1856) Bill. An Act to amend and extend the Settled Estates Act of 1856:

Administration of Oaths by Committees Bill. An Act to enable the Committees of both Houses of Parliament to administer Oaths to Witnesses in certain cases:

Four Courts (Dublin) Extension Bill. An Act for enabling the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland* to acquire certain Lands and Houses for the Site of a New Court or Courts, and other Offices and Buildings required for the Public Service in extension of the Four Courts in the City of *Dublin*, and for other purposes:

Railway Cheap Trains, &c. Bill. An Act to amend the Law relating to Cheap Trains, and to restrain the exercise of certain Powers by Canal Companies, being also Railway Companies:

Lunatics (Scotland) Act Amendment Bill. An Act to amend an Act of the last Session, for the Regulation of the Care and Treatment of Lunatics, and for the Provision, Maintenance and Regulation of Lunatic Asylums in *Scotland*:

Medical Practitioners Bill. An Act to regulate the Qualifications of Practitioners in Medicine and Surgery:

Joint Stock Banking Companies Bill. An Act to enable Joint Stock Banking Companies to be formed on the principle of Limited Liability:

County Property Conveyance Bill. An Act to provide for the Conveyance of County Property to the Clerk of the Peace of the County:

Legitimacy Declaration Bill. An Act to enable Persons to establish Legitimacy and the Validity of Marriages, and the Right to be deemed Natural-born Subjects:

Copyhold Acts Amendment Bill. An Act to amend the Copyhold Acts:

Universities (Scotland) Bill. An Act to make Provision for the better Government and Discipline of the Universities of *Scotland*, and improving and regulating the course of Study therein; and for the Union of the two Universities and Colleges of *Aberdeen*:

Probates and Letters of Administration Act Amendment Bill. An Act to amend the Act of the twentieth and twenty-first *Victoria*, chapter seventy-seven:

Turnpike Trusts Arrangements Bill. An Act to confirm certain Provisional Orders made under an Act of the fifteenth year of Her present Majesty, to facilitate Arrangements for the Relief of Turnpike Trusts:

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Vaccination (Ireland) Bill. — An Act to make further Provision for the Practice of Vaccination in *Ireland:*

Drafts on Bankers Law Amendment Bill. — An Act to amend the Law relating to Cheques or Drafts on Bankers:

Incumbered Estates (West Indies) Act Amendment Bill. — An Act to amend "The *West Indian* Incumbered Estates Act, 1854:"

Militia Pay Bill. — An Act to defray the Charge of the Pay, Clothing and Contingent and other Expenses of the Disembodied Militia in *Great Britain* and *Ireland*; to grant Allowances in certain cases to Subaltern Officers, Adjutants, Paymasters, Quartermasters, Surgeons, Assistant Surgeons and Surgeons Mates of the Militia; and to authorize the Employment of the Non-Commissioned Officers:

Militia (Service Abroad) Act Continuance Bill. — An Act to continue an Act to enable Her Majesty to accept the Services of the Militia out of the United Kingdom:

Militia Act Continuance (No. 2) Bill. — An Act further to continue an Act to authorize the embodying of the Militia:

Corrupt Practices Prevention Act Continuance Bill. — An Act to continue and amend the Corrupt Practices Prevention Act, 1854:

Public Health Bill. — An Act for vesting in the Privy Council certain Powers for the Protection of the Public Health:

Local Government Bill. — An Act to amend the Public Health Act, 1848, and to make further Provision for the Local Government of Towns and populous Districts:

Government of British Columbia Bill. — An Act to provide for the Government of *British Columbia:*

Clerk of Petty Sessions (Ireland) Bill. — An Act to regulate the Office of Clerk of Petty Sessions in *Ireland:*

Friendly Societies Act Amendment Bill. — An Act to amend the Act of the eighteenth and nineteenth years of Her present Majesty, chapter sixty-three, relating to Friendly Societies:

Art Union Indemnity Bill. — An Act to indemnify certain Persons who have formed a Voluntary Association for the disposal of Works of Utility and Ornament, by chance or otherwise, as Prizes:

Reformatory Schools (Ireland) Bill. — An Act to promote and regulate Reformatory Schools for Juvenile Offenders in *Ireland:*

Metropolis Local Management Act Amendment Bill. — An Act to alter and amend the Metropolis Local Management Act (1855), and to extend the Powers of the Metropolitan Board of Works, for the Purification of the *Thames* and the Main Drainage of the Metropolis:

New Writs Bill. — An Act to extend the Act of the twenty-fourth year of King *George* the Third, chapter twenty-six, for issuing Writs during any Recess of the House of Commons, whether by Prorogation or Adjournment:

Civil Bills, &c. (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill. — An Act to amend an Act of the fourteenth and fifteenth years of Her present Majesty, to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Civil Bills and the Courts of Quarter Sessions in *Ireland*, and to transfer to the Assistant Barristers certain Jurisdiction as to Insolvent Debtors:

