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A MESSAGE from Her Majesty, by Mr. Pullman, 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;

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 his Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Ireland, to make out new Writs for the election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the County of Kilkenny, in the room of George Bryan, Esquire, deceased; and for the County of Tipperary, in the room of Valentine Maher, Esquire, deceased; and also his Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Great Britain, to make out new Writs for the election of Members to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Kendal, in the room of George William Wood, Esquire, deceased; for the City of Salisbury, in the room of Nash William Wyndham, Esquire, deceased; and for the City of London, in the room of Sir Matthew Wood, Baronet, deceased.

Several Members returned upon new Writs, took the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy; and took and subscribed the Oath of Abjuration; and delivered to the Clerk of the House an account of their Qualification.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that he had received from Major General Lord Saltoun, k. c. b., Major General Sir James Holmes Schoedde, k. c. b., and Vice Admiral Sir William Parker, o. c. b., respectively, the following Letters, in return to the Thanks of this House, communicated to each of them by Mr. Speaker, in obedience to the Commands of this House of the 14th day of February 1843:

Head Quarters, Hongkong, the 8th June 1843.

Sir, I have the honour to state, that I have had the gratification of receiving your Letter of the 28th February last, inclosing certain Resolutions from the Honourable the House of Commons, expressive of their Thanks to the Naval and Military Forces in China, for their conduct in the late successful operations, which, I beg to state, I have had the pleasure of making known to the Force under my command.

I further beg to acquaint you, that the two Letters addressed, under cover from the War Office, to Major General George Burrell, c. b., and Major General Sir Robert Bartley, k. c. b., respectively, have been returned to England by mail of this day, those Officers having proceeded home.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient humble servant, Saltoun, Major General Commanding the Land Force in China.

To the Right Honourable Charles Shaw Lefevre, Speaker of the House of Commons.

Sir, Chusan, 11th July 1843.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of 28th February 1843, conveying to me, and the Officers and Men serving under me, the very gratifying and flattering Vote of the House of Commons; and which I had the pleasure to inform them of. And I beg to offer to you, Mr. Speaker, my sincere thanks for the kind manner in which you communicated to me the high and distinguished (and by me quite unexpected) honour conferred on me by the House of Commons.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient humble servant, J. H. Schoedde, Major General, To the Right Honourable Charles Shaw Lefevre, Speaker of the House of Commons.
Her Majesty’s Ship Cornwallis, at Hongkong, 12th June 1843.

I have received with the proudest feelings of gratification, the distinguished honour of the Thanks of the House of Commons, transmitted in your Letter of the 4th of February last, and have lost no time in communicating, in the terms of the Resolutions, to the Officers and Men of the Navy and Royal Marines, included those of the East India Company under my command, the sense entertained by the House of the various services which have been successfully achieved by the combined Forces on the coasts and inland waters of China.

To a British subject the approbation of the Representatives of his countrymen must ever be one of his brightest rewards; and I very respectfully request you will have the goodness to express to the House, that by myself and the Force I have had the honour to command, their encomiums are deeply and gratefully appreciated.

Allow me further to convey to you, Sir, my acknowledgments for the courtesy with which they have been imparted, and to have the honour of remaining,

Your most obedient servant,

W. Parker, Vice Admiral.

Ordered, That the said Letters be entered in the Journals of this House.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had this day received a Report from the Examiner of Recognizances, stating that the Surety to the Petition of Patrick Kelly and others, which was delivered in upon the 17th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Borough of Athlone, being one Surety in the sum of £1,000, is unobjectionable.

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 Sir Francis Burdett, Baronet, deceased.

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 Devizes, in the room of Thomas Henry Sutton Sotheron, Esquire, 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 Bencavon, in the County of Buckingham.

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

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House had this day attended Her Majesty in the House of Peers, where 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 follows:

My Lords and Gentlemen,

It affords Me great satisfaction again to meet you in Parliament, and to have the opportunity of profitting by your assistance and advice. I entertain a confident hope that the general peace, so necessary for the happiness and prosperity of all nations, will continue uninterrupted.

My friendly relations with the King of the French, and the good understanding happily established between My Government and that of his Majesty, with the continued assurances of the peaceful and amicable dispositions of all Princes and States, confirm Me in this expectation.

I have directed that the Treaty which I have concluded with the Emperor of China, shall be laid before you; and I rejoice to think that it will in its result prove highly advantageous to the trade of this country.

Throughout the whole course of my negotiations with the Government of China I have uniformly disclaimed the wish for any exclusive advantages.

It has been My desire that equal favour should be shown to the industry and commercial enterprise of all nations.

The hostilities which took place during the past year in Scinde have led to the annexation of a considerable portion of that country to the British Possessions in the East.

In all the Military Operations, and especially in the Battles of Meeanee and Hydrabad, the constancy and valour of the Troops, Native and European, and the skill and gallantry of their distinguished Commander, have been most conspicuous.

I have directed that additional information, explanatory of the Transactions in Scinde, shall be forthwith communicated to you.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

The Estimates for the ensuing year will be immediately laid before you.

They have been prepared with a strict regard to economy, and at the same time with a due consideration of those exigencies of the public service which are connected with the maintenance of our maritime strength, and the multiplied demands on the Naval and Military Establishments from the various parts of a widely extended Empire.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I congratulate you on the improved condition of several important branches of the Trade and Manufactures of the country.

I trust that the increased demand for labour has relieved, in a corresponding degree, many classes of My faithful subjects from sufferings and privations, which at former periods I have had occasion to deplore.

For several successive years the annual produce of the Revenue fell short of the Public Expenditure.

I confidently trust that in the present year the Public Income will be amply sufficient to defray the charges now on you.

I feel assured that, in considering all matters connected with the financial concerns of the country, you will bear in mind the evil consequences of accumulating any public debt during the time of peace, and that you will firmly resolve to uphold that public credit, the maintenance of which concerns equally the permanent interests and the honour and reputation of a great country.

In the course of the present year the opportunity will occur of giving notice to the Bank of England on the subject of the Revision of its Charter.

It may be advisable that, during this Session of Parliament, and previously to the arrival of the period assigned for the giving of such notice, the state of the Law with regard to the Privileges of the Bank of England and to other Banking Establishments should be brought under your consideration.

At the close of the last Session of Parliament I declared to you My firm determination to maintain inviolate the Legislative Union between Great Britain and Ireland. I expressed at the same time My earnest desire to co-operate with Parliament in the adoption of all such measures as might tend to improve the social condition of Ireland, and to develop the natural resources of that part of the United Kingdom.

I am resolved to act in strict conformity with this declaration.

I forbear.
I forbear from observation on events in Ireland, in respect to which proceedings are pending before the proper legal tribunal.

My attention has been directed to the state of the land, and with regard to the occupation of land in Ireland.

I have deemed it advisable to institute extensive local inquiries into a subject of so much importance, and have appointed a Commission, with ample authority to conduct the requisite investigation.

I recommend to your early consideration the enactments at present in force in Ireland concerning the Registration of Voters for Members of Parliament.

You will probably find that a revision of the Law of Registration, taken in conjunction with the present state of the law, and practice with regard to the occupation of land, and also of Her Majesty's earnest desire to consider the state of the law, with a view to an extension of the county franchise in Ireland.

I commit to your deliberate consideration the various important questions of Public Policy which will necessarily come under your review, with full confidence in your loyalty and wisdom, and with an earnest prayer to Almighty God to direct and favour your efforts to promote the welfare of all classes of My people.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, for acknowledging Her Majesty's most gracious Speech from the Throne, and to thank Her Majesty for Her condensation in assuring us that it affords Her Majesty great satisfaction again to meet us in Parliament, and to have the opportunity of profiting by our assistance and advice:

To assure Her Majesty, that we learn with great satisfaction, that Her Majesty entertains a confident hope that the general peace, so necessary for the happiness and prosperity of all nations, will continue uninterrupted:

That we rejoice to be informed, that Her Majesty's friendly relations with the King of the French, and the good understanding happily established between Her Majesty's Government and that of His Majesty, with the continued assurances of the peaceful and amicable dispositions of all Princes and States, confirm Her Majesty in this expectation:

To thank Her Majesty for having called our attention to the circumstances that in the course of the present year the opportunity will occur of giving notice to the Bank of England on the subject of the revision of its Charter; and that it may be advisable that during this Session of Parliament, and previously to the arrival of the period assigned for the giving of such notice, the state of the Law with regard to the Privileges of the Bank of England and other Banking Establishments should be brought under our consideration:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for the assurance that Her Majesty is resolved to act in strict conformity with the declaration made by Her Majesty at the close of the last Session of Parliament, of Her firm determination to maintain inviolate the Legislative Union between Great Britain and Ireland, and also of Her Majesty's earnest desire to assure Her Majesty, in forbearing from observation on events in Ireland, in respect to which proceedings are pending before the proper legal tribunal:

That we are gratified to learn that Her Majesty's attention has been directed to the state of the law and practice with regard to the occupation of land in Ireland; and that Her Majesty has deemed it advisable to institute extensive local inquiries into a subject of so much importance, and has appointed a Commission with ample authority to conduct the requisite investigation:

To thank Her Majesty for recommending that we should take into our early consideration the enactments at present in force in Ireland, concerning the Registration of Voters for Members of Parliament; and for Her Majesty's gracious intimation that we may probably find that a revision of the Law of Registration, taken in conjunction with other causes at present in operation, would produce a material diminution of the number of county voters, and that, with a view to an extension of the county franchise in Ireland:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for the assurance of Her Majesty's confidence in the loyalty and wisdom of Parliament, in committing to our deliberate consideration
consideration the various important questions of Public Policy, which it will necessarily come under our review; and that we unite with Her Majesty in an earnest prayer to Almighty God, to direct and favour our efforts to promote the welfare of all classes of Her Majesty's people;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by inserting after the word "declare," at the end of the ninth paragraph, the words, "To " assure Her Majesty, that Her faithful Commons " will be always desirous to vote such Supplies as " may be found just and necessary for the Public " Service; but that, under the existing circum- " stances of the country, we shall deem it our first " and most important duty to inquire into the va- " rious grievances complained of by Her people, " and to devise such means as may be most " effectual for redressing all just causes of com- " plaint."

And the Question being put, That those words " be there inserted:"

The House divided:
The Yeas to the new Lobby:
The Noes to the old Lobby:
Tellers for the [Mr. Sharman Crawford,]
[Mr. Wallace;] 29.
Tellers for the [Sir Thomas Fremantle,]
[Mr. Henry Baring;] 285.
So it passed in the Negative.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veera, 2° die Februarii, 1844:

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by inserting after the word " declare," at the end of the tenth paragraph, the words, "To " declare that we shall discharge the duty we " owe to Her Majesty, if we did not direct Her " most serious attention to the present condition of " Her faithful people, which, notwithstanding the " improvement in some branches of industry, still " exhibits such an extent of destitution and suffer- " ing, as to demand from Her Majesty's faithful " Commons an expression of their opinion of the " causes, and the best means of removing the " same:

"To assure Her Majesty that, although we fully " appreciate the progress made by this Parliament " in reducing the duties on many articles of import, " we at the same time deeply lament that Her Ma- " jesty has not been advised to call our immediate " attention to the repeal of those pernicious laws " which prevent free trade in Corn and Provisions " so essential to the sustenance and comfort of the " people, and to the prosperity of the State; and " that we earnestly implore Her Majesty's gracious " co-operation for the repeal of those prohibitory " and restrictive laws which give monopolies in " Sugar and other articles to certain classes of Her " Majesty's subjects, to the detriment of the rest; " so that no duties may be levied on any imports, " except for the direct purposes of Revenue to Her " Majesty's Exchequer:

"To submit most respectfully to Her Majesty, " that an excessive and unequal taxation, dispro- " portionate to the reduced value of property, the " diminution of profits on capital, and to the inade- " quate wages of labour, pressing on all ranks of " the community, but especially on the working " classes, is a principal cause of the existing dis- " teenes; and that the reduction of the same is ab- " solutely necessary for the relief of Her Majesty's " loyal, peaceful and suffering people; that as this " country is, and as we rejoice to hear is likely to " continue, in peace with all the world, we humbly " represent to Her Majesty, that many branches of " the civil, military and naval establishments may " be so greatly reduced, as to procure for the peo- " ple considerable relief from the pressure of taxa- " tion, and a due discharge of the public service:" And the Question being put, That those words " be there inserted:"

The House divided:
The Yeas to the new Lobby:
The Noes to the old Lobby:
Tellers for the [Mr. Home,]
[Dr. Bowring;] 40.
Tellers for the [Sir Thomas Fremantle,]
[Mr. Henry Baring;] 235.
So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to acknowledge Her Majesty's Address of the most gracious Speech from the Throne, and to thank Her Majesty for Her condescension in assuring us that it affords Her Majesty great satisfaction again to meet us in Parliament, and to have the opportunity of profiting by our assistance and advice:

To assure Her Majesty, that we learn with great satisfaction, that Her Majesty entertains a confident hope that the general peace, so necessary for the happiness and prosperity of all nations, will continue uninterrupted:

That we rejoice to be informed, that Her Ma- " jesty's friendly relations with the King of the French, " and the good understanding happily established between Her Majesty's Government and that of Her " Majesty, with the continued assurances of the " peaceful and amicable dispositions of all Princes " and States, confirm Her Majesty in this expectation: To thank Her Majesty, for having directed to be " laid before us the Treaty which Her Majesty has " concluded with the Emperor of China, and which Her " Majesty rejoices to think will, in its results, " prove highly advantageous to the trade of this " country:

To express our thanks to Her Majesty, for ac- " quainting us that, throughout the whole course " of Her Majesty's negotiations with the Government " of China, Her Majesty has uniformly disclaimed the " wish for any exclusive advantages; and that it has " been Her Majesty's desire, that equal favour should " be shown to the industry and commercial enterprise of " all nations:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for informing us, " that the hostilities which took place during the past " year in Scinde, have led to the annexation of a " considerable portion of that country to the British " Possessions in the East:

That we are gratified to learn, that, in all the " military operations, and especially in the battles " of Meerut and Hyderabad, the constancy and valour " of the troops, Native and European, and the skill " and gallantry of their distinguished Commander, " have been most conspicuous:

To thank Her Majesty for having given direc- " tions, that additional information, explanatory of " the transactions in Scinde, shall be forthwith com- " municated to us:

To convey our thanks to Her Majesty, for having " directed the Estimates for the ensuing year to be " immediately laid before us; and for Her Majesty's " assurance, that they have been prepared with a " strict regard to economy, and at the same time with " a due consideration of the pressing demands on " the Public Service which are connected with the main- " tenance of our maritime strength, and the multiplied " demands on the Naval and Military Establishments from the various parts of a widely extended empire:

That we participate in the gratification expressed by Her Majesty, in the improved condition of se- " veral important branches of the trade and manu- " factures of the country; and that, with Her Majesty, " we trust, that the increased demand for labour has " not been accompanied with a corresponding de- " crease in the employment of the corresponding depth of many classes of Her Majesty's faithful subjects from sufferings and privations which, at former periods, Her Majesty has had occasion to deplore:

That
Committee to draw up the Address;

To thank Her Majesty for having called our attention to the circumstances that in the course of the present year the opportunity will occur of giving notice to the Bank of England on the subject of the revision of its Charter; and that it may be advisable that during this Session of Parliament, and previously to the arrival of the period assigned for the giving of such notice, the state of the Law with regard to the Privileges of the Bank of England and other Banking Establishments should be brought under our consideration:

Humbly to thank Her Majesty for the assurance that Her Majesty is resolved to act in strict conformity with the declaration made by Her Majesty at the close of the last Session of Parliament, of her firm determination to maintain inviolate the Honour and Reputation of a great Country: and also of Her Majesty's earnest desire to land, and also of Her Majesty's earnest desire to
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That we rejoice to learn, that though for several successive years the annual produce of the Revenues fell short of the Public Expence, Her Majesty confidently trusts, that in the present year the Public Income will be amply sufficient to defray the charges upon it:

That we recognize the just consideration of Her Majesty, in forbearing from observation on events in Ireland, in respect to which proceedings are pending before the proper legal tribunal:

That we are gratified to learn that Her Majesty's attention has been directed to the state of the Law and practice with regard to the occupation of land in Ireland, and that Her Majesty has deemed it advisable to institute extensive local inquisitions into a subject of so much importance, and has appointed a Commission with ample authority to conduct the requisite investigations:

To thank Her Majesty for recommending that no person but such as he shall appoint do prepare reports on the subject of}

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up the Address.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Newspaper Return of the Number of Stamps issued to Newspapers, &c., and the Amount of Advertisement Duty paid on each in the two last quarters of the year 1843, separately stated (in continuation of Parliamentary Returns of last Session); exhibiting also, the periods at which the Publication takes place, whether daily, weekly or otherwise.

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.

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Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Newspaper Return of the several expired Contracts for British and Foreign Oak and African Timber, Thick Stuff Plank, for the use of Her Majesty's Dockyards, since the year 1829; showing the date and expiration of each Contract, the Names of the Contractors, the Quantity delivered under each Contract; together with the Price, and whether the Contract was made by Public or Private Tender, and whether the accepted Tender was the lowest one.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Navy Return of the Ships whose Magazines have been altered, and how often, between the 1st day of January 1830 and the 1st day of July 1840, and the Expense attending such alteration; and of the Ships whose sterns have been altered, and how often, between the 1st day of January 1830 and the 1st day of July 1840, and the Expenses.

Ordered, That the Return from the Court of Southwark for the Borough of Southwark, and for the Eastern Half Hundred of Brixton, of the Salaries of the Solicitors, Fees or Stipends and Fees of the High Bailiff, and of each of the Chief and Subordinate Clerks and executive Officers of the Court, on an average of the last seven years, to the last audit of Accounts, stating the source or sources from whence such Salaries, Fees or Stipends are derived; also, the Number of Days of Attendance of each of the Chief Clerks in each of those years, the authority on which they from time to time delegate their office duties to the Such Chief Clerks, with the aggregate Amount of unmixed Suitors' Cash or Stock at the last audit, with an Account of the Total Amount of Debts recovered during the said period, distinguishing the Amount under Forty shillings, Ten shillings and Fourteen shillings, respectively, and stating the Aggregate Amount of Costs incurred thereon, On Debts recovered under Forty shillings, Ten shillings and Five shillings respectively,
spective, which was presented upon the 22d day of August in the last Session of Parliament, 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, 2° die Februarii ; Anno 7° Victoriae Reginis, 1844.

PRAYERS.

A PETITION of Owners and Proprietors of estates in the parish of Ramsey, in the county of Huntingdon, for leave to bring in a Bill for inclosing Lands in the said parish, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Malby, from the Trinity House, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—A Return of the Receipt and Application of all Monies received as Tolls for Lighthouses, &c., in the year ending 31st December 1842 by the Corporation of Trinity House of Deptford Strewn.—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Johnson, from the Lord Chancellor's Principal Secretary's Office, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Account of Compensations granted to the then-undermentioned Officers of the High Court of Chancery, pursuant to the Act 5 and 6 Vic. c. 104, and chargeable upon the Solicitors' Fee Fund.—And then he withdrew.

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

A Petition of Proprietors of estates in the parish of Bury, in the county of Huntingdon, for leave to bring in a Bill for inclosing Lands in the said parish, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the Birmingham Canal Navigations, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the said Company to borrow a further Sum of Money, and to enlarge the provisions of two several Acts for lighting with Gas the Town of Liverpool, and certain Places adjacent thereto, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Liverpool New Gas and Coke Liverpool Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the said Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to enable the Owners of reclaimed Lands to pay a Sum in gross in lieu of the annual Rents, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Ribble Navigation Company, Ribble for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the said Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to enable the Owners of reclaimed Lands to pay a further Sum of Money, and to enlarge the provisions of two several Acts for lighting with Gas the Town of Poulton-le-Fylde, and certain Places adjacent thereto, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas Clark (now, and during nearly seventeen years last past, a Prisoner in Her Majesty's Prison of the Newgate), suggesting a plan for paying off the National Debt, to be laid before Parliament, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Liverpool Navigation Company, Liverpool for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the said Company to bring into effect the Act for paving, lighting, watching, cleansing and otherwise improving the Township or Chapelry of Eccles, and to terminate in the town of Manchester, and places adjacent thereto, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Merchants and Inhabitants of the State Town of Norwich and the City of Norwich, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from Norwich to Thetford and Brandon, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of the Royal Society for Suppressing the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, stating that the Petitioners have directed their serious attention to the state of the various houses and premises in and around the metropolis, commonly called, or known as knackers' yards; and praying the House to take into consideration the practicability of a complete revision and completion of the laws relative to the jurisdiction of the country, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Persons engaged in the promotion of the Manchester and Bolton Railway, to commence by a junction with the Manchester and Bolton Railway, in the township of Clifton, in the parish of Eccles, and to terminate in the township of Lower Boarshaw, and the parish of Whalley, all in the county palatine of Lancaster, for leave to bring in a Bill for making the said Railway, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas Horton, of the Manchester and Bolton Railway, requesting leave to bring in a Bill for extending the powers of the said Railway, to the State of the various houses and premises in and around the metropolis, commonly called, or known as knackers' yards; and praying the House to take into consideration the practicability of a complete revision and completion of the laws relative to the jurisdiction of the country, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Electors for Counties in Ireland made between the 10th day of October 1842 and the 10th day of October 1843; distinguishing the Quantity made in each Country, and the Quantity used by Brewers and Victuallers and Retail Brewers.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts of the Total Number of Acres of Land in Great Britain under the Cultivation of Hops in the year 1843; distinguishing the Number of Acres in each Parish—Of the Duty on Hops of the Growth of the year 1843; distinguishing the Districts, and the old from the new Duty—Of the Quantity of Hops exported from Great Britain to Foreign Countries, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844; distinguishing the Countries to which the same have been exported, and also the Quantities to each Country; also British from Foreign Growths, and the dates of the years in which the British Hops were grown—And, of the Quantity of Foreign Hops imported into the United Kingdom, from the 8th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844; distinguishing the Ports where imported, and the Countries from whence exported.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Number of Persons in each of the several Collections in the United Kingdom licensed as "Brewers," "Vicuallers," "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, particularizing each Class in each Collection, from the 10th day of October 1842 to the 10th day of October 1843.

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 Proclamation issued by Her Majesty to certain Districts in South Wales, dated Monday, October the 23d, 1843.

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 Proclamation of a Proclamation issued by the Lord Lieut. and Council of Ireland, dated Saturday, October the 7th, 1843.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Public Income Accounts of the Net Income of the United Kingdom and Expenditure in the United Kingdom, from the 5th day of January 1843, the Amount of Money raised by the Additions to the Funded Debt, in the year ended the 5th day of January 1844, the amount of Money remaining in the Exchequer on the 5th day of January 1842, the Amount of Money raised by the Additions to the Funded Debt, in the year ended the 5th day of January 1844, the Money applied to the Redemption of the Funded, or the paying off Unfunded Debt, the Total Amount of Advances and Repayments on account of Local Works, &c., with the difference accruing thereon, and the Balances in the Exchequer on the 5th day of January 1844.

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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, Bank of England Accounts of the Quarterly Averages of the Weekly England, &c.


Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Correspondence that has taken place between the Poor Law Commissioners and the Guardians.
Guardians of the Wells Union, relative to the Dismissal of Mr. George Newman from Medical Superintendency of the Poor of the Glastonbury District.

The House was moved, That the Standing Orders of the House relative to the presentation of Public Petitions, might be read; and the same were read, as follows:

1. That every Member offering to present a Petition to the House, not being a Petition for a Private Bill, or relating to a Private Bill before the House, do communicate to a statement of the parties from whom it comes, of the number of signatures attached to it, and of the material allegations contained in it, and to the reading of the prayer of such Petition:

2. That every such Petition not containing matter in breach of the Privileges of this House, and which, according to the rules or usual practice of this House, can be received, be brought to the Table by the direction of The Speaker, who shall not allow any Debate, or any Member to speak upon or in relation to such Petition; but it may be read by the Clerk at the Table, if required.

3. That if such Petition relate to any matter or subject which the Member presenting it is destitute of bringing before the House, and if such Member shall state it to be his intention to make a Motion thereupon, such Member may give Notice that he will make a Motion on some subsequent day, that the Petition be printed with the Votes.

4. That in the case of such Petition complaining of any present personal grievance, for which there may be an urgent necessity for providing an immediate remedy, the matter contained in such Petition may be brought into discussion on the presentation thereof.

5. That all other such Petitions, after they shall have been ordered to lie on the Table, be referred to the Committee on Public Petitions, without any Question being put.

6. That subject to the above regulations, Petitions against any Resolution or Bill, imposing a Tax or Duty for the current service of the year, be henceforth received, and the usage under which the House has refused to entertain such Petitions be discontinued.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the said Standing Orders be repealed:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Orders and Resolutions. Elections.

Ordered, That all persons who will question any Returns of Members to serve in the present Parliament, for any county, city, or borough in the United Kingdom, or in any new Return shall be brought in.

Ordered, That all Members who shall have 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 such persons as shall have been guilty of such bribery or other corrupt practices.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath given false evidence in any case before 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.

Ordered, That it is a high infringement of the liberties and privileges of the Commons of the United Kingdom, 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 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.

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms attending Strangers in this House, do from time to time take into his custody any Stranger or Strangers that he shall see, or be informed of to be, in the House or Gallery, while the House or any Committee of the whole House is sitting: and that no person, so taken into custody, be discharged out of custody without the special Order of the House.

Ordered, That no Member of this House do presume to bring any Stranger or Strangers into the House or Gallery thereof, while the House is sitting.

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 this Parliament, and that no Stranger or Strangers be admitted therein or thereabouts; and that the Sergeant-at-Arms attending this House do communicate this Order to the Commissioners aforesaid.

Ordered, That no Footmen be permitted to be Footmen within the Lobby of the House, or upon the stairs leading thereto.

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms attending this House do take care that there be no gaming, or other disorders, in the room appointed for the Footmen attending the Members of this House to wait in.

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms attending this House do take into his custody such Footmen as shall presume to disobey the Orders of the House; and that no such Footmen be discharged out.
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out of custody but by the special Order of the House.

Ordered, That the Sergeant-at-Arms attending this House do, from time to time, when the House is going to Prayers, give notice thereof to all Committees; and that all proceedings of Committees in a morning, after such notice, be declared to be null and void.

Ordered, That, to prevent the intercepting or losing of Letters directed to Members of this House, the person appointed to bring Letters from the General Post-office to this House, or some other person to be appointed by the Postmaster General, do for the future, every day during the Session of Parliament, Sundays excepted, constantly attend, from ten of the clock in the morning till seven in the afternoon, at the place appointed for the delivery of the said Letters, and take care during his stay there, to deliver the same to the several Members to whom they shall be directed, or to their known servant or servants, or others bringing notes under the hands of the Members sending for the same.

Ordered, That the said Officer do, upon his going away, lock up such Letters as shall remain undelivered; and that no Letter be delivered but within the hours aforesaid.

Ordered, That the said Orders be sent to the Postmaster General.

Ordered, That when any Letter or Packet directed to this House shall come to Mr. Speaker, he open the same; and acquaint the House, at their next sitting, with the contents thereof, if proper to be communicated to this House.

Private Bills. No. 2.

Resolved, That this House will not receive any Petition for any Private Bill after Friday the 23rd day of this instant February.

Resolved, That no Private Bill be read the first time after Friday the 22nd day of March next.

Resolved, That this House will not receive the Report of any such Private Bill after Friday the 24th day of May next.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be printed.

Privileges.

Ordered, That a Committee of Privileges be appointed.

Ordered, That a Committee of Ways and Means be appointed.

Public Business.

Resolved, That in the present Session of Parliament, all Orders of the day set down in the Order Book for Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, shall be disposed of, before the House will proceed upon any Motions of which Notices shall be entered in the Order Book.

Resolved, That upon days appropriated to Orders, and a Question being put from the Chair, that any Order of the day be read, no Amendment shall be proposed, except that the other Orders of the day, or any other Order set down for the same day, be now read; but that this regulation shall not apply to the case of a Committee of Supply, or of a Committee of Ways and Means.

Resolved, That no Notice shall hereafter be given beyond the period which shall include the four days next following on which Notices are entitled to precedence, due allowance being made for any intervening adjournment of the House, and the period being in that case so far extended as to include four Notice days falling during the sitting of the House.

Viscount Clive reported from the Committee appointed yesterday 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 acknowledge Your Majesty's most gracious Speech from the Throne, and to thank Your Majesty for Your condescension in ascertaining to us that it affords Your Majesty great satisfaction again to meet Your faithful Commons in Parliament, and to have the opportunity of profiting by our assistance and advice:

We assure Your Majesty, that we learn with great satisfaction, that Your Majesty entertains a confident hope that the general peace, so necessary for the happiness and prosperity of all nations, will continue uninterrupted.

We rejoice to be informed, that Your Majesty's friendly relations with the King of the French, and the good understanding happily established between Your Majesty's Government and that of his Majesty, with the continued assurances of the peaceful and amicable dispositions of all Princes and States, confirm Your Majesty in this expectation:

We humbly thank Your Majesty for having directed to be laid before us the Treaty which Your Majesty has concluded with the Emperor of China, and which Your Majesty rejoices to think will, in its results, prove highly advantageous to the trade of this country:

We desire to express our thanks to Your Majesty, for acquainting us that, throughout the whole course of Your Majesty's negotiations with the Government of China, Your Majesty has uniformly disclaimed the wish for any exclusive advantages; and that it has been Your Majesty's desire that equal favour should be shown to the industry and commercial enterprise of all nations:

We humbly thank Your Majesty for informing us, that the hostilities which took place during the past year in Scinde, have led to the annexation of a considerable portion of that country to the British Possessions in the East:

We are gratified to learn, that, in all the military operations, and especially in the battles of Meanee and Hyderabad, the constancy and valour of the Troops, Native and European, and the skill and gallantry of their distinguished Commander, have been most conspicuous:

We thank Your Majesty for having given directions, that additional information, explanatory of the Transactions in Scinde, shall be forthwith communicated to us:

We beg to convey our thanks to your Majesty, for having directed the Estimates for the ensuing year to be immediately laid before us; and for Your Majesty's assurance, that they have been prepared with a strict regard to economy, and at the same time with a due consideration of those exigencies of the Public Service which are connected with the maintenance of our maritime strength, and the multiplied demands on the Naval and Military Establishments from the various parts of a widely extended empire:

We participate in the gratification expressed by Your Majesty in the improved condition of several important branches of the trade and manufactures of the country; and, with Your Majesty, we trust that the increased demand for labour has relieved in a corresponding degree many classes of Your Majesty's faithful subjects from sufferings and privations which, at former periods, Your Majesty has had occasion to deplore:

We rejoice to learn, that though for several successive years the annual produce of the Revenue fell short of the Public Expenditure, Your Majesty confidently trusts, that in the present year the Public Income will be amply sufficient to defray the charges upon it:

We humbly assure Your Majesty, that in considering all matters connected with the financial concerns of the country we will bear in mind the evil consequences of accumulating debt during the time that we are formally resolved to uphold that public credit, the maintenance of which con-
tions equally the permanent interests and the ho-

our and reputation of a great country:

We thank Your Majesty for having called our

attention to the circumstances, that in the course

of the present year the opportunity will occur of giving

notice to the Bank of England on the subject of the

revision of its Charter; and that it may be advisable

to enlarge the powers of the said Act: And that

the same being read; the Committee in the said Address to be presented to

Agreed to.

The said proposed Amendment was, with

the words proposed to be left out stand part of the said

Address:—The said Amendment was, with

leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Address

Committed to the said Address to be presented to

Her Majesty.

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.

Ordered, That Her Majesty's Most gracious Queen's Speech

Speech to both Houses of Parliament be taken into

consideration upon Monday next.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of property

on or near the line of an intended Railway, from

the Lancaster and Preston Junction Railway, at

or near the town of Lancaster, in the county of Lan-
caster, to or near to the city of Carlisle, and other
Inhabitants of the counties, or some of them, through

which the same is intended to be made, for leave
to bring in a Bill for making the said Railway, was

presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the

Table.

The House was moved, That the Act 4 and 5 V. c. 40, to empower the Commissioners of Her Ma-

jesty's Woods to raise Money for certain Improve-

ments in the Metropolis, on the Security of the Land

Revenues of the Crown, within the County of Mid-
dlex and City of London, might be read; and the

same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to

elevage the powers of the said Act: And that

the Earl of Lincoln and Sir Thomas Fremantle do

prepare, and bring it in.

The Earl of Lincoln accordingly presented a Bill
to enlarge the powers of an Act of the fourth and

fifth years of Her present Majesty, empowering the

Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods to raise

Money for certain Improvements in the Metropolis,
on the Security of the Land Revenues of the Crown,
within the County of Middlesex and City of London:
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 adjourned till To-morrow.

Sabbati, 3° die Februarii; 1844.

Anno 7° Victoriae Regine, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Sir Robert Peel stated, that when the House Queen's Speech

yesterday had agreed to the Address, and had (Address.)

resolved that it should be presented to Her Ma-

jesty by the whole House, he had announced, for

the convenience of Members, that Her Majesty

would probably appoint to be attended this day at
two o'clock; that Her Majesty was most desirous

to be attended by Her faithful Commons, but that

it was his painful duty to communicate to the House,

that intelligence had been received of the death of

his Royal Highness the Duke of Sussex, Colenso-

Gotha, the Father of the illustrious Prince the Con-

sort
sort of Her Majesty, which, although not strictly official, left little doubt of the melancholy event; the underlavers, would propose that the Resolution for presenting the Address to Her Majesty by the whole House, should be rescinded, and that the Address should be presented by such Members of the House as are of Her Majesty’s Most honourable Privy Council.

The House was moved, That the Resolution of the House of yesterday, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty by the whole House, might be read; and the same being read; Resolved, That the said Resolution be rescinded.

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.

Sir George Clerk presented, pursuant to Order,—Accounts of the Net Income of the United Kingdom in the year ending the 5th day of January 1844, after abating the Expenditure thereof defrayed by several Revenue Departments, and of the actual Issues or Payments within the same period, exclusive of the Sums applied to the Redemption of Funded, or of paying Unfunded Debt, and of the Advances and Repayments for Local Works, &c. —And, of the Balances of the Public Money remaining in the Exchequer on the 5th day of January 1843, the Amount of Money raised by the contribution to the Funded or Unfunded Debt, in the year ended the 5th day of January 1844, the Money applied to the Redemption of the Funded, or the paying off Unfunded Debt, the Total Amount of Advances and Repayments on account of Local Works, &c., with the difference accruing thereon, and the Balances in the Exchequer on the 5th day of January 1844.

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

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament,—Returns of the Number of Electors on the Register for each County in England and Wales for the year 1842–43; distinguishing, in classes, the Number registered as Freemen, Copyholders, Leaseholders, occupying Tenants at £.50 per annum rent and upwards, or as holding qualifications of a similar nature; together with an Abstract of the Numbers of each class, showing the Increase or Decrease in Number, under each separate head, since the Return made to this House for the Session of 1840, with a Summary of the foregoing Returns: Of the Number of Electors transferred from the old Return, with a Summary of the foregoing Returns: Of the Number of Causes instituted and decided in the Court of Session in Scotland, between the 1st day of January 1843 and the 1st day of January 1844; showing the Number of Causes ready for Judgment, but not disposed of at the last of these Dates.

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

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Mr. Bingham Baring presented, by Her Majesty’s Favour, 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 31st December 1843.

Mr. Bingham Baring also presented, pursuant to Soverign's directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 14th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament,—List (No. 122), specifying the Particulars of the Compensation proposed to be granted to the there under-mentioned Person who belonged to the late Maritime Service of the East India Company, under an arrangement sanctioned by the Board of Commissioners for the Affairs of India, and laid before the Honourable House of Commons on the 26th February 1833:—And then he withdrew.

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

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M R. Campbell, from the Court of Directors of East India, Company, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—List (No. 122), specifying the Particulars of the Compensation proposed to be granted to the there under-mentioned Person who belonged to the late Maritime Service of the East India Company, under an arrangement sanctioned by the Board of Commissioners for the Affairs of India, and laid before the Honourable House of Commons on the 26th February 1833:—And then he withdrew.

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A Petition of Proprietors of estates in the parish of Brandle Burton, in the county of York, and also of the Corporation of the Poor of Emmanuel Hospital, in or near Westminster, for leave to bring in a Bill for inclosing Lands in the parish of Brandle Burton, in the county of York, was presented, and read, and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Great Western Railway.

A Petition of the Great Western Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the several Acts relating to the Great Western, the Cheltenham and Great Western Union, and the Oxford Railways, to amalgamate the two last-mentioned Railways with the Great Western Railway, and to authorize the formation of certain additional Works at Cheltenham and Gloucester by the Great Western Railway Company, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Brandle Burton Enclosure.

Window Tax.

Petitions from Southampton; and, Cheltenham; praying that Licensed Victuallers may be placed on the same footing in regard to the Tax on Windows as other tradesmen, owners of warehouses and shops, in which goods are deposited, sold and exposed for sale, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ramsey Inclusion.

Ordered, That the Petition for the Ramsey Inclusion Bill, which was presented upon Friday last, be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Bury Inclusion.

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Newbury and Great Western Railway.

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Liverpool New Gas and Coke.

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Petitions of the Rural Dean and Clergy of the Saint Asaph Southern Division of the Deanery of Frome; and, Bungay Diocese. Dean and Chapter of the cathedral church of Saint Andrews, in Wells; praying the House to take into its earliest consideration, with a view to its enactment, a Bill that may be introduced for preventing the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time providing for the immediate appointment of a Bishop to the newly-erected See of Manchester; were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Petition of Rate-payers and Inhabitants of the borough of Kidderminster, in the county of Worcester, stating that the Petitioners are now and have been for some time past overburthened with the amount of the rates collected for the relief of the Poor in the said borough; that the Petitioners caused inquiry to be made into the cause of such increase, and ascertained that the salaries of various officers connected with their union were considerably higher than those of any other union in the county of Worcester; that the Petitioners accordingly requested the Guardians of the said borough to take into consideration the salaries of the various officers connected with the union, with a view to their reduction; complaining that the recommendations of the Guardians were not carried out by the Poor Law Commissioners; and praying, that the Poor Law Commissioners may be directed to lay before the said Board of Guardians, a Copy of all the correspondence of their clerk or any other person relating to the above matters, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Victoriam. 5th Februarii.

Rockdale, in the county of Lancaster, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Mayor of Cork, complaining of the recent proceedings on the pending State Trial in Ireland, in regard to the rejection and omission of names from the Special Jury Panel; and praying the House to adopt measures for preventing the recurrence thereof, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of James Houghton, of Eccles-street, Dublin, stating that the Petitioner is fully convinced of the necessity which exists for the Legislature of these kingdoms to mark its abhorrence of the continued desolation and misery which are produced by the use of Intoxicating Drinks, and of the poverty and crime, and national as well as private evils, which they create; that the Petitioner believes if the House would refuse to derive any portion of the annual revenue from such a source, great good would result, and that he is of opinion that no decline in the revenues of the country would be the result of such a course, for the money now wasted in alcoholic drink would be saved to the public in healthy channels, diffusing comforts all around, and an ample revenue would be derived from a prosperous and happy people; and praying the House to take his Petition into consideration, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Edinburgh Castle Market.

A Petition of the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council of the city of Edinburgh, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act passed in the third year of the reign of Her present Majesty, for abolishing certain Petty and Market Customs in the City of Edinburgh, and granting other Duties in lieu thereof, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Wick Tree Roads.

A Petition of the Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill for repealing the Acts relating to the Wick Tree Bridge and Roads, in the county of Glamorgon, and for consolidating the same Road with the Nave, great good would result, and that he is of opinion that no decline in the revenues of the country would be the result of such a course, for the money now wasted in alcoholic drink would be saved to the public in healthy channels, diffusing comforts all around, and an ample revenue would be derived from a prosperous and happy people; and praying the House to take his Petition into consideration, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Hartlepool West Harbour and Dock.

A Petition of Parties being Suitors for the Bill hereinafter mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Harbour and Dock near to Hartlepool, in the county of Durham, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Hartlepool Pier and Derr.

A Petition of Commissioners for improving the Pier and Port of Hartlepool, in the county of Durham, for leave to bring in a Bill for amending the Acts relating to the Pier and Port, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Manchester and Leeds, and Heywood Railway.

A Petition of the Manchester and Leeds Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Branch Railway from the Manchester and Leeds Railway to Heywood, and for amending the Acts relating to that Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Huddersfield Branch Railway.

A Petition of the Manchester and Leeds Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Branch Railway from the Manchester and Leeds Railway to Huddersfield, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Manchester and Leeds Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Branch Railway from the Manchester and Leeds Railway to Bradford, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Manchester and Leeds Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Branch Railway from the Manchester and Leeds Railway to Bury, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Petitions from Arbroath and Mauchline; praying the House to refrain from voting the Supplies until the Grievances of the people are investigated and redressed, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Wool Accounts of the Quantity of Sheep and Lambs' Wool imported into the United Kingdom in the year 1843; specifying the Countries from which it came, the Quantity that paid a Duty of 1 d. per lb. and the Quantity that paid a Duty of 2 d. per lb.; of the Quantity of Foreign Wool re-exported during the same period, and the Countries to which it was sent; and the Quantity remaining warehoused under Bond on the 5th day of January 1843.—Ordered, That the Quantities of British Sheep and Lambs' Wool and Woollen Yarn exported from the United Kingdom in the year 1843; specifying the Countries to which they were sent.—Ordered, That the Quantities of Woofs of the Alpaca and Llama Tribe imported into the United Kingdom in the year 1843;—Ordered, That the Quantity of Mohair (or Goats' Wool) imported into the United Kingdom in the year 1843.

Ordered, That the Returns of Amount of Solicitors' and Messengers' Bills of Cost to the choice of Assignees under each of the first Twenty Commissions and Fiats registered in the Court of Bankruptcy in London, of the Commissions and Fiats transferred and removed into such Courts under the provisions of the Act 5 and 6 Vic. c. 122, and in which such Bills of Cost were taxed by the Commissioners previously acting in the prosecution thereof.—Of Amount of Solicitors' and Messengers' Bills of Cost to the choice of Assignees under each of the first Twenty Fiats registered in the Court of Bankruptcy in London, since the 12th day of November 1842, of the Fiats directed to such Courts against Bankrupts residing above Forty Miles from London:—Of Amount of Solicitors' and Messengers' Bills of Cost to the choice of Assignees under each of the first Twenty Commissions and Fiats registered in the several District Courts of Bankruptcy, of the Commissions and Fiats transferred and removed into such respective Courts, under the provisions of the Act 5 and 6 Vic. c. 122, and in which such Bills of Cost were taxed by the Commissioners previously acting in the prosecution thereof:—Of Amount of Solicitors' and Messengers' Bills of Cost to the choice of Assignees under each of the first Twenty Fiats registered in the several District Courts of Bankruptcy, of the Fiats directed to such Courts respectively, and prosecuted therein, under the Act 5 and 6 Vic. c. 122:—Of the Number of Affidavits of Debt filed in the Court of Bankruptcy in London, and in the several District Courts of Bankruptcy, under the 11th Section of the Statute 5 and 6 Vic. c. 122; and also the Number of Summons issued under the same Section of the same Act, by the Court of Bankruptcy in London, and by the several District Courts of Bankruptcy:—And, of the Number of Affidavits of Debt filed since the 12th day of November 1842 in the Court of Bankruptcy in London, under the 8th Section of the Statute.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Imports into the United Kingdom of Sugar, Molasses, Rum, Coffee and Cocoa, from the West Indies and British Guiana, distinguishing each Colony, for the years 1831 to 1843, both inclusive, and distinguishing each year.

Earl Jermy 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 thank you for this dutiful and loyal Address. The declaration, that you are anxious to co-operate with Me in My earnest endeavours to promote the welfare of My subjects, is most satisfactory. You may be assured, that it is the invariable object and constant care of My life to promote the happiness, and to deserve the confidence of all classes of My subjects.

And the said Warrant was read, as followeth;

Pursuant to an Act passed in the 6th year of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, "An Act to amend the Law for the Trial of Controverted Elections," continued by two several Acts passed respectively in the 6th and 7th years of the reign of Her said Majesty, I do hereby appoint the Right honourable Granville Somerset, commonly called Lord Granville Somerset, Member for Monmouthshire; the Right honourable Dudley Rider, commonly called Viscount Sandon, Member for Liverpool; James Loch, Esquire, Member for the Wiel District of Burghs; John Wilson Patten, Esquire, Member for the Northern Division of the County Palatine of Lancaster; and the O'Conor Don, Member for the County of Roscommon; to be Members of the General Committee of Elections for the present Session.

Given under My hand, this 6th day of February 1844.

Charles Shaw Lefevre, Speaker.

Ordered, That the said Warrant be printed.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine into the state and prospects, and into the advantages of the Merchant Seamen's Fund.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider whether any and what new provisions ought to be introduced into such Railway Bills as may come before this House during the present or future Sessions, for the advantage of the public and the improvement of the Railway system, and likewise to consider whether any and what changes ought to be made in the Standing Orders relating to Railways and to report their Opinion thereon to the House.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine into the state and prospects, and into the advantages of the Merchant Seamen's Fund.
of the united Church of England and Ireland, as well as her union with the State, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Bedes of Grievances.

Petitions from Cambridge; — Clifton Dartmouth Hardness; — Bucking; — Pollokshaeus; — Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants of Aberdeen; — Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants of Dundee; — Market Harborough; — Brentford; — and, Buntingford; — praying the House to refrain from voting the Supplies until the Grievances of the people are investigated and redressed, — was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

State Trial (Ireland.)

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Catholic Inhabitants of the town of Belfast, complaining of the recent proceedings on the pending State Trial in Ireland, in regard to the rejection and omission of names from the special jury panel; and praying the House to adopt measures for preventing the recurrence thereof, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Window Tax.

A Petition of Publicans and Owners of public houses in the borough of Burnley, Lancashire, praying that Licensed Victuallers may be placed on the same footing in regard to the Tax on Windows, as other tradesmen, owners of warehouses and shops in which goods are deposited, sold and exposed for sale, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Market Harborough and Coventry Road.

A Petition of Subscribers to, and Owners of land, and Inhabitants upon the line of the proposed Railway to Newbury, in the county of Berks; for leave to bring in a Bill for more effectually repairing the said Road, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.


A Petition of the Trustees for executing an Act for repairing and amending the Road from the town of Market Harborough, in the county of Leicester, to the city of Coventry, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the London and South Western Railway to the town of Newbury, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Factories Act.

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 Instructions addressed to the Governors of Her Majesty’s Colonial Possessions requiring the transmission to England of authentic Copies of the Depositions taken under any Warrants issued for the apprehension and Surrender of Fugitive Criminals, under the authority of the Act 6 and 7 Vic. c. 76, for giving effect to the 10th Article of the Treaty of Washington, between Her Majesty and the United States of 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.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Expenses incurred in the Fortification of Barracks and other Stations for Troops in Ireland, in the year 1843.

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 Correspondence relative to the Emigration of Labourers to the West Indies and the Mauritius, and from the Colonies in Africa, the East Indies and China, since the Papers already laid before this House.

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 the Expenses incurred in the Provisions of the Act 9 Geo. 4, c. 80, from the 1st day of February 1843 to the present time.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Aggregate Average Price of Wheat, by which the Duty is regulated, according to the Provisions of the Act 9 Geo. 4, c. 80, from the 1st day of February 1843 to the present time.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Expenses incurred in the fortification of Barracks, in the year 1843.

Ordered, 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 Correspondence relative to the Emigration of Labourers to the West Indies and the Mauritius, and from the Colonies in Africa, the East Indies and China, since the Papers already laid before this House.

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 the Aggregate Value of Silver Coin coined in the United Kingdom, in respect of Property situated, or Professions or Trades carried on in England, Scotland, or elsewhere &c.; and distinguishing whether such Property is in respect of Property situated, or Professions or Trades carried on in Great Britain, in respect of Property situated, or Professions or Trades carried on in Great Britain.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Light Gold Coin delivered by the Bank of England into Her Majesty’s Mint for Re-coining, from the 1st of June 1842 to the 4th day of February 1844; stating the Date and Amount of each Delivery, and the Date and Amount of each Return of Gold Coin in exchange for the same; and also, the Balance, if any, of Light Gold Coin in the hands of the Bank on the latter day, and, of the Aggregate Amount of Light Gold Coin received at each of the Branches of the Bank of England during the above stated period.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Aggregate Value of Silver Coin.
Food, for the support of one of these monopolies, the supply is restricted and the price raised, whilst the profit is increased. At the same time the demand for labour is diminished and wages reduced, and the profits of manufacturing and commercial industry deeply injured; that the burthen of general taxation has been increased to an intolerable extent, by an extravagant expenditure in every department of the State, and that this taxation is so imposed as to press most oppressively and heavily on the industrial portion of the community; that laws have been passed injurious to the rights of the people, and arbitrary proceedings of Government have taken place dangerous to public liberty; that in order to sustain this system an unconstitutional amount of Standing Army is kept up for the Home Service, and the ancient Constitutional Constable superseded by the hired Police; all which would be wholly unnecessary if the grievances of the people were redressed, and just and impartial Government established; it is further complained, that these and other grievances are produced by the bad constitution of the Commons’ House; that by the limitation of the suffrage, the long duration of Parliaments, and corruption and undue influences in the election of Representatives, this House, as at present constituted, does not truly represent and is not responsible to the people, and therefore does not legislate for their interests; that, notwithstanding frequent respectful Petitions presented to this House, the complaints of the people have neither been inquired into nor redressed: That from these causes an alarming state of discontent prevails generally over the United Kingdom; it is therefore the immediate duty of this House to make inquiry into these complaints; and as this House can have no right to vote Supplies except as being the Representatives of the people, it is imperative necessary that the charges brought against its present constitution and competency in the Petitions which have been received and recorded among its proceedings, should be inquired into, and, if found to be justly made, redressed before this House shall proceed to the voting of Supplies,” 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 old Lobby: The Noes to the new Lobby. Tellers for the Chief Sir Thomas Fremont, yeas, Mr. Henry Baring; tellers for the [Mr. Sharman Crawford, noes, Mr. William Williams] So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Motion made yesterday, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty, be now read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That Her Majesty’s Most gracious Queen’s 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. Greene reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill Superior Courts (Common Law) for altering and improving the Proceedings in the Superior Court.
Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the more easy Recovery of Small Debts and Demands: And that Mr. Jervis and Mr. Watson do prepare, and bring it in.

Trade and Manufacturers (Scotland).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return (in continuation of that made to this House in 1835), showing, in columns, the yearly Income and Expenditure of the Public Money which is entrusted to "The Board for the Encouragement of Trade and Manufactures in Scotland;" the said Return to exhibit the Income of each year, and the individual items of Expenditure in each year respectively, since the last Return; distinguishing the Amount of Premiums, and the kind or name of the Premiums in each year, from the other items, with the Sum Total of Premiums, and of other items in each year respectively:—Also, the Names of the Trustees or Directors composing the Board, with their Residences and Avocations:—Also, the Amount of Salaries and other Allowances paid to the Officers of the Board in each year respectively; together with the Dates of the Meetings of the Board in each year, and the Names of the Trustees or Directors who attended each of the same.

Mr. Thomas Guthrie, Copy of the Report made by Mr. Thomas Guthrie, Wright to Borough Adam, Lord Chief Commissioner, and the other Judges of the Jury Court in Scotland, in the year 1827 (which Report was made under orders from the aforesaid Judges).

Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill. No. 8.

Mr. Jervis presented a Bill for altering and improving the Proceedings in the Superior Courts of Common Law as to certain Actions for the Recovery of Debts or Damages not exceeding Twenty pounds, and as to other Actions, in certain cases: And that Mr. Jervis and Mr. Watson do prepare, and bring it in.

Small Debts Bill.

No. 9.

Mr. Jervis presented a Bill for the more easy Recovery of Small Debts and Demands: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Lighthouses.

No. 10.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Lighthouses, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

Electors. No. 11.

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Return relative to Electors, which was presented upon Saturday last, be printed.

Prisons (Scotland.) No. 12.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Prisons (Scotland), which were presented upon Saturday last, be printed.

Court of Session (Scotland). No. 13.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Court of Session (Scotland), which was presented upon Saturday last, be printed.

Slavery (East Indies.) No. 14.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Slavery (East Indies), which was presented upon Monday last, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.
Ordered, That an Estimate of the Charge for Ordnance Services, to the 31st day of March 1845, 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.

Redress of Grievances.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Comper Angus, praying the House to refrain from voting the Supplies, until measures have been adopted for investigating and redressing the Grievances of the people, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Hawkers' Licenses.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Hawkers licensed in each of the years 1800, 1810, 1820, 1839, 1840 and in 1843, stating the rate paid for each License, and the Gross and Net Amount of Revenue received in each of these years, distinguishing England, Scotland and Ireland.

Soap.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts of all Soap made in each Town in Great Britain, distinguishing Hard from Soft, and also that upon which the silicated Duty has been charged, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844:—Of all Soap exported, and the Amount of Drawback paid thereon; specifying the Port from whence shipped, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844:—Of the Quantity of Soap, distinguishing Hard from Soft, and the Amount of all Allowances and Drawbacks made to the Manufacturers of Woollens, Linen, Silk and others, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844:—Of all Soap exported to Ireland, Hard and Soft, the Port from whence shipped, and the Amount of Drawback paid thereon, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844:—Of all Soap imported into Great Britain, Hard and Soft, the Port at which imported, and the Amount of Duty paid thereon, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844:—Of all Persons convicted of deceiving the Revenue arising from Soap; the Date of each Conviction; the Amount of the several Penalties; whether the Persons so convicted had been previously convicted or fined or had had Penalties compromised with or without Conviction; and the Names, Dates and Amount of all Penalties paid in all Cases which have been compromised or tried before the Summary Court of Excise, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844:—And, of the Number of Licenses granted to Soap Makers; distinguishing those granted in England, Scotland and Ireland, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 221, of Session 1843).

Navy.

No. 16.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Navy, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 8° die Februarii:

Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

Prayers.

Russian

M. R. Lane, from the Treasury, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—An Account, made up to the 31st December 1843, of the Sums which have been paid and applied within the year 1843, by virtue of an Act of 35 Geo. 3, c. 135, intituled, "An Act for carrying into effect a Convention between his Majesty and the King of the Netherlands, and the Emperor of all the Russians," for paying and satisfying the Interest on the part of the Loan therein agreed to be borne by his Majesty and all or any of the Securities therein mentioned; and towards paying and satisfying the principal thereof (in case of the principal of any of the said Securities shall have been paid), and also for paying the expenses of carrying the said Act into effect from the Sinking Fund for the extinction of the same.

An Account of the Compensation granted to Officers Queen's Bench and Marshalsea Prisons, for the loss of their Employments by the operation of the Act of 5 Vic. c. 92, pursued to fourth section of that Act.

An Account of Compensations granted to the Junior Clerks in the Offices of the Masters in Chancery, for the loss of Copy Money sustained by them, pursuant to Act 5 and 6 Vic. 84, s. 16.

An Account of Compensations granted to Officers Queen's Bench and Marshalsea Prisons, for the loss of their Employments by the operation of the Act of 5 Vic. c. 92, pursuant to fourth section of that Act.

An Account of Compensations granted to Lords Fees and Liberties, for the loss of Fines payable on the Recoveries; alienation of Land and other Hereditaments by Fine or Recovery, pursuant to Act 5 and 6 Will. 4, c. 82, s. 7.

Copy of Treasury Warrant granting Compensation Court of Chancery in Ireland, Compensation for loss of Fees, for the quarter ended 11th October 1843.

Copy of Warrant granting to Thomas Fenton, Esquire, one of the Chief Examiners of the Court of Chancery in Ireland, Compensation for loss of Fees, for the quarter ended 15th January 1844.

An Account of the Fees which have been received in the Office of Achonry Lyle, Esquire, Second Examiner of the Court of Exchequer in Ireland, during the 4th day of January 1843 and 5th day of April following, both days inclusive; and also of the Disbursements made thereout during the same period.

An Account of the Fees which have been received in the Office of Achonry Lyle, Esquire, Second Examiner of the Court of Exchequer in Ireland, during the 6th day of April 1843 and 26th day of September following, both days inclusive; and also of the Disbursements made thereout during the same period.—And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That the said Papers be laid upon the Table.
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8th February.

Mr. Jervis, from the Office of the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Account of the Receipts and Appropriations of the Surplus Rates of Pilotage:—And then he withdrew.

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

A Petition of the York and North Midland Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for vesting the Leeds and Selby Railway in the York and North Midland Railway Company, and to enable that Company to furnish a sum of Money to complete the Purchase of such Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of General Commissioners for Drainage by the River Witham, in the county of Lincoln, and also Inhabitants, Owners or Occupiers of land within the several towns of Eastville, Midville, Friahville, Carrington, Westville, Thornton-le-Fen and Langriville, some or one of them, in the said county of Lincoln, for leave to bring in a Bill for providing for the repairs of the several Highways within the several towns of Wildmore, and the East and West Fans, in the county of Lincoln, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of property on or near the line of the intended Railway from Leeds to Bradford, with a Branch to the North Metropolis, and of the Ward of Cripplegate Within, in the city of London, praying the House to adopt measures for redeeming and extinguishing or otherwise commutizing the Tolls upon Waterloo, Southwark and Fanz-hall Bridges, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Superintendent, Travelling and Sunday Tolls, Local Preachers with the Circuit Stewards and other officers of the Wesleyan Methodist Society in the Huntingdon Circuit, in their quarterly meeting assembled, stating that the Petitioners are resident in different parts of the above Circuit, which extends over towns more or less considerable, and that they have to travel various distances to the several chapels or places of worship to which they journey on the Lord's Day, for the purpose of preaching God's Holy Word, and conducting Divine Service according to the doctrines of the Wesleyan Methodist Society; that the Petitioners, in common with their christian brethren, are often subjected to the demand for and payment of Tolls on the conveyances they make use of when proceeding to fulfill their appointments agreeably to the usages of their respective churches; and praying the House to relieve the Petitioners from the doubts, embarrassments and inconveniences resulting to them from the existing uncertainties of the laws and exemptions referred to in their Petition, by passing a declaratory, explanatory or other general Act for a just and equitable assessment thereof, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Manufacturers and other Inhabitants of Preston, in the county of Lancashire, and the neighbourhood thereof, praying the House to make such a reduction in the duty on Tea as may be deemed expedient in promoting its greater consumption in this country, and the increase of our trade with China, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir James Graham reported to the House, That their several other Addresses of the 6th days of this instant February (that Her Majesty might be laid before this House), had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had commanded him to acquaint this House, that She will give directions accordingly.

Sir Henry Hardinge presented, by Her Majesty's Customs Officers, Warrant relative to the Petitioners, &c. of Chelsea Out-Pensioners; and of Instructions to Staff Officers transmitting the said Warrant.

No. 18.

Sir Henry Hardinge also presented, pursuant to an Army Estimate, Address to Her Majesty,—Estimate of the Number of Officers, Non-commissioned Officers, and Rank and file, present in the Forces of the Army Service.
and File, which it is proposed to maintain for the Service of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland (exclusive of the Troops employed in the East Indies), for the year, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845.

Estimate of the Charge of Her Majesty's Land Forces, for Service at Home and Abroad, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845; inclosing, Paper (A.)—Detail of the Charge of Her Majesty's Land Forces at Home and Abroad for 365 days, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845.

Paper (B.)—Detail of the Charge of the Regimental Establishments of Her Majesty's Land Forces at Home and Abroad, for 365 days, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845.

Paper (C.)—Detail of the Regimental Charge of the Land Forces at Home and Abroad, as estimated for the twelve months from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845; distinguishing the Numbers of Officers and Non-commissioned Officers of each Rank, and the Numbers of Plan and File; and also showing the Daily and Annual Pay and Allowances of each Rank, and the Charges for Agency and Clothing.

Paper (D.)—Detail of the Charge for Chatham Garrison and the Establishments at Chatham, Medway, Isle of Wight and Portsmouth, for 365 days, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845.

Paper (E.)—Detail of the Charge for Recruiting Districts for 365 days, from 1st April 1844 to 31st March 1845.

Abstract of the Distribution of the Forces on the 1st January 1844, and on the 1st January 1845.

Estimate of the Charge of General Staff Officers and Officers of the Hospitals, serving with Her Majesty's Forces at Home and Abroad, and of Her Majesty's Garrison of the Tower of London; from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845, being 365 days; inclosing.

Particulars of the Pay and probable Contingent Expenses of General Staff Officers and Officers of the Hospitals for 365 days, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845.

Particulars of the Pay of General Staff Officers and Officers of the Hospitals on Foreign Stations, excepting India, and of the Pay of Clerks, &c., of the said Officers, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845, both days inclusive.

Recapitulation of the Pay and Contingencies of the Home and Foreign Staff.

Estimate of the Charge of the Allowances to the Principal Officers of the several Public Departments there under-mentioned, their Deputies, Clerks and Contingent Expenses, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845.

Estimate of the Charge of the Royal Military College, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845.

Estimate of the Charge of the Royal Military Asylum, and of the Hibernian Military School, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845, being 365 days.

Estimate of the Charge of Volunteer Corps, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845.

Estimate of the Charge required to cover Expenses incurred for Unprovided Services of former years.

Estimate of the Charge of Allowances as Rewards for distinguished Services, not exceeding three-fifths of the Emoluments of Garrison Appointments which have become vacant; and also of Allowances to Officers of Her Majesty's Garrisons at Home and Abroad, holding their Appointments as rewards for Military Service, but to which no Military Duty attaches; which apparatus will be abolished on vacancies occurring, when Rewards for distinguished Military Service will be granted in lieu thereof; from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845, both days inclusive.

Estimate of the Charge of the Pay of General Officers in Her Majesty's Forces, not being Colonels of Regiments, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845, both days inclusive, being 365 days.

Estimate of the Charge of Full Pay for Reduced and Retired Officers of Her Majesty's Forces, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845, both days inclusive, being 365 days.

Estimate of the Charge of Half Pay and Military Allowances to Reduced and Retired Officers of Her Majesty's Land Forces, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845, both days inclusive, being 365 days.

Estimate of the Charge of Half Pay and Reduced Allowances to Officers of Disbanded Foreign Corps, of Pensions to Wounded Foreign Officers, and of Allowances to the Children of Deceased Foreign Officers, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845, both days inclusive, being 365 days.

Estimate of the Charge of Pensions to be paid to Widows of Officers of the Land Forces, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845, both inclusive, being 365 days.

Estimate of the Charge of Allowances on the Compassionate List; of Allowances as of Her Majesty's Royal Bounty; and of Pensions, Gratuities and Allowances to Officers for Wounds; from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845.

Estimate of the Charge of Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals; of the In-Pensioners of those Establishments; of the Out-Pensioners of Chelsea Hospital; of Pensions granted to discharged Negro Soldiers; of Pensions from Hanoverian Corps which served with the British Army in 1703, 1704 and 1705; and of the Military Organization of Out-Pensioners in the United Kingdom; from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845, being 365 days.

Estimate of the Charge of Allowances, Compensations and Emoluments in the nature of Superannuation or Retired Allowances, to Persons formerly belonging to the several Public Departments there under-mentioned, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845.

Abstract of the Estimates for Effective Army Ser. Abstracts, for 365 days, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845.

Abstract of the Estimates of Non-effective Army Services, for 365 days, from the 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845.

Comparative Abstract of the Estimates of Army Services, for the year ending the 31st March 1844, and for the year ending the 31st March 1845; showing the difference between the Numbers to be maintained, the probable Charges, and the Amounts provided, and to be provided, after deducting Appropriations in Aid.

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

Mr. Sidney Herbert presented, pursuant to an Address to Her Majesty,—Navy Estimates for the year 1844-45. No. 10.  

Mr. Sidney Herbert also presented, pursuant to Navy Orders,—A Return of the Ships whose Masts have been altered, and how often, between 1st January 1830 and the 1st day of July 1843, and the Expense attending such Alteration; and of the Ships whose Sterns have been altered, and how often, between
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between the 1st day of January 1830 and the 1st day of July 1845, and the Expense.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Navy Estimates be printed.

Mr. George William Hope presented, pursuant to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 1st day of April in the last Session of Parliament,—An Account, in detail, of the manner in which £577,133 4d. was expended, for creating the Bishoprics of Barbados, Antigua, Guiana, Gibraltar and Tasmania; stating to whom paid.

Ordered, That the said Account 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 Names of all Judges, Deputy Judges, Registrars and Deputy Registrars, with their Salaries, Fees and Emoluments (distinguishing the Gross and Net Receipts); and the Total Amount of the Salaries, Fees and Emoluments of all other Officers in all Courts having the right to grant Probates of Wills and Letters of Administration in England and Wales in 1843,—Also, Return of the Names of all Persons having a Reversionary Interest in any Office or Place in such Courts,—Also, similar Returns for Ireland:—Also, Return Of The Names, Salaries, Fees and Emoluments for 1843, of all Judges, Registrars, Deputy Registrars, Clerks of Seat, Deputy Clerks of Seat, Clerks, Apparitors, Seals, Record Keepers, Auditors and other Officers and Servants (distinguishing the Gross and Net Receipts) in the following Courts of the Archbishop of Canterbury, viz. Arches, Prerogative, Vicar General, Pecuniary, Faculties:—Also, a Statement of the Gross Receipts in the Prerogative Court of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the Expenditure thereof.

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 any Grain, Flour and Meal imported, during the years 1841, 1842 and 1843, from each of the British Colonies (including India); stating the Quantity imported in each year from each Colony.

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 take into Her consideration the situation and treatment of the Amers of Sindo; and that She will effect their immediate restoration to liberty, and the enjoyment of their estates, or with such provision for their future maintenance as may be considered a just equivalent; And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Friday morning; Veneris, 9° die Februarii; Anno 7° Victorie Reginae, 1844.

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PRAYERS.

The House met; and being called by Mr. Adjournment, Speaker, it appeared that Forty Members were present, but not being present:—The House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till To-morrow.

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PRAYERS.

Mr. Parkinson, from the Office of the Account Court of —A 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:—And then he withdrew.

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

A Petition of Thomas Parker, of Saint Paul's Newbury and Church-yard, Gentleman, of the City of London, General of the Great Western Railway, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Newbury and Great Western Railway Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that he may be heard, by himself, his agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Commissioners for the Improvement of the Navigation of the River Severn, for leave to bring in a bill to alter and enlarge the provisions of an Act of Parliament, for the Improvement of the Navigation of the River Severn, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Sheffield, Manchester Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the said Company to make two Loop Line railways, leading into the Branch Railways, and to alter and enlarge the Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Lancaster and Carlisle Railway, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Edward Denis De Vitre, of Lanc- castre, in the county of Lancaster, Doctor of Medicine, John Stark, of the same, Gentleman, John Hargreaves, of the same place, Gentleman, Robert Wilkinson, of Sherton, in the same county, Yeoman, being Owners and Occupiers of property, on or near the line of the intended Lancaster and Carlisle Railway, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Philip Barnes, of Surrey Men, and the city of Norwich, Gentleman, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Norwich and Brandon Railway Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that he may be heard, by himself, his agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.
A Petition of the Minister, Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the parish of Llangyngoe, in the diocese of Saint Asaph, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 5 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Farrer and Sir Giffin Wilson: Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to discontinue certain Actions under the Provisions of the Act for the Prevention of Excessive Gaming, and to prevent for the future the bringing of such Actions; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And then the Messengers withdrew.

The Actions for Gaming Discontinuance Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon Monday last, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider whether any and what new Provisions ought to be introduced into such Railway Bills as may come before this House during the present or future Sessions, for the advantage of the public and the improvement of the Railway system, and likewise to consider whether any and what changes ought to be made in the Standing Orders relating to Railways, and to report their Opinion thereon to the House, might be read; and the same was read; and the same being read;

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Resolved, That Five be the Quorum.

Court of Justiciary (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, to show, in columns, the Number and Names, and the Amount in Salaries, Perquisites, Fees or other Allowances, of the Clerks to the Court of Justiciary in Scotland, distinguishing those Clerks who officiate only before the Court when sitting in Edinburgh, and those who, having a Sinecure without Duties specially attached to his or their Office or Offices, do not officiate at all; the Return to show any other Office or Offices held by any of the aforesaid Clerks, with the Name and Amount of the Salary and Emoluments of the same respectively, and to show the Total Amount of the whole Income derived from the Public by each Clerk respectively; the Return to show the Fees payable and paid on each Sentence of Transportation pronounced by the Court of Justiciary, with the Number of the Sentences, and the Amount of Fees in each year respectively, and in whole, from the year 1830 to the present time; with the Name or Names of the Recipients of the said Transportation Fees, and the Amount of his or their other Emoluments from the Public in Fees, Salary or otherwise; the Return to include Principal Clerks, Deputies and Assistants, and to be for the Three last years only, with the exception of the Number of Sentences and the Amount of the Transportation Fees:—To show the Salaries, Fees and all Emoluments of the Maces to the Court of Justiciary respectively, with their Number, and the Name of each:—And, to show the Number of Trials and Number of Convictions had before the Court of Justiciary when sitting in Edinburgh and on Circuit respectively, in the Three last years; distin-

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sible of the still greater evils that would ensue by its
separation from this country, they pray the House to
investigate the causes of the present agitation, and
that either some enlarged and comprehensive plan of
amelioration may be brought forward by Her Ma-
jury's Ministers, or that a committee may be ap-
pointed for obtaining information on this important
subject; and if appointed, that such person or persons
may be examined before it as have been conversant
in the improvement of Irish land, and successful in
reclaiming it, was presented, and read; and ordered
to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Ministers and other Inhabitants of Saint Asaph
and Bangor, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act
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A Petition of Members of the Board of Guardians of
the parish of Warr, in the county of Hertford, praying
for the removal of the Throttle guard, and

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I do swear, that I will truly and faithfully
perform the duties belonging to a Member of
the General Committee of Elections, without
fear or favour, to the best of my judgment and
ability. So help me God.

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Mr. Smith, from the Bank of England, was called in;
and at the bar presented, pursuant to the direc-
tions of several Acts of Parliament,—An Account of
the Amount of all Exchequers Bills, or Treasury Bills,
and other Government Securities, which have been
purchased by 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 1844;
showing what Amount of such Bills, before the
making up of this Account, has been paid off and
discharged; and the Amount of such Exchequers
Bills, or Treasury Bills, or other Government Secu-
rities, which was in the hands of the Governor
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A Copy of all Applications made by the First
Lord of the Treasury and the Chancellor of
the Exchequer to the Governor and Deputy Governor of
the Bank of England, for Advances to Govern-
ment authorized by Parliament, from the 5th Janu-
ary 1843 to the 5th January 1844, with a Copy of
the Minutes of the Court of Directors thereon, and
the Answers of the said Court thereto.

A Petition of the Manchester and Birmingham Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for
enabling the said Company to vary the line of their
Branch Railway to Macclesfield, and to make ano-
other Branch therefrom, and for amending the former
Acts relating to the said Company, was presented,
read; and referred to the Select Committee on
Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Bolton and Preston Railway
Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to effectuate
the sale by the said Company of their Railway, and wa5r.

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The House was moved, that the 30th Section of the Act 4 and 5 Vic. c. 58, to amend the Law for the Total of Controversial Elections, might be read; and the same being read;

The Petitions severally complaining of undue Elections and Returns for the following places were referred to the said Committee:

- The Petition of Thomas Bone, of Old Eelot, in or near the city of Durham, Gentleman, William Henderson, of the South Bailey, in the same city, Gentlemen; John Henry Forster, of Old Eelot, aforesaid, Gentleman, and Francis Humble, of Framwellgate, in the said city, Printer and Publisher, Electors of the city of Durham, claiming and having a right to vote for Members to serve in Parliament for the said city, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said city, which was delivered in upon the 10th day of August in the last Session of Parliament.

- The Petition of the thereunder-signed, who were or claimed to be Electors for the borough of Atholme at and during the last Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said Borough, which was delivered in upon the 10th day of August in the last Session of Parliament.

Ordered, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Amount of Capital on which the several Rates of Legacy Duty have been paid in the United Kingdom, in the year ended the 5th day of January 1844, showing the Amount of Interest on which the several Rates of Legacy Duty have been paid in Ireland, and distinguishing the Amount of each Rate:—Of the Total Amount of Duty received in the United Kingdom, in the year ended the 6th day of January 1844, for Stamp Duty on Legacies (distinguishing those on direct and on presumptive Requests, if possible), on Protests, Administrations and Testamentary Inventories; distinguishing the Amount from England and Wales, Scotland and Ireland; with an Abstract of the whole Amount of Duty received since 1797;—And, of the Total Amount of Duty received in the United Kingdom since 1797, to the 5th day of January 1844 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 111, of Session 1843.)

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, Copy of a Despatch written by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland to the Secretary of State, on the 2d of May 1832, stating that he is of opinion that the Four or Five Regiments, in addition to those already sent, could be spared for a time, if wanted, in England.

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 House, a Return of the Number of Persons convicted of any Offences against the Game Laws at any Petty Sessions, Quarter Sessions or Assizes, during the year 1843; specifying the Penalties or Punishments inflicted, in which County and upon whose Property the Offences were committed.

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 Petition of the Right Honourable Edward Jervis Viscount Saint Vincent, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Manchester and Birmingham Railway (Macclesfield and Poynton Branches) (No. 2.) Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that he may be heard, by himself, his agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Amounts furnished by the Exchequer in Scotland, of Payments for the Maintenance of the Judicial Establishment in that country; to show, in columns, the Number and Names of the Judges of the Court of Session who have retired on Superannuation Allowances, with the Dates of their retiring; the Annual Amount of Payments to each respectively, the whole Amount which each has received, with the Sum Total of the Payment to the said superannuated Judges, up to the last Quarterly or other Settlement.

Ordered, that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Returns of the Registrations of Infants sent to Ireland during the period commencing the 1st day of September 1841 and ending the 31st day of March 1843, specifying the Dates of their Arrival in Ireland and Return of Registrations of Infants:—A Return of Registrations of Infants withdrawn from Ireland during the same period, specifying the Dates of their Departure:—And, a similar Return of Registrations of Cattle.

Mr. Manners Sutton accordingly presented the said Return.

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

Ordered, that there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Amount of Capital on which the several Rates of Legacy Duty have been paid in Great Britain in the year ending the 6th day of January 1844:—An Abstract of the Total Amount under each Rate, since 1797:—An Account, showing the Total Amount of Duties on Legacies, Probates and Administrations received in Ireland, in the year ending the 5th day of January 1844:—Returns, for the year ending the 5th day of January 1844, showing the Amount of Capital on which the several Rates of Legacy Duty have been paid in Ireland, and distinguishing the Amount of each Rate:—Of the Total Amount of Revenue received in the United Kingdom, in the year ended the 6th
Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Actions for Gaming Discontinuance Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

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.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Offences at Sea Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Reading, and the neighbourhood, praying that the Motion for a Vote of Thanks to the Army lately employed in the invasion of the territories of the Ameers of Sind, may be negatived or withdrawn, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Thanks of this House be given to Major General Sir Charles Napier, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, for the eminent skill, energy and gallantry displayed by him in the recent Military Operations in Sind, particularly in the two decisive battles of Meanee and Hyderabad;

And the previous Question being put, That the Question be now put;

The House divided:

The Yeas to the old Lobby,

The Noes to the new Lobby.

Tellers for the [Sir Thomas Fremantle, Yeas, Mr. Henry Baring ; 164. Tellers for the [Mr. Sherman Crawford, Noes, Mr. Brotherton : ] 9.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question being put;

Resolved, That the Thanks of this House be given to Major General Sir Charles Napier, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, for the eminent skill, energy and gallantry displayed by him in the recent Military Operations in Sind, particularly in the two decisive battles of Meanee and Hyderabad.

Resolved, Nemine Contradicta,

That the Thanks of this House be given to the several Officers of the Army, both European and Native, serving under Major General Sir Charles Napier, for their unwearied zeal and conspicuous gallantry.

Resolved, Nemine Contradicta,

That this House doth highly approve and acknowledge the brave and meritorious conduct displayed by the Non-commissioned Officers and private soldiers, both European and Native, engaged in the Operations in Sind; and that this Resolution be signified to them by the Commanders of the several Corps.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consider the expediency of recognizing the publicatio

s of Debates, under the pleasure of the House; and to consider and report what regulations may be necessary;

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And the House, having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 13° diei Februarii, 1844:

And the Question being put;

The House divided:

The Yeas to the new Lobby;

The Noes to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the [Mr. Christie, Yeas, Mr. Thomas Denham ; ] 37. Tellers for the [Sir Thomas Fremantle, Noes, Mr. Henry Baring : ] 84.

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Evidence appended to the Report presented to this House in the last Session of Parliament, respecting the Frauds which have been practised on the Custom House Department in London.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed, public to whom shall be referred all Petitions presented to this 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 Observations thereupon to the House;—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. Thurlow, Sir Robert Harry Inglis, Earl of Airlie and Surrey, Lord Conyngham, Viscount Duncan, Captain Jones, Mr. Cooper, Mr. Pusey, Mr. Edward Buller, Mr. Buckley, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. William Hamilton, Mr. Owen Stanley, Mr. Cripps and Mr. Villiers Stuart.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law respecting the appointment and Coroners Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

And the Question being put;

The Yeas to the new Lobby;

The Noes to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the [Mr. Shaw, Yeas, Mr. Michael : ] 1 Mr. Henry Baring, 12°. Tellers for the [Mr. Thomas Denham, Noes, Mr. Henry Baring : ] 1 Mr. Brotherton, 164.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law respecting the appointment and Coroners Bill.

Ordered, That the same be read the second time.

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

And the Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Actions for Gaming Discontinuance Bill;

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

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

The Offences at Sea Bill was, according to the Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Actions for Gaming Discontinuance Bill;

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

The Yeas to the new Lobby.

The Noes to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the [Mr. Huntington, Yeas, Mr. Blackley : ] 1 Mr. Brotherton, 74. Tellers for the [Mr. Thomas Denham, Noes, Mr. Peacock : ] 37.

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

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.
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M. **Maritis, 13° die Februarii;**

**Anno 7° Vict. Reg.**

**Prayers.**

**Poor Law.**

Mr. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Commissioners, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order,—A Copy of the Report of the Poor Law Commissioners to Sir James Graham, on the Law concerning the Maintenance of Bastards, dated the 31st day of January 1844:

—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Johnson, from the Lord Chancellor's Principal Secretary's Office, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Further Accounts of Compensations granted to the there-mentioned Officers of the High Court of Chancery, pursuant to the Act 5 & 6 V. c. 104, and chargeable upon the Suitors' Fee Fund:

—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Ritchie, from the Commissioners of the Northern Lighthouses, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Abstract of the Receipts and Payments on account of the Duties levied for the Northern Lighthouses, for the year 1842:

—And then he withdrew.

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

A Petition of Persons being Highway Rate-payers and resident near the line of Turnpike-road leading from the town of Haverfordwest, through the town of Fishguard, to the town of Newport, and from the said town of Fishguard, to the city of Saint David's, in the county of Pembroke, which said line of road is placed in Trust, called the Fishguard Turnpike Trust, complaining of mismanagement of the funds, and errors in the accounts of the said Trustees; and praying the House to appoint a Committee to investigate these grievances, and to call in the powers under which the said Trustees levy tolls upon the said lines of road to be suspended, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Persons interested in facilitating the transmission of passengers and goods between the Slomanan and Edinburgh and Glasgow Railways, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway to connect the said Railways, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the city of Glasgow, praying the House not to pass the proposed Vote of Thanks to the military forces lately employed in the invasion of the territories of the Ameers of Sinde, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Framework Knitting Delegates assembled in Gregory's Buildings, Nottingham, from the town and counties of Nottingham, Derby and Leicester, stating that a Petition was presented to the House in the last Session of Parliament, having 2,500 signatures attached thereto, the allegations of which set forth the grievances the Petitioners then complained of, and the Government then expressed a willingness, when grievances did exist, to grant an inquiry thereinto; and as such inquiry has not taken place, praying the House to grant a Select Committee for that purpose, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The O'Connor Don and Viscount Sandon, two Controverted others Members appointed by Mr. Speaker to serve on the General Committee of Elections, and not being objected to by the House, took the following Oath:

I do swear, that I will truly and faithfully perform the duties belonging to a Member of the General Committee of Elections, without fear or favour, to the best of my judgment and ability. So help me God.

A Petition of Promoters of a line of Railway North British from Edinburgh to the town of Berwick-upon-Railway:

Tended, for leave to bring in a Bill for making the said Railway, with a Branch to Haddington, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Blairgowrie and vicinity, praying the House to refrain from voting the Supplies until the Grievances of the people are investigated and redressed, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Gold Coin, Return of the Amount of Sovereigns and Half Sovereigns received by the Bank of England under the Standard Weight, in each month since Her Majesty's Proclamation was issued to call in Gold Coin under the Standard Weight; stating the Amount of the Deficient Weight in each month, at the rate of £3. 17s. 10d. per ounce, and the Amount of Gold and Bank Notes paid for the same.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Notes of the Bank of England, in Circulation, distinguishing that of the Branch Banks from that in London; of the Amount of all Deposits, distinguishing Public from Private; of the Amount of all Securities held by the Bank, distinguishing Public from Private, and distinguishing Public into the heads of Bills and Notes discounted, and others; and of the Amount of Bullion in the Bank at the close of the business, in every week, from the 6th day of March 1832 to the present time.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Quantities and Declared Value of British Woollen Manufactures exported from the United Kingdom in the year 1843; specifying the Countries to which they were sent.

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 committed to Prison on a charge of Smuggling, and the Numbers committed in each year since the passing of the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 58, distinguishing the Number committed and convicted, in classes, for smuggling Tobacco, Spirits, Tea, Silks, and for any other Articles, and the Total Number in each year: Also, of the Number of Persons who paid the Penalties imposed, the Number of Compromises made, and the Number of Persons confined in Prison for Smuggling in each year since the passing of the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 58.

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 House, a Return of the Number of Persons who have been subjected to Vexatious Proceedings at Law at the suit of
suit of Common Informers, or Persons other than the Actual Losers, for Offences under the Acts 9 Anne, c. 14, s. 2; 11 Anne, c. 5, s. 2, for Ireland; 16 Charl. c. 7, s. 3; and 10 Will. 3, c. 11, s. 2, for Ireland, claiming Relief from Parliament against such Proceedings, stating the Names and Residences of such Persons.

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 Petition of Persons resident in the town and neighbourhood of Belfast, praying the House to take the state of Ireland into its immediate consideration, and adopt such healing measures as may appear best calculated to avert the dangers which now exist, and to prevent a recurrence of them, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do resolve itself into a Committee, to take into consideration the state of Ireland:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurii, 14° die Februarii, 1844:

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till this day.

London Coal Market.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Sums of Money received and paid, and how applied, in the year, to and including the 31st day of December 1843, by the Chamberlain of the City of London, in relation to the Market established for the Sale of Coals, &c., pursuant to the Act 1 and 2 Will. 4, c. 76, for regulating the Vendo and Delivery of Coals within the Cities of London and Westminster, and in certain parts of the Counties of Middlesex, Surrey, Kent and Essex, and also the Act 1 and 2 Vic. c. 101, for continuing for Seven years the aforesaid Act of 1 and 2 Will. 4, c. 76:—Also, the Sums of Money when invested, and the Sum Total invested, under the authority of the said Acts; stating the Securities in which the same are invested, and the Rates of Interest paid upon each, and the Balance in hand on the 31st day of December 1843.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Registered Electors in the Counties, Cities and Boroughs of Ireland, from the 1st day of February 1843 to the 1st day of February 1844; also, of the Total Number of Registered Electors for each County, City and Borough of Ireland, on the 1st day of February 1844.

Ordered, That the Report which, upon the 28th day of March 1828, was made from the Select Committee appointed to consider the present state of the Communications by Railroad, so far as it affects the regularity and convenience of the Transmission of Letters and the Post-office in general, to ascertain on what terms Mails are now conveyed by the Railroads in operation, and what measures it may be just and expedient to adopt for the purpose of securing to the public in future the benefit of the conveyance of the Mails by Railroads, and who were empowered to report their Opinion thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, be re-printed, but without the Evidence or Appendix.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Offences at Sea Bill; and, after some debate, Mr. Sykes assumed the Chair; and Mr. Green reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.


Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Troops an Account of the Total Bank and File of all Arms (Ireland.) in Ireland, on the 1st day of January in each year, from 1830 to 1844, both inclusive.

Ordered, That the Returns to an Order, dated Merchant Seamen's Fund the 5th day of August 1842, for a Return of the Number of Pensioners receiving Relief from the Trustees of the Merchant Seamen's Fund, under the Act 4 and 5 Will. 4, c. 92; specifying the Total Number of Pensioners, Men, Widows and Children respectively, at each Port in the United Kingdom, showing the Age and Sex to which such Pensioners belong, in classes, of Children under 14 years of age, from 14 to 20, from 20 to 30, from 30 to 40, from 40 to 50 and from 50 to 60 years and upwards; distinguishing the Pensioners who receive Relief as worn out, from those who are maimed or disabled, the Length of Service of each Pensioner at the time of granting the Pension, stating the Highest and Lowest Rate of Pension, and the Average Rate of Pensions at each Port to each class respectively; distinguishing also the Amount of Temporary Relief, and stating the greatest and the smallest Amount of such Relief to any single Person, and the Number of Persons of the several classes and ages receiving such Relief:—Also, an Account of the whole of the Revenue received at each Port, in each year, since January 1837, under the said Act, distinguishing the Amount of Contributions from the Public Funds, from Interest of Money and Rents of Property at each place; and showing also the manner in which the same was expended or invested in each year, stating the Rates and Amount of Interest received on the Amount of Balances and Investments in each year, so as to exhibit the whole Receipt and Expenditure at each Port in each year, up to January 1842, which were laid upon the Table on the 11th day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, be referred to the Select Committee on Merchant Seamen's Fund.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Poor Law, which was presented yesterday, be printed. No. 26.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the Bank of England, which were presented yesterday, be printed. No. 27.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the National Debt, which were presented yesterday, be printed. No. 28.

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, 14° die Februarii ; Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

Prayers.

A PETITION of John Robertson, of Seville-Loch, Seiver,pray-ing that the proper Officers attending this House, the Petitioner (Mr. Green) having leave to attend on Her Majesty's Court of Common Pleas at the Guildhall of the City of London, in an action now pending in the said Court between the Wardens and Commodity of the Mystery...
of Fishmongers of the city of London, Plaintiffs, and John Robertson and others, Defendants, and take with them and produce the Petition of the said Wardens and Commonalty against the Lough Swilly and Lough Foyle Drainage Bill, complaining of misconduct in the appliance with the said Orders, presented to the House on the 2d day of March 1838; the Petition of the said Wardens and Commonalty in favour of the said Bill, presented on the 11th May 1838; the Petition of the Governor and Assistants of London of the New Plantation in Ulster, against the said Bill, presented on the 16th day of May 1838; and the Petition of John David Tynes, against certain parts of the said Bill, presented on the 21st day of May 1838.—Also, the Books of Proceedings taken before the Select Committee on Petitions, the Standing Order Committee and the Committee on the said Bill, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before such Committee on Petition, and Committee on the Bill; and also the Copy of the Bill, with the Amendments, as passed by the said Committee on the said Bill, in the Session of 1837-8, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That leave be given to the proper Officers to attend accordingly.

Mr. Pakington presented a Bill to amend the Law respecting the Appointment and Office of County Coroner, and the Expenses of Inquests: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

General Committee of Elections.

Lord Granville Somerset reported from the General Committee of Elections, That they had appointed Monday, the 4th day of March next, to choose Select Committees to try the Durham City Election Petition and the Athlone Election Petition. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Sidmouth and Colyton Rood.

A Petition of Owners of land or Inhabitants in or near the following parishes and places, viz. Sidmouth, Collumpton, Hele Mill, Harpford, Ottery Saint Mary, Tiverton, Chittleham, Broadclyst and Bradninch, for leave to bring in a Bill for making and maintaining a Turnpike-road from Sidmouth to Collumpton, and also to or near to Hele Mill, in the parish of Bradninch, all in the county of Devon, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Halifax Enclosure.

A Petition of Proprietors of estates in the manor and township of Halitwistle, in the parish of Halitwistle, in the county of Northumberland, for leave to bring in a Bill for inclosing lands in the said township, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Saint Asaph and Bangor Dioceses.

A Petition of the Dean and Chapter of the cathedral church of Christ and the blessed Mary the Virgin, of Worcester, praying that the House will take into its earliest consideration, with a view to its enactment, any Bill that may be introduced for preventing the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time providing for the immediate appointment of a Bishop to the newly-created See of Manchester, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Window Tax.