Judgments (Ireland) Act Amendment Bill. — An Act to amend an Act of the thirteenth and fourteenth years of Her present Majesty, to amend the Laws concerning Judgments in *Ireland:*

Government of India (No. 3) Bill. — An Act for the better Government of *India:*

Divorce and Matrimonial Causes Act Amendment Bill. — An Act to amend the Act of the twentieth and twenty-first *Victoria*, chapter eighty-five:

Cornwall Submarine Mines Bill. — An Act to declare and define the respective Rights of Her Majesty, and of His Royal Highness the Prince of *Wales* and Duke of *Cornwall*, to the Mines and Minerals in or under Land lying below High-water mark within and adjacent to the County of *Cornwall*, and for other purposes:

Great Southern of India Railway Company Bill. — An Act to incorporate and regulate the Great Southern of *India* Railway Company, and for other purposes connected therewith:

Middlesbrough Improvement Bill. — An Act to alter and improve the Boundaries of the Municipal Borough and District of *Middlesbrough*, to enable the Local Board of Health of the District to enlarge the Market-place, to enable the Corporation to construct Landing-places on the North side of the River *Tees*, and to establish a Public Passage up and over the said River, to transfer the Powers of the Burial Board to the Local Board, and to confer other Powers on the Local Board and the Corporation, and for other purposes:

Tees Conservancy Bill. — An Act to confer additional Powers on the *Tees* Conservancy Commissioners, to regulate the Fisheries in the River *Tees*, to vest the Anchorage and Plankage Dues in the said Commissioners, to alter and amend their existing Acts, and for other purposes:

Worcester and Hereford Railway Bill. — An Act to extend the Time for making the *Worcester* and *Hereford* Railway, and for granting further Powers with respect to that Undertaking:

Plymouth Great Western Docks Bill. — An Act for extending the Powers of the *Plymouth* Great Western Dock Company, and for other purposes:

Lancashire and Yorkshire and East Lancashire Railway Companies Bill. — An Act to make further Provisions for vesting the *Sheffield*, *Rotherham*, *Barnsley*, *Wakefield*, *Huddersfield* and *Goole* Railway in the *Lancashire* and *Yorkshire* Railway Company, and for other purposes:

Limerick and Castle Connell Railway Bill. — An Act for enabling the *Limerick* and *Castle Connell* Railway Company to extend their Railway from *Castle Connell* to *Killaloe*, to issue Preference Shares, and for other purposes:

West End of London and Clapham and Norwood Junction Railway (Abandonment) Bill. — An Act for the Abandonment of the West End of *London* and *Clapham* and *Norwood* Junction Railway, and for other purposes:

South Wales Railway (New Railway, &c.) Bill. — An Act to enable the South *Wales* Railway Company to acquire additional Lands at *Newport*, and for other purposes:

Vale of Towy Railway Bill. — An Act for authorizing a Lease of the Vale of *Towy* Railway to the *Llanelly* Railway and Dock Company:

Atlantic Telegraph Company Bill. — An Act for enabling the Atlantic Telegraph Company to create and issue Preference Capital, for the Extension of Borrowing Powers, and Amendment of Act:

Clyde Navigation Bill. — An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts relating to the River *Clyde* and Harbour of *Glasgow:*

Warrington and Stockport Railway (Capital) Bill. — An Act for limiting, defining and regulating the Capital and Debt of the *Warrington* and *Stockport* Railway Company, for amending the Acts relating to the Company, and conferring on them further Powers, and for other purposes relating to the Company:

Davidson's Estate Bill. — An Act for authorizing the Trustees of the late *James Davidson*, of *Ruchill*, to sell part of his Lands of *Ruchill*, *Garrioch* and *Balgray*, in the County of *Lanark*, and to re-invest the Prices of such Lands, and for other purposes:

Glasgow College Estate Bill. — An Act for regulating the *Dundonald* Bursaries, in the University and College of *Glasgow*, and for other purposes:

Ray's Estate Bill. — An Act for authorizing Mining, Building and other Leases, the obtaining of the Enfranchisement of Copyholds, and the Renewal of Leases, and the making of Partitions, Sales and Exchanges of the Estates devised and bequeathed by the Will of *Henry Belward Ray*, Esquire, deceased, and for other purposes:

Stearne's Charities Bill.

An Act to amend an Act of the Parliament of *Ireland*, passed in the eleventh and twelfth years of the reign of King *George* the Third, intituled, "An Act for vesting the Estate of the Right Reverend Father in God, Doctor *John Stearne*, late Lord Bishop of *Clogher*, deceased, in Trustees, in trust for carrying the Charitable and other Bequests of his Will into execution."

Lords Commissioners' Speech.

And afterwards, a Speech of the Lords Commissioners was delivered to both Houses by the Lord High Chancellor, as followeth:

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

We are commanded by Her Majesty to express Her satisfaction at being enabled to release you from the duties of a Session, which, though interrupted, has, by your unremitting assiduity, been productive of many important measures.

Her Majesty is happy to believe that Her relations with Foreign Powers are such as to enable Her Majesty to look with confidence to the preservation of general Peace.