A Petition of Licensed Victuallers residing in the city of Oxford, praying that Licensed Victuallers may be placed on the same footing in regard to the Tax on Windows as other tradesmen, owners of warehouses and shops in which goods are deposited, sold and exposed for sale, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Preston and Wyre Railway, Preston and Harbour and Dock Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the several Acts relating to the said Company, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Sir George Clerk presented, by Her Majesty's Postage Command,—Copy of Postage Convention between Convention Great Britain and Ireland and the General Post-office of the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Sir George Clerk also presented, pursuant to Order, Bank of England, as published in the Gazette, since the 8th day of December 1843.—And, of the Notes in Circulation of the Bank of England, and of other Banks of Issue in England and Wales, Scotland and Ireland, and of the Bullion in the Bank of England in each month, since the 7th day of January 1843, to the present time, as published in the Gazettes (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 46, of Session 1843).

Sir George Clerk also presented, pursuant to the House's direction, the several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Treasury Warrant regulating the Postage on Letters, &c., under the Treaty with France, dated 9 May 1843.—Also, Copy of Treasury Warrant regulating the Postage on Letters within British North America or within the British West Indies, or between British North America and the British West Indies, dated 11 October 1843;—Also, a Copy of Treasury Warrant regulating the Postage on Letters between the United Kingdom and Holland, &c., dated 2 December 1843.

An Account of Money paid out of the Consolidated Greek Loan fund, under the Acts 2 and 3 Will, 4, c. 121, and 6 and 7 Will, 4, c. 94, in the year ended 31 December 1843, for Interest and Sinking Fund on that part of the Greek Loan guaranteed by this country under the authority of the said Acts. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to an Order, the Address to Her Majesty,—Copy of a Proclamation (South Wales.) issued by Her Majesty to certain Districts in South Wales, dated 5th May 1843. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to a Proclamation Orders,—Copy of a Proclamation issued by the (Ireland.) Lord Lieutenant and Council of Ireland, dated Saturday, October the 7th, 1843.

An Account of the Total Rank and File of all Troops Arms in Ireland, on the 1st day of January in each (Ireland.) year, from 1830 to 1844, both inclusive. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Shipping Returns 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 Channel Islands; distinguishing those under and above Fifty Tons Register, on the 31st day of December 1843:—Similar Returns of Steam Vessels, and their Tonnage:—Returns 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), with the Number of their Crews, distinguishing Steam from Sailing Vessels, between the 1st and 31st day of December 1842, and the 1st and 31st day of December 1843:—Like Returns from and to the Colonies; further distinguishing British from Foreign Vessels:—Like Returns from and to Foreign Ports; also distinguishing British from Foreign Vessels:—Returns of the Number and
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 1843:—Similar Returns of Steam Vessels and Tonnage:—Returns of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels that entered and cleared at each of the Ports of each Colony Coastwise in the same Colony, or to Ports of other Colonies of the United Kingdom, distinguishing Steam from Sailing Vessels, and also distinguishing between British, Colonial and Foreign Vessels, from the 31st day of December 1842 to and including the 31st day of December 1843:—Like Returns from and to the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, and the Isle of Man:—Like Returns from and to Foreign Ports:—And, a Return of the Number of Vessels, with their Tonnage, (distinguishing Steam from Sailing Vessels) that were built and registered; also, a Return of Vessels sold, wrecked and broken up, in the year 1843 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 207, of Session 1843).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the several Counties, Counties of Cities and Counties of Towns in Ireland, of which the Valuation, under the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 84, has been completed; specifying the Name of each Barony or Half Barony, the Acreable Contents, and the Valuation thereof; stating also, the Sum ordered to be levied by the Grand Jury Warrant of Summer Assizes 1843, for each such Barony or Half Barony, and the Rate per centum which each such Sum bears to the Valuation; also the Sum ordered to be levied by the Grand Jury Warrant of Summer Assizes 1843, for each such Barony or Half Barony, and the Rate per centum which each such Sum bears to the Valuation; stating also the Name and Acreable Contents of each such County, County of a City, and County of a Town; the Annual Value thereof, according to the Valuation under that Act; the Amount of the Expense of such Valuation, the Cost per Acre of such Valuation, and the Rate which the Cost of such Valuation bears to each £ 100 of the Valuation (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 344, of Session 1843).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Persons who have been subjected to Vexatious Proceedings at Law at the Suit of any Parties other than the Actual Losers, for offences under the Acts 9 Anne, c. 14, s. 5; 11 Anne, c. 5, s. 2, for Ireland; 18 Chas. c. 7, s. 3; and 10 Will. 3, c. 11, s. 2, for Ireland, claiming Relief from Parliament against such Proceedings, stating the Names and Residences of such Persons, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Writs of Summons issued out of Her Majesty's Court of Exchequer, between the 1st day of July and the 31st day of December 1843, inclusive, in the Suit of any Parties other than the Attorney General, suing as well for the Poor of any Parish or Township as for themselves, together with the Names of the Attornies issuing them, the Names of the Plaintiffs and Defendants, and the Dates when issued, and the Amounts of the several Sums indorsed thereon as claimed for Debts or Penalties.

Sir James Graham reported to the House, That several Addresses of the 8th, 10th, 12th and 15th days of the Return of February, That Her Majesty would be graciously pleased to give directions that the Papers therein mentioned might be laid before this House, had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had commanded him to acquaint this House, that She will give directions accordingly.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to an Army (Ireland.) Address to Her Majesty.—Copy of a Despatch written by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland to the Secretary of State, on the 2d day of May 1840, stating that four or five Regiments, in addition to those already sent, could be spared for a time, if wanted, in England.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Smuggling, &c. an Account of the Law and other Expenses which have been incurred in the Proceedings against persons charged with Smuggling, and with Frauds in the Customs, during the years 1842 and 1843, in the United Kingdom; distinguishing each Country, and the Amount of Duties and of Penalties respectively received, and the Amount received by Commissions in that period.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Superior Courts reading of the Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill (Common Law) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second Small Debts reading of the Small Debts Bill.

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

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Actions for Gaming Discontinuance 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 "a Select Committee be appointed, to inquire into the existing Statutes against Gaming of every kind; and what penalties are enacted by such Statutes; and whether the same, or any and what parts of such Statutes, have fallen into desuetude, or ought to be repealed," 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 put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Question:

The House divided:

The Yeas to the old Lobby:

The Noes to the new Lobby.

Tellers for the Mr. James Wortley,

Yes, (Colonel Peel) 112.

Tellers for the Mr. Milner Gibson,

Noes, (Captain Fechell) 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 Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming State of the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed Ireland, yesterday,
yesterday, That this House do resolve itself into a Committee to take into consideration the State of Ireland;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

Jovis, 15° die Februarii, 1844:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Offences at Sea Bill.

Mr. Greene reported the Offences at Sea Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

Poor Law.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the General Order of the Poor Law Commissioners, which has received the sanction of the Secretary of State, that no child of seven years of age shall be separated in any workhouse from its mother:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Poor Law, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Northern Lighthouses, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after twelve of the clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

Jovis, 15° die Februarii; Anno 7° Victoriae Reginæ, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Bankruptcy.

Mr. Goodbody, from the Court of Bankruptcy, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order.—A Return of all Sums of Money received and paid to the Fund called "The Secretary of Bankrupts' Account," since the passing and putting into effect of the Act 2 and 3 Vic. c. 123, with a Return of the Names of all Persons who have been paid by Salary, Compensation or in any other manner, and with the Sums charged on the said Fund, and also all Charges allowed on the same Fund, to 31st January 1844;—And then he withdrew.

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

Birkenhead Improvement Bill.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Birkenhead Improvement Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as the Bill appeared to confer powers to purchase, by agreement, a Ferry between the counties of Chester and Lancaster, and no Notices had been inserted in any Newspaper for the county of Lancaster.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Liverpool New Gas and Coke Bill.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Liverpool New Gas and Coke Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend and enlarge the Provisions of two several Acts for lighting with Gas the Town of Liverpool, and certain Places adjacent thereto: And that Viscount Sandon and Sir Howard Douglas do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Bury Inlosure Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for inclosing Lands in the parish of Bury, in the county of Huntingdon: And that Mr. Pellon and Mr. Thornhill do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Ribble Navigation Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Ribble Navigation Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to enable the Owners of reclaimed Lands to pay a Sum in gross in lieu of the annual Rents: And that Mr. Wilson Patten, Sir Hesketh Fleetwood and Sir George Strickland do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Ramsey Inlosure Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for inclosing Lands in the parish of Ramsey, in the county of Huntingdon: And that Mr. Pellon and Mr. Thornhill do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for unifying the said Companies, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Manchester, Bury and Rosendale Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for constructing Tidal Basins, a Dock, and other Works, at Birkenhead, in the county of Chester, and for other purposes: And that Mr. Philip Egerton and Mr. John Tollymache do prepare, and bring it in.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the Sheffield United Gas New Gas Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for uniting the said Companies, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Thomas Newman, of Leeds, in the county of York, Land Surveyor, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that he may be heard, by himself, his agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Merchants, Traders and Inhabitants of Liverpool, for leave to bring in a Bill for the better supplying and lighting with Gas the said town and places adjacent, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of John Beckwith Towse, of Laurence Leysly Pountney-lane, in the city of London, Solicitor to the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mystery of Fishmongers.
Fishmongers of the city of London, praying that the proper Officers attending this House have leave to attend and produce, at a trial at the Court of Common Pleas, at the Guildhall, London, at the adjourned Sittings in London after Hilary Term now last past, and so from day to day until the cause be heard, of this instant Petition of Thomas Dimstate, 7, Hanley-road, Holloway; John Robert- son, 2, Warsford-court, Throatnorton-street; John G. Booth, Crouch End, Hornsey; Francis Sted- man, Berow-street, Pentonville; F. W. Slavens, Charlestown, Fitzroy-square; Thomas Edge, Pet- ter-street, Westminster; James Whiskin, Ashby- street, Clerkeavell, presented to the House during the Session 1837-8, praying that leave might be given to bring in a Bill for the drainage of Waste Lands in Laugh Fogle and Laugh Seatty, in the counties of Donegal and Londonderry; the original Bill as prepared and brought into the House during the said Session 1837-8, the original Petition of the Wardens and Commonality of the Mystery of Fishmongers of the city of London, presented to this House during the said Session 1837-8, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their agents and witnesses before the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; the original Petition of the said Wardens and Commonality, presented to the House during the said Session 1837-8, praying that the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; that the said Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; the original Petition of the Governor and Assistant of London of the new Plantation in Ulster, within the Realm of Ireland, presented to the House during the said Session 1837-8, praying that the said Bill might not pass into a law; the original Bill, as passed during the said Session 1837-8, by the Committee to whom the said Bill stood referred; the original Petition of John David Twose, presented to the House during the said Session 1837-8, praying that he might be heard, by himself, his counsel, agents and witnesses, upon such Clause or Clauses as might be considered proper to protect the rights, interests and property of the said Wardens and Commonality; the Journals of the House for the Session 1837-8; the Committee Books of the Sub and Select Committee on Standing Orders on Petitions for Private Bills during the said Session 1837-8, which are respectively entered the proceedings relating to the said Bill; the Committee Book, in which is entered the proceedings which took place upon the said Bill before the Committee to whom the said Bill stood referred; the Notes of Evidence taken before the same Committees, and all other books, papers and writing in the control of the House, which may promote the due prosecution of the action, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That leave be given to the proper Officers to attend accordingly.

A Petition of Promoters of a Line of Railway from Ely on to Plymouth, and Owners and Occupi- ers of property thereon, for leave to bring in a Bill for making the said Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Directors of the Northern Coal Mining Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the said Company to raise Money for paying off their existing debts, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Licensed Victuallers of the borough and township of Scarborough, in the North Riding of the county of York, praying that they may be placed on the same footing in regard to the Tax on Windows, as other tradesmen and manufacturers, owners of warehouses and shops in which goods are deposited, sold and exposed for sale, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thorneyc reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions on Public Petitions, That they had examined the Petitions presented from the 1st to the 14th day of February, both inclusive; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

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

A Petition of the Minister, Freeholders and other Saint Asaph Inhabitants of the parish of Saint George, in the county of Denbigh, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Solicitors of Her Majesty's High Court of Chancery, complaining of the amount of compensation awarded under the Act 6 Vic., for abolishing certain Offices of the High Court of Chancery in England; and praying the House to inquire into the said claims made before the Lord Chancellor, in pursuance of the said Act, and to take under their consideration the several orders made thereon, and to inquire into the fees imposed upon the said Court for the exercise of the powers of the said Act, and into the state and several charges affecting the several funds of the suitors of the said court, was presented, and read; and or- dered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Henshaw;—Holtham;—Martin; Can Laws.—Ashby Puerorum;—Gaultby and Waddingworth;—Baumber;—Longton-by-Horncastle;—Roughton;—Bolchford;—Hayworthingham;—Lady;—and, Sproatfield and Sunderland; praying that there may not be any further reductions made in the present inadequate laws affecting agricultural production, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir George Clerk presented, pursuant to the di- rections of an Act of Parliament,—An Account of all Supplies remaining in the Mint, and of all Sums advanced out of the Consolidated Fund, under the Authority of the Lords Commissioners of Her Ma- jesty's Treasury to the Master of the Mint, for ef- fecting the Purchase of Bullion for the Coinage of Silver and Copper Monies for the Public Service; and showing the Amount of the several Purchases of Bullion, and of the Seignorage accruing on the Coinage; also, of Cash received by the Master of the Mint in payment for the Coin delivered at the Mint Office for the Public Service, and the Sums paid thereout from time to time into Her Majesty's Exchequer for the use of the Consolidated Fund, in repayment of the Advances so made, from the 31st day of December 1842 to the 31st day of December 1842.

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

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Broughton; Message from the Lords. Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act Teachers of Schools for the use of the Consolidated Fund, in repayment of the Advances so made, from the 31st day of December 1842 to the 31st day of December 1842.

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

A Petition from the Lords, by Mr. Broughton; Message from the Lords. Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act Teachers of Schools for the use of the Consolidated Fund, in repayment of the Advances so made, from the 31st day of December 1842 to the 31st day of December 1842.

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

A Petition of Robert Fuller Graham, of Newbury, Newbury, Hastingstoke, Rother, and Southampton Railway, presented to the House during the said Session 1837-8, praying that the Standing Orders of the House in respect to the application for the Newbury, Hastingstoke, Long- don and Southampton Railway, had not been compli- ed with; and praying that he may be heard, by
Poor Law.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee upon the Factories Bill on Friday the 25th day of this instant February, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 1st day of March next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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, Copies of all Minutes in Council containing Articles 9, 10, 11 and 12 of the General House, Orders in Council, Copies of all Minutes in Council containing Regulations as to the Distribution of the Parliamentary Grant for the promotion of Education in Great Britain, from the close of last Session to the end of January.

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.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of Articles 9, 10, 11 and 12 of the General House, Rules issued by the Poor Law Commissioners, bearing date the 5th day of February 1842; and together with the Passages explanatory of those Articles, contained in the Letter of the Commissioners which accompanied the General Workhouse Rules, also dated the 5th day of February 1842.

Trade and Navigation.

No. 36.

Mr. Gladstone presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—An Account of the Imports of the Principal Articles of Foreign and Colonial Merchandize, of the Consumption of such Articles, and of the Customs Duties levied and expended in the year ended the 5th January 1844, compared with the Imports, Consumption and Receipts in the preceding year.

An Account of the Exports of the Principal Articles of Foreign and Colonial Merchandize, in the year ended 5th January 1844, compared with the Exports of the preceding year.

An Account of the Exports of the Principal Articles of British and Irish Produce and Manufactures, in the year ended the 5th January 1844, compared with the Exports of the preceding year.

An Account of the Gross and Net Produce of the Duties of Customs, in the years ended 5th January 1843 and 1844 respectively.

An Account of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels, distinguishing the Countries to which they belonged, which entered inwards and cleared outwards, in the year ended 5th January 1844, compared with the Entrances and Clearances in the preceding year; stated exclusively of Vessels in Ballast and of those employed in the Coasting Trade between Great Britain and Ireland.

An Account of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels which entered inwards and cleared outwards, with Cargoes, at the several Ports of the United Kingdom, during the year ended 5th January 1844, distinguishing those convicted, those acquitted, and the Cases remaining undetermined; and showing, under separate Heads, the Number and Tonnage of Vessels entering inwards and clearing, also, the Total Quantity of each Sort in the United Kingdom, with the Rate per Gallon, and the Amount of such Duty levied and expended in England and Wales, for the same periods:—Of the Amount of Money expended for In-maintenance and Out-relief in each County in England and Wales, during the Half-years ended Michaelmas 1842 and 1843, with comparative Statements for England and Wales:—And, of the Total Amount of Money and Duties expended in England and Wales, during the Nine years prior and subsequent to the passing of the Poor Law Amendment Act.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Spirits.

Returns of the Detections, and the Number of Persons confined in each Gaol in Ireland, for the year ending the 5th day of January 1844:—And showing, under separate Heads, the Number of Gallons of Proof Spirits distilled in England, Scotland and Ireland respectively; distinguishing the Quantities produced from Malt and from a Mixture of Malt and Un-malted Grin, or from any other Ingredient; showing, also, the Total Quantity of each Sort in the United Kingdom, for the year ending the 5th day of January 1844:—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 of Duty in the United Kingdom for the year ending the 5th day of January 1844:—And showing, under separate Heads, the Number of Gallons of Proof Spirits (distinguishing the Materials from which made) imported into each Dominion from each of the others respectively, and including in the cases of England and Scotland those conveyed either by Land or by Sea; 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 at the Place of Destination, for the year ending the 5th day of January 1844.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Spirit Distillers.

Returns of the Detections, and the Number of Persons confined in each Gaol in Ireland against the Laws for the Suppression of Spirit Distillation, in the year ending the 5th day of January 1844; distinguishing those convicted, those acquitted, and the Cases remaining undetermined:—And of the Number of Persons confined in each Gaol in Ireland, for Offences against the Laws for the Suppression of Spirit Distillation, on the 5th day of January 1844.

The House was moved, That the 37th, 38th and 39th Sections of the Act 4 & 5 Vic. c. 58, to amend Elections, the Law for the Trial of Controverted Elections, might be read; and the same being read; The Right honourable Sir Robert Peel having stated, that being First Lord of the Treasury, he could...
could not attend Election Committees without material inconveniency to the Public Service, during the time he may hold the said office;

Resolved, That the Right honourable Sir Robert Peel, First Lord of the Treasury, be excused from serving on Election Committees, during the time he may hold the said office;

Lord Stanley having stated, that being one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, he could not attend Election Committees, without material inconveniency to the Public Service, during the time he may hold the said office;

Resolved, That Lord Stanley, 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 James Graham having stated, that being one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, he could not attend Election Committees, without material inconveniency to the Public Service, during the time he may hold the said office;

Resolved, That the Right honourable Sir James Graham, 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 Henry Goulburn, Chancellor of the Exchequer having stated, that he could not attend Election Committees, without material inconveniency to the Public Service, during the time he may hold the said office;

Resolved, That the Right honourable Henry Goulburn, Chancellor of the Exchequer, be excused from serving on Election Committees, during the time he may hold the said office.

Thomas Greene, Esquire, having stated, that being Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means, the House had also devolved upon him the duty of sitting as Chairman of all Committees upon Private Bills unopposed, and that it would not be in his power to perform that duty if selected to serve on an Election Committee;

Resolved, That Thomas Greene, Esquire, Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means, be excused from serving on Election Committees, during the time he may be required to sit as Chairman of all Committees upon Private Bills unopposed.

The ingrossed Bill for the more speedy Trial of Offences at Sea, was, according to Order, read the third time, when it was ordered to be read the fourth time on To-morrow.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed upon Tuesday last, That this House do resolve itself into a Committee to take into consideration the State of Ireland;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Ordered, That the Copy of a Proclamation issued by Her Majesty to certain Districts in South Wales, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Copy of a Proclamation issued by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Troops (Ireland), which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.
the city of Carlisle: And that Mr. Wilson Patten, Colonel Loderer and Mr. Charles Howard do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, to whom the Petition of Philip Barnes, of the city of Norwich, complaining of the non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the Norwich and Brandon Railway Bill, was referred; That the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as it appears that powers are intended to be taken to carry an alternative main line of Railway between Norwich and Brandon, through the parish of Saint Cuthbert, Thetford, such parish not having been included in the list of parishes contained in the Notice, through which any main line of Railway is intended to be carried, but Notice having been given of a Branch Railway intended to terminate in the same parish, without any mention of an alternative main line.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Fellowes presented a Bill for inclosing Lands in the Parish of Ramsey, in the County of Huntingdon: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Fellowes presented a Bill for inclosing Lands in the Parish of Dart, in the County of Huntingdon: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Sir Howard Douglas presented a Bill to amend and enlarge the Provisions of two several Acts for lighting with Gas the Town of Liverpool, and certain Places adjacent thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Trustees for executing an Act for more effectually repairing and improving several Roads leading to and from the Town of Salford, through Pendleton, and other Places therein mentioned, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, and several other Roads therein mentioned, and for making and maintaining certain Diversions or new Lines of Road to communicate therewith, for leave to bring in a Bill for more effectually repairing and improving the said Roads, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Walker presented a Bill for making a Railway from the Manchester and Bolton Railway, in the county of Lancashire, to the Parish of Walsall, all in the County Palatine of Lancaster, to be called the Manchester, Bury and Rossendale Railway: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of the Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the London and South Western Railway to Guildford, in the county of Surrey, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

The House was moved, That the Standing Order of the House (No. 4.), relative to the Appointment of Select Committees, might be read; and the same was read, as followeth;

"That a Committee be appointed at the commencement of every Session, consisting of the Chairman of the Select Committee and of the Chairmen of the Sub-Committees on Petitions for Private Bills, of whom Three shall be a Quorum, and such Committee shall be denominated "The Committee of Selection."

Ordered, That the Committee of Selection be appointed accordingly.

Ordered, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the Birkenhead Improvement Bill, which was yesterday made from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the Norwich and Brandon Railway Bill, which was this day made from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to consider whether any and what new Provisions ought to be introduced into such Railway Bills as may come before this House during the present or future Sessions, for the Advantage of the Public and the Improvement of the Railway System, and likewise to consider whether any and what Changes ought to be made in the Standing Orders relating to Railways, have Power to report their Opinion thereupon from time to time to the House.

Mr. Gladstone reported from the said Select Committee; That they had considered the matter referred to them; and had come to a Resolution, which they had directed him to report to the House; and the same was read, as followeth;

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Committee that the following Clause be inserted in all the Railway and Canal Bills, to be brought in before or passing through Parliament; viz.

"And be it further Enacted, That nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to exempt the Railway by this or the said-repealed Acts authorized to be made from the provisions of any General Act relating to such Bills which may pass during the present Session of Parliament, or of any General Act relating to Railways which may pass during the present or any future Session of Parliament;"

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

A Petition of the Yarmouth and Norwich Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend and improve the Yarmouth and Norwich Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Petitions from Leeds;—Bolton;—Bridge:— Refuse or Chairman; or Meeting of Inhabitants of Birkenhead;—Giesthorne;—and, Audensfield; praying the House to refrain from voting the Supplies until the Grievances of the people are investigated and redressed,—were presented,
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Presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Military Establishments.

Petitions of Members of the Committee of the Manchester and Salford Peace Society, and others; praying that there may be no increase whatever made to the existing Military Establishments of the empire, and that the House will take into consideration such measures as may be deemed most suitable and effectual for removing the temptation to war which such Establishments present,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor in the Kingsbridge Union, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Act may be so altered, as to afford proper facilities in affixing bastard children, and to make the putative father equally responsible with the mother, in person and property, for the maintenance of his illegitimate children, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ribble Navigation Bill.

Mr. Wilson Patten presented a Bill to enable the Ribble Navigation Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to enable the Owners of Reclaimed Lands to pay a Sum in lieu of the Annual Rents: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Furness Railway.

A Petition of the several Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from Rampside and Barrow, to Dalton Lindsey and Kirkby Ireleth, in the county palatine of Lancaster, to be called the Furness Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Window Tax.

A Petition ofLicensed Victuallers residing in the borough of Gravesend and its vicinity, in the county of Kent, praying that Licensed Victuallers may be placed on the same footing, in regard to the Tax on Windows, as other tradesmen, owners of ware-houses and shops in which goods are deposited, sold and exposed for sale, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Saint Asaph and Bangor Dioceses.

Petitions from Llangollen;—Moorton;—Bolster;
—and, Farborough; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Tobacco.

A Petition of Consumers of Tobacco and Snuff in the city of Salisbury, stating that the Petitioners are more heavily taxed than any other class of Her Majesty's subjects, the duty on Tobacco being nine hundred to one thousand per centum; and praying the House to take the above case into consideration and grant relief, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Railways.

A Petition of Cadogan Williams, suggesting that in legislating for Railroad Companies, it should be with the understanding that all enactments were revocable when they were found to be at variance with the interests of society; and praying the House to take the subject into consideration, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Corn Laws.

Petitions from Weston;—Spalding;—Moatton;—Pinchbeck;—Deeping;—Coddle; and, Crowland; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti Corn Law League, to construe the vast amount of capital and skill which has been expended in the improvement of the land on the faith of protection, and of the evils which must attend the making this country dependent on foreign lands for the chief necessaries of life, that the House will preserve to the agriculturists that amount of protection which they at present possess,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Glass.
Return of the Amount of Duty charged and Drawback paid on each description of Glass in England, distinguishing the Quantities, for the year ending the 5th day of January 1844;—A similar Return for Scotland;—A similar Return for Ireland;—Returns of the Quantities of Glass retained for Home Use in the United Kingdom, during the said period, with the Amount of Duty thereon, calculated on the principle of the Return of the 14th day of June 1841.—Of the Amount of drawback or Allowance on Glass used for Churches during the same period:—Of each Description of Glass imported into the United Kingdom for the year ending the 5th day of January 1844, stating the Quantities or Weight, and the Countries from which imported:—Of the Quantities or Weight, and the Rate and Amount of Duty paid on each Description of Foreign Glass during the same period:—Of the Quantities of each Description of Foreign Glass exported, distinguishing the Countries to which, during the same period:—Of the Quantity of each Description of Foreign Glass remaining in Bond on the 5th day of January 1844:—Ordered, of each Description of British Glass exported each year, for Seven years, ending the 5th day of January 1844, distinguishing the Quantities and Countries to which it was exported.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Army and
Return of the Number of Officers and Men voted Ordnance, for the Army and Ordnance Military Corps, in the years 1792, 1805, 1810 and 1815:—A similar Return for the years 1822 to 1842, both inclusive; distinguishing the Numbers serving in Ireland and in India:—Returns of the Number of Officers and Men in the Army and Ordnance Military Corps who received Half-Pay and Penisons, and the Amount voted for the same in each of those years:—And, of the Number of Military Pensioners returned fit for Service, and the Number called into active Service, under the authority of the Act 6 and 7 Vic. c. 92, distinguishing the Number employed in Garrison Duty, and in aid of the Civil Power.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Police.
Return of the Number of the Irish Police Force and of the Metropolitan Police, in each year since they were established, and the Amount of Public Money voted for the same in each year.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Wise.
Account of the Number of Gallons of Foreign Wine imported; and of the Quantities upon which Duty has been paid for Home Consumption, and the Quantities exported; also, the Quantities retained for Home Consumption, after deducting the Amount exported subsequently to the payment of Duty, for the year ended the 5th day of January 1844, distinguishing Cape, French, Portugal, Spanish, Madeira, Rhine, Canary, Fuyal, Sicilian and other Sorts; together with the Quantities of each Sort remaining in Bond on the 5th day of January 1844, distinguishing London from the Country.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Spirit.
Account 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
Ordnance.

Ireland.

Supply.

Adjournment.

County Rates.

Stock transferred.

Spirits.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account showing the Amount of Money issued for the payment of the Effective Army Force in Ireland, distinguishing the Expense for each year, from 1838 up to the present Estimate, inclusive.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account, showing the Amount of Money issued (Ireland.) for the payment of the Naval Force employed in Ireland, distinguishing the Expense for each year, from 1838 up to the present Estimate, inclusive.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed Joint Stock to inquire into the state of the Laws respecting Joint Stock Companies (except for Banking), with a view to the greater security of the public.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed Gaming to inquire into the existing Statutes against Gaming of every kind; to ascertain to what extent these Statutes are evaded; to consider whether any and what Amendments should be made in such Statutes; and to report their Opinion thereupon to the House.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Communication Copies of Report on Holyhead and Port Dynllaen with Ireland, Harbour, by Captain Back and Captain Fair, to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty—and, of Report of James Walker, Esquire, Civil Engineer, to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Sir George Clerk accordingly presented the said Papers.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that the House in respect to the application for the ... and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Joseph James Hegan, of Liverpool, Sheffield, Birkenhead, in the County of Chester, and for other Purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

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Sir Philip Egerton presented a Bill for con...ditching Tidal Basins, a Dock and other Works, at Docks Bill. and ordered to be read a second time.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed upon Tuesday last, That this House do resolve itself into a Committee to take into consideration the state of Ireland; And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

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

Sabbati, 17th die Februrii, 1844:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Monday next.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account, showing the Amount of Money issued for the payment of the Ordnance Department in Ireland, distinguishing the Expense for each year, from 1838 up to the present period.
7 VICTORIE. 19th February.

Luna, 19ª die Februario ;
Anno 7ª Victoriae Regniæ, 1844.

Prayers.

Ordered. That Sub-Committee (No. 2.) on Petitions for Private Bills, have leave to sit this day till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Poor Law.

Mr. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Commissioners, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order,—Copy of Articles 9, 10, 11 and 12 of the General Workhouse Rules issued by the Poor Law Commissioners, bearing Date the 5th day of February 1842; together with the Passages explanatory of those Articles, contained in the Letter of the Commissioners which accompanied the General Workhouse Rules, also dated the 5th day of February 1842.—And then he withdrew.

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

Court of Chancery and Courts of Law.

Sir Fortunatus Decarri, one of the Masters of the Pleas Side of the Court of Queen's Bench, was called in; and at the bar presented,—Further Returns to an Order, dated the 2d day of this instant February, for Copies of every Claim for Compensation made to the Lord Chancellor by each Person, as the Clerk of the Enrolments, Deputy of such Clerk, Comptroller of the Hanaper, Riding Clerk, Six Clerk, Sworn Clerk, Waiting Clerk, Agent or Record Keeper, under the Statutes 5 and 6 Vic. c. 103, s. 1.—And, of any Order made by the Lord Chancellor for Compensation under the Statute 5 and 6 Vic. c. 103—Returns of all Compensations awarded or allowed to Officers in the Courts of Justice, under the Statutes 1 Geo. 4, Will. 4, c. 58; stating the Names of the Persons, the Amount of Compensation, and the Office in respect of which the Compensation was awarded and allowed:—Of all Sincere Officers and Offices entirely performed by Deputy in the Court of Chancery and the Superior Courts of Common Law at Westminster; stating the Names of the holders of such Offices, and the Amount of Salaries received for the last Three years:—And, of the various Duties performed by the Masters of the Courts of Queen's Bench, Common Pleas and Exchequer, at Westminster—And then he withdrew.

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

Gold Coin.

Mr. Marshall, from the Bank of England, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Orders,—Returns of the Light Gold Coin delivered by the Bank of England into Her Majesty's Mint for recoinage, from the 1st day of June 1842 to the 5th day of February 1842; stating the Date and Amount of each Deliver, and the Date and Amount of each Return of Gold Coin in exchange for the same; and also the Balance, if any, of Light Gold Coin in the Hands of the Bank on the last day;—And, of the Aggregate Amount of Light Gold Coin received at each of the Branches of the Bank of England during the above stated period.

A Return of the Aggregate Value of Silver Coin coined and received by the Bank of England from Her Majesty's Mint since Her Majesty's Proclamation respecting Light Gold Coin in June 1842; stating the Number and Value of Pieces of Silver Coin, and distinguishing the Dates and Amounts received at the Bank from the Mint each day up to the present time.

Gold Coin.

A Return of the Amount of Sovereigns and Half Sovereigns received by the Bank of England under the Standard Weight, in each month since Her Majesty's Proclamation was issued to call in Gold Coin under the Standard Weight; stating the Amount of the Deficient Weight in each month, at the Rate of £3. 17s. 10d. per ounce, and the Amount of Gold and Bank Notes paid for the same:—And then he withdrew.

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

A Petition of Directors and Shareholders of the Durham County Durham County Coal Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against the said Company, and for other Purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Dock Company at Kingston-upon-Hull, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Harbour Debit Debts Dock and other Works connected therewith, in addition to the present Docks at Kingston-upon-Hull, and for amending the Acts relating to such last-mentioned Docks, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Trustees for executing several Acts Swansea for the Improvement of the Harbour of Swansea, in the county of Glamorgan, for leave to bring in a Bill for altering and amending the said Acts, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Wilson Patten presented a Bill for making Lancaster Railway, at Lancaster, to or near the City of Carlisle: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Commissioners for executing an Act Rachdale for lighting, cleansing, watching and regulating the Town of Rochdale, in the County Palatine of Manchester; and to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Charles Russell presented a Bill for making Newbury and Great Western Railway Bill. A Petition of the Dock Company at Kingston-upon-Hull, for leave to bring in a Bill for better lighting, paving, cleansing, watching, regulating and improving the said Town, and the environs thereof, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the parish of Erbistock, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 3, c. 77, Dioceses, and Bangor, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Charles Henry Phillips, Clerk of Small Debts the Court of Requests, at Kingston-upon-Hull, and Bill, of John Hastings and Richard Grove, Sergeants of the same Court, praying that the Small Debts Bill
A Petition of John Robertson, of the borough and town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, Seaman, stating that the Petitioner entered into the employment of the company shipping company of that port, and continued in such employment until May 1838, when the said company required his services in their warehouses, when the Petitioner was seized with palsy which rendered him unfit for further service; that he applied for assistance to the trustees of the Merchant Seamen’s Fund, praying for the usual allowance, which was denied him on account of his having been employed by his owners in their ware houses, for six months previous to his illness; and praying the House to take his case into consider ation, and inquire into the rules of the society which prevented the Petitioner receiving relief from the Fund which to his mind had so long contributed, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That Mr. Ogil have leave of absence, Leave of till the 1st day of May next, on account of ill Absence health.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented fugitive 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 from the Governor of the Bahamas, relative to the Surrender of Fugitive Criminals, under the Authority of the Act 6 and 7 Vic. c. 76, for giving effect to the 10th Article of the Treaty of Washington, between Her Majesty and the United States of 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.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Total Revenue from Duties and Duties on Tobacco, (except the Total Return of the Duty of Tobacco in Ireland.) Electors appearing, by the Lists or Books of the Clerks of the Peace, registered for each County, City, Town and Borough in Ireland, on the 1st day of February, in each of the following years, viz. 1825, 1837 and 1844; including in the Return for 1844 those only who had been registered subsequently to the 1st day of February 1836; distinguishing, in separate columns, the Numbers registered under different Qualifications; and shewing the Increase or Decrease exhibited by the Numbers so appearing registered on the 1st day of February 1844, compared with those appearing registered at each of the said previous periods (in continuation of Parliamentary Papers, No. 240, of Session 1841, and No. 203 of Session 1843); with an Abstract, as in No. 240-2 of 1841.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number and Quantity of Staves imported into the United Kingdom in each of the last Six years; stating the Quantity imported into England, Ireland and Scotland; distinguishing those from the United States of America, from Canada, from the Baltic, and from other Places; stating the Rate of Duty levied, and the Amount of Duty received on each kind in each year, and the Total Amount of Revenue in each year; also, an Account of the Amount of Drawback allowed on the Exportation of Shooks and of Casks in each of these years.

A Petition of Trustees of the Liverpool Docks, Liverpool for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the said Trustees to construct additional Wet Docks and other Works, and to raise a further sum of Money, and for amending and extending the Acts relating to the Docks and Harbour of Liverpool, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.
Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bury Branch) Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Branch Railway from the Manchester and Leeds Railway to Bury: And that Mr. Hardy and Mr. Brodley do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Wich Tree Roads Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for repealing the Acts relating to the Wich Tree Bridge and Roads, in the county of Glamorgan, and for consolidating the same Roads with the Swansea District of Roads: And that Mr. John Henry Vivian and Mr. Talbot do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; and to whom the Petition of William Nash Shillibeere, Esquire, complaining of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the Great Western Railway Bill, was referred; That in the case of the Petition for the Great Western Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the several Acts relating to the Great Western, the Cheltenham and Great Western Union, and the Oxford Railways, to amalgamate the two last-mentioned Railways with the Great Western Railway, and to authorize the formation of certain additional Works at Cheltenham and Gloucester by the Great Western Railway Company: And that Mr. Charles Russell and Mr. H敏捷 do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Manchester and Leeds and Heywood Branch Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for maintaining a Railway from the Manchester and Leeds Railway to Heywood, and for amending the Acts relating to the Manchester and Leeds Railway: And that Mr. Mark Philips and Mr. Milner Gibson do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Hartlepool West Harbour and Dock Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Harbour and Dock near to Hartlepool in the county of Durham: And that Lord Harry Vane and Mr. Hodgson Hindle do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Rochdale Gas Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for more effectually lighting with Gas the borough and parish of Rochdale, in the county of Lancaster: And that Mr. Beotide Wilbraham and Mr. Wilson Puttot do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Huddersfield Branch Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Branch Railway from the Manchester and Leeds Railway to Huddersfield: And that Mr. Hardy and Mr. Brodley do prepare, and bring it in.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Poor Law Amendment Bill; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

The House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning; Martis, 20° die Februarii, 1844.:

Ordered, That the following Clause be inserted in all the Railway Bills now coming before or passing through Parliament; viz. "And be it further Enacted, That nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed to exempt the Railway by this or the said recited Acts authorized to be made from the provisions of any general Act relating to such Bills, which may pass during the present Session of Parliament, or of any general Act relating to Railways, which may pass during the present or any future Session of Parliament.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Select Committees on Railways, that they have Power to consider of any arrangements advantageous to the public, with regard to existing Railway Companies generally, to which, in the Opinion of the Committee, Parliament might justly give its sanction.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Naval Force a Return of the Naval Force employed on the Coast and Rivers of Ireland, from 1834 to the present period; describing the Number and Class of each Vessel, and the Number of Seamen and Officers so employed for each year.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon Joint Stock Friday last, That a Select Committee be appointed, to inquire into the state of the Laws respecting Joint Stock Companies (except for Banking), with
Martis, 20° die Februarii; 
Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

R. Campbell, from the Court of Directors of the East India Company, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Resolutions of the Court of Directors of the East India Company, being the Warrants or Instruments granting any Pension.

Resolutions of the Court of Directors of the East India Company, being the Warrants or Instruments granting any Salary or Gratitude.

An Account of Allowances, Compensations, Re-annuements and Superannuations granted to Officers and Servants of the East India Company in the year 1843.

Particulars of all Compensations, Superannuations and Allowances granted by the Court of Directors of the East India Company, and confirmed by the Board of Commissioners for the Affairs of India, between the 1st of January and the 31st of December 1843:—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Dare, one of the Masters of the Court of Exchequer, was called in; and at the bar presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of this instant February, on a Return of all Writs of Summons issued out of Her Majesty's Court of Exchequer, between the 1st day of July and the 31st day of December 1843, inclusive, at the suit of any Parties other than the Attorney General, being as well for the Poor of any Parish or Township as for themselves, together with the Names of the Attorneys issuing them, the Names of the Plain-tiffs and Defendants, and the Dates when issued, and the Amount of the several Sums indorsed thereon, as claimed for Debts or Penalties:—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Hardy presented a Bill for making a Branch Manchester and Leeds Railway from the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Branch) Bill.

Mr. Montz presented a Bill for enabling the Birmingham Company of Proprietors of the Birmingham Canal Navigations to borrow a further Sum of Money, and to extend and alter some of the Provisions of their present Acts:—And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee Standing on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which Orders, were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That in the case of the Birkenhead and Liverpool Improvement Petition, the Standing Orders ought Improvement. to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill on giving the Notices for three successive weeks in some Newspaper published in the county of Lancaster:

2. Resolved, That in the case of the Norwich and Norwich and Brandon Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, so far as relates to the original main Line, and the Branch to Thetford, in conformity with the Notices published in the Newspapers; and that the Committees on this and the preceding Bill do examine, in the first piece, how far such Orders have been complied with, and do report the same to the House on the Report of the Bill.

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

A Petition of Persons interested in the formation of the Stratford of a Railway, commencing by a junction with the Eastern Counties Railway, in the parish of West Ham, in the county of Essex, at the junction of the Stratford Town Railway, and terminating near the place where the River Lea runs into the River Thames, with a pier or jetty at or near such termination extending into the said River Thames, and also a Branch Railway from the said intended Railway commencing near to the junction of the said intended Railway with the said Eastern Counties Railway, in the same parish of West Ham, and terminating by a junction with the Northern and Eastern Railway, near the Engine House of the said last-mentioned Railway, in the same parish, for leave to bring in a Bill for making the said Railways, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr.
Mr. Mark Philips presented a Bill for maintaining a Railway from the Manchester and Leeds Railway to Heywood, and for amending the Acts relating to the Manchester and Leeds Railway: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Trustees acting in the execution of two Acts for regulating, laying and applying the conversion of the Statute Labour within the Borough of Gorhamb, in the City of Glasgow, and County of Lanark, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the limits of the said Acts, and to alter and amend the said Acts, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Sir John Yarde Buller reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Leeds and Selly Railway Purchase Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for vesting the Leeds and Selly Railway in the York and North Midland Railway Company, and to enable the Company to raise a further Sum of Money to complete the purchase of such Railway: And that Mr. Lowther, Mr. Octavius Duncombe and Mr. Stuart Wortley do prepare, and bring it in.

A Petition of Commissioners for executing the Canterbury Acts for paving, cleansing, lighting and watching the Streets, Lanes and other Public Passages and Places within the Walls of the City of Canterbury, and the Liberties thereof; and also several Streets and Other Places near or adjoining to the said City, and for removing and preventing Encroachments, Obstructions, Nuisances and Annoyances therein, for leave to bring in a Bill for amending the said Acts, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Bootle Willbraam presented a Bill for more effectually lighting with Gas the Borough and Parish of Rochdale, in the County of Lancashire: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. John Henry Vivian presented a Bill for the Wich Tree pealing the Acts relating to the Wich Tree Bridge Roads Bill, and Roads, in the County of Glamorgan, and for consolidating the same Roads, with the Steanset District of Roads: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Henry Cribbin, J. P. Miller, Liverpool Charles Leadbeard, Richard Dunwon, Samuel Lad, Greselin Gas, Thos. Ferguson, being inhabitants of the town and borough of Liverpool, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Liverpool Guardian Gas Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the High Sheriff of the county of Hume Production Somerset, praying the House to abolish all duties on and Taxes on articles of Home Production, and to revise our whole system of Taxation, with a view to a more equitable and equitable arrangement, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Messrs. Bradley and Holmoworth, Tobacco Manufacturers, in the Borough of Birmingham, praying for reduction of the duty on Tobacco, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thorsely reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions on Public Petitions; That they had examined the (Second Re- Petitions presented upon the 14th, 15th and 16th day of this instant February; and had directed him to make a Report thereon to the House.

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

A Petition of Landed Proprietors, Farmers and Lies, others, of the hundred of Oneway, stating that in various parts of the country, as in parts of Hercules-
shire, and other counties, Lime, the same as farm
manure, is exempt from the payment of toll; and
prairie have been extended to them; and the hun-
dred of Oswestry a like exemption from an impost,
which is found to be so highly detrimental to a
proper cultivation of the soil, was presented, and
read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Earl of Dundonald.

A Petition of Thomas Earl of Dundonald, praying that
the House will be pleased to sanction an Act
giving to the Right honourable the Privy Council,
or otherwise, power in his case to grant such further
extension of patent right as may afford him a
chance of recovering the heavy expenses incurred
during his successful exertions to supply an im-
portant mechanical desideratum, and of obtaining
a suitable recompense for thirteen years' unremitting
endeavours to bring into public notice a simplified
condensing engine on the revolving principle, was
presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the
Table.

Croydon and Epsom Railway.

A Petition of Persons interested in a Railway to
commence by a junction with the London and Croy-
don Railway, at Croydon, in the county of Surrey,
and to terminate at Epsom, in the same county, for
leave to bring in a Bill for making the said Railway,
was presented, and read; and referred to the Select
Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 1.)

A Petition of Persons interested in the formation of a
Railway in continuation of the Eastern Coun-
ties Railway from Colchester, in the county of Essex,
to the port of Harwich, in the said county, for leave
to bring in a Bill for making the said Railway,
was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the
Table.

Jewish Disabilities.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses
of the borough of Portsmouth, praying the House
to confer on every British-born Jew the civil and
municipal immunities to which he is entitled in com-
mon with others. Of Her Majesty's faithful subjects,
was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the
Table.

Redress of Grievances.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of In-
habitants of Howick, praying the House to refrain
from voting the Supplies until the Grievances of the
people are investigated and redressed, was presented,
and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Divorce Bills.

Ordered, That a Select Committee on Divorce
Bills be appointed: And a Committee was
appointed by Mr. Hayter, Mr. Scarlett, Mr. Serjeant
Stock, Sir John Yarde Bulter, Mr. Hogg, Mr. Wil-
son Patten, Mr. Burroughes, Mr. Hardy, Mr. Tan-
ter, Mr. Evans, Mr. Bruce, Mr. Gibson Craig,
Mr. Patrick Stewart, Mr. Robert Scott and Mr.
Darby, with Power to send for persons, papers and
records.

Great Western Railway Bill.

Mr. Hayter presented a Bill to amend the several
Acts relating to the Great Western, the Cheltenham
and Great Western Union, and the Oxford Rail-
ways, to amalgamate the two last-mentioned Rail-
ways with the Great Western Railway, and to au-
thorize the formation of certain additional Works at
Cheltenham and Gloucester by the Great Western
Railway Company: And the same was read the first
time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Wells Lighting and Improvements.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town or parish of
Wells, in the county of Norfolk, for leave to bring in
a Bill for lighting, paving, cleansing, widening
and improving the Streets of the said Town or Pa-
rish, for removing and preventing nuisances therein,
and for making new Streets or Roadways, was pre-
sented, and read; and referred to the Select Com-
mittee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Commissioners named in or sp-
Wells Harbour
pointed by the Act for more effectually repairing,
and Quay, for
pointing out the Harbour and Quay, and for extending and altering some of the Provisions of the Act relating thereto, was presented, and read; and
referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for
Private Bills.

Sir John Yarde Bulter reported from the Select
Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in
the case of the Petition for the Harwich Epsom In-
closure Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied
with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill
for enclosing Lands in the parish of Brandon Burton,
for the county of York: And that Mr. Masterman
and Mr. Lyall do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir John Yarde Bulter reported from the Select
Basingstoke, London and Southampton Railway
Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in
the case of the Petition for the Harwich Epsom and
Port Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied
with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill
for amending the Acts relative to the improving of
the Pier and Port of Hartlepool, in the county of
Durham: And that Lord Harry Vane and Mr.
Hodgson Hinde do prepare, and bring it in.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses
Municipal of the town of Cleou, praying for an equally ex-
tensive measure of Municipal Reform for Ireland as
that obtained by England, was presented, and read;
and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect
of the Petition for the Norwich and Brandon Rail-
way Bill, which was this day made from the Select
Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and
the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill
for making a Railway from Norwich to Thetford and
Brandon: And that Mr. Wadehouse and Mr.
Benjamin Smith do prepare, and bring it in.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect
of the Petition for the Birkenhead Improvement
Bill, which was this day made from the Select
Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and
the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill
to authorize the purchase of Monks Ferry, by the
Commissioners for the Improvement of Birkenhead,
Cloughton-cum-Grange and part of Oxton, in the
county of Chester, and for amending the Acts re-
lating to the said Commissioners: And that Sir
Philip Egerton and Mr. John Tollemache do prepare,
and bring it in.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses
Newbury
of the borough of Southampton, taking notice of
the application for leave to bring in the Newbury,
Basingstoke, London and Southampton Railway Bill,
and praying that such Bill may pass into law, was
presented, and read; and ordered to be read a second
time.

Sir James Graham reported to the House, That Answer to
the case of Addresses of the 18th, 18th and 19th
days of this instant February (That Her Majesty
would be graciously pleased to give directions that
the Papers therein mentioned might be laid before
this House, and been presented to Her Majesty,
and that Her Majesty had commanded him to
acquaint this House, That She will give directions accordingly.

Mr.
Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to an Address to Her Majesty,—Copy of a Letter addressed to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by Mr. Ludlow Bruges, tendering his Resignation of the Office of Recorder of the Borough of Devizes; and also, a Copy of a Letter from Sir James Graham to Mr. Ludlow Bruges, notifying the acceptance of such Resignation.

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

A Petition of Licensed Victuallers residing in the city and county of the city of Lichfield, praying that they may be placed on the same footing in regard to the Window Tax as other tradesmen, owners of shops and warehouses, in which goods are deposited, sold and exposed for sale, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all the Officers in the Courts of Common Pleas, &c., Return of all the Officers in the Courts of Common Pleas, and in the Crown Office of the County Palatine of Lancaster, and in the Crown Office of the County Palatine of Lancaster, with Names of the Officers, and the Dates of their respective Appointments (and by whom appointed), distinguishing between those that are paid wholly or in part by Fees, and those that are paid by Salary, with the Amount of such Fees or Salary received by each of such Officers, and stating which (if any) of such Officers are Sinecur, or performed by Deputy, with the Name of such Deputy or Deputies, with the Date and Particulars of their Appointment, and the Salaries paid to such Deputy:—Also, a Return of all Fees received in those Courts in the years 1841, 1842 and 1843, and of the Appropriation thereof, stating the Names of the several Persons to whom such Fees are paid, either for Salary, Compensation or otherwise, and the Title and Nature of the Office or abolished Office, in respect of which the same is paid:—Also, a Return of all Compensations granted for the last Ten years before the 31st day of December 1843, to any Officer of the Court of Chancery or Court of Common Pleas at Lancaster, stating the Amount of such Compensation, and the Names of the Persons to whom, and the Office in respect of which the same was granted, and the Amount of Compensations paid in each of those years:—And, a similar Return from the Court of Pleas, Court of Chancery and Crown Office of the County Palatine of Durham.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all the Fees received by the Taxing Masters of the Court of Chancery since their appointment, stating on what account received, and how applied or appropriated.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Monies received on account of Fees in the years 1841, 1842 and 1843, in the Court of Queen's Bench, Common Pleas, and Exchequer, or of any of the Officers thereof; and a Return of the Application or Appropriation of Monies so received; and a Return of all Salaries, Commissions and other Payments made out of such Monies, stating the Names of the Persons to whom paid, and the Office, or abolished or reduced Office, in respect of which such Payments are made; and also, a Return of all Officers of such Courts who are paid in whole or in part by Fees, stating the Names of the Persons so paid, and the Office in respect of which they are so paid, and the Amount of Fees paid to or received by any such Officer so paid in part or in the whole by Fees, in each of those years.

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A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Lynch and Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to Enlarge the Powers of an Act of the fourth Improvement and fifth years of Her present Majesty, empowering the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods to raise Money for certain Improvements in the Metropolis, on the Security of the Land Revenues of the Crown, within the County of Middlesex and City of London, with an Amendment; to which Amendment the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And also, the Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act sing's for naturalizing John Frederic Song: to which the Nat. Bill, Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Song's Naturalization Bill was read the first time; Song's and ordered to be read a second time.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Persons who have been suspended, superseded or discharged from the Custoes, since the 1st day of January 1841; stating the Names of such Person and the Dates of their first entry into the Service, the several Situations which they have filled, and the time they served in each Situation, the Offences for which they have been respectively suspended, superseded or discharged, and the Dates respectively of such Suspension, Supercession or Discharge; also the Amount of Salary and Emoluments of every Person, and the time of his Suspension or Discharge:—And, of the Number of Licensed Custom House Agents, the Date of their Appointment, and the Names and Places of Residence of their respective Sureties; also, a Return of such Agents as have been convicted of Offences against the Revenue, and of those Defaulters who have eluded Examination; and whether the Amounts, or how much, were recovered from the Agents or Sureties.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented, appealing 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 Causes or Petitions heard on Appeal before the Lord Chancellor and Her Majesty's Privy Council, during the last Two years, with the Dates of such Hearing, distinguishing those upon which Judgment has been given from those upon which Judgment has not been given.

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.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the Adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed upon Tuesday last, That this House do resolve itself into a Committee to take into consideration the State of Ireland: The Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate:—

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Lynch and Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act Gaming to indemnify Witnesses who may give Evidence be- Transactions fore the Lords Spiritual and Temporal touching (Winners include) Gaming Transactions; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

And the Question being again proposed, That state of Ireland, this House do resolve itself into a Committee to take into consideration the State of Ireland:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.
20°—21° Februarii. A. 1844.

And the House having continued to sit till a little past the hour of nine of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurius, 21st die Februarii, 1844:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Police Reward and Superannuation Funds (Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Police Reward Fund in Ireland, constituted by the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 13, s. 49, for the year ending the 31st day of December 1843:—Of the Police Superannuation Fund, constituted under the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 13, s. 46, for the year ending the 31st day of December 1843:—And, of the Names of all Persons receiving Pensions or Gratuities from either of the above Funds, showing the Date, in each case, of the commencement of Service; the Rank or Employment of each Individual; the Cause and Date of Retirement; the Age of each Person at the Date of Retirement; and the Amount received by each per annum, or otherwise, as received from either of the above Funds; specifying on which Fund the Charge is made.

Timber (Navy.)

Mr. Sidney Herbert presented, pursuant to Order,—A Return of the several expired Contracts for British and Foreign Oak and African Timber, Thick Stuff and Plank, for the use of Her Majesty’s Dock-yards, since the year 1825; showing the Date and Number of each Contract, the Names of the Contractors, the Quantity delivered under each Contract; together with the Price, and whether the Contract was made by Public or Private Tender, and whether the accepted Tender was the lowest one.

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

Court of Chancery.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Amount of Fees and Sums of Money which became payable to the Clerks of Enrolments, Six Clerks, Sworn Clerks and Comptroller of the Hanaper, under the old Constitution of the Six Clerks’ Office, in the year ending on the 29th day of October 1842:—Of the Amount of Fees and additional Fees received in the Offices of the Clerk of Enrolments, Clerks of Records and Writs, and Taxing Masters, under the Order of the 25th day of October 1842, for the year ending on the 29th day of October 1843:—And, of the Amount of Salaries, Office Expenses and Compensations payable under the Statute 5 and 6 Vic. c. 105, and the Orders made to carry the same into effect, for the year ending the 29th day of October 1843.

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

Teachers of Schools (Ireland) Bill.

The Teachers of Schools (Ireland) Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

A Petition of the Chancellor, Masters and Scholars of the University of Cambridge, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Poor Law, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Gold Coin. No. 45.

Ordered, That the Returns of Light Gold Coin delivered by the Bank of England to the Mint, for re-coining, and of Gold Coin received in exchange, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Silver Coin. No. 46.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Silver Coin, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Gold Coin. No. 46.

Ordered, That the Return of the Amount of Gold Coin received by the Bank of England under the Standard Weight, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

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

Mercurius, 21st die Februarii;

Anno 7 Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Law, from the Treasury, was called in; and Newspaper at the bar presented, pursuant to Orders,—Stamps, &c.

Returns to an Order, dated the 1st day of this instant February, for a Return of the Number of Stamps issued to Newspapers, and the Amount of Advertisement Duty paid on each, in the two last quarters of the year 1843, separately stated (in continuation of Parliamentary Returns of last Session); exhibiting also, the periods at which the Publication takes place, whether daily, weekly or otherwise.

A Return of any Grain, Flour and Meal imported, Grain, Flour during the years 1841, 1842 and 1843, from each and every one of the British Colonies (including India); stating the Quantity imported in each year from each Colony.

A Return extracted from the Accounts furnished by the Exchequer in Scotland, of Payments for the (Scotland.)

Maintenance of the Judicial Establishment in that Country; to show, in columns, the Number and Names of the Judges of the Court of Session who have retired on Superannuation Allowances, with the Dates of their Retiring; the Annual Amount of Payments to each respectively, the whole Amount which each has received, with the Sum Total of the Payment to the said superannuated Judges, up to the last quarter or other settlement.

Mr. Law also presented, pursuant to the directions Court of Session, Scotland, year 1843.

Copy of Warrant granting Compensation Allowance of L. 50. 11 s. 8 d. to William Shinell, one of the Assistant Clerks of the Session, Scotland, year 1843.

Copy of Warrant granting a Compensation At Teind Court lawance to John Barren, Depute Clerk of the (Scotland.)

Teind Court in Scotland, year 1843.

Copies of all Cases which have been stated and Assessed Taxes, signed by Commissioners acting in the execution of the Acts relating to the Assessed Taxes, subsequent to the 22d day of August last, being the date of a like Return made in the last Session of Parliament:—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Johnson, Solicitor to the Suitors’ Fund, was Court of called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Chancery.

Order,—Returns of the Amount of Fees and Sums of Money which became payable to the Clerks of Enrolment, Six Clerks, Sworn Clerks and Comptroller of the Hanaper, under the old constitution of the Six Clerks’ Office, in the year ending on the 29th day of October 1842:—Of the Amount of Fees and additional Fees received in the Offices of the Clerk of Enrolments, Clerks of Records and Writs, and Taxing Masters, under the Order of the 25th day of October 1842, for the year ending on the 29th day of October 1843:—And, of the Amount of Salaries, Office Expenses and Compensations payable under the Statute 5 and 6 Vic. c. 105, and the Orders made to carry the same into effect, for the year ending the 29th day of October 1843:—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Louthor presented a Bill for vesting the Leeds and Leeds and Selby Railway in the York and North Midland Railway Company, and to enable that Company to be printed.
Company to raise a further Sum of Money to complete the Purchase of such Railway: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of the Pontos and South Shields Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the said Company to widen a part of their Railway, and to make a Branch therefrom, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Birmingham, for leave to bring in a Bill for transferring to the said Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses certain Powers and Property, now exercised and held under certain Local Acts in force within the said Borough, and for other purposes therein mentioned, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Masterman presented a Bill for inclosing Lands in the Parish of Brandes Burton, in the County of Lincoln, to the Corporation.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Birmingham, for leave to bring in a Bill to continue and amend some of the provisions of the Acts relating to the Street in the county of Durham: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Commissioners for executing the Act for opening a Street to Clerkenwell-green, in the county of Middlesex, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Southby presented a Bill to make a Branch Railway from the London and South Western Railway to Epsom: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Licensed Victuallers of Newcastle upon Tyne, Gateshead, and the adjoining neighbourhood.

Mr. Packe presented a Bill for more effectually repairing the Road from Market Harborough, in the County of Leicester, to the City of Coventry: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

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Mr. Wodehouse presented a Bill for making a Norwich and Great Yarmouth Railway, from Norfolk to the River Yare: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

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A Petition of the Chairman of the Committee of Military Establishments, stating that the immense Naval and Military Establishments of the country are an oppressive burden upon the people; and praying the House to take this statement into consideration before proceeding to vote the Supplies for the increase or continuation of the said Establishments, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Leeds New Gas Company, for Leeds New Gas, leave to bring in a Bill for extending and amending some of the powers and provisions of the Act relating to the said Company, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill for making Dock Railway, from Pelham to the River Medway, in the parish of St. Mary, in the county of Kent: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

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Ordered, That the said Lists be printed.
The Order of the day being read, for the second Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill ; ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Small Debts Bill ; ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Actions for Gaming Discontinuance 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 “it be an Instruction to the Committee to extend the provisions of the Bill to all proceedings of common informers under the authority of any penal Statute,” 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.)

Bill read 1st ; to be read 2nd paragraph by paragraph. Preamble postposed.

Clauses, N° 1 to 3, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, N° 4, agreed to.

Clause, N° 5, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, N° 6, agreed to.

Schedule amended, and agreed to.

Preamble read.

P. § 3. l. 5. Amendment proposed : To leave out from the words “William the Third” to the words “And whereas,” in l. 12 : Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed : To leave out from the word “persons,” in l. 8, to the words “have been,” in l. 10.

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Preamble:—The Committee divided.

Tellers for the Mr. Thomas Dacoumbe, Yeas, 1 Mr. Watson : 27.

Tellers for the Mr. James Wortley, Noes, 1 Mr. Forbes Meachezie : 81.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed : To leave out from the words “at law” in l. 11., to the word “And,” in l. 12., in order to insert the words “for the recovery of penalties under the above recited Acts, or some of them.”

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Preamble :—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Preamble, as amended, agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. Greese reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto. Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greese reported the Bill accordingly ; and the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration upon Monday next ; and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.

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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.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed upon the 18th day of this instant February, That this House do resolve itself into a Committee to take into consideration the State of Arundel and Chandos, and the Question being again proposed:—The House resolved the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till To-morrow.

Ordered, That the House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enlarge the Powers of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, for the purposes of the Crown, within the County of Middlesex, and the City of London; and the same was read, as follows:

Pr. 5. 1. 11. After "mortgagee" insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A.) "And be it enacted, That the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, Works and Buildings, shall, once in every year, until the several improvements and new streets hereinbefore referred to are completed, report to the Commons in Parliament assembled the progress made by the said Commissioners in the execution of such improvements and new streets respectively, the monies raised and received by them for the purposes thereof, and the expenses of the same, and the balance, if any, remaining unexpended at the date of each Report, and also the number and extent of houses and other property still remaining to be purchased in each line of improvement, and the estimated cost thereof, and the funds applicable to the purchase of the same."

The said Amendment, being read a second time. The Amendments following were made thereto: viz. Fo. 1. 1. 8. Leave out "in" and insert "House of;" and leave out "assembled." And the said Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships, with Amendments; to which Amendments this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Vexatious Suits, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Recorder of Devizes, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.
was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Edward Goldsmith, the Chairman, and William Tite, the Deputy Chairman, and Managing Director and Directors of the Globe Insurance Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the said Company to alter and amend some of the Provisions of their Deed of Settlement, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill for establishing and regulating a Company, to be called The General Steam Carriage Company," and to enable the said Company to purchase certain Letters Patent, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Merchants, Traders, Inhabitants and others interested in the trade of the Port of Padstone, for leave to bring in a Bill for regulating, maintaining and improving the Port of Padstone, in the county of Cornwall, and the navigable parts of the River Camel or Allen, in the same county, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Monkland and Kirkintilloch Railway Company, the Ballochney Railway Company, the Wishaw and Cities Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to alter, amend and enlarge, and in part repeal, the Acts relating to the said Railways respectively, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; and the same was agreed to.

Salisbury Branch Railway.

Resolved, That in the case of the Salisbury Branch Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, on condition that they shall prove before the Committee on the Bill, the applications to Owners, Lessees and Occupiers stated to have been made by Mr. Fleetwood; and that they be permitted to prove the same by affidavit, if the Committee on the Bill be satisfied by sufficient evidence that the said Mr. Fleetwood shall then be prevented from appearing before them by continued illness; and that the said Committee do report to the House how far the said Order has been complied with, on the Report of the Bill. The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Newport Dock.

A Petition of the Newport Dock Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for authorizing the said Company to raise further Monies, and to make Sale of the Dock and Works, and for annulling certain Acts relating to that Dock, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Poor Law.

A Petition of the Board of Guardians of the Lancaster Union, praying the House to obviate the present evils in connexion with the bastardy laws, and especially that the mode of obtaining orders upon the fathers of bastard children may be simplified, that such orders may continue in operation for a longer period, and that power may be given to Magistrates to enforce obedience thereto, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Railways.

A Petition of the Newcastle-upon-Tyne and North Shields Railway Company, stating that the passengers conveyed upon their Railway consist of the working and trading classes, and it has afforded to those classes the greatest accommodation; that since the opening of the Railway in June 1839, three millions and a half of passengers have been conveyed thereon; that the fares for the lower class carriages upon that Railway have always been under one penny per mile, and that at present the fares for the third class carriages are little more than a half-penny per mile; that notwithstanding the great number of passengers conveyed, yet owing to the low fares charged, the revenue arising from the Railway has failed to remunerate the Petitioners for their great outlay; and praying the House to repeal the duty upon all fares at and under one penny per mile, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Friends of Peace, and, Inhabitants of Guisborough, praying that no increase whatever of the Established Church shall be permitted to the existing Military Establishments of the empire, and that the House will take into consideration the propriety of adopting measures for removing all the causes and temptations to war, which such Establishments present, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of the Belfast Non-com- monwealth, praying for the repeal of so much of the Parochial Assessments Act as affects the assessment upon tithes and tithe rent-charge, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thos. Pearson, Clerk of the Peace Parliamentary Return, stating that in compliance with Addresses presented to Her Majesty, in pursuance of Resolutions of the House, Her Majesty's Secretary of State has from time to time required of the Petitioner various returns in addition to those which the Petitioner is bound to make by existing Statutes; that the Petitioner is informed that he is not entitled to any remuneration for such returns; and that he is not entitled to any remuneration for such services as aforesaid, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Minister, Freetholders and other Inhabitants of the parish of Llansaintffraid Glyn Ceiriog, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 9 and 10 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Eastern Counties Railway Company, praying the House to authorize the letting on lease to the Eastern Counties Railway Company of the Railways and Works of the Northern and Eastern Railway Company, and to give effect to certain arrangements entered into by the said Companies, and to amend and enlarge some of the provisions of the Acts relating to the first-named Company, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the borough of Liverpool, in the county of Lancaster, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House in respect to the application for the Liverpool Guardian Gas Bill have not been complied with; and praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read;
A Petition of Directors of and Shareholders in the Association or Partnership called The European Life Insurance and Annuity Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against the said Company, and for granting certain powers thereto, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the more undersigned Elected of the Borough of Devizes, in the county of Wilts, were and now are electors for the said borough, and had and claim to have a right to vote at any Election of Members to serve in Parliament for the said borough; that the said Election was held on the sixth day of February instant, and a poll being demanded, was taken on the seventh day of the same month, when William Heald Ludlow Bruges and Christopher Temple, Esquires, were Candidates to represent the said borough; and at the conclusion of the said poll, the Mayor and Returning Officer of the said borough returned the said William Heald Ludlow Bruges as duly elected to serve as a Member for the said borough, in this present Parliament; that at the time when the said William Heald Ludlow Bruges was nominated and proposed as such Candidate as aforesaid, he the said William Heald Ludlow Bruges was disqualified from being elected a Member for the said Borough of Devizes, and was not eligible to serve as a Member of the House of Commons for the said borough, inasmuch as the said William Heald Ludlow Bruges at the time of the tests and issuing out of the Writ commanding the said Election, and at the time he so nominated and proposed as such Candidate as aforesaid, had and held, and then was in possession of the office of Recorder of the said Borough of Devizes; that the said William Heald Ludlow Bruges being so disqualified, all votes recorded on his behalf were utterly worthless and of no effect, and were totally null and void, and that the said Christopher Temple was and ought to have been returned as legally elected Member to serve as Member in Parliament for the said borough of Devizes at the said Election; and praying, that the Return of the said William Heald Ludlow Bruges as a Member to serve in Parliament for the Borough of Devizes may be declared null and void, and that it may be proved that the said Christopher Temple was duly elected, and ought to have been returned, to serve in Parliament at the said Election, and that the Return may be amended by substituting the name of the said Christopher Temple in the place and stead of the said William Heald Ludlow Bruges, and that the House will give such further relief in the premises as shall seem meet.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant for the persons, papers, and records as shall be thought necessary by the several parties on the hearing of the matter of the said Petition.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the several places, and Owners and Occupiers of property on the line, or in the neighbourhood of the Railway hereinafter mentioned, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from Harwich, in the county of Essex, to join the Eastern Counties Railway, at Colchester, in the said county, and for constructing a Pier or Jetty in the harbour at Harwich, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

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Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for facilitating Appeals to the Court of Arches: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 13th day of March next; and to be printed.

Mr. Elphinstone presented a Bill for extending the Jurisdiction of the Consistory Court of the Bishop of London, in Suits relating to Marriage and Divorce: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming State of Ireland, the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed upon the 13th day of this instant February, That this House do resolve itself into a Committee to take into consideration the State of Ireland; And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 23° die Februarii, 1844:

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till this day.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Shoo, which was presented upon Monday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Newspaper paper Stamps, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Grain, Meal and Flour, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Newspapers, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Judges Court of Session of the Court of Session in Scotland, which was presented yesterday, 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, 23° die Februarii;

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PRAYERS.

Mr. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Poor Rates Commissioners, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order,—A Return showing the Total Value of Property assessed to the Poor Rates, for the year ended Lady Day 1841, with the Amount of Money levied for Poor Rates, for the years ended Lady Day 1839 to 1842, on each Parish in England and Wales:—And then he withdrew.

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

A Petition of the Company of Undertakers of the Grand Canal Grand Canal in Ireland, for leave to bring in a Bill (Ireland) for vesting the Branch Canals connecting the Grand Canal with the towns of Ballinasloe, Middlesex and Surrey; and also certain lands in a fen called Reed Bridge, and also certain lands and fields, commons, meadows, pastures, fens and other commonable lands and waste lands and fields, commons, meadows, pastures, fens and other commonable lands and waste lands and grounds within the hamlet of Thetford, in the parish of Stretham, in the Isle of Ely, and county of Cambridge, and also certain lands in a fen called Reed Fen, and divers inclosed lands and homesteads, for leave to bring in a Bill for dividing, allotting and inclosing Lands, in the said hamlet, and for draining and embanking certain parts of the said Lands,
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Lands, and other Lands in the said hamlet, and in the said fields in the said Isle and county, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That Sub-Committee (No. 3) of the Petition for Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, have leave to sit this day till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of lands and houses, and Persons resident in Harrogate, Knaresborough, and other places in the neighbourhood of the proposed Harrogate and Knaresborough Railway, in the West Riding of the county of York, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the York and North Midland Railway, at Bolton Percy, to the township and parish of Knaresborough, all in the West Riding of the county of York, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Directors of the Mariners and Merchants and General Life Assurance Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for regulating Legal Proceedings or compensation against the said Company, and for granting certain powers thereto, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Coventry of the city of Coventry, for leave to bring in a Bill for extinguishing Rights of Common and Pasturage upon and over certain Lands and Michaelmas Lands in the parishes of Saint Michael, The Holy Trinity and Saint John the Baptist, in the city of Coventry, and county of Warwick, and in the parishes of Foleshill, Exhall, Sowe, Stoke and Whfen, in the county of Warwick, and granting Compensation in lieu thereof, and for fencing and improving certain Commons or Waste Lands called Whitley Common, newborn Common and Gosford Green, within the same parishes, or some of them, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Aglionby reported from the Select Committee Seventeenth and Eighteenth on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of gatission Bill, the Petition for the Severn Navigation Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter and extend the Provisions of an Act for improving the Navigation of the River Severn: And that Mr. Pakington and Sir Thomas Wilde do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Aglionby reported from the Select Committee Edinburgh Petitions on Private Bills; That in the case of Cattle Market Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend an Act passed in the third year of the reign of Her present Majesty, for abolishing certain Petty Duties, and for granting other Duties in lieu thereof: And that Mr. Lougher, Mr. Octavius Duncombe and Sir Frederick Trench do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Aglionby reported from the Select Committee York and Edinburgh Petitions on Private Bills; That in the case of Starborough Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for enabling the York and North Midland Railway Company to make a Railway from York to Scarborouigh, with a Branch to Pickering: And that Mr. Lougher, Mr. Octavius Duncombe and Sir Frederick Trench do prepare, and bring it in.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Coventry of the city of Coventry, for leave to bring in a Bill for better supplying with Water the parishes of Saint Michael, The Holy Trinity and Saint John the Baptist, in the said city, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Coventry of the city of Coventry, for leave to bring in a Bill for enabling the said Mayor, Aldermen and Burgess...
A Petition of the South Eastern Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the said Company to make a Railway from the said South Eastern Railway near Ashford, to the city of Canterbury, and the towns of Ramsgate and Margate, and to join the Whitstable and Canterbury Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Directors and Shareholders of a certain Company called "The Cwm Celyn and Blaina Iron Company," for leave to bring in a Bill to enlarge the powers granted by an Act for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against the said Company, and for granting certain powers thereto, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Members of a Company called "The British Iron Company," for leave to bring in a Bill to facilitate the settlement of the affairs of the said Company, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

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A Petition of the South Eastern Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the sale of the Durham Junction Railway to the Newcastle and Darlington Junction Railway Company, and for enabling the said Company to make a station at Gateshead, with a Bridge and Approaches to connect the said last-mentioned Railway with the town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of property on or near the line of the intended Railway from the town of Blackburn to the North Union Railway, in the township of Farrington, near Preston, all in the county of Lancaster, and other Inhabitants of the said county, for leave to bring in a Bill for making the said Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Edward Deane Falkner, of Liverpool, for leave to bring in a Bill for the better Protection of Property in the Borough of Liverpool, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the town of Nottingham, for leave to bring in a Bill for extending the provisions of an Act for forming and connecting a Canal and other Works within and near certain Lands called the West Croft, in the Parish of Saint Mary, in the Town and County of the Town of Nottingham, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Manchester of the borough of Manchester, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Improvement of the town of Manchester, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

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A Petition of Persons interested in the formation Colebroke and a Railway in continuance of the Eastern Counties Railway, from Colchester, in the county of Essex, to the port of Harwich, in the said county, for leave to bring in a Bill for making the said Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

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A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Manchester, for leave to bring in a Bill to facilitate the settlement of the affairs of the said Company, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Newbury Newbury and Hungerford, and their neighbourhood, praying that the Newbury and Great Western Railway may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Most noble Henry Charles Grosvenor Duke of Norfolk, for leave to bring in a Bill for Market, establishing a Market in the town of Glossop, in the county of Derby, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of Liverpool, for leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend an Act of the sixth and seventh years of the reign of Her present Majesty, for the better Protection of Property in the Borough of Liverpool, and for other purposes, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses, and Subscribers to proposed extensions of the said Railway, for leave to bring in a Bill to extend the Line of the said Railway, to enable the Company
Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to alter and amend the Acts relating to the said Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of a Quorum of the Magistrates and Town Council of the town orburgh of Ayr, for leave to bring in a Bill for improving and maintaining the Bridge of Ayr, commonly called the New Bridge, leading across the River Ayr, at the royal burgh or town of Ayr, or for taking down the same, and re-building a new Bridge in lieu thereof, and for other purposes in relation thereto, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Paisley Gas.

A Petition of Shareholders of the Joint Stock Company or Partnership, called "The Paisley General Gas Light Company," for leave to bring in a Bill for the better supplying and lighting with Gas or other illuminating power the town and suburbs of Paisley, and certain neighbouring towns or villages and places adjacent, and for other purposes relating thereto, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Swansea Gas.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Swansea, for leave to bring in a Bill for paving, lighting, cleansing, watering, regulating and otherwise improving the said Town and Borough, and for removing and preventing Nuisances and Annoyances therein, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Taff Vale Railway.

A Petition of the Taff Vale Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the said Railway, to authorize the alteration of certain Works thereby authorized, and the formation and laying down of additional Works, and to enable the powers of the Company, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Glamorganshire Canal.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the Glamorganshire Canal Navigation, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the said Company to deepen, widen and make certain Improvements in the Canal, from Merthyr Tydfil to the town of Cardiff, and to alter and amend the Acts relating thereto, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Swansea Waterworks.

A Petition of the Swansea Waterworks Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the said Company to raise a further sum of Money, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the Manchester and Leeds Railway to the town of Ashton-under-Lyne and Staly Bridge, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Gravesend Railway.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of property on the line or in the neighbourhood of the proposed Railway commencing at or near the eastern side of Vot. 59, and a road leading from the London and Dover Road to the Thames and Medway Canal Basin, and terminating at or near the Terrace Pier Gardens, all in the parish of Milton-next-Gravesend in the county of Kent, for leave to bring in a Bill for making the said Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of property in the Borough or town of Ayr, or for taking down the same, Bridge, leading across the River Ayr, at the royal burgh or town of Ayr, or for taking down the same, and re-building a new Bridge in lieu thereof, and for other purposes in relation thereto, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.
The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the Salisbury Branch Railway Bill, which was yesterday made from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read ; and the same being read ;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make a Branch Railway from the London and South Western Railway, to Salisbury : And that Sir William Heathcote and Mr. Compton do prepare, and bring it in.

A Petition of Commissioners for executing the Acts for paving, repairing, cleansing, lighting and watching the Streets and other Public Passages in the Town of Southampton, for leave to bring in a Bill for paving, lighting, cleansing and otherwise improving the said Town, and for removing and preventing Nuisances and Annoyances therein, was presented, and read ; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of houses and lands, and inhabitants at and near to Hythe, in the parish of Fawley, in the county of Southampton, and Subscribers towards the undertaking, for making, and maintaining a landing-place or hard at or near Hythe, in the parish of Fawley, and extra-parochial places adjoining thereto, in the county of Southampton, for leave to bring in a Bill for making the said Landing-place, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Owners of fen lands and low grounds situate in the parishes of Lakenheath and Brandon, in the county of Suffolk, for leave to bring in a Bill for amending and rendering more effectual an Act for draining and preserving the said Fen Lands and Low Grounds, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and Directors of the Company or Society called the Reversionary Interest Society, for leave to bring in a Bill for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against the said Society, and for enabling the Society to increase its capital, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the several Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill to establish a general Cemetery in the parish of Willesden, in the county of Middlesex, for leave to bring in a Bill for establishing the said Cemetery, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Eastern Counties Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the said Company to make a Railway from the Northern and Eastern Railway, at Newport, by Cambridge, to Ely, and from thence eastward to Brandon and westward to Peterborough, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Persons engaged in the promotion of a Railway from the River Dee, in the parish of Stait Srait Mary-on-the-Hill, and terminating at or near the town of Wrexham, in the county of Denbigh, with a Branch Railway from Wrexham aforesaid to certain mineral fields in the township of Brymbo, in the county of Denbigh, for leave to bring in a Bill for making the said Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Directors of the Company for establishing a general Cemetery in the parish of Willesden, in the county of Middlesex, for leave to bring in a Bill for establishing the said Cemetery, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Edinburgh, Leith and Newhaven Steam Navigation Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to enable the said Company to make a Railway from the Northern and Eastern Railway, at Newport, by Cambridge, to Chichester, and thence to Petersfield, and from thence to London, was referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Owners of property in or near the Line of the intended Railway from Gravesend to Rochester and Chatham, in the county of Kent, and other Inhabitants of that county, for leave to bring in a Bill for making the said Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

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Bill had not been complied with; and praying that he may be heard, by himself, his agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Petty Session.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the city and borough of Canterbury, praying the House to adopt measures for forthwith carrying into complete operation the plan of Mr. Rowland Hill, for Post-office Improvement, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions (Third Report).

Mr. Thorneycroft 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 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.

Redress of Grievances.

Petitions from Whitechurch (Kent) — Tunstall; Crediton; Oldham; Preston; and, Liverpool; praying the House to refrain from voting the Supplies until the Grievances of the people are investigated and redressed, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Saint Asaph and Bangor.

A Petition of the Minister, Freetholders and other Inhabitants of Minera township, and its district, in the parish of Wrexham, and county of Denbigh, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Seas of Saint Asaph and Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Military Establishments.

Petitions from Lancaster.—Chairman of the Committee of the Southampton Auxiliary Peace Society; — Hubbardfield; and, Swansea; praying that no conferences may be entered into with the Military Establishments of the empire, and that the House will adopt measures for removing the temptation to war, which such Establishments present, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Masters and servant Bills. No. 65.

Mr. William Miles presented a Bill for enlarging the Powers of Justices in determining Complainants between Masters, Servants and Artificers, and for the more effectual Recovery of Wages before Justices: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of March next; and to be printed.

New Zealand.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, Councillors and other Inhabitants of the borough of Wellington, in New Zealand, and the neighbourhood, praying that the House will be pleased to institute an inquiry into the unprotected state of the settlers in Cook's Straits, and to take steps for providing for their future protection, by the residence of an armed force among them, and also to provide for such an immediate settlement of the disputed claims to land as may enable the settlers to occupy that to which they may be entitled, and lastly, to provide means to ensure the equal administration of British law between the aborigines and the settlers, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Coal.

A Petition of Pitmen and Colliers employed at Rudloe Colliery, in North Humberdeth, praying for the repeal of the duty of two shillings per ton on Coals going abroad, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Corn Laws.

A Petition of Proprietors and Occupiers of land, and others interested in agriculture, residing in the neighbourhood and town of Wellington, in the county of Salop, praying the House to take into consideration the present extremely depressed state of the Agricultural interests of this kingdom, and also to regard with care and attention any measure that may be submitted to it, having in view an entire abolition or even a further reduction of the existing duties upon agricultural produce imported into this kingdom, as the Petitioners entertain a firm persuasion that the adoption of any such measures must inevitably be followed by the most serious consequences to everyone, if not total ruin, to the agricultural community of the kingdom at large, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Two Petitions of Archibald Graham, of No. 30, North British Great George-street, Westminster, Gentleman, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House in respect to the application for the North British Railway Bill had not been complied with; and praying that he may be heard, by himself, his agents and witnesses, against the same, were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Henry Wilkinson, of Endcliffe Hall, near Sheffield, in the county of York, Silver Plate, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House in respect to the application for the Manchester, Leeds and Hall Railway Company's Bill had not been complied with; and praying that he may be heard, by himself, his agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Churches erected by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners of Ireland, under the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 87; specifying whether same were Parochial or Chapels of Ease; the Diocese and Parish where situate, the Number of Sittings which they comprise, and whether free or appropriated, the Expenses of Erection, and the Proportions and Amounts thereof contributed by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and by Voluntary Subscription;—A similar Return of all Churches rebuilt or enlarged by the Commissioners;—Returns of all Applications made to the Commissioners with regard to the Erection, Rebuilding or Enlargement of Churches, with their Decision thereon; specifying the Diocese and Parish where situate, the Number of Sittings which they comprise, and whether free or appropriated, the Expenses of Erection, and the Proportions and Amounts thereof contributed by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and by Voluntary Subscription;—A Return of all Churches erected by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and by Voluntary Subscription;—A Return of all Churches erected by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and by Voluntary Subscription.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Churches which have been erected in Ireland since 1800; specifying the Date of Erection, whether Parochial, Chapels of Ease or Chapels of Parochial or Chapels of Ease, the accommodation heretofore afforded by them, and whether any new Churches have been erected in their stead; and the Application of the Proceeds (if any) of the Materials of the same.

Ordered, That the Copy of the Correspondence between the Ecclesiastical Commissioners of Ireland and the Dean and Chapter of Dublin, in reference to the pulling down of the Church of Saint Nicholas Within, in that City, which was presented upon the 31st day of July, in the last Session of Parliament, be printed.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Gross Receipts of Customs Duty collected at each of the under-mentioned Ports, during the Five years ending the 5th day of January 1844.—Newcastle, Berwick, Leith, Dundee, Montrose, Aberdeen, Glasgow, Greenock and Port Glasgow.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Statement of the Tonnage of Shipping which arrived at the under-mentioned Ports from Foreign Places, during the Five years ending the 9th day of January 1844.—Newcastle, Berwick, Leith, Dundee, Montrose, Aberdeen, Glasgow, Greenock and Port Glasgow.

The Poor Law Amendment Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday the 11th day of March next.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Home be discharged from any further attendance on the Select Committee on Gaming. 

Ordered, That Mr. Martin Blake be added to the Committee.

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.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed upon the 10th day of this instant February, That this House do resolve itself into a Committee to take into consideration the state of Ireland; And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate. And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Saturday morning; 

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And the Question being put; 

The House divided:—The Yeas to the new Lobby; The Noes to the old Lobby. Tellers for the Yeas, — Mr. Wynn, — Lord Marcus Hill: 225. Tellers for the Noes, — Sir Thomas Fremantle, — Mr. Henry Baring: 324. So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. George William Hope presented, pursuant to several Addresses to Her Majesty, dated the 8th and 19th days of this instant February,—Copies of any Instructions addressed to the Governors of Her Majesty’s Colonial Possessions requiring the transmission to England of Authentic Copies of the Depositions taken under any Warrants issued for the Apprehension and Surrender of Fugitive Criminals under the authority of the Act 6 and 7 Vic. c. 76, for giving effect to the 10th Article of the Treaty of Washington (between Her Majesty and the United States of America) — And, Copies or Extracts of any Despatches from the Governor of the Bahamas, relative to the Surrender of Fugitive Criminals, under the authority of the Act 6 and 7 Vic. c. 76, for giving effect to the 10th Article of the Treaty of Washington between Her Majesty and the United States of America. 

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

A Petition of the Right honourable William Baron Lothlor and Subscribers to the undertaking for making a Railway commencing at the town and part of Whitehaven, in the several townships of Whitehaven and Preston Quarter, within the borough of Whitehaven, within the parish of Saint Bees, in the county of Cumberland, to or near Maryport, in the said county, there to join the Maryport and Carlisle Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill for making the said Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the London and South Western Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the said Railway, and to authorize an extension of the said Railway, and other Works, at or near the Nine Elms Station, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Members whose names are thereunto subscribed, for leave in a Bill for making and Hastings Railway to Leven and Hastings, with a Branch therefrom, all in the county of Sussex, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, for leave in a Bill for making a Railway from the London and Brighton Railway to Leven and Hastings, was presented, and read, and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from Chester to Holyhead, for leave to authorize an extension of the said Railway, and to bring in a Bill for granting certain powers to the said Company, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Persons engaged in the promotion of a Railway from Chester to Holyhead, for leave to bring in a Bill for making the said Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the London and South Western Railway Company, the Ballochney Railway Company, and the Wishaw and Coltness Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to alter, amend, enlarge and in part repeal the Acts relating to the said Railways respectively, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Monkland and Kirkintilloch Railway Company, the Ballochney Railway Company, the Ballochney Railway Company, and the Wishaw and Coltness Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to alter, amend, enlarge and in part repeal the Acts relating to the said Railways respectively, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Right honourable William Baron Lothlor and Subscribers to the undertaking for making a Railway commencing at the town and part of Whitehaven, in the several townships of Whitehaven and Preston Quarter, within the borough of Whi

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

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to the Loan Societies, directions of an Act of Parliament, An Abstract of Accounts of Loan Societies in England and Wales, to the 31st December 1843.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Luna, 26° die Februarii;
Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.
Mr. Montagu, the Accountant in Bankruptcy, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, —A Statement of the Amount transferred and paid out as Dividends:—Of the Amount paid by Orders of Court, and of the Judges, from 31st December 1842 to 1st January 1844; also, showing the unappropriated Balance existing on the following Accounts, and standing to the credit of Baptist Montagu, Esquire, Accountant in Bankruptcy, on the 1st January 1844; viz. 1st, the Bankruptcy Fund Account; 2d, the Interest arising from the Bankruptcy Fund Account; 3d, the Unclaimed Dividend Account; 4th, the Secretary of Bankrupts' Account: 5th, the Secretary of Bankrupts' Compensation Account; together with Appendixes to the two last named Accounts, of the Payments made, to whom, and whether as Salaries, Compensation or other Allowances.

A Return of Fees by the Chief Registrar of the Court of Bankruptcy, made up to the 31st day of December last.

An Alphabetical List of the present Official Assignees of the Court of Bankruptcy in London, with their Directions:—And then he withdrew.

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

Londonderry
County Wir.

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 Londonderry, in the room of Robert Bateson, Esquire, deceased.

Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bradford Branch) Bill.

The Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bradford Branch) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Huddersfield
Branch Rail-
way Bill.

The Huddersfield Branch Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

 Rochdale
Gas Bill.

The Rochdale Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Brundis Burton
Inclosure Bill.

The Brundis Burton Inclosure Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Edinburgh Poor
Assessment Bill.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Edinburgh Poor Assessment Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with. Vol. 99.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for providing for the liquidation of the Debt owing by the Charity Workhouse of the city of Edinburgh; for regulating the Assessment for Relief of the Poor of the said city, and for other purposes relating thereto; And that Mr. Macmillan and Mr. Gibson Craig do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote presented a Bill to make a Railway from the London and South Western Railway to Selby: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. L Gretter presented a Bill for enabling the York and North Midland Railway Company to make a Railway from York to Scarborough, with a Branch to Pickering: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

The Leeds and Selby Railway Purchase Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Sang's Naturalization Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the said Committee, that the Committee on the Bill have leave to sit, and proceed, upon Wednesday next, and report on the day of their sitting.