Her Majesty trusts that the labours of the Plenipotentiaries now sitting in Conference at *Paris* may lead to a satisfactory solution of the various questions which have been referred to them.

The efforts, the gallantry and devotedness displayed in *India* by Her Majesty's Forces and those of the *East India* Company have been above all praise; and Her Majesty hopes that those efforts have already been so far crowned with success that the formidable revolt which has raged throughout a large portion of Her *Indian* Possessions may now, under the blessing of Almighty God, be speedily suppressed, and Peace be restored to those important Provinces.

In this hope Her Majesty has given Her willing assent to the Act which you have passed for transferring to Her direct authority the Government of Her *Indian* Dominions; and Her Majesty hopes to be enabled so to discharge the high functions which She has assumed, as, by a just and impartial Administration of the Law, to secure its advantages alike to Her Subjects of every Race and Creed, and, by promoting their welfare, to establish and strengthen Her Empire in *India*.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

Her Majesty commands us to thank you for the judicious liberality with which you have made Provision for the exigencies of the Public Service.

The present state of the Revenue authorizes Her Majesty to entertain a confident hope that the Supplies which you have granted will be found fully adequate to the demands upon them.

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

The sanitary condition of the Metropolis must always be a subject of deep interest to Her Majesty, and Her Majesty has readily sanctioned the Act which you have passed for the Purification of that noble River, the present state of which is little creditable to a great Country, and seriously prejudicial to the health and comfort of the inhabitants of the Metropolis.

Her Majesty has also willingly assented to an Act whereby greater facilities are given for the acquisition by towns and districts of such Powers as may be requisite for promoting works of local improvement, and thus extending more widely the advantages of municipal self-government.

Her Majesty trusts that the Act which you have passed for the future Government of the *Scotch* Universities will be found highly advantageous to those venerable institutions, and will greatly promote and extend a system of sound moral and religious education in *Scotland*.

The Transfer of Land Bill, which extends the powers hitherto exercised by the Incumbered Estates Commissioners, and facilitates the acquisition of an indefeasible title by purchasers of land in *Ireland*, cannot fail to be highly beneficial to the landed proprietors, and to advance the prosperity of that part of Her Majesty's Dominions.

The Act to which Her Majesty has assented for the establishment of the Colony of *British Columbia* was urgently required in consequence of the recent discoveries of Gold in that district; but Her Majesty hopes that this new Colony on the *Pacific* may be but one step in the career of steady progress, by which Her Majesty's Dominions in *North America* may ultimately be peopled, in an unbroken chain, from the *Atlantic* to the *Pacific*, by a loyal and industrious population of Subjects of the *British* Crown.

Her Majesty thankfully acknowledges the diligence and perseverance which has enabled you in a comparatively short time to pass these and other measures of inferior but not insignificant importance.

Many of you, in returning to your respective counties, have extensive influence to exercise, and duties to perform of hardly less value to the community than those from the labours of which you are about to be released; and Her Majesty entertains a confident assurance that, under the guidance of Providence, that influence will be so employed, and those duties so performed, as to redound to your own honour, and to promote the general welfare and the happiness of a loyal and contented People.

Then a Commission for proroguing the Parliament was read.

After which the Lord Chancellor said;

My Lords, and Gentlemen,

Parliament prorogued.

By virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, under the Great Seal, to us and other Lords directed, and now read, we do, in Her Majesty's Name, and in obedience to Her Commands, prorogue this Parliament to Tuesday the 19th day of October next, to be then here holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Tuesday the 19th day of October next.

Martis, 19° *die Octobris*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Parliament prorogued.

THE House being met, pursuant to the last Prorogation; and Mr. Speaker being in the country;

A Message was brought from the Lords, by Mr. *Pulman*, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

The Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly the House, with the Second Clerk Assistant, went up to the House of Peers; where the Commission was read, for the further proroguing of the Parliament until Thursday the 18th day of November next; and the Parliament was accordingly prorogued until Thursday the 18th day of November next.

Jovis, 18° *die Novembris*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1858.

Parliament prorogued.

THE House being met, pursuant to the last Prorogation; and Mr. Speaker being in the country;

A Message was brought from the Lords, by Mr. *Pulman*, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

The Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly the House, with the Second Clerk Assistant, went up to the House of Peers; where the Commission was read, for the further proroguing of the Parliament until Thursday the 13th day of January next; and the Parliament was accordingly prorogued until Thursday the 13th day of January next.

Jovis, 13° *die Januarii*;

Anno 22° Victoriæ Reginæ, 1859.

THE House being met, pursuant to the last Prorogation; and Mr. Speaker being in the country; Parliament prorogued.

A Message was brought from the Lords, by Mr. *Pulman*, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod:

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

The Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Peers, to hear the Commission read.

Accordingly the House, with the Second Clerk Assistant, went up to the House of Peers; where the Commission was read, for the further proroguing of the Parliament until Thursday the 3d day of February next; and the Parliament was accordingly prorogued until Thursday the 3d day of February next.