Mr. Aguiny reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, to whom the Petition of Robert Fuller Graham, complaining of non-compliance with the Standing Orders, in the case of the Petition for the Newbury, Basingstoke, London and Southampton Railway, was referred; That the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as the Books of Reference deposited with the Clerks of the Peace and in the Private Bill Office are inaccurate in the following particulars, viz. 1, William Wellock is inserted as occupier of field No. 5, in the parish of Basing, instead of George Barton, the real occupier; 2, George Barton is inserted as occupier of fields No. 6 in said parish, and in the tithing of Chinkham, instead of William Curtis and Richard Curtis; and due application has not been made to these parties in respect of such their occupancy; but it appeared that they are consenting parties, and when applied to during the formation of the Books of Reference, they stated the fields in question to belong to and to be in the occupation of the parties whose names are in the Books of Reference; 3, Lovelace Bigg Wither is inserted as occupier of field No. 16, in the parish of Westton Saint Lawrence, instead of George Watts; 4, William Parrott is inserted as lessee and occupier of field No. 70, in the parish of Basinghurst, instead of John Barlow Shaw is inserted as occupier of field No. 4, in the tithing of Crookham, instead of John Penford; and due application has not been made to the said George Watts and James May, in respect of such their interest; but it appeared that they as well as the said John Penford are consenting parties; 6, Robert Munday is inserted as occupier of field No. 21, in the parish of Kingsclere, instead of Ebenezer Parsons; 7, John Parrott is inserted as lessee and occupier of field No. 41, in said parish of Kingsclere, instead of John Penford, the occupier; 8, William Hobbs is inserted as lessee and occupier of field No. 63, in said parish of Kingsclere, instead of John Penford the occupier; but it appeared that these parties are consenting, and that the two former mistakes arose in copying; 9, The Dean and Chapter of Winchester are inserted as owners of fields Nos. 32, 59, 60.
Mr. Aglionby reported from the Select Committee Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne, and Manchester Railway Bill, that the Petition of Joseph James Hegan, complaining of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in connection with the Petition for the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Bill, was referred; That the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as two small portions of fields within the limits of deviation of the Branch Railway to Hurst Tunnel Colliery, near Nos. 192 and 199, on the Plan are not numbered or referred to in the Book of Reference, but it appeared to the Committee that the said fields belonging to owners who are consenting parties, and the Promoters stated that it is not their intention to take them; and inasmuch as in the Section of the said Branch Railway deposited in the Private Bill Office, the surface of the ground between a fence forming the south boundary of a field in Ashton Town division, No. 130 on the Plan, and the termination of the said Railway at the colliery is laid down at too high an elevation, to the extent of 9 feet 3 inches, with reference to the datum line, in consequence whereof the height of the said Railway over or under the surface of two turnpike-roads, and two public carriage-roads crossed by the Railway within that space, is to that extent incorrectly marked on the Section; and whereas it is stated on the Plans, the levels of the same will be altered, but the Promoters stated that it was not their intention to alter the levels of such roads.

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

A Petition of William Ainsworth, one of the owners, Ribble Navigation Seers of the borough of Preston, in the county of Preston, for the possession of a part of the River Ribble Navigation Bill, Lancaster, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Ribble Navigation Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

The Manchester and Leeds and Heywood Branch Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Manchester and Leeds (Bury Branch) Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of Mary Thomson and Reverend Henry Young, which do not occur in the Books of Reference as lessees of any property therein described; but it appeared that Joseph Kent and the Reverend H. Young are neutral, and that the rest assent, except John Platt, who dissents, and who was originally inserted in the Book of Reference as Samuel Platt; and inasmuch as although the line of Railway is laid down through the parish of Brumpton, yet such parish is not mentioned on the Plans, or in the Books of Reference deposited in the Private Bill Office, or with the Clerks of the Peace, but fields numbered 1, 2 and 4, as in the tithing of Crookham, and parish of Thatcham, are in point of fact in the parish of Brumpton; it appeared that the proprietor and occupier were correctly inserted in the Plan and Book of Reference deposited with the parish Clerk of Brumpton, which parish was inserted in the Notices, and that all parties interested in the property in question consent.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.
A Petition of Friends of Peace, Inhabitants of the Military borough of Truro, and its neighbourhood, praying that no increase whatever may be made in the existing Military Establishments of the empire, and that the Union may remove the temptations to war which such establishments may have presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Committee appointed by the Inhabitants of Saltcoats, and its neighbourhood, for the erection of a Harbour of Refuge, at the public meeting, praying the House to take into consideration the peculiar fitness of the locality within the Brough Rocks, in The Downs, for the erection of a Harbour of Refuge, and apply such measures as may seem best to complete this great national object, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Edinburgh;—Feltburgh,—Chairman of the Committee of Selection.

Petitions from Huddersfield;—James Fielder Window Tax.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Birmingham Canal Navigations Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Mr. Robert Scott presented a Bill to alter and extend the Provisions of an Act for improving the navigation of the River Severn: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

The Great Western Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Borough of Truro, and its neighbourhood, have presented and read a second time; and committed.
Bankruptcy, Paper.

Great Western Railway Bill.

A Petition of George Reed, of Blackbeath Park, in the county of Kent, Esquire, and David Rae Newall, of Cheltenham, in the county of Gloucester, Esquire, late a Captain in the Maritime Service of the Honourable East India Company, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Great Western Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners, by themselves, or their counsel, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Samuel Gordon.

Two Petitions of Samuel Gordon, Esquire, of Aungier-street, Dublin, alleging certain injuries perpetrated upon him by one of the officers of the Irish Government; and praying the House to take his case into consideration, and grant him redress, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Universities (Scotland).

A Petition of Magistrates and Town Council of the royal burgh of Dundee, praying for the repeal of so much of the Scots Statutes, as imposes religious tests upon professors, teachers of youth and others, as a qualification for their holding offices in the Universities and public schools of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The following Papers, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament, having been transmitted to the Clerk, were laid upon the Table; viz.

Receipts and Payments upon every Estate under Bankruptcy, showing the Total Amounts of their Bankruptcy, and of every such Estate in the Bank of Scotland.

Returns of Official Assignees of the Court of Chancery, for Gaming Discontinuance Bill; and the Amendments were read, as follow:

Ordered, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Mr. Sidney Herbert presented, pursuant to Order, a Return, in detail, of the Expenditure under the Head No. 3., Admiralty Offices, showing the Expenditure of the Sum of £7,735, 8s. 3d. in excess of the Sums voted for the year ended the 31st day of March 1843, and of every such Estate in the Bank of England on the said 31st day of December; and also, the Balances of every such Estate then in their hands, or under their control or power; and lastly, the several Sums allowed to them for Remuneration and Petty Expenses, from the said 1st January to the 31st December 1843.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take Actions for Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Greene also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

Neureby, Banngroo, London and Southampton Railway.

A Petition of Gentry, Bankers, Merchants and other Inhabitants of the town of Southampton, taking notice of the application for leave to briog in the Newbury, Basingstoke, London and Southampton Railway Bill; and praying that such Bill may pass into law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Offices in the Colonies.

Captain Bolders presented, pursuant to an Address to his late Majesty, dated the 19th day of June 1832,—A Return of the creation of any new Office in the Colonies by the Ordnance Department, in the year 1843, the Salary of which exceeds £200 per annum.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Cont-supply; the Estimates, the Army Estimates for the year 1844–45, were referred to the Committee.

Ordered, That the Navy Estimates for the year 1844–45, be referred to the Committee.

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 consideration of the Estimates for the several branches of the Public Service be postponed till after the Easter Recess," 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 old Lobby; The Noes to the new Lobby.

 Tellers for the Sir Thomas Fremantle, Yeas. 103.

 Tellers for the Mr. Sharnan Crawford, Noes. 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.)

1. Resolved, That Thirty-six thousand Men be Seamen, employed for the Sea Service, for thirteen lunar Months, from the 1st day of March 1845, including Ten thousand five hundred Royal Marines and Two thousand Boys.

2. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One mil-Wages to £

And the House continuing to sit till after twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning; Martis, 27° die Februarii, 1844:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Greeae 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.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take Actions for for further consideration the Report on the Actions Gaming Discontinuance Bill; and the Amend-ments were read, as follow:—

Pr. 5. l. 28. Leave out from "third" to "and" in l. 25.

Pr. 5. l. 28. Leave out from "persons" to "have" in l. 57.

Pr. 6. l. 18. Leave out "vexatious.

Pr. 6. l. 16. Leave out "discontinued" and insert "stayed and suspended for a limited time.

Pr. 7. l. 12. After "thwart" in the interlineation insert "such playing or betting being alleged to have taken place previously to the first day of June One thousand eight hundred and forty-four.

Pr. 7. l. 23. Leave out from "that" to the end of the interlineation in l. 27, and insert "proceedings shall
A Petition of Land-owners on the line of the Middlesex and Surrey Grand Junction Railway, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

No. 63.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Poor Rates, Poor Rates, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

No. 64.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Loan Societies, Loan Societies, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before one of the clock, was adjourned till this day.

Martiis, 27<sup>st</sup> die Februarii ;

Anno 7<sup>th</sup> Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

M. R. Scott, from the Office of the Chamberlain of the City of London, was called in, and Coal Market, at the bar presented, pursuant to Order,—A Return of the Sums of Money received and paid, and how applied, in the year to and including the 31st day of December 1843, by the Chamberlain of the City of London, in relation to the Market established for the Sale of Coals, &c., pursuant to the Act 1 and 2 Will. 4, c. 76, for regulating the Vend and Delivery of Coals within the Cities of London and Westminster, and in certain parts of the Counties of Middlesex, Surrey, Kent and Essex, and also the Act 1 and 2 Vic. c. 101, for continuing for Seven years the aforementioned. Also, the Sums of Money when invested, and the Sum invested under the authority of the said Acts; stating the Securities in which the same are invested, and the Rates of Interest paid upon each, and the Balance in hand on the 31st day of December 1843:

And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Lau, from the Treasury, was called in; and Legacy Duty, at the bar presented, pursuant to Orders,—Returns &c. to an Order, dated the 12th day of this instant February, for a Return showing the Amount of Capital on which the several Rates of Legacy Duty have been paid in Great Britain in the year ending the 5th day of January 1844:—An Abstract of the Total Amount of each Rate, since 1797:—An Account, showing the Total Amount of Duties on Legacies, Probates and Administrations received in Ireland, in the year ending the 5th day of January 1844:—Returns, for the year ending the 5th day of January 1844, for Stamp Duty on Legacies (distinguishing those on direct and on revocatory Bequests, if possible), on Probates, Administrations and Testamentary Inventions; distinguishing the Amount from England and Wales, Scotland and Ireland; with an Abstract of the whole Amount of Duty received since 1797:—And, of the Amount of Total Duty received in the United King-
be called the South Devon Railway; and that Mr. Gill, Lord Seymour and Lord Courtenay do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Liverpool Guardian Gas Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize an extension of the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway, and to amend and enlarge the provisions of the Acts relating to such Railway: And that Mr. Wilson Patten and Mr. Austin do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Manchester and Birmingham Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Manchester and Birmingham Railway Company to vary the Line of their Branch Railway to Macclesfield, and to make another Branch therefrom, and for amending the former Acts relating to the said Company: And that Mr. Totton Egerton and Mr. Beale Whibram do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Bolton and Preston Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to effectuate the Sale by the Bolton and Preston Railway Company of their Railway, and other Property and Effects to the North Union Railway Company, to incorporate with such last-mentioned Company the Proprietors of the Bolton and Preston Railway, and to consolidate Shares into Stock: And that Mr. Wilson Patten and Mr. Austinworth do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Bolton and Preston Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Powers and Provisions of an Act of the first year of King William the Fourth, for making the River Wyre navigable for Roads and other Sea-borne Vessels from Roaehall Fleet to the mouth of Os Benton, and for making and maintaining a navigable Cut from the said River into the said Dyke: And that Lord Howick and Lord Rendelham do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for Preston and Wyre Dock Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the several Acts relating to the Preston and Wyre Railway, Harbour and Dock Company: And that Mr. Wilson Patten and Sir George Strickland do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, to whom the Petition for the Preston and Wyre Dock, &c., Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize the several Acts relating to such Railway: And that Mr. Wilson Patten and Sir George Strickland do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, to whom the Petition for the Liverpool Guardian Gas Bill was referred: That in the case of the Petition for the said Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as Notices were affixed upon the outer doors of the several parish churches and chapels twice only within the time limited by the Standing Orders, namely,
Petitions from

Saint Asaph and Bangor

Corn Laws.

Petitions from

Saint Asaph and Bangor

Redress of Grievances.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants of Newport, Monmouthshire, praying the House to refrain from voting the Supplies until the Grievances of the People have been investigated and redressed, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions (Fourth Report.)

Mr. Thornton reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions: That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 22d and 23d 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.

York and Scarborough Railway Bill.

A Petition of Merchants, Tradesmen and other Inhabitants of Malton, praying that the York and Scarborough Railway Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Railways.

A Petition of the Bounding Junction Railway Company, praying the House to repeal the duty upon all Railway fares not exceeding one penny per mile, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Edinburgh Poor Assessment Bill.

Mr. Gibson Craig presented a Bill for providing for the Liquidation of the Debt owing by the Charity Workhouse of the City of Edinburgh, for regulating the Assessment for Relief of the Poor of the said Vol. 90.

City, and for other Purposes relating thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect Leeds and of the Petition for the Leeds and Bradford Rail-Bradford Railway Bill, which was this day made from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from Leeds to Bradford, with a Branch to the North Midland Railway; And that Mr. Stuart Wortley, Mr. Beckett and Mr. Hardy do prepare, and bring it in.

A Petition of Residents in the town of Rochdale, Tobacco, praying for reduction of the duty on Tobacco, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman and Directors of the South Australian (Land) Company, praying that the Ian Corn, trade in Corn between the United Kingdom and South America may be made subject to the laws which regulate the trade between the United Kingdom and Canada, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Rated Inhabitants of the township of Belford, in the county of Northumberland, complaining that casual Poor constantly passing to and from Scotland, are daily applying for relief from the relieving officer of the Belford Poor Law Union, and that the cost of their maintenance is debited to the township of Belford alone; and praying the House to insert a clause in the Poor Law Amendment Bill, to render such relief chargeable upon the common fund of the union, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Medical Practitioners residing in Medical Paisley, praying the House to pass a Bill for the Profession, abolition of the Apothecaries Act of 1815, or so to modify it as to allow Medical Practitioners holding Scotch Licenses to practise their Profession in England as freely and legally as in Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Roman Catholics of Paisley, and State Trial neighbourhood, complaining of the recent proceed-Greatings on the State Trial in Ireland, in regard to the rejection and omission of names from the special jury panel; and praying the House to adopt measures for preventing the recurrence thereof, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir Henry Hardinge presented,—An Account, Army Force showing the Amount of Money issued for the Pay (27th) of the Effective Army Force in Ireland, distinguishing the Expenses for each Year, from 1828 up to the present Estimate, inclusive.

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

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to the Prisons directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of all Reports and of all Schedules transmitted to the Secretary of State respecting Prisons.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to Orders, an Order.—A Return of the Expenses incurred in the Fortification of Barracks and other Stations for Troops in Ireland, in the year 1843.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented,—Return to an County Address to Her Majesty, dated the 4th day of August, Treasurers.
in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Abstracts of the Accounts of the several County Treasurers in England and Wales, for the years ending Michaelmas 1841 and Michaelmas 1842.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 18th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns of the Number of Days, in the Twelve months ending the 1st day of July 1843, during which the Inspectors of Factories have been engaged in the discharge of their Duties; specifying in how many of those Days they have been engaged in visiting Mills—And, of the Number of Visits each Inspector has made to the Mills in his District; and the Number of Mills (subject to his jurisdiction) which he has not inspected, during the same period of Twelve months; specifying whether such Mills have been visited, and how often, by any Superintendent of Factories within the same period:—And, similar Returns for the years ending the 1st day of July 1842 and the 1st day of July 1841.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 24th day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return from each County of England and Wales, stating the Amount of Payments for Mileage made to Coroners out of the County Rate in the years 1840, 1841 and 1842; stating the Number of Coroners so paid in each County, the Number of Miles charged and paid for; and also, as nearly as can be ascertained, the Number of Miles actually travelled by each Coroner on holding his Inquests; and also, whether, when two or more Inquests had been held on the same day, the full mileage was paid from the Residence of the Coroner to each Inquest, or only from Inquest to Inquest.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Quantities of Cheese imported into the several Ports of Great Britain, in each month of the year 1843; distinguishing the European, United States and Colonial Produce (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 379, of Session 1843).

Arms (Ireland)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Number of Persons in each County in Ireland who have registered more than Twenty Stand of Arms, mentioning the Name and Residence of every such Person.

Canada

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Charges incurred upon account of the Canadas, in respect of the Army, Navy, Ordnance and Commissariat, in each of the years 1835 to 1843, inclusive, and the Amounts granted by Parliament, from the year 1837 to the year 1843, inclusive, in consequence of the Insurrection in Canada.

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, Copies of the Address of the House of Assembly of the Province of Canada to the Governor General, respecting the Civil List, regulated by the Act for the Union of the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada; of the Message of the Governor General in reply to the said Address, and dated the 16th day of October 1843, together with the Memorandum alluded to in the said Reply, and presented to the House of Assembly by the command of the Governor General; and a Copy of the Address to Her Majesty the Queen, passed in the last Session of the Provincial Parliament by the House of Assembly, respecting the said Civil List—Copy of the Report presented by the Commissioners appointed, pursuant to an Address of the 27th day of September 1841, of the House of Assembly of the Province of Canada, to inquire relative to the Sessional Tenure existing in Lower Canada:—Also, Extracts of any Correspondence of the Governor General of Canada and the Colonial Office, respecting the repeal of the Act of the Imperial Parliament, intituled, "The Canada Tenures Act," since the year 1837:—And, Extracts of Correspondence relative to the effect of the British Copyright Act, and the policy of excluding from the Province American Reprints of British Publications.

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 the Address of the House of Assembly of the Province of Canada, to inquire relative to the Seigneurial Tenure existing in Lower Canada:—Also, Returns of the Initials of the Name, Age and Disease of every Convict who has been removed from the Pentonville Prison, from its opening for the reception of Prisoners until the present time, stating the Penal Institution or Hospital to which each Prisoner has been removed, any cases of Death which may have occurred subsequent to such Removal, with the present State of Health of each Convict so removed, as far as the same can be ascertained:—Of the Initials of the Name and Age of every Convict recommended, on medical grounds, for Her Majesty's Pardon by the Commissioners of Pentonville Prison:—Of the Initials of the Name, Age and Disease of every Convict who has died in the Pentonville Prison:—Of the Initials of the Name and Age of the Convicts, if any, who are now in Pentonville Prison, and who are treated as labouring under Hallucination, Delusion, Dementia, a marked tendency to Mental Disease:—And, of the Total Number of Prisoners who have been received into Pentonville Prison since its opening, and the Total Number of Prisoners now confined in that Prison.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account, showing the Total Quantities of Foreign and Colonial Grain and Flour, distinguishing each Sort, entered for Home Consumption, at each Rate of Duty, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 97, of Session 1843).

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received a Letter, signed "Lyon, Barnes and Ellis," from the Agents for the Petitioners against the Return of the Parliament for the City of Durham, stating that it was not intended to proceed with the Petition:—And the said Letter was read, as follows:

Sir, Spring Gardens, 27th February 1844.

As Agents for Thomas Bowes, William Henderson, John Henry Forster and Francis Hambly, we have the honour to give you Notice, that it is not the intention of the Petitioners to proceed with such Petition.

We have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servants,

Lyon, Barnes and Ellis.

To the Right Honourable
The Speaker of the House of Commons.

Ordered, That the Order made upon the 12th day of this instant February, for referring the Petition of Thomas Bowes, of Old Eleet, in or near the city of Durham, Gentleman, William Henderson, of the South Bailey, in the same city, Gentleman, John Henry Forster, of Old Eleet, aforesaid, Gentleman, and Francis Hambly, of Framwellgate, in the said city, Printer and Publisher, Elected by the City of Durham, claiming and having a right to vote for Members to serve in Parliament for the said city, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said City, to the General Committee of Elections, be discharged.

A Motion
Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, representing to Her Majesty, that the detention of Don Carlos, and his family in a town belonging to Her Majesty's ally, the King of the French, is opposed to justice and the honour of this country, and humbly praying Her Majesty to intercede with the Court of the Tuileries for their deliverance from:—It passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That an humble 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, Copies of all Accounts of Assignees in Bankruptcy audited by the Commissioners for the District Courts of Birmingham, Bristol and Exeter, since the 11th day of November 1842.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, A Motion was made, and the Question being put, the Bill was accordingly read the third time; and the Amendments following were made to the Bill; viz.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, and the Amendments following were made to the Bill, and the Bill be read a second time; and the Amendments following were made to the Bill; viz.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be reprinted, with the reading of the Bill from the Lords, and the Amendments following were made to the Bill; viz.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

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1. Resolved, That thirty-six thousand Men be em- ployed for the Sea Service, for thirteen lunar months, to the 31st day of March 1845, including Ten thousand five hundred Royal Marines and Two thousand Boys.

2. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One million four hundred and seventy-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Wages to Seamen and Marines, and to the Ordinary and Yard Craft, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1845.

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

Ordered, That this House will, upon Friday next, Ways and means for raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill Marine Mutiny for the Regulation of Her Majesty's Royal Marine Bill.

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, the King of the French, and humbly praying Her Majesty to intercede with the Court of the Tuileries for their deliverance therefrom:—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That three Members of this House be employed for the Sea Service, for thirteen lunar months, to the 31st day of March 1845, including Ten thousand five hundred Royal Marines and Two thousand Boys.

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to defray the Charge of Wages to Seamen and Marines, and to the Ordinary and Yard Craft, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1845.

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

Ordered, That this House will, upon Friday next, Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty.
The Order for reading a second time To-morrow, the Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of March next.

The Order for reading a second time To-morrow, the Small Debts Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 6th day of March next.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into the Committee of Supply To-morrow, was read; and discharged.

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

Adjournment.

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

River Weaver.

Ordered, That, there be laid before this House, an Account, showing the Amount due for Principal, Debt and Interest on the River Weaver, on the 5th day of April 1839 and the 5th day of April 1848 respectively; with an Account of the Annual Receipts and Expenditure in each year, commencing the 5th day of April 1833 and ending the 5th day of April 1843; distinguishing the Amount annually received for Tonnage, from other incidental Sources of Income, and from Money borrowed; also, distinguishing the Annual Expenditure for ordinary Maintenance and Repairs from the Expenditure on account of Improvements, or in Liquidation of Debt and Interest, the Purchase of Land and the Erection of Works thereon, and endowing the same, or other like incidental Expenses, and from the Amount annually paid over for the use of the County of Chester (in continuation and inclusive of Parliamentary Paper, No. 90, of Session 1839).

Bankruptcy.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all original Petitions or Petitions of Appeal in Bankruptcy set down and heard before the Lord Chancellor, or either of the Three Vice-Chancellors, previously to the First day of Michaelmas Term 1843, and now standing for Judgment; with the Names of such Petitions, and the Dates of the Hearings of such Petitions respectively.

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit, To-morrow, notwithstanding the adjournment of the House.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the Court of Chancery, which were presented upon the 2d, 10th and 13th days of this instant February, be printed.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to the Court of Chancery and Courts of Law, which were presented upon the 16th, 19th and 22d days of this instant February, be printed.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to the Court of Chancery, which were presented upon the 21st day of this instant February, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Admiralty, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till Thursday next.

Jovis, 29° die Februrii; Anno 7° Victorii Regina, 1844.

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Ordered, That the Select Committee on Standing Orders have leave to sit this day till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Petitions of William James, of Barrock Lodge, in Lancaster, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Mr. Scarlett presented a Bill for enabling the Northern Northern Coal Mining Company to raise Money for Coal Mining paying off existing Debts of the Company: And the same was the read first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Lord Worsley presented a Bill for providing for Wilsden, &c., the Repairs of the several Highways within the Seven Townships in the Wilsden and the East and West Pans, in the county of Lincoln: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Forbes Mackenzie reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, to whom the Petition of Alexander Turner Cory, complaining of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the Yarmouth and Norwich Railway Bill, was referred; That the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend and enlarge some of the provisions of a Act authorizing the construction of the Yarmouth and Norwich Railway, and to authorize the construction of certain new Works in connection therewith: And that Mr. Rumbold and Mr. Wilshere do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Forbes Mackenzie reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for the Guildford Junction Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the London and South Western Railway to Guildford, in the county of Surrey: And that Mr. Mangles, Mr. Haring Wall and Mr. Trotter do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Forbes Mackenzie reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, That in the case of the Petition for the Farness Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from Rampside and Barrow to Dalton, Kirkby Ireleth, in the county palatine of Lancaster, to be called the Farness Railway: And that Mr. Wilson Pattin, Mr. George Williams Hope and Mr. Charles Cavendish do prepare, and bring it in.

Lord Peel presented a Bill to amend the Railway Bills, Powers and Provisions of an Act of the first year of Victoria, for making the River Waveney navigable for Ships and other sea-borne Vessels from Rosliston Fleet to the Mouth of Oulton Dyke, and for making and maintaining a navigable Cut from the said River into the said Dyke: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of the President, Treasurers, Deputy-Master Treasurers, Benefactors and Subscribers of and to the Royal Infirmary the Manchester Royal Infirmary, Dispensary and &c., Lunatic
Lunatic Hospital or Asylum, for leave to present a Petition for leave to bring in a Bill for effecting the enlargement of the said Infirmary, and for enabling the Petitioners to purchase and hold Land for the erection of a Lunatic Asylum, within five miles of the present Infirmary and Lunatic Asylum, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Wilson Patten presented a Bill to amend the several Acts relating to the Preston and Wyre Railway, Harbour and Dock Company: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Sir Robert Harland, Baronet, of Ormeiel, in the county of Suffolk, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House in respect to the application for the Eastern Union Railway Bill had not been complied with; and praying that he may be heard, by himself, his agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on Sang's Naturalization Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene, by Order, presented a Bill for making a Railway from Exeter to Plymouth, to be called the South Devon Railway: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Greene presented a Bill for enabling the Manchester and Birmingham Railway Company to vary the Line of their Branch Railway to Macclesfield, and to make another Branch therefrom, and for amending the former Acts relating to the said Company; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Vestry Meeting of Parishioners of Saint Paul's, Deptford, in the county of Kent, complaining of the decay of the Chapel of Saint Paul's, Deptford, by which the inhabitants of that parish are hindered from the use of the said Chapel for Divine Worship, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Gibson Craig presented a Bill to authorize Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Company to incorporate with such last-mentioned Company the Proprietors of the Bolton and Preston Railway, and to consolidate Shares into Stock: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. M. Wilson presented a Bill to amend the several Acts relating to the Preston and Wyre Railway, Harbour and Dock Company: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Ainsworth presented a Bill to effectuate the Bolton and Preston Railway Company Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the said Companies; and to enable the Proprietors of the said Companies to make new Branches, and to amend and enlarge the Provisions of the Acts relating to such Railway: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Gibson Craig presented a Bill to authorize the Bolton and Preston Railway Company to incorporate with such last-mentioned Company the Proprietors of the Bolton and Preston Railway, and to consolidate Shares into Stock; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Clergy of the Rural Deanery of Saint Asaph, in the county of Anglesey and diocese of Bangor, praying for the establishment of a Bishopric, in the District of Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Minister, Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the parish of Abersychan, in the county of Glamorgan, praying that the Establishment of a Bishop, in the Diocese of Bangor, may be repealed; was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
A Petition of Commissions for lighting, cleansing, watching and regulating the town of Rochdale, in the county of Lancaster, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Rochdale Gas Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Game Laws.

A Petition of Noblemen, Gentlemen, Land-owners, Magistrates of towns, and others, residing in the counties of Roscommon, Antrim and Lanark, stating that the said Statute of 9 Geo. 4, c. 69, is not only insufficient to make provision for the offence of going on turnpike or other public roads at night armed with guns, bludgeons or other weapons, or having in their possession, nets or engines for the purpose of taking or killing Game thereon, and also to punish severely those, who having been once convicted of stealing Game at night, are again guilty of a similar offence, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Church Rates.

A Petition of William Kinnersley, a Householder in the parish of Saint Lawrence, in the borough of Cork, praying that the assessment of Church Rates, was presented, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Glasgow and its vicinity, stating that in the United States of America there are a great variety of periodicals published upon moral, religious and literary subjects, which might be interchanged with those of this country, with advantage to the interests of the public; and that the Civil List Grant to the British Museum should be increased, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill.

Mr. Beckett presented a Bill for making a Railway from Leeds to Bradford, with a Branch to the North Midland Railway: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Post-office.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Glascow, and its vicinity, stating that there is a great variety of periodicals published upon moral, religious and literary subjects, which might be interchanged with those of this country, with advantage to the interests of the public; and that the Civil List Grant to the British Museum should be increased, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Dublin Paving Board, &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Sums received by the Paving Board for the Paving and Lighting Tax of the City of Dublin, from the 1st day of January 1837 to the 31st day of December 1837:—Also, from the 1st day of January 1841 to the 31st day of March 1842; specifying the Sums received in each separate month, and when such Sums were due;—SimilarReturns of Police Tax paid during the same periods, from the Commissioners of Police;—SimilarReturns of Grand Jury and Wide Street Tax, for the same periods, from the Treasurer of the Grand Jury:—And, Returns of Pipe Water Rent paid for the same periods, from the Corporation of the City of Dublin; (in all these Returns the time of the Arrears to be separately specified, and the Amount paid in each separate month).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Poor Law Return of the Names, Addresses, Occupations of the several Auditors appointed under the Poor Law Amendment Act; together with the Dates of their respective Appointments.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, River Mersey. Copies of the Reports of the Acting Conservator of the River Mersey to the Commissioners for the Conservancy of the Mersey, under the Act 5 and 6 Vic. c. 110, in each of the years 1843 and 1844.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Cork, praying for an equally extensive measure of Municipal Reform for Ireland; as that obtained by England, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Cork, praying the House to pass a Boundary Bill for amending the Cork Borough Boundary Act, making it compulsory on the Grand Jury of the county of Cork to transfer the city prisoners to the county gaol, and to pay for each prisoner annually a larger sum than the previous, a license per head in said said, and thereby save the city of Cork the enormous gaol establishment now upheld for the custody of a few prisoners, and in the event that the said Grand Jury disagreeing in the terms of such arrangement, to have it finally adjudicated thereon by an arbitrator, to be appointed by the Lord Lieutenant or senior judge of assizes, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Parochial Schoolmasters of the Schoolmasters presbytery of Weem, praying the House to adopt (Scotland.) measures for ameliorating the condition of the Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of William Chisholme, John Charles Scarborough Hall and William Gibson, of 64, Lincoln's Inn Fields, Solicitors and COPartners, praying that leave may be given to an Officer of the House to attend the ensuing Assizes at Durham, on the trials of an action between the corporation of Scarborough and Thomas Barker, and to produce a Return to an Order of the House of the Revenues received by the Corporation of Scarborough from the Ports of Scarborough and Whitby, presented to the House on the 16th day of May 1843, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Petition be printed.

A Petition of Members of the Liverpool Guardian Liverpool Society for the protection of Trade, and other in New Gas and habitants being consumers of Gas in the town of Colour Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill Metropolitan for the better regulating the Buildings of the Metro. Buildings Bill, political Districts, and to provide for the Drainage thereon: And that the Earl of Lichfield, and Sir James Graham do prepare, and bring it in.

A Motion was made, and the Question was pros. Shipwrights. passed. That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that a Commission of scientific and competent persons may be appointed to consider and
and advise the best means of carrying into effect the recommendation of the Select Committee on Shipwrecks. And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire and report how far it may be practicable, expedient and useful to promote a more speedy intercourse between Great Britain and America, by the establishment of Steam Carriages (in connection with a Ship Canal also to be executed) across Ireland and the Atlantic Ocean. And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That it is the opinion of this House, upon considering the lateness of the period at which was issued the Proclamation of the Irish Government, intended to prevent the assembling of a Meeting announced to be held at or near Clontarf on the 8th day of October 1843, that a risk of disastrous collision was incurred, and a precedent thereby created dangerous to the lives and liberties of Her Majesty's subjects; the House divided: The Yeas to the new Lobby; The Noes to the old Lobby. Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Pusey and Mr. Aglionby; Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Henry Baring; So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to facilitate the Inclosure and Improvement of Commons and Lands held in Common; the Exchange of Lands, and the Division of intermixed Lands; to provide Remedies for the defective or incomplete Executions, and for the Non-execution of the Powers of General and Local Inclosure Acts, and to provide for the Revival of such powers, in certain cases: And that Lord Worsley, Mr. Pusey and Mr. Aglionby do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the law with respect to Prisons and Prison Discipline in Scotland, for 1843, with Appendix.

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

Ordered, 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 of the present Recorder of Devizes.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Exports to Brazil, which was presented upon Tuesday last, be printed.

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Ordered, That the Paper relative to Prisons, which
was presented upon Tuesday last, be printed.
Ordered, That an Abstract of the Accounts rela-
tive to County Treasurers, which were presented
upon Tuesday last, be printed.
Ordered, That the Returns relative to Facto-
ries Act, which were presented upon Tuesday
last, be printed.
Ordered, That an Abstract of the Return relative
to Coroners' Expenses, which was presented upon
Tuesday last, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Veneris, 1° die Martii ;
Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

THE following Return having been transmitted
to the Clerk, was laid upon the Table : viz.,
Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of February
last, for a Return of all the Officers in the Courts
of Common Pleas and Chancery of the County Pa-
latine of Lancaster, and in the Crown Office of
the County Palatine of Lancaster, with Names of
the Officers, and the Dates of their respective Appoin-
tments (and of the persons by whom appointed), dis-
tinguishing between those that are paid wholly or
in part by Fees, and those that are paid by Salary,
with the Amount of such Fees or Salary received
by each of such Officers, and stating which (if any)
of such Offices are Secured, or performed by De-
puty, with the Name of such Deputy or Deputyes,
with the Date and Particulars of their Appointment,
and the Salaries paid to such Deputy.—Also,
A Return of all Fees received in those Courts in the
years 1841, 1842 and 1843, and of the Appropriation
thereof, stating the Names of the several Persons
to whom such Fees are paid, either for Salary,
Compensation or otherwise, and the Title and Nature
of the Office or abolished Office, in respect of which
the same is paid ; Also, A Return of all Compen-
sations granted for the last Ten years before the
31st day of December 1843, to any Officer of the
Court of Chancery or Court of Common Pleas at
Lancaster, stating the Amount of such Compensation,
and the Names of the Persons to whom, and the
Office in respect of which, the same was granted,
and the Amount of Compensations paid in each of
those years :And, a similar Return from the Court
of Pleas, Court of Chancery and Crown Office of
the County Palatine of Durham, (so far as relates
to the Clerk of the County Palatine of Durham).

Mr. Thornely reported from the Select Committee
on Petitions for Private Bills, to whom two Peti-
tions complaining of non-compliance with the Standing
Orders in the case of the Petition for the North
British Railway Bill, were referred : That the
Standing Orders had been complied with.
Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill
for making a Railway from the city of Edinburgh
to the town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, with a Branch
to the town of Haddington : And that Mr. Mecow-
dley and Mr. Gibson Craig do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Thornely reported from the Select Committee
on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of
the Petition for the Shrewsbury Junction Railway
Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.
Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill
for making a Railway to connect the Edinburgh
and Glasgow and Shrewsbury Railways: And that
Mr. Dobson and Mr. Gibson Craig do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Wilson Patten presented a Bill for making a Furness
Railway from Bootle and Barrow to Dalton Links
and Manchester Railway Bill, which was yesterday
made from the Select Committee on Standing Or-
ders, might be read, and the same being read :
Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill
to enable the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester
Railway Company, to make Two Branch Railways, and to alter and enlarge the Powers of the
said Company: And that Lord Francis Egerton,
Mr. Booth Wilkinson and Mr. Wilson Patten do prepare, and bring it in.

Petitions of Henry Gregson, of Lancaster, Gen-
eral Lancaster
tlemen ;—Thomas Howman Higgin, of Lancaster, and Carlisle
Railway Bill.

John Higgion, of Lancaster;—Persons whose names
are thereunto subscribed, and, Company of Pro-
prietors of the Lancaster Canal Navigation; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel
or agents, against certain parts of the Lancaster
and Carlisle Railway Bill, —were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred
to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners
heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon
their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in fa-
vour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Sir William Hamblye presented a Bill for making a
Railway from the London and South Western
Railway to the Town of Newbury: And the same
was read the first time; and ordered to be read a Railway Bill
second time.

The Salisbury Branch Railway Bill was read a second time;
and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Com-
mitee of Selection.

Petitions from Whitby:—and York (two Peti-
tions;—praying that the York and Scarborough
Railway Bill may pass into a law,—were presented,
and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The York and Scarborough Railway Bill was read York and
Scarborough
Railway Bill
second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Com-
mitee of Selection.

The Severn Navigation Bill was read a second time;
and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Com-
mitee of Selection.

A Petition of John Bibby, of Liverpool, in the Birkenhead
county of Lancaster, Merchant, and James Jenkinson
Bibby, of the same place, Merchant, praying that
they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or
agents, against certain parts of the Birkenhead
Docks Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Commit-
te on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by
themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their
Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in fa-
vour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of land South-Eastern
through which the line of the South Eastern and
Hastings Railway will pass, complaining that the
Standing Orders of the House in respect to the
application for the South Eastern and Hastings
Railway Bill, had not been complied with, and
praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their
agents and witnesses, against the same, was pre-
sented,
Middle Level Drainage and Navigation.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of lands lying on each side of so much of Popham's Eau, in the parish of Upwell, in the county of Norfolk, as lies between the Thurne Bridges and Northfolk Carne, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that they may be allowed to adduce evidence before the Select Committee on Petitions in support of their allegations against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Robert Bennett, of Horton Hall, in the parish of Manchester, in the county of Lancaster, Gentleman, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Ashton, Stalybridge and Liverpool Junction Railway Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agents, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Mangles presented a Bill for making a Railway from the London and South Western Railway to Guildford, in the County of Surrey: And the bill was read a second time; and committed.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town of Guildford, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against the said Bill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Shaftesbury; — and, Ramsay, praying that the Salisbury Branch Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of George Rush, of No. 7, Birchin-lane, in the city of London, Gentleman; — and, John Bagshaw, of Harwich, in the county of Essex, Shipowner, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2.) Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against the same, were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Persons whose names are thereunto subscribed, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House in respect to the application for the Burnley Junction Railway Bill had not been complied with; and praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of William Hodgson, of No. 10, Coleman-street, in the city of London, Esquire, for leave to present a Petition for leave to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from Harrow, in the county of Middlesex, to Merthyr, in the county of Surrey, to be called The Middlesex and Surrey Grand Junction Railway, on the twenty-second day of this instant March, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing John Frederick Sang, was read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

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Ordered, That Mr. Harcourt do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of lands in Cropton and the several parishes, or some of them, through which it is proposed to construct the intended Croydon and Epsom Railway, taking notice of the application for leave to bring in the Croydon and Epsom Railway Bill; and praying that such Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Mayor and Burgesses of the Borough of Harrow, in the bishopric of Durham;—and, Pilots of the Harbour of Hartlepool, in the port of Stockton-upon-Tees, in the county of Durham; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against the Hartlepool West Harbour and Dock Bill, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Owners and Occupiers of lands and houses situated on or near to the proposed Sheffield and Chesterfield Junction Railway; — Gabriel Jowett, the Salisbury Branch Railway Bill; and praying that such Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Joshua Ingham, of Blaue Hall, in Manchester and the parish of Mirfield, in the county of York, Esquire, an Owner and Occupier of property on or near to the line of the proposed Bradford Branch of the Manchester and Leeds Railway, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bradford Branch) Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Ainsworth presented a Bill to amend and enlarge some of the Provisions of the Act authorizing the construction of the Yarmouth and Norwich Railway, and to authorize the construction of certain New Works in connexion therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Mr. Thorneby reported from the Select Committee Public Petitions on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 26th and 27th days of February last; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to this House.

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

Two Petitions of Merchants, Manufacturers, Railways. Tradesmen, Common Carriers and others interested in the conveyance of goods by Railway; praying the House to secure to them and the public the same benefit of a free competition in the inland carriage of goods, as they enjoyed previous to the formation of Railways, were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Railways.
Tobacco.
Ten Petitions of Consumers of Tobacco and Snuff, in the town of Huddersfield, in the county of York, praying for a reduction of the duty on Tobacco,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law.
A Petition of the Chairman of the Board of Guardians of the Poor of the Charley Poor Law Union, in the county palatine of Lancaster, praying that the Union may be released from the operation of the Poor Law Amendment Act, and that they may revert to their former mode of managing the affairs of their poor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

State Trial
(Ireland.)
A Petition of Catholic Inhabitants of the borough of Wigan, and others, complaining of the recent proceedings on the State Trial in Ireland, in regard to the omission and rejection of names from the special jury panel; and praying the House to adopt measures for preventing the recurrence thereof, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Corn Laws.
Petitions from Alnwick; Lewick;—Stopnenty:—and, Nettlecombe and Treborough; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the present Corn Laws,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Saint Asaph
and Bangor
Diocesses.
A Petition of Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the parish of Saint Asaph, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Epsom and South Western Railway Bill.
A Petition of Sir Henry Bridges, of Beddington, in the county of Surrey, Knight, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against the Epsom and South Western Railway Bill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Genee Laws.
Ordered, That the Petition of Noblemen, Gentle- men, Land-owners, Magistrates of towns, and others thereto subscribing, and residing in the counties of Renfrew, Ayr and Lanark, for an Amendment of the Game Laws, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Trinity House
(Deputy
Stroud.)
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the whole Receipts and Revenue of the Corporation of the Trinity House of Depford Stroud; distinguishing the particular Sources from which the same are derived; together with a particular and detailed Account of the Appropriation of the same, for each of the years 1841 to 1845; both inclusive (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 448, of Session 1842);—And, of the Number of Petitioners receiving Relief from the Corporation of the Trinity House of Depford Stroud, on the 1st day of January in each year, commencing on the 1st day of January 1841; distinguishing Men, Women and Children, and specifying the Rate of Pension allowed to each Class of Pensioners; the Names of the Ports or Places at or in the vicinity of which the Parties receiving Pensions reside, and the Number of Men, Women and Children at each Port; with a Copy of the Rules of Admission, shewing the Age which qualifies Petitioners to be admitted to a Pension; also, an Abstract of the Number of Vacancies which have occurred by the Death or Disqualifications of Pensioners in each of the last Three years, commencing on the 1st day of January 1841; distinguishing the Number of Vacancies occasioned by the Death or Disqualification of Male Pensioners from the Number by Female Pensioners.

A Petition of Herbert Sturmy, of No. 8, Wel-gravesend linton-street, in the borough of Southwark, Gent. Railway. deanan, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Gravesend, Rochester and Chatham Railway Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that he may be heard, by himself, his agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Thomas Crosse, of Hatton Court, Gravesend, Threadneedle-street, in the city of London, Gentleman, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Gravesend, Rochester and Chatham Railway Bills, had during been complied with; and praying that he may be heard, by himself, his agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Quantity of Foreign Iron imported into and exported from the United Kingdom in the year 1843; distinguishing the several Sorts of Iron, and the Countries from which imported, and to which exported;—And, of the Quantity of British Hard- ware and Cutlery exported in the year 1843; distinguishing the Countries to which the same were exported, and the declared Value thereof (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 257, of Session 1843).

Mr. Gladstone reported from the Select Committee appointed to consider whether any and what new Provisions ought to be introduced into such Railway Bills as may come before this House during the present or future Sessions, for the Advantage of the Public and the Improvement of the Railway System, and likewise to consider whether any and what Changes ought to be made in the Standing Orders relating to Railways, and who were empowered to report their Opinion thereupon from time to time to the House; and who were instructed to consider of any arrangements advantageous to the Public, with regard to existing Railway Companies generally, to which, in the Opinion of the Committee, Parliament might justly give its sanction; That the Committee had further considered the matters referred to them; 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 follows:—

1. That in each case where Bills are now pending to authorize the construction of new Lines of Railway, competing with one another, such Bills be respectively referred to One Committee.
2. That the Committees for the consideration of such Bills be specially constituted.
3. That Bills now pending to authorize the construction of new Lines of Railway, which will compete with existing Railways, be in like manner referred to Committees specially constituted.
4. That such Committees be composed of Five Members, to be nominated by the Committee of Selection, who shall sign a declaration that their Constituents have a local interest, and that themselves have no personal interest in the Bill or Bills referred to them, and that they will not vote on any question which may arise without having duly heard and attended to the Evidence relating thereto; and that Three shall be a Quorum.
5. That a Select Committee be appointed, to consider which of the pending Railway Bills shall
be deemed competing Bills, according to the foregoing Resolution.

6. That such Select Committee be composed of Five Members, of whom Three shall be a Quorum, and that the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers and records.

7. That such of the Standing Orders as relate to the composition of the Committee on Private Bills, and the Orders consequent thereon, be suspended, so far as regards competing Railway Bills pending in the course of the present Session.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Order of the day for the Committee of Supply be now read;

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 "there be laid before this House, a Return of all Monies paid to Richard Bond Hughes, Charles Ross and John Jackson, on account of any Communications made by them to Government relative to the Repeal Agitation in Ireland, distinguishing the times at which they commenced; together with Copies of any Instructions given to the above named Richard Bond Hughes, Charles Ross and John Jackson, with respect to the duties to be performed by them in Ireland:—Also, a Return of the Amount paid to the above named for Expenditure during their attendance at the Trial of the Queen against O'Connell and others:—Also, a Return of all Monies paid to the late or present Proprietor or Proprietors, Managers, Conductors or Persons in the employ of the Morning Herald and Standard Newspapers, or any of them, on account of Communications or Information made or given by the said Parties, or any of them, to the Government, in reference to the Repeal Agitation in Ireland; distinguishing the times at which the said Communications or Information were furnished, and the period at which the several Sums of Money were paid," 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 old Lobby;
The Noes to the new Lobby.

Tellers for the
Sir Thomas Fremantle,
Mr. Henry Baring :
Yea,
91.

Tellers for the
Mr. Sharman Crawford,
Mr. John Fielden :
Noe,
15.

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 a sum, not exceeding Five Victualls to hundred and forty-four thousand nine hundred and sixty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Victualls to Seamen and Marines in Her Majesty's Fleet, and the Ordinary and Yard Craft, to the 31st day of March 1845.

2. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One Admiration hundred and twenty-six thousand eight hundred and forty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of the Admiralty Office, to the 31st day of March 1845.

3. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Two Registry thousand nine hundred and eighty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of the Office for the Registry of Merchant Seamen, to the 31st day of March 1845.

4. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Thirty-Scientific eight thousand and seventy-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of the Scientific Departments of the Navy, to the 31st day of March 1845.

5. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One Naval Establishment hundred and twenty-seven thousand nine hundred and eighteen pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of Her Majesty's Naval Establishments Abroad, to the 31st day of March 1845.

6. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Twenty- Five thousand four hundred and twenty-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of the Officers and the Contingent Expenses of Her Majesty's Naval Establishments Abroad, to the 31st day of March 1845.

7. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Six Wages of thousand and forty-four thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Wages of Artificers, Labourers and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments at Home, to the 31st day of March 1845.

8. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Forty- Five thousand two hundred and eighty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Wages of Artificers, Labourers and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments Abroad, to the 31st day of March 1845.

9. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One Naval Store, million fifty-three thousand nine hundred and sixty-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, 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, to the 31st day of March 1845.

10. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Two Dock Yards, hundred and forty-four thousand nine hundred and sixty-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of New Works, Improvements and Repairs in the Naval Yards, to the 31st day of March 1845.

11. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Twenty Medicines, thousand one hundred and sixty-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Medicines and Medical Stores, to the 31st day of March 1845.

12. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Sixty- Agricultural thousand one hundred and thirty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Agriculture, to the 31st day of March 1845.

13. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One Agriculture thousand and sixty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Agriculture, to the 31st day of March 1845.
Adjournment.

Packet Service.

and Van Diemen's Land.

Convicts (New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land).

Transports, &c.

Civil - &.

Military Pensions and Allowances.

Grant to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of

Divers Naval Miscellaneous Services, to the 31st day of March 1845.

13. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Seven hundred and forty-two thousand two hundred and ninety-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Half Pay to Officers of the Navy and of the Royal Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1845.

14. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Four hundred and ninety-five thousand six hundred and twenty-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, 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 1845.

15. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and sixty-two thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, 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 1845.

16. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and thirty-two thousand five hundred and ninety pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Mails, to the 31st day of March 1845.

17. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Ninety-six thousand three hundred and two thousand seven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expense of conveying Convicts to New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1845.

18. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Four hundred and thirty-two thousand five hundred and forty-one pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Packet Service for the Conveyance of Mails, to the 31st day of March 1845.

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

Subsidi. 2d die Martii, 1844:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, that the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Mr. Greene 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.

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

Factories Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Factories Bill;

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 Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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 directed to move, That the Committee may have

be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Packet Service for the Conveyance of Mails, to the 31st day of March 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.

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 Monies paid to Frederick Bond Hughes, Charles Ross and John Jackson, on account of any Communications made by them to Government relative to the Repeal Agitation in Ireland, distinguishing the Amounts paid to each; also, the amounts of the several Payments, specifying the respective periods at which they commenced; together with Copies of any Instructions given to the above-named Frederick Bond Hughes, Charles Ross and John Jackson, with respect to the Shorthand Writers appointed to report the Proceedings at the Trial of the Queen versus O'Connell and others:—And, of the Rate of Payments made to Mr. Frederick Bond Hughes and to the Shorthand Writers attached respectively to the Two Commissions appointed to inquire into the Tenure of Land in Ireland, and into the causes of the late Disturbances in South Wales.

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Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Navy Return of all Officers who have been wounded in the Naval Service during the last War, specifying the nature of their Wounds, and whether they receive Pensions or not, and the Amount of the Pensions and Gratuities.

A Petition of William James Le Feuvre, of South - London and East Lynham, Secretary to the South of England Steam Navigation Company, complaining that to Standen and Company, owners of the above-named Frederick Bond Hughes, Charles Ross and John Jackson, on the 31st day of March 1845, and to defray

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Ordered, That Mr. Lyall be added to the Select Joint Stock Committee on Joint Stock Companies.

The Earl of Lincoln presented a Bill for the better regulating the Buildings of the Metropolitan Districts, and to provide for the Drainage thereof: And the same was read the first time: and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 15th day of this instant March; and to 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 all Monies paid to Frederick Bond Hughes, Charles Ross and John Jackson, on account of any Communications made by them to Government relative to the Repeal Agitation in Ireland, distinguishing the Amounts paid to each; also, the amounts of the several Payments, specifying the respective periods at which they commenced; together with Copies of any Instructions given to the above-named Frederick Bond Hughes, Charles Ross and John Jackson, with respect to the Shorthand Writers appointed to report the Proceedings at the Trial of the Queen versus O'Connell and others:—And, of the Rate of Payments made to Mr. Frederick Bond Hughes and to the Shorthand Writers attached respectively to the Two Commissions appointed to inquire into the Tenure of Land in Ireland, and into the causes of the late Disturbances in South Wales.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.
Ordered, That the Paper relative to Prisons (Scotland), which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till one of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Luna, 4° die Martii;
Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Dare, one of the Masters of the Exchequer Office of Pleas, was called in; and at the bar presented,—Return to an Order dated the 20th day of February last, for a Return of all Monies received on account of Fees in the years 1841, 1842 and 1843, in the Courts of Queen’s Bench, Common Pleas and Exchequer, or of any of the Officers thereof; and a Return of the Application or Appropriation of Monies so received; and a Return of all Salaries, Compensations and other Payments made out of such Monies, stating the Names of the Persons to whom paid, and the Office, or abolished or reduced Office, in respect of which such Payments are made; and also, a Return of all Officers of such of those Courts who are paid in whole or in part by Fees, stating the Names of the Persons so paid, and the Office in respect of which they are so paid, and the Amount of Fees paid to or received by any such Officer so paid in part or in whole by Fees, in each of those years (so far as relates to the Office of Pleas of the Court of Exchequer).—And then he withdrew.

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

The following Return having been transmitted to the Clerks, was laid upon the Table; viz. —Further Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of February last, for a Return of all the Officers in the Courts of Common Pleas and Chancery of the County Palatine of Lancaster, and in the Crown Office of the County Palatine of Lancaster, with Names of the Officers, and the Dates of their respective Appointments (and of the Persons by whom appointed), distinguishing between those that are paid wholly or in part by Fees, and those that are paid by Salary, with the Amount of such Fees or Salary received by each of such Officers, and stating which (if any) of such Officers are sinecure, or performed by Depots, with the Name of such Depots or Officers, with the Date and Particulars of their Appointment, and the Salaries paid to such Depots:—Also, a Return of all Fees received in those Courts, in the years 1841, 1842 and 1843, and of the Appropriation thereof; stating the Names of the several Persons to whom such Fees are paid, either for Salary, Compensation or otherwise, and the Title and Nature of the Office or abolished Office, in respect of which the same is paid;—Also, a Return of all Compensations granted for the last ten years before the 31st day of December 1843, to any Officer of the Court of Chancery or Court of Common Pleas at Lancaster, stating the Amount of such Compensation, and the Names of the Persons to whom, and the Office in respect of which, the same was granted, and the Amount of Compensations paid in each of those years;—And, a similar Return from the Court of Pleas, Court of Chancery and Crown Office in the County Palatine of Durham, (so far as relates to the Registrar of the Court of Chancery of the County Palatine of Lancaster).

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

Ordered, That Sub-Committee (No. 4.) of the Petitions for Select Committees on Petitions for Private Bills, Private Bills, have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had Desires this day received a Report from the Examiner of Election, Recognizances, stating that the Surety to the Petition of Paul Austie and Henry Knight, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Borough of Devizes, being one Surety in the sum of £1,000, is unobjectionable.

Lord Granville Somerset reported from the General Committee of Elections; That they had appointed Wednesday, the 20th day of March instant, to choose from Panel, No. 2, the Select Committee to try the Devizes Election Petition.

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

Petitions of Owners and Occupiers of property Norwich on the line of the Railway from Norwich through Thetford and Brandon and Brandon;—Richard Husbury Gurney, of Herthersett, in the county of Norfolk, Esquire;—Hudson Gurney, of Keswick, in the county of Norfolk;—Joseph Sackville, of Lancaster, in the county of Lancaster, and in the Crown Office of the County Palatine of Lancaster;—Sir John Peter Bone, of Ketteringham Hall, in the county of Norfolk, Baronet;—John Mitchell, of Wymondham, in the county of Norfolk, Gentleman;—Ann Dorothy Mathewson, of Bromacote;—in the county of the city of Norwich, Widow;—Ann Dianora Burrell, of Wymondham, in the county of Norfolk, Spinster;—Henry Birkbeck, the younger, of Keswick, in the county of Cumberland, Esquire;—William Trafford, of Wroxham, in the county of Norfolk, Esquire;—and, Merchants, Traders and other Inhabitants of the city of Norwich, and county of the same city; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Norwich and Brandon Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

The Decies Navigation Bill was read a second Decies Navigation Bill; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Petitions of the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Edinburgh Council of the city of Edinburgh;—Provost, Masters and Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill.

Magistrates and Town Council of Leith;—Master, Assistants and Members of the Company of Merchants of the city of Edinburgh;—Commissioners of Improvements of the city of Edinburgh;—Conveners of the Fourteen Incorporated Trades of the city of Edinburgh;—and, Merchants, Bankers, Manufacturers and others, Inhabitants of the city of Edinburgh; praying that the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill may pass into a Law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, to whom the Petition of the Lords and Hall of Henry Wilkinson, of Ecclesfield Hall, Sheffield, complaining of non-compliance with the Standing Orders, in the case of the Petition for the Manchester, Leeds and Hull Associated Railway Company Bill, was referred; That the Standing Orders relative to Bills of the third class, had not been complied with, inasmuch as no Notices had been inserted in the
Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against the County of Durham, and for other purposes: And that Mr. Tootle and Mr. Hodgson Hinde do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Durham County Coal Company Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for regulating the Town of Rochdale, and for better lighting, paving, cleansing, watching, regulating and improving the Town of Rochdale, and the environs thereof, in the county palatine of Lancaster: And that Mr. Sharman Crawford and Mr. Bright do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Liverpool Docks Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for enabling the Trustees of the Liverpool Docks to construct additional Wet Docks and other Works, and to raise a further Sum of Money, and for amending and extending the Acts relating to the Docks and Harbour of Liverpool: And that Viscount Sandon and Sir Howard Douglas do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Scarborough Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for regulating the Town of Scarborough, and for better lighting, paving, cleansing, watching, regulating and improving the environs thereof, in the county of Yorkshire, and its vicinity, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Great Western Railway Bill, were presented, and read; and that the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Mr. Wilson Patten presented a Bill to enable the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Company to make Two Branch Railways, and to alter and enlarge the Powers of the said Railway Company: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

The Manchester and Birmingham Railway (Manchester and Bolton and Poynton Branches) (No. 3.) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of Fishing Merchants, Owners of Yarmouth Fishing Vessels and Persons concerned in and carrying on the Herring and Mackerel Fisheries in and from the Borough of Great Yarmouth, in the County of Norfolk, praying that the Yarmouth and Norwich Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Merchants, Bankers, Ship-owners Hartlepool and others, Inhabitants of the Borough of Hartlepool, in the County of Durham, praying that the Hartlepool West Harbour and Dock Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Most Honourable the Marquis Clanmorris of Bute, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the Application for Leave to Bring in the Glamorganshire Canal Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that he may be heard, by his agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.
A Petition of Rate-payers and Inhabitants in the borough of Preston, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Ribble Navigation Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Macoullay presented a Bill for making a Railway from the City of Edinburgh to the Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, with a Branch to the Town of Haddington: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

The Edinburgh Poor Assessment Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Bolton and Preston Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report which, upon Friday last, was made from the Select Committee appointed to consider whether any and what new provisions ought to be introduced into such Railway Bills as may come before this House during the present or future Sessions, for the advantage of the Public and the Improvement of the Railway system, and likewise to consider whether any and what changes ought to be made in the Standing Orders relating to Railways; and who were empowered to report their Opinion thereupon from time to time to the House, and who were instructed to consider of any arrangements advantageous to the Public, with regard to existing, Railway Companies generally, to which, in the Opinion of the Committee, Parliament might justly give its sanction; and the Resolutions of the Committee were again read, as follows:

1. That, in each case where Bills are now pending to authorize the construction of new Lines of Railway, competing with one another, such Bills be respectively referred to one Committee.
2. That the Committee for the consideration of such Bills be specially constituted.
3. That Bills now pending to authorize the construction of new Lines of Railway, which will compete with existing Railways, be in like manner referred to Committees specially constituted.
4. That such Committees be composed of Five Members, to be nominated by the Committee of Selection, who shall give a declaration that their constituents have no local interest, and that they themselves have no personal interest, in the Bill or Bills referred to them, and that they will not vote on any question which may arise without having duly heard and attended to the Evidence relating thereto; and that Three shall be a Quorum.
5. That a Select Committee be appointed, to consider which of the pending Railway Bills shall be deemed competing Bills, according to the foregoing Resolutions.
6. That such Select Committee be composed of Five Members, of whom Three shall be a Quorum, and that the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers and records.
7. That such of the Standing Orders as relate to the composition of the Committees on Railway Bills, and the Orders consequent thereon, be suspended, so far as regards competing Railway Bills pending in the course of the present Session.

The first Resolution of the Committee being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution:—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 new Lobby;

The Noes to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the [Colonel Sibthorp, Yea, 3.]
Mr. Hodgson Hyde: Noes, 200.

Tellers for the [Sir Thomas Fremantle, 2]
Mr. Henry Berrey:

So it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution.

Then the subsequent Resolutions of the Committee, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be printed.

A Petition of James Parsons, of North Stoneham, Salisbury, in the county of Southampton, Steward and Agent, Branch Railway Bill, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Salisbury Branch Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Gas Consumers and other Inhabitants of Rochdale, in the Gas Bill, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Rochdale Gas Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Dowdeswell, Message from and Sir George Rose:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Offences at Sea Bill, for the more speedy Trial of Offences committed on the High Seas, without any Amendment: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to continue certain Actions under the Provisions of several Statutes for the Prevention of excessive Gaming, and to prevent for the future the bringing of such Actions, without any Amendment: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by the House to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enlarge the Powers of an Act of the fourth and fifth years of Her present Majesty, empowering the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods to raise Money for certain Improvements in the Metropolis, on the Security of the Land Revenues of the Crown, within the County of Middlesex and City of London, without any Amendment:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Ordered,
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return, exhibiting the present state of the Mails Conveyances, made by the Government with the Royal Mail Steam Navigation Company, for the Conveyance of the Mails.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Average Prices of Provisions, under their various heads, upon which the Navy Estimates of 1844-45 have been founded.

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions that the said Address be laid before this House, Abstracts of the Number of Men belonging to the Royal Marines, who, since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment; showing the nature of Offences, in Classes, for which such Punishment has been awarded, and the Number in each class; and showing the greatest Number and the smallest Number of Lashes, also the longest and shortest period of Confinement, awarded as Punishment to each Person, and the average period of Confinement for each class of Offence:—And, of the Number of Soldiers belonging to the Royal Artillery in Great Britain and Ireland, who, between the 1st day of January 1839 and the 31st day of December 1843, have suffered Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment; showing the nature of the Offences, in Classes, for which such Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been awarded, and the Number in each class; and showing also the greatest and the smallest Number of Lashes, also the longest and shortest period of Confinement, awarded as Punishment, and the average period for each class of Offences:—Returns of the Number of Soldiers belonging to Regiments and Depots in Great Britain and Ireland, who, since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered either Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment; and, whenever either Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been inflicted on the same person more than once, specifying how often it has been so inflicted; with Abstract of the Number of Soldiers belonging to Regiments in the Colonies and Possessions of Great Britain, who, in each year since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment; showing the nature of the Offences, in Classes, for which such Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been awarded, and the Numbers in each class; stating also the greatest Number and the lowest Number of Lashes inflicted on any Person in each year; also, the longest and shortest period of Confinement awarded as Punishment, and the average period of Confinement for each class in each year:—Of the Number of Soldiers, who, since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment, and whether either Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been inflicted on the same person more than once, specifying how often it has been so inflicted; and distinguishing Numbers in Regiments in the Colonies and Possessions of Her Majesty from Regiments in Depots in Great Britain and Ireland:—And, of the Number of Corporal Punishments inflicted in the Royal Navy in each of the years 1839 and 1840 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 242, of Session 1841).

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 the Expenses attending the Trial of the Maltese Azzopardi, for Murder, before the Central Criminal Court, on the 12th day of May 1833, including the transport of the said Prisoner, and the Witnesses against him, from Senglea, and the Compensation paid to the Witnesses for their attendance on the said Trial.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Number of Unions in the Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, stating in which of them Chaplains have been appointed; the different Rates of Salaries severally paid to those Chaplains: the Number of Unions in which the Poor in the Workhouse, or any class of them, are not allowed to go out of the Workhouse on Sunday to attend Divine Service, no Chaplains having been appointed to such Unions.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Total Number of Unions in England and Wales, stating in which of them Chaplains have been appointed; the different Rates of Salaries severally paid to those Chaplains: the Number of Unions in which the Poor in the Workhouse, or any class of them, are not allowed to go out of the Workhouse on Sunday to attend Divine Service, no Chaplains having been appointed to such Unions.

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the Committee of Supply be now read.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Abstracts of the Number of Men belonging to Regiments and Depots in Great Britain and Ireland, who, since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment; and, whenever either Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been inflicted on the same person more than once, specifying how often it has been so inflicted; with Abstract of the Number of Soldiers belonging to Regiments in the Colonies and Possessions of Great Britain, who, in each year since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment; and, whenever either Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been inflicted on the same person more than once, specifying how often it has been so inflicted; and distinguishing Numbers in Regiments in the Colonies and Possessions of Her Majesty from Regiments in Depots in Great Britain and Ireland:—And, of the Number of Corporal Punishments inflicted in the Royal Navy in each of the years 1839 and 1840 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 242, of Session 1841).

Ordered, That the Order of the day for the Committee of Supply, be now read; and the same being read.

Ordered, That the Estimates for the Office of Ordnance for the year 1844-45, be referred to a Select Committee.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, which shall be graciously pleased to give directions that the said Address be laid before this House, Abstracts of the Number of Men belonging to Regiments and Depots in Great Britain and Ireland, who, since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment; and, whenever either Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been inflicted on the same person more than once, specifying how often it has been so inflicted; and distinguishing Numbers in Regiments in the Colonies and Possessions of Her Majesty from Regiments in Depots in Great Britain and Ireland:—And, of the Number of Corporal Punishments inflicted in the Royal Navy in each of the years 1839 and 1840 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 242, of Session 1841).

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And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene 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.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

1. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Five hundred and forty-four thousand nine hundred and sixty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Wages of Artificers, Labourers and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments at Home, to the 31st day of March 1845.

2. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Forty-four thousand and twenty-eight pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Wages of Artificers, Labourers and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments Abroad, to the 31st day of March 1845.

3. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Sixty thousand two hundred and ninety-five men, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Civil Pensions and Allowances, to the 31st day of March 1845.

4. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Thirty-six thousand one hundred and sixty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of New Works, Improvements and Repairs in the Naval Yards, to the 31st day of March 1845.

5. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Two Dock Yards, hundred and ninety-five thousand six hundred and fifty-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Wages of Artificers, Labourers and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments at Home, to the 31st day of March 1845.

6. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Four Packet Service, hundred and thirty-two thousand five hundred and forty-one pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Packet Service, to and from the Cape of Good Hope and Van Diemen's Land.

7. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Sixty thousand and forty-nine thousand one hundred and twenty-eight pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Wages of Artificers, Labourers and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments at Home, to the 31st day of March 1845.

8.Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Forty-four thousand and twenty-eight pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Wages of Artificers, Labourers and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments Abroad, to the 31st day of March 1845.

9. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One Naval Stores, million fifty-three thousand nine hundred and sixty-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, 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, to the 31st day of March 1845.

10. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Two Dock Yards, hundred and ninety-eight thousand eight hundred and sixty-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of New Works, Improvements and Repairs in the Naval Yards, to the 31st day of March 1845.

11. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Twenty-two thousand five hundred and sixty-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, 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 1845.

12. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Sixty thousand and thirty thousand and thirty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of divers Naval Miscellaneous Services, to the 31st day of March 1845.

13. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Seven thousand and two hundred and ninety-six thousand and ninety-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Half-pay to Officers of the Navy and of the Royal Marines, which will come in course of payment during the year ending on the 31st day of March 1845.

14. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Four thousand and seventy-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of New Works, Improvements and Repairs in the Naval yards, to the 31st day of March 1845.

15. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand six hundred and thirty-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Psychical and Medical Stores, to the 31st day of March 1845.

16. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand and four hundred and sixty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Wages of Artificers, Labourers and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments Abroad, to the 31st day of March 1845.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means:
Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Prisons (Scotland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

City of London Police.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Persons taken into custody by the Police of the City of London, and the results, in the years 1842 and 1843; with Comparative Statements for the several preceding years which have elapsed since the Establishment of the New Police Force in the City.

Greenwich Hospital Schools.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Two last half-yearly Reports of Inspection, by Professor Mosesley, on the Greenwich Hospital Schools.

Saint Asaph and Bangor Dioceses.
A Petition of the Minister, Freetholders and other Inhabitants of the parish of Aberffraw, in the county of Anglesey, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and for the Establishment of a Bishopric at Manchester by other means, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Answer to Addresses.
Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to several Addresses to Her Majesty, — Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 17th day of January.

County Buildings.
Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to several Addresses to Her Majesty, — Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 12th day of August in the last Session of Parliament, for Returns from the Treasurers of each County in England and Wales, stating whether any and what Officer is employed in superintending the County Buildings and Bridges, with the Amount paid to each Officer in each of the last five years, distinguishing Salary from Fees, Per-centage, and other Allowances.

Education.
Copies of all Minutes in Council containing Regulations as to the Distribution of the Parliamentary Grant for the Promotion of Education in Great Britain, from the close of last Session to the end of January.

Metropolitan Police.
A Return, from each Division, of the Number of Robberies committed, the Value of the Property stolen, and the Value of the Property recovered, from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December 1843, both inclusive, as far as the Police have been able to ascertain the same.

Metropolitan and City Police.
Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, — Return to an Order dated the 6th day of February last, for a Return of Police Constables and others, Officers of the Metropolitan Police Force, who have been charged with Offences before any of the Police Magistrates, during the Two years ending the 31st day of December 1843, specifying the Rank of the Officer in his Age, the time he has been in the Force, the Nature of his Offence, whether convicted or not, the Punishment awarded, and whether he was retained in the Service; Total Number of Men who have been Dismissed, Fined, Suspended or Degraded by the Police Commissioners, during the same period; the Number who have resigned their Appointments during the same period; — And, a similar Return of the City Police Force, (so far as relates to the Metropolitan Police), 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 twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

P R A Y E R S.

A Message, by Mr. Pulman, Yeoman Usher Royal Assent to Bills.
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, do 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 had the desire of the Lords, thereby authorized, 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 Public Bills and one Private Bill therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Bills: Which Bills are as follow: An Act to stay Proceedings for Three calendar Months, and till the end of the present Session of a Gaming Bill; in certain Actions under the Provisions of several Statutes for the Prevention of excessive Gaming; and to prevent any Proceedings being taken under those Statutes during such limited time: An Act to enable the Powers of an Act of the Metropolis and City of London: An Act for the more speedy Trial of Offences as for other Offences at Sea: An Act for naturalizing John Frederick Sang,

Ordered, That Sub-Committee (No. 2.) of the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Lord Granville Somerset 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 Borough of Athlone, to which they had annexed the Petition referred to them by the House relating thereto: — And the Names of the Committee were read, as follow: William Beckett, Esquire, the Honourable William Owen Stanley, William Lockhart, Esquire, Raikes Carrie, Esquire, William Cripps, Esquire, Henry George Ward, Esquire; Chairman, John Somerset Pemberton, Esquire.

The Northern Coal Mining Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee standing on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read Orders; as followeth: Resolved,
Resolved, That in the case of the Manchester Royal Infran- way, &c., Petition for leave to present a Petition for a Bill, the Sessional Order be dis- 0, that the Parties be permitted to pre- sent a Petition accordingly. The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Yarmouth and Norwich Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Yarmouth and Norwich Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with. Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for regulating, maintaining and improving the Port of Yarmouth, in the county of Norfolk, and providing the navigable parts of the River Camel or Allen, in the same county: And that Sir Charles Lemon and Mr. Rashleigh do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Eastern Union Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with. Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Junction Railway from the Eastern Counties Railway, at Stratford, in the county of Essex, to join the Eastern Counties Railway at Norwich, in the county of Norfolk, praying that they be allowed to be heard in support of the allegations of the said Petition, by counsel, against certain parts of the same, on the ground that they were not agents of the House: And that Mr. Beckett and Mr. Antrobus do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Eastern Union Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with. Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from Harwich in the county of Essex, to the River Thames, with a Branch Railway from the Yarmouth and Norwich Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with. Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on Standing Orders.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Croydon and Epsom Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with. Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from Croydon to Epsom: And that Mr. Kerns and Mr. Round do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Stratford (Eastern Counties) and Thames Junction Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with. Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Junction Railway from the Eastern Counties Railway at Stratford, in the county of Essex, to the River Thames, with a Branch Railway therefrom, and for constructing a Pier in the River Thames; And that Mr. Bromton and Mr. Charles Round do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Harwich Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with. Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from Harwich, in the county of Essex, to join the Eastern Counties Railway at Colchester, in the said county, and for constructing a Pier or Jetty in the Harbour at Harwich: And that Sir John Tyrell and Major Beresford do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Leeds New Gas Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with. Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for extending and amending some of the Powers and Provisions of the Act relating to the Leeds New Gas Company: And that Mr. Beckett and Mr. Aldam do prepare, and bring it in.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Epsom and South Western Railway Bill, was agreed to.

A Petition of Sir Robert Harland, Baronet, of Eastern Union Orwell Park, in the county of Suffolk, stating that Railway, the Petitioner presented, on Thursday the twenty-ninth day of February last, a Petition to the House, complaining that the Promoters of a certain Bill for making a Railway from Colchester to Ipswich, called the Eastern Union Railway, had omitted to serve either the reputed owners or the occupiers of certain parcels of land numbered on the Plans as specified in the said Petition, and had thereby failed to comply with the Standing Orders of the House; and the Petitioner therein prayed to be heard in support of the allegations of the said Petition, by his agents and witnesses; that the Petitioner duly attended the Committee on Petitions to whom the said Petition was referred, by his agents, Messrs. Jones and Walmsey and Messrs. Reimondi and Godfrey, Solicitors, but the latter, who were alone conversant with the facts set forth in the said Petition, were not allowed to be heard in support of the same, on the ground that they were not agents of the House; and praying that his Petition may be referred back to the Committee, and his So- licitors permitted to be heard, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Companies and Persons engaged Edinburgh in the Manufacture of Iron, in the county of Lanark, and Glasgow Railway, praying that the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Viscount Sandon presented a Bill for enabling the Liverpool Trustees of the Liverpool Docks to construct ad- ditional Wet Docks and other Works, and to raise a further Sum of Money, and for amending and ex- tending the Acts relating to the Docks and Harbour of Liverpool: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Beckett presented a Bill for making a Dock at Kingston upon Hull, and for amending the Acts relating to such last-men- tioned Docks: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Commissioners acting under the Yarmouth authority of the Act for making and extending the Harwich Navigation of the River Bere, commonly called the North River, by and from Calithaugh, to Aylsham Bridge, in the county of Norfolk, praying that they may be heard, by counsel, against certain parts of the Yarmouth and Norwich Railway Bill, was pre- sented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by counsel, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

The Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill was read Leeds and a second time; and committed. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Com- mittee of Selection.
The Guildford Junction Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Petition of Richard Smith, of Poulton-cum-Seacone, in the parish of Wallasea, in the county of Chester, Esquire, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Birkenhead Docks Bill, was presented, and read. Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

The Members of the Athlone Election Committee being come to the Table, they were sworn by the Clerk. Ordered, That the Petition relative to the Election and Return for the Borough of Athlone, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for that Borough.

Ordered, That the said Committee do meet tomorrow, in one of the Committee Rooms of the House, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon.

The Petition of Operatives employed at Ryge's Mill, Wielden, in the parish of Bradford, in the West Riding and county of York, praying that the Factories Bill may not pass into law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Trustees of a certain Turnpike-road called the Worthing and Branch Turnpike, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill had not been complied with; and praying that such Bill may not pass into law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Trustees of the Lambeth Waterworks Company stating that the water supplied to them by a certain Joint Stock Company called "The Lambeth Waterworks Company" is foul and filthy, although the rates have been increased as high in some cases as 50 per cent. to some of the Petitioners, others 60, others 70, others 80, and others 100 per cent., without at all improving the condition of the water; and praying the House to inquire into the allegations of their Petition, and to take measures to compel the said Company, in honesty and good faith, to be subjected to the penalties of the Act of the 26th March 1834, if they do not supply when called upon lawful water effectually purified by means of filtration, and to protect the Petitioners from being compelled to consume the impure and unhealthy water with which they are at present supplied, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of John Lam, Farmer, in Knockaban-Seleff Subti-nock, parish of Drymen, and county of Strirling, praying for inquiry into the judicial conduct of the Sheriff-Substitute of Stirlingshire, in having refused to allow the Petitioner to be heard in his own defence in two actions brought against him in the Sheriff's Small Debt Court, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Passing of the Bill.—The Guildford Junction Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of Richard Smith, of Poulton-cum-Seacone, in the county of Chester, Esquire, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Birkenhead Docks Bill, was presented, and read. Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

The Members of the Athlone Election Committee being come to the Table, they were sworn by the Clerk. Ordered, That the Petition relative to the Election and Return for the Borough of Athlone, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition complaining of an undue Election and Return for that Borough.

Ordered, That the said Committee do meet tomorrow, in one of the Committee Rooms of the House, at the hour of eleven in the forenoon.

The Petition of Operatives employed at Ryge's Mill, Wielden, in the parish of Bradford, in the West Riding and county of York, praying that the Factories Bill may not pass into law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Trustees of a certain Turnpike-road called the Worthing and Branch Turnpike, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill had not been complied with; and praying that such Bill may not pass into law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Trustees of the Lambeth Waterworks Company stating that the water supplied to them by a certain Joint Stock Company called "The Lambeth Waterworks Company" is foul and filthy, although the rates have been increased as high in some cases as 50 per cent. to some of the Petitioners, others 60, others 70, others 80, and others 100 per cent., without at all improving the condition of the water; and praying the House to inquire into the allegations of their Petition, and to take measures to compel the said Company, in honesty and good faith, to be subjected to the penalties of the Act of the 26th March 1834, if they do not supply when called upon lawful water effectually purified by means of filtration, and to protect the Petitioners from being compelled to consume the impure and unhealthy water with which they are at present supplied, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of John Lam, Farmer, in Knockaban-Seleff Subti-nock, parish of Drymen, and county of Strirling, praying for inquiry into the judicial conduct of the Sheriff-Substitute of Stirlingshire, in having refused to allow the Petitioner to be heard in his own defence in two actions brought against him in the Sheriff's Small Debt Court, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the County of Haddington—Bigg Lawford; Southwell; (three Petitions); Blythburgh-cum-Hinton and Bletcham; Thorton; Southwell; Southerton; Brownefield; Linstead; Pore; Halwooden; Metfield; Holton; Cuffredfield; Linstead; Market Speyfield; Regdon; Stwen; Frostendon; Runnburgh; South bourne; Hasselton; Holley; Boyton; Walsingfield; Wicham Market; Suton; Saffell; Burton; Burgh; Dalling; Allerton; Grantham; Edingburgh; Oxford; Rushfield; Campey Ash; Kerton; Breidfield; Buteley; Otley; Benford; Folkeham; Woodbridge; Clayton; Petterjay; Bromfield; Soberham; Kingshalle; Ofnon; Needham Market; Mickfield.
A Petition of Samuel Gordon, Esquire, of Aunton, was presented, and read ; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Tobacco.

A Petition of Manufacturers of paper, in the vicinity of Edinburgh, praying for the repeal of the Excise Laws affecting Paper, was presented, and read ; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Gravesend, praying for alteration in the Poor Law Amendment Bill in regard to plurality of votes of rate-payers in the election of the Board of Guardians, was presented, and read ; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Blasphemy.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Members of the Working Men's Mental Improvement Society of Carlisle, praying the House to abrogate all laws interfering with freedom of opinion, and all enactments or regulations relative to Blasphemy, was presented, and read ; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Samuel Gordon.

A Petition of Samuel Gordon, Esquire, ofAungier-street, Dublin, complaining of injuries perpetrated upon him by an officer of the Irish Government; and praying for redress, was presented, and read ; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
MR. GOLDEN, from the Office of the Committee for Metropolitan Police, presented and read, and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—An Account of all Monies demanded, received and expended for the purposes of the Metropolitan Police, made up to the 21st day of December 1845. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Railways have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

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Ordered, That the Committee have power to report from time to time.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Sir Charles Lemon presented a Bill for regulating, maintaining and improving the Port of Poole, in Harbour Bill, the County of Cornwall, and the navigable Parts of the River Thames, and for constructing a Pier in the River Thames. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Railway Bills have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Bill.

MR. BREAMTON presented a Bill for making a Rail-way from Stratford, in the County of Essex, to the Thames, for and constructing a Pier in the River Thames:—And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Beckett presented a Bill for extending and Leeds New Gas Company, amending some of the Powers and Provisions of the Bill. Act relating to; The Leeds New Gas Company; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Bankers, Merchants, Warehousemen and others, praying that the Great Western Railway Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

A Petition of Landowners residing in the townships of Nettle, in the county of Westmorland, entitled to the rights of Commons within the said township in respect of their several estates, praying that the attention of the House may be again given, in the present Session of Parliament, to some measure, having for its object the facilitating the exclusion of commonable and of common and of waste lands, so that the difficulties which now impede the progress of cultivation, and the employment of labour and capital, may be speedily and effectually removed, was presented, and read; and ordered to be upon the Table.

The same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.
A Petition of Bankers, Merchants, Tradesmen and other Inhabitants of the townships of Walton-on-the-Hill, Bootle-upon-Linacre, Allerton, Gorstton and Warrington, adjacent to the borough of Liverpool, in the county of Lancaster, praying that the Liverpool New Gas and Coke Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Saint Helen's and Runcorn Gap Railway and Sunbury Brook Navigation Bill, the Standing Orders relative to Bills of the third class, had not, to the knowledge of Mr. Strutt, been complied with, no Notice having been given in the London Gazette, or in any Newspaper published in the county to which the proposed measure relates.

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

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Newquay Harbour and Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for maintaining the Pier and Harbour, Wharf, and other Improvements, in the county of Kent, and to make certain Railways or Tram Roads in connection therewith: And that Mr. Rashleigh, Lord Mayor of London, Mr. Gisborne do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the West Croft (Nottingham) Inclosure Bill, the Petitioner for the West Croft (Nottingham) Inclosure Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for better paving, lighting, cleansing and otherwise improving part of the parish of Newchurch, in the town and county of the town of Nottingham: And that Sir John Hobhouse and Mr. Wykeham Martin do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the South Eastern, Canterbury, Ramsgate and Margate Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for dividing, allotting and inclosing Lands in the hamlet of Thetford, in the parish of Stretham, in the Isle of Ely and county of Cambridge, and for draining and embanking certain parts of the said Lands, and other Lands in the said hamlet, and in other parishes in the said Isle and county: And that Mr. Eliot Yorke and Mr. Eaton do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcoat reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Eastern Counties Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to authorize the letting on lease to the Eastern Counties Railway Company of the Railways and Works of the Northern and Eastern Railway Company, and to give effect to certain Arrangements entered into by the said Companies, to amend and enlarge some of the Provisions of the Eastern Counties Railway Company, and to give effect to the first-named Company: And that Mr. Ward, Mr. Marshall and Mr. Bromston do prepare, and bring it in.

Petitions from Walmer;—Shadoshurt;—Eastwell; Com Laws.

—Nocton;—Nockington;—Wingham;—Setlyh.;—Street;—Kent (Eastern Division), (Chairman of a Meeting);—Standford;—Hythe;—Middleton;—Otterham;—Ripley;—Lydd;—Sandwich;—Moldash;—Snargate;—Aylesford;—Belchington;—Brent;—Saint Nicholas;—Wareham;—Petham;—Snargate;—Lyninge;—Lower Halesowen;—Chilton;—Dymchurch;—Eastling;—Albrook;—Brookland;—Nevington;—Goolnestone-next-Wingham;—Orleton;—Northey;—Freshwater;—Bocking;—Brook;—Rockingham;—Rockingham;—Onewey;—Bartestoke;—Lauer Harbards;—Hope—All-Saints;—Eastchurch;—Isle of Sheppey;—Saint Peter, Isle of Thanet;—Mold.;—Saint Peter;—Winchester;—Saint Whitwell;—Betchem;—Darlington;—Goulnestone-next-Wingham;—Darlington;—Quinton;—Stoney—bridge;—Stowting;—Stourmouth;—Eaend;—Eastbridge;
Pentonville Prison.

A Petition of the Ministers of the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever be made in the existing Corn Laws, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Pentonville Prison.

A Petition of the Justiciary, with the Number of Trials and Number of Convictions had on each Circuit respectively, in the Three last years; distinguishing the Circuits, and the Number of Trials and Convictions at each Town and in each Circuit respectively, during the Three last years; with the Names now making by the Judges who form the Court of Justiciary when sitting in Edinburgh and when going Circuit, and the Names of those who actually have gone on Circuit in the above periods.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to the Petition for the Pentonville Prison, from its opening, for the Reception of Prisoners until the present time, stating the Penal Institution or Hospital to which each prisoner has been removed, any cases of Death which may have occurred subsequent to such Removal, with the present State of Health of each Convict so removed, as far as the same can be ascertained. Of the Initials of the Name and Age of every Convict recommended, on medical grounds, for Her Majesty's Pardon by the Commissioners of the Pentonville Prison: Of the Names, Age and Disease of every Convict who has died in the Pentonville Prison: Of the Initials of the Name and Age of the Convicts, if any, who are now in Pentonville Prison, and who are treated as labouring under hallucination, delusion, dementia, or a marked tendency to Mental Disease; And, of the Total Number of Prisoners who have been received into Pentonville Prison since its opening, and of the Total Number of Prisoners now confined in that Prison.

Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table; and that the Returns relative to Pentonville Prison be printed.

Petitions of Richard Smith, of Poulton-cum-Sney, Birkenhead combe, in the parish of Wallasey, in the county of Chester, Esquire; Francis Richard Price, of Bryan-street, in the county of Flint, Esquire; Trustees of the Liverpool Docks; Mayor, Aldermen and Burgessesses of the Borough of Liverpool; and, Persons being in their own right, or as Trustees or Executors, respectively interested as Mortgagees and Bond-holders in the rates and duties payable to the Trustees of the Liverpool Docks; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Birkenhead Docks Bill, which were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Marriage and Divorce Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 24th day of April next.

Mr. Bramston reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills: That in the case of the Petition for the Midland Railways Consolidation Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to consolidate the North Midland, Midland Counties, and Birmingham and Derby Junction Railways; And that Mr. Gisborne, Mr. Aldam and Mr. Dugdale do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Bramston reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills: That in the case of the Petition for the Liverpool Fire Prevention Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with.

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

Mr. Bramston.

A Petition of the Ministers, Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the parish of Llanramfrad Glyn Conwy, Denbighshire, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 Will. c. 77, as relates to the unities of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and for the establishment of a Bishopric at Manchester by other means, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of the Board of Guardians of the Chesterston Union, in the county of Cambridge, suggesting certain alterations in the Poor Law Amendment Bill; and praying for their adoption, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of the Universities (Scotland.) was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Justiciary, with the Number of Trials and Number of Convictions had on each Circuit respectively, in the Three last years; distinguishing the Circuits, and the Number of Trials and Convictions at each Town and in each Circuit respectively, during the Three last years; with the Names now making by the Judges who form the Court of Justiciary when sitting in Edinburgh and when going Circuit, and the Names of those who actually have gone on Circuit in the above periods.
Mr. Bramston reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Blackburn and Preston Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as Thomas Eastwood, John Francis Middleton, John Cooper and the Bolton and Preston Railway Company had been returned in the Lists of Lessees deposited in the Private Bill Office as lessees, instead of dissenting; but it appeared to the Committee, that John Francis Middleton and Thomas Eastwood were also Owners and Occupiers, and were correctly returned in the respective Lists of Owners and Occupiers deposited in the Private Bill Office as dissenting; and it further appeared, that John Cooper and the Bolton and Preston Railway Company were also Occupiers, and were correctly returned as dissenting, in the said Lists of Occupiers deposited in the Private Bill Office.

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

Mr. Bramston reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Glossop Market Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for establishing a Market in the town of Glossop, in the county of Derby: And that the Earl of Arran and Surrey and Mr. Parker do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Bramston reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the General Steam Carriage Company Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for establishing and regulating a Company to be called the General Steam Carriage Company, and to enable the said Company to purchase certain Letters Patent: And that Mr. Emerson Tennant and Mr. Mackintosh do prepare, and bring in it.

Mr. Bramston reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Pendleton, &c., Roads Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for establishing and regulating a Company to be called the General Steam Carriage Company, and to enable the said Company to purchase certain Letters Patent: And that Mr. Emerson Tennant and Mr. Mackintosh do prepare, and bring in it.

Mr. Bramston reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Sheffield United Gas Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for uniting the Sheffield Gas Light Companies; That in the case of the Petition for the Sheffield United Gas Bill, it was referred; That the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Mr. Bramston reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Blackburn and Preston Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the Manchester and Leeds Railway to the towns of Ashton-under-Lyme and Stalybridge: And that Mr. Milner Gibson and Mr. Walker do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Pakington, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition of Patrick Kelly and others, Electors, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Borough of Athlone, informed the House, That it appearing to the Committee that Marks Quin, whose evidence was stated by the Parties promoting the Petition to be essential to the establishment of their case, was now in confinement in Roscommon Gaol for debt, and that his attendance could not be secured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed to report the circumstances to the House, in order that they might take such measures as to them may seem fit.

Ordered, That the Keeper of Roscommon Gaol be directed to inform Marks Quin, in safe custody, of the 14th day of this instant March, to the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition of Patrick Kelly and others, Electors, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Borough of Athlone, in order to his being examined as a witness, and so from time to time as often as his attendance shall be thought necessary; and that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant accordingly.

A Petition of Governors and Directors of the Poor Law Board of the united parishes of Saint Margaret and Amendment Saint John, in the city of - minister, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of lands in the city of York and houses in the township of Clifton, in the North Yorkshire Riding of the county of York, and Inhabitants of the city of York and its vicinity, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the York and Scarborough Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Select Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their
Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

The House was moved, that the Acts relating to
Three pounds ten shillings per centum Annuities 1818; Three pounds ten shillings per centum Reduced Annuities; New Three pounds ten shillings per centum Annuities; Three pounds ten shillings per centum Old Stock and Government Debentures (Ireland); Irish Three pounds ten shillings per centum Reduced Annuities; and New Three pounds ten shillings per centum Annuities and Government Debentures, might be read; and the same being read,
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the said Acts.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts of all Wheat delivered from the Warehouse of Vessel, Duty free, under the Act 5 and 6 Vic. c. 82, from the passing of that Act to the 24th day of February 1844 inclusive; distinguishing the Place and Dates of Delivery.—Of all Flour and Biscuit substituted for Wheat, delivered as above described, distinguishing the Quality of the Flour and Biscuit so substituted, and when and where deposited.—Of the Delivery of all Flour and Biscuit so substituted, showing when and were delivered, (and, in the case of Flour or Biscuit, whether for Export or Home Consumption), the Quantity remaining in Warehouse, and where deposited:—Of all Forfeitures under the Act.—Of the Disposal of the Articles forfeited.—And, of all Fines levied under the Act.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the County Coroners Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed.

Clause, No. 1, agreed to.

Clause, No. 2, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, No. 3 and 4, agreed to.

Clause, No. 5, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, No. 6, agreed to.

Clause, No. 7, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, Nos. 8 and 9, agreed to.

Clause, No. 10, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, No. 11, to No. 13, agreed to.

Clauses, No. 14, to No. 16, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, No. 17, disagreed to.

Clauses, Nos. 18 and 19, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, No. 20, (Coroners to receive one shilling per mile for Travelling Expenses) —read.

Motion made, and Question put, That the blank in l. 26 be filled with "three-pence."

The Committee divided:

Tellers for the [Mr. Pakington, Yes, 93.
Mr. Maclean]:

Tellers for the [Mr. Green Berkeley, Noes, 34.
Mr. Williams Williams]:

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, No. 21, agreed to.

Clause, No. 22, disagreed to.

Clauses, No. 23 to No. 24, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, No. 26, agreed to.

Preamble read, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bills, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Wednesday the 24th day of this instant March.

The Masters and Servants Bill was, according to Masters and Order, read a second time; and committed to a Servants Bill.

The Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

The Teachers of Schools (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Superior Courts reading of the Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill; (Common Law) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Small Debts reading of the Small Debts Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 20th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-Sup ply, mittee of Supply;—Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-Ways and Means;

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Saint Andrew's Copy of a Report of W. J. Hancock, Esquire, As- istant Poor Law Commissioner, upon the late Election of a Poor Law Guardian for the Ward of Saint Andrew's, in the city of Dublin.

Mr. Acland reported from the Select Committee Railway Bills appointed to consider which of the pending Railway Classification Bills shall be deemed competing Bills, and who were empowered to report from time to time; That they had agreed to the following Report:

Your Committee having considered the cases of the under-mentioned Railway Bills, Belton and Preston, Brighton and Chichester, Chester and Holyhead, Colchester and Harwich (No. 2.), Eastern Counties, Eastern Counties (Brandon and Peterborough), Edinburgh and Glasgow, Fenners, Great Western, Guildford Junction, Harwich Railway and Pier, Huddersfield, Lancaster and Carlisle, London and South Western, Macclesfield and Birmingham (Macclesfield and Poynton Branches), Manchester and Leeds (Hexwood Branch), Midland Counties Consolidation, Newcastle and Darlington Junction, Northern and Eastern (Newport Deviation), Nor west and Brandon, Salisbury Branch, Southam Branch, South Devon, South Eastern, South Eastern (Catterbury, Margate and Ramsgate), Teff Vale, West London (Extension), Yarmouth and Norwich, were of Opinion, that, of the said Bills, the Harwich Railway and Pier, are alone Bills for competing Lines.

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

The Lord Advocate presented a Bill to facilitate Parishes, the disjoining or dividing of extensive or populous (Scotland) Bills, and the erecting of new Parishes, in that part of the United Kingdom called Scotland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 18th day of this instant March; and to be printed.

Resolved,
Mr. Gisborne presented a Bill for altering and amending an Act passed in the third year of the reign of Her present Majesty, for inclosing certain Lands in the Town and County of the Town of Nottingham: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Gisborne presented a Bill for extending the Provisions of an Act for forming a Canal and other Improvements within and near certain Lands, called The West Croft, in the Parish of Saint Mary, in the Town and County of the Town of Nottingham: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Gisborne presented a Bill for better paving, lighting, cleansing and otherwise improving Part of the Parish of Newchurch, in the Isle of Wight, called Ventnor, and for establishing a Market therein: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Gisborne presented a Bill to consolidate the Midsland Railways, and the North Midland, Midland Counties, and Birmingham and Derby Junction Railways: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Holland presented a Bill for making a Rail- way from the South Eastern Railway to Hastings Railway Bill.

Mr. Lovett presented a Bill for regulating Legal Durham County Proceedings by or against the Durham County Coal Company, and for other Purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

The Earl of Arundel and Surrey presented a Bill Glossop Market Bill. for establishing a Market in the Town of Glossop, in the County of Derby: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of John Wood, of Thedden Grange, in Leeds and the parish of Alton, in the county of Southampton, praying that he may be heard, by his counsel, against the Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Brotherton presented a Bill for more effectually repairing and improving several Roads leading from and to the Town of Salford, through Pendleton, and Pendleton, and other Places, in the County Palatine of Lancaster; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Forbes Mackenzie reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Delabole and Rock Railway, the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as the Subscription Contract had not been produced, nor the execution thereof proved before the Committee; but it appeared that copies of the same had been deposited in the Private Bill Office and the Vote Office, previously to the presentation of the Petition.

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

Mr. Forbes Mackenzie reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Bill for including Lands in the township of Haltwhistle, in the parish of Haltwhistle, in the county of Northumberland;
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Mr. Brougham presented a Bill for amending Canterbury certain Acts for paving, cleansing and lighting the Streets and other Public Passages and Places within the City and Borough of Canterbury: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of the Mayor of the borough of Barnstaple, praying that the Great Western Railway Bill, Western Railway Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Petitions of Messrs. Maudsley and Smith, of Birkenhead Polton-cum-Seacombe, in the county of Chester, Bills, Small Manufacturers: William Stuart, of Liverpool, pool, Merchant, President of the American Chamber of Commerce; Robert Viger, of Hanover-square, in the county of Middlesex, Esquire; Owners and Occupiers or Persons otherwise interested in the preservation of the low lands contributing to the Lea, for the Embankment in the hundred of Werrall and county of Chester; Commissioners of the Lea Weir Embankment Act; and William Ashley, Chairman of the Liverpool Steam Tug Company; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Birkenhead Docks Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of James Cogy, John Elliott, Richard Manchester and Kay, Robert Kay, Joseph Peaston, William Hartley, and John Hilton Kay, praying bill, for Epsom and South-Eastern Railways or Tram Roads in connection therewith, that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bury Branch) Bill, were presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Smythe presented a Bill to enable the South-Eastern Railway Company to make a Railway from Canterbury, connecting with the City of Centerbury and the Towns of Ramsgate and Margate, and to join the Whitstable and Canterbury Railway: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Mundy presented a Bill for dividing, allotting and inclosing Lands in the Hamlet of Thetford, in the Parish of Stretford, in the Isle of Ely, and drainage Bill, Chaffinham and the County of Cambridge; and for draining and embanking certain Parts of the said Lands, and other Lands in the said Hamlet, and in the said Parishes in the said Isle and County: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Marshall presented a Bill to authorize the Eastern Com- peting on the Eastern Counties Railway Bill, the Railway Company of the Railways and Works of the North- ern and Eastern Railway Company, and to give effect
effect to certain Arrangements entered into by the said Companies; and to amend and enlarge some of the Provisions of the Acts relating to the first-named Company: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Hindley presented a Bill for making a Railway from Harwich, in the County of Essex, to join the Eastern Counties Railway at Colchester, in the said County, and for constructing a Pier or Jetty in the Harbour at Harwich: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Birmingham Corporation Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for transferring to the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Birmingham, in the county of Warwick, certain Powers and Property exercised and held under certain Local Acts in force within the said borough, and for other purposes therein mentioned: And that Mr. Scholfield and Mr. Muntz do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Coventry Improvement and Cemetery Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for enabling the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the city of Coventry to make certain improvements, to provide a Residence for the Judges during the Assizes in the said city, and to establish a Cemetery for the Dead near the said city: And that Mr. Ellice and Mr. William Williams do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Coventry Waterworks Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for better supplying with Water the parishes of Saint Michael, the Holy Trinity and Saint John the Baptist, in the city of Coventry and the county of Warwick: And that Mr. Ellice and Mr. William Williams do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as application was not made previously to the 31st of December to Mrs. Watson, an Owner of property intended to be taken; but it appeared that in December last, a person on behalf of the Promoters had inquired of Mrs. Watson's tenant as to her residence, and being directed to Leominster, proceeded thither and inquired of every person in the street, in which street it was discovered, by chance, that Mrs. Watson lived at Lymington, where he had before made every inquiry; that some time afterwards (in the month of January) it was discovered, by chance, that Mrs. Watson lived at Lymington, and application was made to her thereon; but to which an answer has been received, stating she has referred the matter to her solicitor, and no dissent on her part has been received.

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

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, to whom was referred the Petition of William James Le Feuvre, complaining of non-compliance with the Standing Orders, in the case of the Petition for the London and South Western Railway (No. 1.) Bill, was referred; That the Standing Orders had been complied with, inasmuch as no Notice had been given by the Promoters of the Bill (being an existing Railway Company) of their intention to take powers to act also as a Steam-Boat Company.

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

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Whitehaven and Maryport Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the Town and Port of Whitehaven, to the Town and Port of Maryport, in the county of Cumberland: And that Mr. Matthias Attwood, Mr. Edward Stanley and Mr. Irton do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Westminster and Lambeth Suspension Bridge Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to facilitate the Settlement of the Affairs of The British Iron Company: And that Mr. Hawes, Mr. Whitteman and Mr. Cripps do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the British Iron Company Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make a Suspension Bridge across the River Thames, from Church-street, Lambeth, to Market-street, Westminster: And that Captain Rous and Mr. Benjamin Wood do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Salford Improvement Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making certain New Streets and otherwise improving the Town of Salford, and for amending an Act passed in the Pettition of William James Le Feuvre, complaining of non-compliance with the Standing Orders, in the case of the Petition for the London and South Western Railway (No. 1.) Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make a Railway from Church-street, Lambeth, to Market-street, Westminster: And that Captain Rous and Mr. Benjamin Wood do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the London and South Western Railway (Brandon and Peterborough Extension) Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Eastern Counties Railway Company to make a Railway from the Northern and Eastern Railway, at Newport, by Cambridge, to Ely, and from thence eastward to Brandon and westward to market to the Town of Salford, in the county of Lancaster: And that Mr. Brotherston, Mr. Mark Phillips and Mr. Miller Gibson do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Globe Insurance Company Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.
Company Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with. Ordered, That leave be given 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 that Mr. Alderman Thompson and Mr. Brownrigg do prepare, and bring it in.

Strawgill Petition.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Northern and Eastern Railway (Newport Deviations) Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with. Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the Northern and Eastern Railway Company to make certain Deviations in the line of their Railway, between Bishops Stortford and Newport, and to alter and amend the Acts relating to the said Railway: And that Mr. Charles Round, Mr. Drumston and Mr. George Palmer do prepare, and bring it in.

New British Iron Company Bill.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the New British Iron Company Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with. Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for granting certain Powers to the New British Iron Company: And that Mr. Hawes, Mr. Masterman and Mr. Cripps do prepare, and bring it in.

Corn Laws.

Petitions from Rock and Reenington; Long-houghton; Newham; Chatton; Lesbury; and, Haltwistle; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law.

A Petition of Clergy and Laity of the deanery of Penwith, in the diocese of Exeter, praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Window Tax.

Petitions of Licensed Victuallers of Bolton; and, Lewes; praying that licensed victuallers may be placed on the same footing in regard to the Tax on Windows, as other tradesmen, owners of shops and warehouses in which goods are deposited, sold or exposed for sale, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Universities (Scotland.)

A Petition of the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council of the city of Glasgow, praying for repeal of the laws that require the subscription of religious tests from professors and others bearing office in the Scottish Universities, except in so far as they require the subscription of the professors of divinity, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Reverend the Presbytery of Charronnay, in Presbytery assembled, at Forthoam, praying the House to resist the attempts now making by certain denominations of dissenters for removing the laws at present in existence respecting the subscription of tests by professors in the national Universities, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgess of the borough of Greasen, stating that there is a Bill in contemplation, for imposing a new tax of ½d. per ton upon all coals entering the port of London, towards the embankment of the river; and praying that the inhabitants of Greasen, being at a great expense for embankment, may be exempt from any such imposition, or that such Bill may not pass into law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Thames Embankment.

Petitions from Leicester (four Petitions); Towcester (fifteen Petitions); and Nettleton (four Petitions): praying for reduction of the Duty on Tobacco, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas and Tabitha Jones, of Thomas and Dowhts, in the parish of Metherg Tyelet, county of Glamorgan, praying for inquiry into the circumstances attending the conviction of their son for robbery at the Stonehouse sessions, and his expatriation to Van Diemen's Land, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Pakington, from the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition of Patrick Kelly and others, Electors, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Borough of Athlone, informed the House, That the Committee had determined,

That John Collett, Esquire, was duly elected a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Athlone.

And the said Determination was ordered to be entered in the Journals of this House.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee, and of the Evidence taken before them, be laid before this House.

The Question was moved, That the Order made yesterday, That the Keeper of Roacooman Gaol do bring Mark Quin in safe custody, on the 11th day of this instant March, to the Select Committee appointed to try and determine the matter of the Petition of Patrick Kelly and others, Electors, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the Borough of Athlone, in order to his being examined as a witness, and so from time to time as his attendance shall be thought necessary; and that Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant accordingly, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Darlington, in the Military District of Durham, praying that no increase whatever may be made in the existing Military Establishments of the Empire, and that the House will remove such a temptation to war as these Establishments present, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a meeting of Menservants and Friends of the Glasgow Emancipation Society, praying for alteration of the laws relative to Slavery and the Slave Trade, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Charles Steade, of Broom House, in Sheffield and Chesterfield Junction Railway, an Owner and Occupier of houses, lands and hereditaments situated on or near the line of the proposed Sheffield and Chesterfield Junction Railway, taking notice of the application for leave to bring in the Sheffield and Chesterfield Junction Railway Bill; and praying that such Bill may pass into law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to an Order of the House, of the present Recorder of the Borough of Devizes, that he has been appointed, and a Copy of the Warrant of the Appointment. Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for defining and regulating the periods for holding Quarterly Sessions in Cities and Boroughs; And that Mr. Pakington and Mr. Vernon Smith do prepare, and bring it in.

A Petition...
A Petition of Directors of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce and Manufacturers, praying that every possible facility may be afforded for the restoration and extension of our trade with Brazil, which they consider can only be permanently effected by a perfect equality of fiscal regulations, and by the total abandonment of all discriminating and differential duties, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, representing to Her Majesty the great importance to this country of the trade with the Empire of Brazil, and humbly praying Her Majesty to adopt such measures as may appear best calculated to maintain and improve the Commercial Relations between the United Kingdom and the Brazils;

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 8° die Martii, 1844:

And the Question being put;
The House divided:

The Yeas for the Bill were as follows:

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Tufnell] 132.

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Henry Baring] 206.

So it passed in the Negative.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Ribble Navigation Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That no parts of the same appeared in support of the said Petitions; and that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and had found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Bingham Baring reported from the Select Committee appointed to consider which of the pending Railway Bills shall be deemed competing Bills, and who were empowered to report from time to time;

That they had agreed to the following Report;

Your Committee having considered the cases of the following Railway Bills; viz. Ashton, Stalybridge and Liverpool Junction, Barnsley Junction, Blackburn and Preston, Brighton, Lewes and Hastings, Colchester and Harwich (No. 1.), Croydon and East Boden, Eastern Union, Edinburgh, Leith and Greenan, Epsom and South Western, Garskirk, Glasgow and Coulbridge, Gravesend, Rochester and Chatham, Harrogate and Knaresborough, Leeds and Bradford, Leeds and Selby, London and South Western (No. 2.), Manchester and Birmingham, (Macclesfield and Poynotts Branches) (No. 3.), Manchester and Leeds (Bradford Branch), Manchester and Leeds (Bury Branch), Manchester, Bury and Rossendale, Manchester and Leeds and Hull Associated, Maryport and Carlisle, Monkland (Nos. 1 and 2.), Newbury, Basingstoke, London and Southampton, Newbury and Great Western (Valley of the Kennet), Newcastle, North British, North Wales Mineral, Pontop and South Shields, Sheffield and Chesterfield Junction, Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester, South Eastern and Hastings, Stratford (Eastern Counties) and Thames Junction, Whitehaven and Maryport, York and Scarborough, are of opinion that of the said Bills the following are Bills to authorize the construction of new lines of Railway, which will compete with existing Railways: viz. Barnsley Junction, Garskirk, Glasgow and Coulbridge, Sheffield and Chesterfield Junction.

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

Ordered, That the first and second Reports of the said Select Committee be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to the Commissions directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Report of John Henry Copper, Esquire, Superintendent of Ships and Vessels employed for the confinement of Offenders under Sentence of Transportation, with Enclosures.

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

Ordered, That the Returns relative to the Court of Justiciary (Scotland), which were presented yesterday, 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, 8° die Martii;

Anne 7° Victoriae Regine, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Snee, from the Bank of England, was called in; and at the bar presented,—Return of an Order, dated the 13th day of February last, for an Account of the Notes of the Bank of England in Circulation, distinguishing that of the Branch Banks from that in London; of the Amount of all Deposits, distinguishing Public from Private; of the Amount of all Securities held by the Bank, distinguishing Public from Private, and distinguishing Private into the heads of Bills and Notes discounted, and others; and of the Amount of Bullion in the Bank at the close of the Business, in every week, from the 6th day of March 1832 to the present time.


Return to an Order, dated the 13th day of February last, for a Return of the Country Banks issuing Bank of England Notes, and the Amount of Bank of England Notes so issued (in continuation of Return in Appendix to Report on Banks in England, 1841, No. 2.)—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Holford, from the Office of the Governors of Queen Anne’s Bounty, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Account of all Monies received and disbursed by the Governors of Queen Anne’s Bounty, during the year ending on the 31st day of December 1842:—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Lewis, from the Commissioners of Arundel Arundel Port, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Report and Account of the Commissioners of the Harbour of Littlehampton, called Arundel Port, in the County of Sussex, from the 31st day of December 1841, up to and including the 31st day of December 1842.

Report and Account of the Commissioners of the
Harbour of Littlehampton, called Arundel Port, in the County of Sussex, from the 31st day of December 1842, up to and including the 31st day of December 1843:—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Matthews Bell presented a Bill for inclosing land in the Township of Haltonwicksdale, in the Parish of Haltonwicksdale, in the County of Northumberland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Merchants, Tradesmen and other Inhabitants of Malton, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the York and Scarborough Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Hones presented a Bill to facilitate the Settlement of the Affairs of the British Iron Company: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of J. Russell Collett, Esquire, of the Jumble, in Lincolnshire, and of Leasum, in the parish of Rye, in the county of Sussex, being Owner and Proprietor of certain lands and estates within the said parish of Rye, in Sussex, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the South Eastern and Hastings Railway Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that they may be heard, by himself, his agents and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town and borough of Tenterden and its vicinity, in the county of Kent, praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions for Private Bills.

Petitions of the Company of Proprietors of the Way and Arun Junction Canal;—Commissioners for erecting Piers in, and for repairing and keeping in repair the Harbour of Littlehampton, called Arundel Port, in the county of Sussex, and for improving the Navigation of the River Arun from the said Harbour to the town of Arundel, in the same county;—Land-holders, Merchants, Shop-keepers, Farmers and others, Inhabitants of the town of Petworth, in the county of Sussex, and of its neighbourhood;—and, George Wyndham, Esquire, of Petworth House, in the county of Sussex, Esquire; taking Notice of the application for leave to bring in the Arundel and Chichester Railway Bill, and praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against the same, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the River Arun Navigation, taking Notice of the application for the said Bill, and praying that such Bill may not pass into law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Lowther presented a Bill for uniting the York Gas Light Company and the York Union Gas Light Company; and for more effectually lighting with Gas the City of York, and the Suburbs and Vicinity thereof, and certain Places adjacent thereto, in the County of York: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Scholefield presented a Bill for transferring Birmingham to the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Birmingham, in the County of Warwick, Bill, and certain Powers and Property now exercised and held under certain Local Acts in force within the said Borough, and for other Purposes therein mentioned: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Chalmers, one of the Clerks attending Committee of the House, presented, pursuant to Order, Election.

—Minutes of the Proceedings of the Select Committee on the Athlone Election Petition, and of the Evidence taken before them.

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

Mr. Matthias Attwood presented a Bill for making Whithaven a Railway from the Town and Port of Whithaven to the Town and Port of Maryport, in the County of Cumberland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Brotherhood presented a Bill for making certain streets in New Street, and otherwise improving the Town Improvement of Salford, and for amending an Act passed in the 11th year of the reign of his Majesty King George the Fourth, for better cleansing and improving the said Town of Salford, in the County of Lancaster: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Charles Round presented a Bill to enable Northern and Eastern Railway Companies to make certain Deviations in the Line of their Railway, between Bishops Stortford and Newport, and to alter and amend the Acts relating to the said Railway; and the said Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Petitions from Winchester:—and, Portsmouth, Newbury, Portsea and Gosport; praying that the Newbury, Basingstoke, London and Southampton Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; railway Bill, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir John Yarde Bulter reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; that in the case of the Petition for the Brighton and Chichester Railway Bills, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the Shoreham Branch of the London and Brighton Railway to Chichester: And that Mr. John Abel Smith and Captain Peckell do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir John Yarde Bulter reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; to whom the Petition of Owners and Occupiers of lands lying on each side of so much of Popham's Eau, in the parish of Upwell, in the county of Norfolk, as lies between the Three Holes Bridges and Norden Corner, complaining of non-compliance with the Standing Orders, in the case of the Petition for the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill, was referred; that the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as certain Owners and Occupiers of lands abutting on Popham's Eau, parts of which are sought to be affected by the proposed Bill, had not received any Notice, nor had any application been made to them in respect of such property.

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

Petitions of Resident and Non-resident Proprietors of the houses situated on the beach, Dawlish:—Railway Bill.

The Right Honourable Ernest Augustus Earl of Mount Edgcumbe:—and, Thomas Beves, of Breemont House,
House, in Plymouth, Devon, Esquire; praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the South Devon Railway Bill,—were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were also ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

North British Railway Bill.

Petitions from the Eastern District of Berwickshire;—Berwick-upon-Tweed;—and, Edinburgh (four Petitions); praying that the North British Railway Bill may pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

West London Railway Bill.

Petitions of Commissioners of the Metropolis Turnpike-roads north of the Thames;—and, the Right Honourable William Lord Kensington; complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the West London Railway (Extension) Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their agents and witnesses, against the same,—were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Garnkirk, Glasgow, and Coatbridge Railway.

A Petition of John Bell, of Glasgow, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Garnkirk, Glasgow and Coatbridge Railway Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that he may be heard, by himself, his agent and witnesses, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill.

Petitions of William Henry Rawson, of Mill House, in the township of Sowerby, in the parish of Halifax, in the West Riding of the county of York;—and, Bankers, Merchants, Manufacturers and others for Inhabitants of the town and neighbourhood of Halifax, in the West Riding of the county of York; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill,—were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Guildford Junction Railway Bill.

A Petition of Samuel Paynter, Clerk, Rector of Stoke-next-Guildford, Surrey, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Guildford Junction Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Bickershead Improvement Bill.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Liverpool, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Bickershead Improvement Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Bickershead Improvement Bill, was presented, and read.

Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2.) Bill.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, to whom the Petition of George Rush, complaining of non-compliance with the Standing Orders, in the case of the Petition for the Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2.) Bill, was referred; That the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway in continuation of the Eastern Counties Railway, from Colchester to the Port of Harwich: And that Sir Henry Smyth and Major Beresford do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Harrogate and Knaresborough Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the York and North Midland Railway, at Bolton Percy, to the township and parish of Knaresborough, all in the West Riding of the county of York: And that Mr. Lawson and Mr. Ferrand do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the South Devon Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for repairing, maintaining and improving the Road from Flint-tame to Holmfirth, and thence to the Hatfield'sfield and Woodhead Turnpike-road, and for making and maintaining a new Line of Road from the said Road, at a place called Bents, or near to Dunford Bridge, all in the West Riding of the county of York: And that Mr. Stuart Wortley and Mr. Beckett Devine do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the European Life Insurance and Annuity Company Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against the European Life Insurance and Annuity Company, and for granting certain Powers thereunto: And that Mr. Brunston, Sir Hesketh Fleetwood and Mr. Phillpotts do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Harborough and Quay Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as the datum line upon the Section was referred to no fixed point, but only to high-water mark at spring tides, but it was proved that there was a post in the existing Quay, showing by a line drawn upon it high-water mark at spring tides.

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

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Southamptom Marsh Improvement Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for improving the Marsh and other Common Lands, and extending Rights of Common and of Recreation, within...
within the town and county of the town of Southampton; and that Mr. George William Hope and Mr. Midlomy do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; that in the case of the Petition for the Southampton Improvement Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Newbury, Basingstoke, London and Southampton Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Newport Dock Bill.

Mr. Blewitt presented a Bill for authorizing the Newport Dock Company to raise further Monies, and for making Sale of the Dock and Works, and for amending certain Acts relating to the said Dock; and the same was read the first time: and ordered to be read a second time.

East Counties Railway Bill.

Mr. Eliot Yonge presented a Bill to enable the East Counties Railway Company to make a Railway from the Northern and Eastern Railway at Newport, by Cambridge, to Ely, and from thence eastward to Brandon and westward to Peterborough; and the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, that any Member whose constituents are locally interested in any competing Lines of Railway, may be permitted to sit upon the Committee appointed to decide upon their respective merits, though without being allowed to vote upon any question arising thereon: and the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Bill.

A Petition of Magistrates, Gentry, Merchants, Manufacturers, Shop-keepers, and others, resident in Ashton-under-Lyne, Stockbridge and Dukinfield, and the neighbourhood, in the counties of Lancaster and Chester, praying that the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Thomas Paye, of the borough of Macclesfield, in the county of Chester, Timber Merchant; — Trustees of the Macclesfield district of the Sandon Turnpike-roads, in the county of Chester; — and, Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the borough of Macclesfield, in the county of Chester; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Macclesfield and Manchester Railway (Macclesfield and Peighton Branches) (No. 1.) Bill, and the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Manchester and Birmingham Railway (Macclesfield and Peighton Branches) (No. 2.) Bill.

The Newbury and Great Western Railway Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of all Tin imported into the United Kingdom in the year ending the 5th day of January 1844, distinguishing from what Countries imported; also, an Account of all Tin exported from the United Kingdom in the year ending the 5th day of January 1844; distinguishing to what Countries exported.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of all Zinc and Zinc Ore imported and exported during the year ending the 5th day of January 1844, and the Duty paid thereon.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Imports and Exports of Lead for the year ending the 5th day of January 1844.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Ages of the Landing Surveyors, and the Number of Watchers in the Port of Liverpool, for the years 1841, 1842, 1843 and 1844:
And, of the Persons employed as Assistants in the Landing Department for each of the above years; showing the Amount of Bond given in each case for the due performance of their respective Duties in the Port of Liverpool.

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 Matrimonial Suits instituted in each Metropolitan and Diocesan Court in England, Wales and Ireland in 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843; also, a similar Return from Courts having Consistorial Jurisdiction in Scotland in 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843; also, Number of Matrimonial Suits in Judicial Committee of Privy Council or for the City of Dublin, from the 1st day of March 1843 to the date of the Audit next preceding the 1st day of January 1844.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Abstract of the Account of the Receipt and Expenditure of all Monies by the Corporation of the City of Dublin, from the 1st day of March 1843 to the date of the Audit next preceding the 1st day of January 1844.

Ordered, That the Return of the Number of Selly Mail Mails despatched Outwards and Inwards to and from the Islands of Scilly, from the 1st day of May 1842 to the 1st day of May 1843; specifying separately the Number of Letters forwarded by each Mail, with the different Rates of Postage of the Post Office, as well as the Number of Foreign Letters which was presented upon the 17th day of July in the last Session of Parliament, be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Paper Mills in England and Ireland, showing the Amount of Bond given in each case for the due performance of their respective Duties in the Port of Liverpool.

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 Divorce Acts passed by the Legislature in 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843; also, the average Expense of such Suits in 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843, as far as the same can be stated by the Officers of the above-mentioned Courts.

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.

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Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Stipendiary Magistrates appointed in Ireland since the month of September the 1st, 1841; distinguishing such as have been previously Members of the Constabulary, or educated to the Profession of the Law.

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 Appeals from the Courts of the Revising Barristers to the Court of Common Pleas, pursuant to Act 6 and 7 Vle. c. 18.----1. Counties: 1. Name of County or Division of County; Place where the Case was heard; Names of several Appellants and Respondents; Decision of Court of Appeal, whether for Appellant or Respondent (the several Cases to have each a Number attached to it); General Statement of the Point of Appeal in each Case, and of the Decision of the Court on each such Point, the Cases being classified according to their subject-matter or Point (that is, if the same Case be tried in several different Courts, these Cases are to be classed together, and referred to according to the Numbers they bear in the foregoing List);--2. Cities and Boroughs: 1. Same as 1. mutatis mutandis; 2. Same as 1. mutatis mutandis; 3. Returns of all Orders made by the Court of Common Pleas respecting the Payment of the Costs of any Appeals, or of any part of such Costs; and the Amount of the Costs of any Appeal, so far as the same can be made out.

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 House, a Return of the Number of Patients received into Kissey Hospital, Sierra Leone (the Hospital attached to the Liberated African Department), with the Number of the Dioceses, as far as can be reported together with the Number discharged Cured, and the Number of Deaths there, for the years 1833 to 1842 inclusive.

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Amendment
Poor Law

Port.)

Half per-Cent.

Adjournment.

Half per-Centum Annuities.

Three-and-a-half per Centum Annuities.

It now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Corporation of the Guardians of the Poor of the city of Chester, and county of the same city, praying the House not to sanction such measure, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thynne reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 4th and 5th 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.

Adjournment.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider the Acts relating to Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum Annuities 1818, Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum Reduced Annuities, New Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum Annuities, Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum Old Stock and Government Debentures (Ireland), Irish Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum Reduced Annuities and New Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum Annuities and Government Debentures.

(In the Committee).

1. Resolved, That all and every person and persons, bodhis politic and corporate, who now is or are, or hereafter may be interested in or entitled unto any part of the National Debt, redeemable by law, which now carries an interest after the rate of £.3 10s. per centum or annum, and known in Ireland by the several names of £.3 10s. per Centum Old Stock and Government Debentures, Irish £.3 10s. per Centum Reduced Annuities, and New £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities, shall be subject to reduction until from and after the 10th day of October 1854; and from and after that date the said Annuities shall carry Interest at the rate of £.3 5s. per centum or annum, which said last-mentioned Annuities shall not be subject to reduction until from and after the 10th day of October 1874; and the Dividends or Interest of the said £.3 5s. per Centum or annum, which said last-mentioned Annuities shall carry Interest at the rate of £.3 5s. per centum or annum, shall be payable at the 5th day of June 1844; and if any such proprietor or proprietors shall not, at any time between the 11th day of March 1844 and the 2d day of June 1844, be within any part of Europe, it shall be lawful for such proprietor or proprietors to signify such dissent at any time before the 1st day of February 1845, such proprietor or proprietors proving to the satisfaction of the Governor or Deputy Governor of the Bank of England, or to the Governor or Deputy Governor of the Bank of Ireland, according to the Bank in which his Annuities of £.3 10s. per centum may be placed, and the Dividends and Interest payable, his, or her or their absence from the United Kingdom, or out of Europe, as above specified, and that his, her or their share or shares of such £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities stood in his, her or their name or names respectively on the 23d day of March 1844, in the books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, or out of Europe, shall signify such his, her or their dissent as aforesaid, his, her or their Dissent within ten days after his, her or their return to the United Kingdom.

4. Resolved, That provision shall be made for paying off such proprietor or proprietors of any of the said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities, as shall desire to pay off the amount of his, her or their respective Shares in the before-mentioned £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities and Government Debentures, in the manner hereinafter directed, shall be deemed and taken to have consented to accept and receive the same; Provided always, That if any proprietor or proprietors of the said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities shall not be within the limits of the United Kingdom or out of Europe, it shall be lawful for such proprietor or proprietors to signify such dissent at any time before the 1st day of February 1845, such proprietor or proprietors proving to the satisfaction of the Governor or Deputy Governor of the Bank of England, or to the Governor or Deputy Governor of the Bank of Ireland, according to the Bank in which his Annuities of £.3 10s. per centum may be placed, and the Dividends and Interest payable, his, or her or their absence from the United Kingdom, or out of Europe, as above specified, and that his, her or their share or shares of such £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities stood in his, her or their name or names respectively on the 23d day of March 1844, in the books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, or out of Europe, shall signify such his, her or their dissent as aforesaid, his, her or their Dissent within ten days after his, her or their return to the United Kingdom.

5. Resolved, That all persons, bodies politic and corporate, possessed of any part of the before-mentioned £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities, and who shall desire to signify such dissent as aforesaid, shall, between the 11th day of March 1844 and the 23d day of March 1844, both inclusive, by themselves, or some agent or agents for that purpose duly authorized, signify to the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, or to the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland respectively, in which their Capital Stock of £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities may be placed, such dissent in writing, under his, her or their hand or hands, together with the amount of his, her or their respective Shares in the before-mentioned £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities, and which said dissent shall be entered in a book or books, to be opened and kept by the said Governor and Company of each of the said Banks for that purpose, and numbered in the order in which his, her or their Dissent shall be received by the said Governor and Company, respectively, shall be free from all taxes' charges and impositions, in the like manner as the said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities.
Company of either of the said Banks; and in case of any transfer of such shares, or any part or parts thereof, after such dissent, the part or parts so transferred shall be entered in the said books under the same numbers as were fixed to such shares when the dissent was so signified; and every such dissent must be made by or on behalf of any one or more trustee or trustees, on his, her or their assigns, under such transfer, shall be paid off or converted into £3 10s. per Centum Annuities, and New £3 per Centum Annuities in manner aforesaid, from and after the 10th day of October 1844, but within the usual hours of transacting business at the Bank of England, by themselves or some agent or agents for that purpose duly authorized, and to or from the books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland, shall take place from and after the 6th day of March 1844.

7. Resolved, That all executors, administrators, guardians and trustees may signify such dissent in respect of an amount of any of the said £3 10s. per Centum Annuities, for the holding of which their names are made use of respectively; and all executors, administrators, guardians and trustees, not signifying such dissent, shall be deemed to have assented as aforesaid, and shall be indemnified in respect thereof.

8. Resolved, That all and every person and persons, bodies politic and corporate, who now is or are or hereafter may be interested in or entitled unto any part of the National Debt redeemable by Law, which now carries an Interest after the rate of £3 10s. per Centum Annuities, and New £3 per Centum Annuities in manner aforesaid, upon the terms and in the manner hereinafter mentioned, shall on the 10th day of October 1843 receive the sum of £100 for every £100 of such £3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, which may then be standing in his, her or their name or names, and the said amount of capital of such Annuities shall from the said 10th day of October 1844, be considered as cancelled and paid off, and no interest shall from thenceforth accrue, or become payable thereon.

9. Resolved, That provision shall be made by this House for paying off such proprietor or proprietors of the said £3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, as shall not signify his, her or their assent to accept and receive a share in £3 5s. per Centum Annuities and New £3 per Centum Annuities in lieu thereof.

10. Resolved, That all and every person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, who shall hold or be possessed of any such £3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, and who shall, or on or before Saturday the 20th day of April 1844, signify in the manner hereinafter directed, his, her or their assent to accept and receive £3 5s. per Centum Annuities, in lieu of his, her or their respective share or shares in the said £3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, shall, for every £100 of such £3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, receive £100 in a New Stock to be called "£3 5s. per Centum Annuities 1845," which such Annuities shall continue to be paid at the rate of £3 5s. per centum per annum, until the 10th day of October 1854, and from and after that date the said Annuities shall be known by the name of "New £3 per Centum Annuities," and shall be free from all taxes, charges and impositions, in the like manner as the said £3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818; and the Dividends and Interest of the said £3 5s. per Centum Annuities, and New £3 per Centum Annuities, shall be paid and payable at the Bank of England, or at the Bank of Ireland, on the 5th day of April and 10th day of October in every year; and the first half-yearly Dividend on the said £3 5s. per Centum Annuities shall be payable on the 5th day of April 1845.

11. Resolved, That all and every person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, possessed of any part of the said £3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, and who shall desire to signify his, her or their assent to receive the said £3 5s. per Centum Annuities 1845, may signify the same, and have their names made use of respectively, for that purpose, and every such assent shall be entered in a book or books to be opened and kept by the said Governor and Company for that purpose; and in case of any transfer of such share or shares of such Annuities, or any part or parts thereof, after such assent, the part or parts of such Annuities so transferred shall be entered in the said book or books of the said Governor and Company separately from the said £3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, in respect of which no such assent shall be signified, and every such person or persons so assenting, or his, her or their agent, shall be entitled to £3 5s. per Centum Annuities 1818, shall be free from and after the 10th day of October 1844, but within the usual hours of transacting business at the Bank of England, by themselves or some agent or agents for that purpose duly authorized, and to or from the books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland, shall take place from and after the 6th day of March 1844.
or persons so absent from the United Kingdom, or out of Europe, shall signify such his, her or their assent, within ten days after his, her or their return to the United Kingdom.

15. Resolved, That the Interest and Dividends payable in respect of the said £3 5s. per Centum Annuities and New £3 per Centum Annuities shall be charged and chargeable upon, and shall be issued and paid out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, on the 5th day of April and the 10th day of October in every year.

16. Resolved, That every proprietor or proprietor of the said £3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, shall receive the Dividends of the said Annuities due thereon on the 10th day of October 1844, and no longer.

17. Resolved, That it shall be lawful for the Accountant General of the Courts of Chancery in England and Ireland respectively, and for the Accountant General of the Court of Exchequer in Ireland, and for the Accountant in Bankruptcy in England, at any time before the 8th day of July 1844, to signify to the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, on behalf of any suitor or suitors, or others interested in any such £3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, in the names of such Accountants General and Accountant respectively, their assent to receive shares in the said £3 5s. per Centum Annuities, and New £3 per Centum Annuities, in lieu of all such £3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, standing in their names respectively; and the said Accountants General and Accountant respectively shall be fully indemnified against all actions, suits and proceedings for and in respect of any action, matter or thing done by them respectively in pursuance thereof.

18. Resolved, That all executors, administrators, guardians and trustees, may signify such assent at any time before the 20th day of April 1845, in respect of such shares of any of the said £3 10s. per Centum Annuities, for the holding of which their names shall be made use of respectively, and shall be indemnified for giving such assent in respect thereof; and all executors, administrators, guardians and trustees not signifying such assent, shall be deemed not to have assented as aforesaid, and shall be paid off accordingly.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Resolutions of Grievances.

Petitions from Galeshields:—Darlington:—Aberdeen (two Petitions):—and, Bridport; praying the House to refrain from voting the Supplies until the Grievances of the people are investigated and redressed, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Supply.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

General Staff Officers.

1. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and fifty-eight thousand four hundred and eighty-two pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of General Staff Officers in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, on Foreign Stations, and on Foreign Service (excepting respect to the Forces of the Power of London), and of Her Majesty's Garrison in the provinces (excepting respect to the Forces of the Power of London), from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

Public Military Departments.

2. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Ninety thousand and three hundred and eight pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of the Allowances of the Principal Officers of the several Public Military Departments in Great Britain, their Deputies, Clerks and Assistant Clerks, and for granting Expenses from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

3. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Thirteen thousand four hundred and eight pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of the Royal Military Asylum, and of the Hibernian Military School, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

4. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Eighty thousand and seventy-seven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Voluntary Corps, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

5. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand four hundred and fifty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Half Pay and Military Allowances to Reduced and Retired Officers of Her Majesty's Forces, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

6. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Thirty thousand and fifteen thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Allowances as Rewards for distinguished Services, and of Allowances to Officers of Her Majesty's Forces for services of merit, in pursuance of the Acts of the 17th and 18th of Victoria, for the holding of which the said sums of money shall be paid out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and on Foreign Stations, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

7. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Seven thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of the Pay of General Officers in Her Majesty's Forces, not being Colonels of Regiments, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

8. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Sixty thousand and forty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Pensions to Widows, Children of deceased Foreign Officers, and of Pensions, of the Out-Pensioners of Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals, of the In-Pensioners of those Establishments, of the Out-Pensioners of Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals, of the In-Pensioners of those Establishments, of the Out-Pensioners of Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals, of the In-Pensioners of those Establishments, and of the Royal Military Asylum, and of the Hibernian Military School, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

9. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Five thousand nine hundred and forty-one thousand six hundred and ten pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of General Staff Officers in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, on Foreign Stations, and on Foreign Service (excepting respect to the Forces of the Power of London), and of Her Majesty's Garrison in the provinces (excepting respect to the Forces of the Power of London), from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

10. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty-three thousand and twenty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Pensions to Widows, Children of deceased Foreign Officers, and of Pensions, of the Out-Pensioners of Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals, of the In-Pensioners of those Establishments, of the Out-Pensioners of Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals, of the In-Pensioners of those Establishments, and of the Royal Military Asylum, and of the Hibernian Military School, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

11. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand and forty thousand and nine hundred and forty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Pensions to the Widows of Officers of the Land Forces, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

12. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand and thirty-one thousand four hundred and ninety-two pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Allowances on the Compassionate List, of Allowances as Rewards for distinguished Services, and of Allowances to Officers of Her Majesty's Forces for services of merit, in pursuance of the Acts of the 17th and 18th of Victoria, for the holding of which the said sums of money shall be paid out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and on Foreign Stations, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

13. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand and forty thousand and two hundred and fifty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Allowances on the Compassionate List, of Allowances as Rewards for distinguished Services, and of Allowances to Officers of Her Majesty's Forces for services of merit, in pursuance of the Acts of the 17th and 18th of Victoria, for the holding of which the said sums of money shall be paid out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and on Foreign Stations, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.
Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Thirty-seven thousand and forty-three pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for the Field Train Department, the Medical Department and the Royal Military Academy, for the year 1844-45.

Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Four hundred and eighty-three thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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

 Ordered, That towards making good the Supply Consolidated granted to Her Majesty, the sum of Eight millions Fund, Newton, for the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Allowances to Persons late belonging to the Office of Ordnance at the Tower and Pall Mall, at Woolwich, at the Out-stations in the United Kingdom, and at the Foreign Stations, for the year 1844-45.

Ordered, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill ; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Manchester, Bury and Rossendale Railway Bill, in trust of Ellis Fletcher, late of Clifton, in the county of Lancaster, Esquire, deceased, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Manchester, Bury and Rossendale Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Sidney Herbert presented, pursuant to Order, Greenwich — Copies of the two last half-yearly Reports of In-Hospital Inspection, by Professor Mostley, on the Greenwich Hospital Schools.

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

Mr. Manners Sutton presented,—Return to an Or-Stipendiary Order, dated the 21st day of March in the last Session of Parliament, for an Account of the manner in which £ 32,550, voted in 1842, for Salaries and Allowances of Stipendiary Justices in the Counties, was expended ; stating the Name of each Justice, the Date of his Appointment, the Salary and Allowances he received from the Public Grant, and whether any are paid by the Counties; Also, an Account of the Amount of Contingent Charges for each Colony, and the Nature of those Charges.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That the return relative to the Recorder ofDenbies, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Convicts, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Committee of Selection on Petitions for Private Bills, to whom the Petition of Thomas Cross, complaining of non-compliance Vol. 99.

with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for the Gravesend, Rochester and Chatham Railway Bill, was referred ; that the Standing Orders had not been complied with, insomuch as a piece of land of the extent of nearly half an acre, marked No. 49, on the Plan, in the parish of Northfleet, and included within the limits of deviation, was not laid down on an enlarged Plan, though appearing to be ground cultivated as a garden; and, also, insomuch as a piece of land, marked No. 57 on the Plan, in the parish of Northfleet, included within the limits of deviation, was not laid down on an enlarged Plan, though proved to be ground cultivated as a garden; and, also, insomuch as in the Notice served on the owner of certain property in the said parish of Cuxton, described on the said Plan by the No. 57, the description given of the Section as the greatest depth of the cutting in the said property is four feet, whereas the Notice served on the occupier of the same property describes the greatest depth of the cutting in the same property as 11 feet; also, insomuch as in the Notice served on the owners and occupiers of certain property in the said parish of Cuxton, described on the Plan by the No. 16, such property is not described or referred to as being on the line through which the Railway is laid down, but only as property that may be taken under the power to deviate; and the greatest depth of the cutting through such property is not specified, although the line of Railway is laid down upon the said Plan as passing through such property, and in a cutting of 12 feet; also, insomuch as the said Plan contains a piece of arable land near certain property, numbered 29 on the said Plan, in the parish of Saint Margaret's, Rochester, which piece of ground is included in the limits of deviation as described on the said Plan, nevertheless, the Book of Reference does not contain the names of the owner or the occupier of the said piece of ground in reference thereto, nor has any application been made to them in respect of the same; also, insomuch as the said Plan contains a piece of ground cultivated as a garden, referred to by the No. 45 on the Plan, in the said parish of Saint Margaret's, Rochester, which is included within the limits of deviation, as described on the said Plan, nevertheless, such piece of ground is not drawn on an additional enlarged Plan; also, insomuch as the Book of Reference does not contain the names of the surveyors of the highways in respect of a certain parish road called Decelo-lane, included within the limits of deviation, described on the Plan and referred to in the No. 142 on the said Plan, in the parish of Saint Margaret's, Rochester, in reference thereto; also, insomuch as the No. 15, which appears on the Plan as an arable field, and No. 15, which appears as the River Medway, have been mutually transferred in the Book of Reference; also, insomuch as in fifteen instances no Notices have been served on the land-owners and occupiers, showing the proposed route and depths of the cutting, as corresponding with the black line showing the surface of the ground in the Section; but that Notices have been served upon such owners and occupiers, corresponding with a certain red line shown in the Section, and which were called "an alternative Section," which Section, the Promoters of the Bill informed the Committee it was their intention to adopt; also, insomuch as there is no datum line on that portion of the Section of the Railway laid down between the junction of the Railway leading to Chatham and the Railway leading from thence to Rochester or Troy Town, mentioned on the Plan, being of the distance of nearly a mile.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.
Gorbals Statute Labour Bill.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Gorbals Statute Labour Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend the limits of the Acts for regulating the conversion of the Statute Labour within the Barony of Gorbals, in the city of Glasgow, and county of Lanark, and to alter and amend the said Acts: And that Mr. Lockhart and Mr. Oswald do prepare, and bring it in.

Lauding-place.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Swansea Improvement Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for paving, lighting, cleansing, water-preparing and otherwise improving the town and borough of Swansea, in the county of Glamorgan, and for removing and preventing Nuisances and Annoyances therein: And that Mr. John Henry Vivian and Mr. Talbot do prepare, and bring it in.

Hythe Landing-place.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Hythe Landing-place Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for authorizing the Sale of the Durham Junction Railway to the Newcastle and Darlington Junction Railway and Tyne Bridge Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for enabling the Pontop and South Shields Railway Company to widen a part of their Railway, and to make a Branch therefrom, and for other purposes: And that Mr. Hodgson Hinde, Mr. Bowes and Mr. LiddeIl do prepare, and bring it in.

Pontop and South Shields Railway Bill.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Pontop and South Shields Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for enabling the Pontop and South Shields Railway Company to widen a part of their Railway, and to make a Branch therefrom, and for other purposes: And that Mr. Hutt and Mr. Hodgson Hinde do prepare, and bring it in.

Swansea Improvement Bill.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Swansea Improvement Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That the South Eastern, Canterbury, Ramsgate and Hastings Railway Bill was referred; That the Standing Orders had not been complied with, and as much as the Notices in the London Gazette and county newspapers, the Plans and Sections deposited in the Private Bill Office and with the Parish Clerks, and the applications to land-owners and occupiers, had relation to a Railway to be constructed from the Town of Gravesend to the Towns of Chatham and Rochester, being nine miles in length; whereas the Petition for the Bill relates to a Railway entirely within the parish of Milton-next-Gravesend, and only half a mile in length, though for that distance in the same line.

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

Mr. Darby presented a Bill for making a Railway Brighton, from the London and Brighton Railway to Lewes and Hastings Railway.  

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

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee Swansea on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Swansea Harbour Bill, the Standing Orders relative to Bills of the third class, had not been complied with, inasmuch as no notices had been given in the London Gazette or in any newspaper published in the county to which the proposed measure relates.

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

Petitions from Canterbury; Ramsgate; Margate; and Hastings Railway.

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

Petitions of Samuel E. S. Bridge, of Olina, South-Eastern, Leigh, in the parish of Wye, in the county of Kent; and Edward Knight, Esquire, and Edward Knight, Esquire, of Godmersham Park, in the parish of Godmersham, in the county of Kent; praying that the South Eastern, Canterbury, Ramsgate and Margate Railway Bill may not pass into a law, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Canterbury; Ramsgate; Margate; and Broadstairs; praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Midland Railways Consolidation Bill was Midland Railway read a second time; and committed. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the South Eastern, Canterbury, Ramsgate and Margate Railway Bill, be now read a second time;—

The Amendments following were proposed to be made to the Question; viz.

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;—
Great Western Railway Bill, A Petition of Tradesmen of the town of Petersfield, in the county of Southampton, praying that the Great Western Railway Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Rockdale Improvement Bill, The Rockdale Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Liverpool Docks Bill, The Liverpool Docks Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Railway Bills Classification. A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Select Committee on Railway Bills Classification, and of the Evidence taken before them, be laid before this House:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Eastern Counties Railway Bill, The Eastern Counties Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Sutton (Eastern Counties) and Thames Junction Railway Bill, A Petition of Owners, Lessors and Occupiers of property through which the Railway hereinafter mentioned is intended to be carried, and Inhabitants of the parish of West Ham, in the county of Essex, and others, praying that the Sutton (Eastern Counties) and Thames Junction Railway Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill, A Petition of John Garnett Horsfall, of Bolton Royd, Bradford, in the county of York, Esquire, praying that he, or any person or agent, against certain parts of the Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Order the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Selection.

London Gas Bill, The London Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. b.) Bill, Major Berridge presented a Bill for making a Railway, in continuation of the Eastern Counties Railway, from Colchester to the Port of Harwich: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Harwich Railway and Pier Bill, The Harwich Railway and Pier Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

North British Railway Bill, A Petition of Merchants, Manufacturers and others, Inhabitants of the royal burgh of Dunfermline, praying that the North British Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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The Order made upon Friday last, That Mr. European Life Insurance and Annuity Company Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That Mr. Bramston and Mr. Philpotts do prepare, and bring in the European Life Insurance and Annuity Company Bill, was read, and discharged.

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Mr. Dirrett presented a Bill for making and maintaining a Turnpike-road from Sidmouth to Colhampur, and also to or near to Hele Mill, in the Parish of Bradninch, all in the County of Devon: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Petitions of Bankers, Merchants, Ship-owners Norwich and Brandon Railway, in the county of Norfolk; and, Fishing Merchants, Owners of fishing vessels and Persons engaged in the herring and mackerel fisheries of Great Yarmouth, praying that the Norwich and Brandon Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Mr. Stuart Wortley presented a Bill for repairing, improving, maintaining a new Line of Road from the said Road, at a Place called Beuts, or near Dunford Bridge, 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.

The Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Mr. Greene, by Order, presented a Bill for proving the Marsh and other Common Lands, and Marsh Improvement Bill, extending Rights of Common and of Recreation within the Town and County of the Town of Southampton, and for removing and preventing Nuisances and Annoyances therein: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

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A Petition of Inhabitants of the city of Rochester Gravesend and town of Chatham, in the county of Kent, taking notice of the application for leave to bring in the Gravesend Railway Bill; and praying that such Bill may not pass into law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Rochester and Chatham;—and, Gravesend, and Milton; taking notice of the application for leave to bring in the Gravesend, Rochester and Chatham Railway Bill; and praying that such Bill may pass into law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. John Abel Smith presented a Bill for making a Railway from the Shoreham Branch of the London and Brighton Railway to Chichester: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Noblemen, Commissioners of Sup-Com Law, ply, Owners, Tenants and other Occupiers of land, ## p. 2 of...
of the county of Elgin and Forres, praying the House to continue the protection yet left to agriculture by a graduated scale of duties on Foreign Corn, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Military Establishments.

Petitions from Alton; Bridport; Oney; Crockford; North; Kinsham; Bosbury; Belford; Woodbridge; Lichfield; Fakenham; Secretary of the Wem Peace Society; Dorking; Secretary of the Hitchin Auxiliary Peace Society; Chairman of the Birmingham Peace Association; Bolton; Worcester; Kingston-on-Thames; Charlbury; Street; Secretary of the Maidstone Peace Society; Romsey; Reading; Dunfermline (Chairman of a Meeting); Were; Chairman of the Gloucester Peace Society; Rochester (two Petitions); Secretary of the Wellingborough Auxiliary Peace Society; Ipswich; Lowest Horsham; Ayr; Ballacrach; Stirling; Dumbarton; Plymouth; Reading; Hull; Doncaster; Colchester (two Petitions); Spalding; Chairman and Secretaries of the London Peace Society; Staines; and, Agyn and Stockley; praying that no increase whatever may be made in the Military Establishments of the Empire, and that the House will remove the temptations to war which such Establishments present; were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Saint Asaph and Bangor Dioceses.

Petitions of Clergymen of the diocese of Kildare; and, Rural Dean of Trigg Major; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4 c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Union with Ireland.

Petitions from Laracor and Gallow; Kilmore; Kilmarnock; Ballengrow; Harrow; Portloe; Ballymacuagh and Drummanham; Athlone; Mylologue; Ballylaugh and Kilbrina; Mythe; ruconeorg; Balleck; Dunfermlie; Carriage; Thomsontown; Phibsen; Dromore and Garvagh; Monasterese; Rossvale; Gartnaheen; and, New Birmingham; Ballyheery; August; Kirk; Greencastle and Monkneeton; Clonoe; Errigal Truagh; Athleague; Graward; Ardstraw West; Kilfrane; and Ardpatrick; Cooley; Aridocht; Clonody; and Pierceton; Aclow; Saint Mary's, (Nonth); and Derry; praying for the repeal of the legislative union between Great Britain and Ireland, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Factories Bill.

Petitions from Edsall (two Petitions); Batley Carr (two Petitions); Batley (five Petitions); Forsay; Bramley and Snawley; Dewsbury; Dean and Chapter of the Collegiate Church of Manchester; Huddersfield; and, Congleton; praying that the Factories Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands; were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Capital Punishment.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town of Rochdale; praying the House that there may speedily be made such an alteration in the judicial or penal statutes of the realm, relative to the taking away of human life, that this office may be taken from the hands of the sheriff, and added to the other duties of the ministers of the church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

Petitions from Saint Mary, Islington; Manchester; and, Bishop's Stortford; praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands; were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Darlington, in the county of Durham, engaged or interested in the manufacture of Wool, praying for reduction of the duties upon Foreign Wool imported, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Merchants, Manufacturers, Tradesmen, Common Carriers, and others, interested in the conveyance of goods by Railway; and, Merchants, Manufacturers and others resident in; Oxford (two Petitions); praying the House to secure to them and the public the same benefit of a free competition in the inland carriage of goods as they enjoyed previously to the formation of Railways, were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Railways.

A Petition of Land-owners residing in the town of Crosby Gorretty, in the county of Westmoreland, entitled to rights of concerning within the said township, in respect of their several estates, praying the House to direct their attention in the present Session of Parliament to some measure having for its object the facilitating the inclusion of commonable and of common and waste lands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Fifty-seven Petitions of Consumers of Tobacco (Scotland.)

A Petition of the Provost, Magistrates and Town Council of Greenock, praying for the repeal of the statutes imposing religious tests upon professors as a qualification for their holding offices in the Universities and public schools of Scotland, excepting in so far as they require professors of divinity connected with the Established Church to subscribe the same, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants of the borough of Birmingham, praying the House to adopt such measures as shall effectually remove the grievances of the people of Ireland, and destroy class legislation, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of the Bath Church of England Lay Association, praying for the immediate formation of a new and independent Bishopric for the county of Manchester, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of South Shields, praying the House to refrain from voting the Supplies until the Grievances of the people are investigated and redressed, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Parishioners of Whitechurch, in the state Trial county of Cork, complaining of the recent proceed.ings on the late State Trial in Ireland, in regard to the petition and omission of names from the Special Jury Panel; and praying the House to adopt measures for preventing the recurrence thereof, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor of Bury Saint Edmunds, praying the Eastern Counties Railway Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of all Sweets or Made Wines imported from Scotland and Ireland into England under the Provisions of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 72, stating the Port or Place imported from, and the Port or Place imported into, from the 1st day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844, both Dates inclusive; stating the Denomination, Sort or Kind of all such Sweets or Made Wines and Sweetened Compound Spirits so imported, and the Rate or Per Gallon of Duty charged and paid upon all the above-mentioned Articles so imported:—Of all Sweets that have been made by the Excise and Customs of any such Sweets or Made Wines, and Sweetened Compound Spirits so imported, and the Reason of such Seizures:—Of all Sweets or Made Wines and Sweetened Compound Spirits seized in Ireland, being brought from Scotland into England, contrary to the Provisions of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 72, since the passing of the said Act to the present period:—Stating how all Seizures of the above-mentioned Sweets or Made Wines and Sweetened Compound Spirits, within the period of the Dates specified, have been dealt with, by any, and what Amount of Penalty has been enforced against the Parties from whom any such Seizures have been made:—And, of the Quantity, stating the Denomination, Sort or Kind of all such Sweets or Made Wines and Sweetened Compound Spirits, remaining in Bond on the 5th day of January 1844, and where bonded.

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, by the Overseers of the Poor, setting out for Parochial and Poor Law Purposes, for the several Boroughs, within the several Parliamentary Boroughs in England and Wales, of the respective Sums assessed for the Support of the Poor, for which such Rates were levied, and the Acts of Parliament authorizing the same:—And, from the several Boroughs in England and Wales, returning a Member or Members to serve in Parliament, of the respective Sums assessed for Borough Rates on such Boroughs respectively, for the year ending at the period to which the Accounts of such Boroughs have been last audited; and also of the Sums paid by such Boroughs respectively, in the year ending at the same period, on each of the following Accounts; viz. Expense of Gaol and Maintenance of Prisoners; Administration of Justice and Prosecution of Prisoners; County Expenses; Coroner; County Rates.

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.

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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, Returns of the several Rates and Taxes chargeable within the respective Parliamentary Boroughs in Ireland; specifying under what Act or Acts, or by what Authority the same are respectively levied; and the Amount of each of such Taxes assessed in each of the last Three years; and the Sum paid by the Pound on the Annual Value of the Premises charged therewith, to which the Total Sum so assessed for each of such Rates amounted, on an Average of such Three last years; and stating which of such Rates are required to be paid in reference
to Parliamentary Franchise:—From the Treasurers of the respective Counties in Ireland in which the respective Parliamentary Boroughs, not being Counties of the Realm, are situated, of the Amount of Grand Jury Cess charged upon each of such Boroughs, so far as the same can be ascertained, as its proportion of Grand Jury Cess, in each of the last three years; specifying the manner in which the Sum so charged was made up, and upon what Valuation the same was appotted on the Borough, and whether, in ascertaining the proportion of Grand Jury Cess to be charged on each of such Boroughs, and in ascertaining the Amount to be raised upon them respectively, the Value of Houses and other Buildings within such Boroughs respectively were taken into account, or whether such Valuation and Appportionment respectively were confined to Land:—And, from the several Municipal Boroughs in Ireland, of the respective Sums assessed on them respectively for Borough Rates since the Acts 3 and 4 Vict. c. 108 and 109, come into operation in them respectively; specifying the Amount of each Rate, and the time at which it was assessed, and the Sum in the Pound on the Annual Value of the Premises charged therewith.

**Ordered,** That there be laid before this House, a Copy of such Letter or Letters as may have been addressed to the High Board of Guardians by any of the Four Clergymen who memorialised the Poor Law Commissioners, on the 26th June last, explanatory of their object in requiring the removal of Mr. G. Newman, from the Situation of Medical Officer of the Glastonbury District.

**Ordered,** That there be laid before this House, a Return of any Treasury Minutes and other Official Documents on the subject of the Transfer of a Return of any Treasury Minutes and other Official Documents on the subject of the Transfer of Commissariat Services in the year ended on the 31st day of March 1843.

**Ordered,** That the said Account do lie upon the Table.

**Ordered,** That there be laid before this House, a Return of any Treasury Minutes and other Official Documents, on the subject of the Transfer of the Cost of providing Provisions, Forage, Fuel and Light from the War Office to the Commissariat Office, for the Cost of provision in Ireland, in the Pound on the Annual Value of the Premises and the time at which it was assessed, and the Sum for Borough Rates since the Acts 3 and 4 Vict., c. 108 and 109, came into operation in them respectively; specifying the Amount of each Rate, and the time at which it was assessed, and the Sum in the Pound on the Annual Value of the Premises charged therewith.

Mr. Gladstone presented, by Her Majesty's Command, a Petition of the Trustees of the British Museum, for the support of the British Museum, having been referred to the Committee of Supply, 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 30,000 l. 6d. per cent. Reduced Bank Annuities, the Annual Dividend whereof amounts to 1900 l.; of a bequest of the late Earl of Bridgewater, the annual proceeds of which amount to 415 l.; of a bequest of the late Lord Farnborough, the annual proceeds of which amount to 45 l.; of the Collections; and an Account of Objects 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.

Sir George Clerk, by Her Majesty's Command, presented, for the support of the British Museum, for the year ending 31st March 1844.

**Ordered,** That there be laid before this House, a Return of any Treasury Minutes and other Official Documents, on the subject of the Transfer of the Cost of providing Provisions, Forage, Fuel and Light from the War Office to the Commissariat Office, for the Cost of provision in Ireland, in the Pound on the Annual Value of the Premises and the time at which it was assessed, and the Sum for Borough Rates since the Acts 3 and 4 Vict., c. 108 and 109, came into operation in them respectively; specifying the Amount of each Rate, and the time at which it was assessed, and the Sum in the Pound on the Annual Value of the Premises charged therewith.

Mr. Gladstone presented, by Her Majesty's Command, a Petition of the Trustees of the British Museum, for the support of the British Museum, having been referred to the Committee of Supply, 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 30,000 l. 6d. per cent. Reduced Bank Annuities, the Annual Dividend whereof amounts to 1900 l.; of a bequest of the late Earl of Bridgewater, the annual proceeds of which amount to 415 l.; of a bequest of the late Lord Farnborough, the annual proceeds of which amount to 45 l.; of the Collections; and an Account of Objects 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.

Sir George Clerk, by Her Majesty's Command, presented, for the support of the British Museum, for the year ending 31st March 1844.

**Ordered,** That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Income and Expenditure of the British Museum for the year 1843; of the estimated Charges and Expenses for the year ending 25th March 1845; of the Sum necessary to be raised to defray the same; and also, an Account of the Number of Persons admitted to visit the Museum from Christmas 1837 to Christmas 1843; 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 1843.

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Mr. Greene reported from the Committee to whom it was referred, a Bill for an Act relating to Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum Annuities, 1818, Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum Reduced Annuities, New Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum Annuities, Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum Old Stock and Government Debentures (Ireland), Irish Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum Reduced Annuities, and New Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum Annuities and Government Debentures; several Resolutions, which were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That all and every person and persons, bodies politic or corporate, who now is or are or hereafter may be interested in or entitled unto any part of the National Debt, redeemable by law, which now carries an interest at the rate of £.3 10s. per centum per annum, and known in Ireland by the several names of £.3 10s. per Centum Old Stock and Government Debentures, Irish £.3 10s. per Centum Reduced Annuities, and New £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities and Government Debentures, and known in Great Britain by the several names of £.3 10s. per Centum Old Stock and Government Debentures, and dividends of which are paid either at the Bank of England or at the Bank of Ireland respectively, and who shall not signify his, her or their dissent in the manner hereinafter mentioned, shall for every £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities, or Government Debentures, receive for every £.100 of such £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities or Government Debentures, £.100, in a New Stock, to be called "£.3 5s. per Centum Annuities," and "New £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities," which said Annuities shall continue to be paid at the rate of £.3 5s. per centum per annum until the 10th day of October 1844; and from and after that date the said Annuities shall carry Interest at the rate of £.3 per centum per annum, which said last-mentioned Annuities shall not be subject to reduction until from and after the 10th day of October 1874; and the Dividends or Interest of the said "£.3 5s. per Centum Annuities," and "New £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities," which said Annuities shall be paid and payable at the Bank of England, or at the Bank of Ireland, on the 5th day of April and the 10th day of October in each and every year; the first half-yearly dividend on the said "£.3 5s. per Centum Annuities," which said Annuities shall be paid and payable at the Bank of England, or at the Bank of Ireland, on the 5th day of April and the 10th day of October in each and every year; the first half-yearly dividend on the said "£.3 5s. per Centum Annuities," shall be charged and chargeable upon the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

2. Resolved, That the Interest and Dividends payable in respect of the said "£.3 5s. per Centum Annuities," and "New £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities," shall be charged and chargeable upon the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

3. Resolved, That all and every person and persons, bodies politic or corporate, who shall not, within the period commencing on Monday the 11th day of March 1844, and ending on Saturday the 24th day of March 1844, both days inclusive, signify his, her or their dissent from accepting and receiving a share in the said "£.3 5s. per Centum Annuities," and "New £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities," in lieu of his, her or their respective shares in the before-mentioned £.3 10s. per Centum Old Stock and Government Debentures, in the manner hereinafter directed, shall be deemed and taken to have consented to signify such dissent at any time before the 2nd day of June 1844; and if any such proprietor or proprietors shall not, at any time, between the 11th day of March 1844 and the 2d day of June 1844, be within any part of Europe, it shall be lawful for him, her or them to signify such dissent at any time before the 1st day of February 1845, such proprietor or proprietors, or any of them, on or before the 1st day of February 1845, to signify his, her or their dissent to the Governor or Deputy Governor of the Bank of England, or to the Governor or Deputy Governor of the Bank of Ireland, according to the Bank in which his Annuities of £.3 10s. per Centum may be placed, and the Dividends and Interest thereon, and if such proprietor or proprietors shall not signify his, her or their dissent within ten days after his, her or their return to the United Kingdom, as above specified, and that his, her or their share or shares of such £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities stood in his, her or their name or names respectively on the 23d day of March 1844, in the books of the Governor and Company of the Bank to which he shall signify his dissent: Provided, that such proprietor or proprietors, so absent from the United Kingdom or out of Europe, shall signify such his, her or their dissent within ten days after his, her or their return to the United Kingdom.

4. Resolved, That provision shall be made for paying off such proprietor or proprietors of any of the said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities before-mentioned as shall signify his, her or their dissent from accepting and receiving any share in the said "£.3 5s. per Centum Annuities," and "New £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities," in lieu thereof.

5. Resolved, That all persons, bodies politic and corporate, possessed of any part of the before-mentioned £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities, and who shall desire to signify such dissent as aforesaid, shall, between the 11th day of March 1844, and the 23d day of March 1844, both inclusive, by themselves, or some agent or agents for that purpose duly authorized, signify to the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, or to the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland respectively, in which their Capital Stock of £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities may be placed, such dissent in writing, under his, her or their hand or hands, together with the amount of his, her or their respective shares in the said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities, and which said dissent shall be entered in a book or books, to be opened and kept by the said Governor and Company of each of the said Banks for that purpose, and numbered in the order in which his, her or their dissent shall be received by the said Governor and Company of either of the said Banks; and in case of any transfer of such shares, or any part of such shares, or any part or parts thereof, after such dissent, the part or parts so transferred shall be entered in the said books under the same numbers as were fixed to such shares when the dissent was so signified; and every such dissentient proprietor or proprietors, or his, her or their assigns, under such transfer, shall be paid off in such order and at such periods and in such manner as Parliament may direct.

6. Resolved, That every proprietor or proprietors of the said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities, the Dividends and Interest on which are payable the 5th day of April and the 10th day of October, shall receive the Dividend due thereon for the half year up to the 10th day of October 1844, and no longer; and every proprietor or proprietors of the said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities, the Dividends and Interest on which are payable on the 5th day of January and the 5th day of July, shall receive the Dividend due thereon for the half year up to the 5th day of July 1844, and shall also receive one quarter's dividend thereon up to the 10th day of October 1844, and no longer; and every proprietor or proprietors of the before-mentioned £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities shall be paid off or converted into £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities, and New £.3 per Centum Annuities in manner aforesaid, and from and after the 10th day of October 1844; and no transfer of any of the before-mentioned £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities to or from
from the books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, or to or from the books of the Governor and Company of the said 1818, shall take place from and after the 6th day of March 1844.

7. Resolved, That all executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees may signify such dissent in respect of such shares of any of the said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities, for the holding of which their names are made use of respectively; and all executors, administrators, guardians and trustees, not signifying such dissent, shall be presumed to have assented as aforesaid, and shall be indemnified in respect thereof.

8. Resolved, That all and every person and persons, bodies politic or corporate, who now is or are hereafter may be interested in or entituled unto any part of the National Debt redeemable by Law, which now carries an Interest after the rate of £.3 10s. per Centum per annum, and is usually known by the name of £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818; and the Dividends of which are payable at the Bank of England on the 5th day of April and 10th day of October in each year, and who shall not signify his, her or their assent to accept £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities, and New £.3 per Centum Annuities, upon the terms and in the manner hereinafter mentioned, shall on the 10th day of October 1844 receive the sum of £.100 for every £.100 of such £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, which may be then standing in his, her or their name or names, and the said amount of capital of such Annuities shall from the said 10th day of October 1844, be considered as cancelled and paid off, and no Interest shall from thenceforth accrued, or become payable thereon.

9. Resolved, That provision shall be made by this House for paying off such proprietor or proprietors of the said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, as shall not signify his, her or their assent to accept and receive a share in £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities and New £.3 per Centum Annuities in lieu thereof.

10. Resolved, That all and every person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, who shall hold or be possessed of any such £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, and who shall, on or before Saturday the 20th day of April 1844, signify in the manner hereafter directed his, her or their assent to accept and receive £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities, in lieu of his, her or their respective share or shares in the said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, shall, for every £.100 of such £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, in the said Company a New Stock to be called "£.3 5s. per Centum Annuities," which said Annuities shall continue to be paid at the rate of £.3 5s. per annum, until the 10th day of October 1844, and from and after that date the said Annuities shall carry Interest at the rate of £.3 per Centum per annum, and shall be called "New £.3 per Centum Annuities," which said last-mentioned Annuities shall not be subject to reduction until from and after the 10th day of October 1844; and the said £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities, and the New £.3 per Centum Annuities, respectively, shall be free from all taxes, charges and impositions, in the like manner as the said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818; and the Dividends or Interest of the said £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities, and New £.3 per Centum Annuities, shall be paid and payable at the Bank of England, or at the Bank of Ireland, on the 5th day of April and 10th day of October in each and every year; and the first half-yearly Dividend on the said £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities shall be payable on the 5th day of April 1844.

11. Resolved, That all and every person or persons, bodies politic or corporate, possessed of any part of the said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, and who shall desire to signify his, her or their assent to receive the said £.5 5s. per Centum Annuities and New £.3 per Centum Annuities in lieu thereof, shall, on or before the 20th day of April 1844, but within the usual hours of transacting business at the Bank of England, by themselves or some agent or agents duly authorized, signify to the Governor and Company of the Bank of England such assent in writing under his, her or their hand or hands, or the hand or hands of his, her or their agent, or agents, in writing, and shall in addition state the amount of his, her or their respective share or shares in the said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, and which said assent shall be entered in a book or books to be opened and kept by the said Governor and Company for that purpose; and in case of any transfer of such share or shares of such Annuities, or any part or parts thereof, after such assent, the part or parts of such Annuities so transferred shall be entered in the said book or books of the said Governor and Company separately from the said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, in respect of which no such assent shall be signified, and every such person or persons so assigning, or his or their agents or assignees, or the executors or administrators of such assignees, under any such transfer, shall, from the 10th day of October 1844, be entitled to £.100 of such £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities and New £.3 per Centum Annuities, in lieu of every £.100 of their said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, and who shall desire to signify his, her or their assent to accept and receive £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities, in lieu of every £.100 of their said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, shall not be within the limits of the United Kingdom at any time between the 11th and 23d day of March 1844, both inclusive, but shall be in any other part of Europe, it shall be lawful for such person or persons to signify such assent at any time before the 1st day of July 1844, and if any such person or persons shall not at any time between the 11th day of March 1844 and the 1st day of July 1844 be within any part of Europe, it shall be lawful for him, her or them to signify such assent at any time before the 1st day of February 1845, such person or persons proving to the satisfaction of the Governor or Deputy Governor of the Bank of England, his, her or their absence from the United Kingdom, or out of Europe as above specified, and that he, she or their share or shares of such £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818 stood in his, her or their name or names respectively, in the name of any one or more trustees or trustees, on his, her or their behalf, in the books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, on the 23d day of March 1844; Provided also, that such person or persons so absent from the United Kingdom, or out of Europe, shall signify such his, her or their assent, within ten days after his, her or their return to the United Kingdom.

12. Resolved, That the Interest and Dividends payable in respect of the said £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities and New £.3 per Centum Annuities shall be charged and chargeable upon, and shall be issued and paid out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, on the 4th day of April and the 10th day of October in every year.

13. Resolved, That every proprietor or proprietors of the said £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, shall receive the Dividends of the said Annuities due thereon on the 10th day of October 1844, and no longer.

14. Resolved, That it shall be lawful for the Accountant General of the Court of Chancery in England and Ireland respectively, and also for the Accountant General of the Court of Exchequer in Ireland, and for the Accountant in Bankruptcy in England, at or before the 8th day of July 1844, to signify to the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, on behalf of any suitor or suitors, or others interested in any such £.3 10s. per Centum Annuities 1818, standing in the names of such Accountants General and Accountant respectively, their assent to accept and receive shares in the said £.3 5s. per Centum Annuities, and New £.3 per Centum Annuities.
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7 Vict. 4. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Eighty thousand and seventy-seven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Volunteer Corps, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

5. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One thousand seven hundred and forty-nine pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying Expenses incurred for unprovided Services of former years.

6. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Thirty-four thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying Expenses incurred for unprovided Services of former years.

7. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Eighty thousand and seventy-seven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, Officers, for defraying the Charge of General Officers in Her Majesty’s Forces, not being Colonels of Regiments, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

8. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Full Pay Officers, for Reduced and Retired Officers of Her Majesty’s Forces, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

9. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Forty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Pay and Reduced Allowances to Officers of Disbanded Foreign Corps, of Pensions to Wounded Foreign Officers, and of Allowances to the Widows and Children of deceased Foreign Officers, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

10. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Fifty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Half Pay and Pensions, for Reduced and Retired Officers of Her Majesty’s Land Forces, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

11. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and forty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Pensions to be paid to the Widows of Officers of the Land Forces, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

12. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and twenty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals, &c., of the Coffee and two thousand five hundred and fifty-two thousand seven hundred and sixty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals, &c., of the Pensioners of the Chelsea Hospital, of Pensions granted to discharged Negro Soldiers, and of Pensioners from Hanoverian Corps which served with the British Army in 1793, 1794 and 1795, and of the Military Organization of Out-Pensioners in the United Kingdom, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

13. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Thirty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of the Royal Military Asylum, and of the Hibernian Military School, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845, both days inclusive.

14. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Twenty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Allowances, &c.
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Ordnance Civil Establishments.

15. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and twenty-seven thousand and forty-three pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Salary of the Civil Establishments of the Office of Ordnance at the Tower and Pall Mall, at Woolwich, at the Out-Stations in the United Kingdom, and at the Foreign Stations, for the year 1844-45.

16. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and eleven thousand seven hundred and seven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Expense of the Corps of Royal Engineers and Sappers and Miners, for the year 1844-45.

17. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Three hundred and forty-three thousand five hundred and twenty-one pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge for Ordnance Works and Repairs, Storekeepers' Expenditure, Building and Repair of Barracks, Barrack Masters' Expenditure, and Pay of Clerks of Works, Foremen of Works, &c., in the United Kingdom and Colonies, for the year 1844-45.

18. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Twenty-nine thousand two hundred and ninety-seven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Expense of Stores, on account of the Allowances to Superannuated and Retired Officers late belonging to the several Military Public Departments, to Widows and Children of deceased Officers late belonging to the several Ordnance Military Corps, to Widows and Children of deceased Officers late belonging to the Office of Ordnance at the Tower and Pall Mall, at Woolwich, at the Out-Stations in the United Kingdom, and at the Foreign Stations, for the year 1844-45.

19. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Nine thousand two hundred and ninety-seven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of Widows' Pensions, for the year 1844-45.

20. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding One hundred and sixty-three thousand six hundred and eighty-three thousand seven hundred and ninety-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Expense of the Ordnance Surveys, to Persons late belonging to the Office of Ordnance at the Tower and Pall Mall, at Woolwich, at the Out-Stations in the United Kingdom, and at the Foreign Stations, for the year 1844-45.

21. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Four hundred and eighty-three thousand seven hundred and one hundred and forty-three thousand five hundred and twenty-one pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge for Ordnance Works and Repairs, Storekeepers' Expenditure, Building and Repair of Barracks, Barrack Masters' Expenditure, and Pay of Clerks of Works, Foremen of Works, &c., in the United Kingdom and Colonies, for the year 1844-45, after deducting One hundred and forty-three thousand five hundred and twenty-one pounds, to be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Expense of the Corps of Royal Engineers and Sappers and Miners, &c., in the United Kingdom and Colonies, for the year 1844-45; and also for the Employment of a Civil nature on the Public Works, and for Credits, by Sale of Old Stores, Rents of Cattle, &c., in the United Kingdom and Colonies, for the year 1844-45, after deducting One hundred and twenty-nine thousand five hundred and twenty-one pounds, to be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Expense of the Corps of Royal Engineers and Sappers and Miners, &c., in the United Kingdom and Colonies, for the year 1844-45.

22. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Eleven thousand four hundred and eighty-two pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Charge of the Office of Ordnance, on account of the Allowances to Superannuated and Retired Officers, Retired General Officers, Pensions for Good Services and Wounds, for Pensions to Widows and Children of deceased Officers late belonging to the several Ordnance Military Corps; also, Allowances, Compensations and Emoluments, in the nature of Superannuated or Retired Allowances, to Persons late belonging to the Office of Ordnance and to the Barrack Department, in respect to their having held any Public Offices or Employments of a Civil nature; and also for the Charge of Widows' Pensions, for the year 1844-45.

23. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding Nine thousand two hundred and ninety-seven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for defraying the Expense of the Commissariat Supplies in the United Kingdom, for the year 1844-45.

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

And the Eleventh Resolution being read a second time;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution;

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 "there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Mrs. Everett's Letter or Correspondence which has passed between the Secretary of War and the Widows of the late Lieutenant-Colonel David Lyon Evans, c. n., relative to the withholding of her Pension," 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.

And the said Resolution was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-posite Committee on the Poor Law Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-posite Committee on the Poor Law Amendment (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 19th day of April next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-posite Committee on the Prisons (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-posite Committee on the Poor Law Amendment Bill;

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

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable Roman Catholic Bishops, Archbishops, Bishops, and Priests in Ireland, to take Grants or Conveyances to them and their successors, without the intervention of Trustees:

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the words "That the" be inserted at the end of the word "Rome" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "there be laid before this House, a Copy of any Mrs. Everett's Letter or Correspondence which has passed between the Secretary of War and the Widows of the late Lieutenant-Colonel David Lyon Evans, c. n., relative to the withholding of her Pension," 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.

And the said Resolution was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-posite Committee on the Poor Law Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-posite Committee on the Poor Law Amendment Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-posite Committee on the Poor Law Amendment Bill;

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

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine into the present state of the Tobacco Trade, and to inquire what effects have been produced by the changes in the laws relating to it; and whether any and what legislative measures, compatible with the general interest of the country, may be advisable, in order to promote the Trade or to check Smuggling in Tobacco; and to report their Observations thereupon to the House.

Mr. O'Connell presented a Bill to enable Roman Catholic Catholic Archbishops, Bishops and Priests in Ireland, to take Grants or Conveyances to them and their successors, without the intervention of Trustees:

And the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the said Resolution was agreed to.

Ordered, That this House, upon Tuesday last, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the mode of administering Medical Relief to the Sick Poor, under the provisions of the Poor Law Amendment Act, and to report their Opinion thereupon, together with the Minutes of
South Wales.

Tobacco and Snuff.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Number of Pounds Weight of Leaf Tobacco, Manufactured Tobacco, Segars and Snuff, paid Duty upon for the year 1830, ending the 5th day of January 1831; also for the years 1831, ending the 5th day of January 1832; 1832, ending the 5th day of January 1833; 1833, ending the 5th day of January 1834; 1834, ending the 5th day of January 1835; 1835, ending the 5th day of January 1836; 1836, ending the 5th day of January 1837; 1837, ending the 5th day of January 1838; 1838, ending the 5th day of January 1839; 1839, ending the 5th day of January 1840; 1840, ending the 5th day of January 1841; 1841, ending the 5th day of January 1842; 1842, ending the 5th day of January 1843; 1843, ending the 5th day of January 1844; 1844, the Rate of Duty, and the Total Amount of Revenue, distinguishing England, Scotland, and Ireland.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Barrack, Barrack, sc., (Ireland), which was presented upon the 27th day of February last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Bank of England, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Bank of England Notes, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Queen Anne's Anne's Bounty, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of Athlone the Select Committee on the Athlone Election Petition, and of the Evidence taken before them, which were presented upon Friday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Greenwich Hospital Schools, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Anno 7° Victoriae Regine, 1844.

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Mr. Bremston presented a Bill for regulating European Legal Proceedings by or against The European Life Insurance and Annuity Company, and for granting certain Powers thereto: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Commissioners for executing an Yarmouth Act for improving the Haven of Great Yarmouth, and Norwich in the county of Norfolk, and the several Rivers and Approaches to connect the said last-mentioned Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Lockhart presented a Bill to extend the Gorbals Statute limits of the Acts for regulating the Conversion of Labour Bill, the Statute Labour within the Barony of Gorbals, in the City of Glasgow and County of Lanark, and to extend and amend the said Acts: And the said Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Hodgson Hinde presented a Bill for author- Newcastle and linking the Sale of the Durham Junction Railway to the Newcastle and Darlington Junction Railway Company, and for enabling the said Company to Bridge Bill, make a Station at Gateshead, with a Bridge and Approaches to connect the said last-mentioned way
way with the Town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and for other Purposes; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Hodgson Hinde presented a Bill for enabling the Pontop and South Shields Railway Company to widen a part of their Railway, and to make a Branch therefrom, and for other Purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Ordered, That Sub-Committee (No. 3.) of the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of lands and other property, and Residents in the several parishes of Epsom and Ewell, in the county of Surrey, praying that the Epsom and South Western Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition from Epsom; — Cheam; — Sutton; and Cardiganshaw; praying that the Croydon and Epsom Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Epsom and South Western Railway Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of Parties interested in the Coal and general trade of the Port of Hartlepool, in the county of Durham, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Hartlepool West Harbour and Dock Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

The Croydon and Epsom Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Macclesfield, in the county of Cheshire, praying that the Manchester and Birmingham Railway (Macclesfield and Poynton Branches) (No. 2.) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Petitions of Robert Shout Haldor, and other Residents in and around the town of Basingstoke, in the county of Southampton; and, Edward Adams and other Residents in and around the town of Basingstoke, in the county of Southampton; praying that the Newbury and Great Western Railway Bill may not pass into a law; and that the Newbury, Basingstoke, London and Southampton Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bills.

Barney Junction Railway.

Mr. Forbes Mackenzie reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, to whom the Petition of J. S. Beckett and others, complaining of non-compliance with the Standing Orders, in the case of the Petition for the Barney Junction Railway Bill, was referred; That the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as a piece of land, adjoining certain properties numbered 59, 62 and 64 on the said Plan, and within the limits of deviation, is not numbered thereon nor referred to in the Book of Reference, nor are the names of the Owners or Reputors Occupied, lesses or Occupiers of the said piece of land, contained or stated in respect thereto in the Book of Reference; also, inasmuch as a piece of land adjoining to properties numbered 50 and 60 on the said Plan, and within the limits of deviation, is not numbered thereon nor referred to in the Book of Reference, nor are the names of the Owners, Lessees or Occupiers of the said piece of land contained in respect thereto in the said Book of Reference; also inasmuch as a piece of land adjoining to a road numbered 17 and 18 on the said Plan, and within the limits of deviation is not numbered thereon, nor referred to in the Book of Reference, nor are the names of the Owners, Lessees or Occupiers of the said piece of land contained or stated in respect thereto in the Book of Reference; also inasmuch as no application in writing in the form required by the Standing Orders, or in any other form, was made to the Owners, Lessees and Occupiers of lands or houses intended to be taken, situate on the line of Railway, or within the limits of deviation, in the following instances; viz. To Thomas Pemberton, as Owner of land adjoining to a road numbered 17, and near property numbered 13 on the said Plan; to the Reverend Mr. Theakstone, as Owner of property adjoining to that numbered 13 on the said Plan; and, Edward Adams and Samuel Johnson, as Owners of land No. 19 on the said Plan, and passed through by the Railway, the greatest height of embankment is erroneously described to be 61 feet, whereas it ought to be described to be of 49 feet 10 inches, or thereabouts, according to the Plan and Section deposited in the Private Bill Office; to Joseph Beavers, as Occupier of land adjoining to a piece of land numbered 23 on the Plan, wherein the greatest depth of cutting is erroneously described to be 3 feet, whereas it ought to be 11 feet or thereabouts; also inasmuch as in the written application and Schedule thereto served on Thomas Pemberton, as Occupier of a piece of land No. 77 on the said Plan, the greatest depth of cutting is stated to be 7 feet, whereas it should be described to be 4 feet or thereabouts; also inasmuch as in the application to the said Thomas Pemberton, as Occupier of a piece of land No. 85 on the said Plan, the greatest depth of cutting is stated to be 32 feet, whereas it should be described to be 27 feet or thereabouts; also inasmuch as in the application to the said Thomas Pemberton, as Occupier of a piece of land No. 87 on the said Plan, the greatest depth of cutting is stated to be 32 feet, whereas it ought to be 27 feet, and is so marked by figures on the Section deposited on the Plan, the greatest depth of cutting is stated to be 21 feet, whereas it ought to be 13 feet or thereabouts; also inasmuch as in the application to the said Thomas Pemberton, as Occupier of a piece of land No. 89 on the said Plan, the greatest depth of cutting is stated to be 21 feet, whereas it ought to be 13 feet or thereabouts; also inasmuch as in the application to the said Thomas Pemberton, as Occupier of a piece of land No. 89 on the Plan, the greatest height of embankment is stated to be 16 feet, whereas it ought to be 4 feet.
A Petition of Sir Henry Jardine, Knight, Pressec of the Dioceses of Lambeth and Glasgow, praying for the establishment of Local Courts for the decision of small causes, with such alterations in the Acts for the Union of the Sees of Saint Andrews and Banger, and for the establishment of a Bishopric at Manchester by other means, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Saint Mary, Lambeth, stating that the water supplied to them by a certain Joint Stock Company called “The Lambeth Waterworks Company” is foul and filthy, although the rates have been bent Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Kidwelly, Carmar, praying that Licensed Victuallers may be placed on the same footing, in regard to the Tax on Windows, as other tradesmen, owners of shops and warehouses, in which goods are deposited, sold and exposed for sale, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Petition of Mr. Thornely also reported from the said Select Committee; that they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 6th, 7th, and 8th 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.

Ordered, That the Petition of John Lamb, for Sheriff Substitutes in the conduct of the Sheriff Substitute of Lanarkshire, which was presented upon Tuesday last, be printed for the use of Members only.

Petitions from Southill:—Horsforth (three Petitions);—Grinseley (two Petitions);—Eckleton (two Petitions);—Birstall and Batley;—Ossett;—Horbury;—Kendal;—Carlingkone and Bookrood;—Rawdon (two Petitions);—Esholt;—Yeadon (two Petitions);—and, Pudsey (six Petitions); praying that the Factories Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Board of Guardians for the Poor Law in Kendal Union, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Freeholders residing in the township Commons of Colby, in the county of Westmoreland, entitled to the use of Members only, praying for the establishment of Local Courts in respect of common within the said township in respect of their freehold estates, praying the House to direct its attention in the present Session of Parliament to some measure having for its object the facilitating the inclosure of Commonable or Waste Lands, so that the difficulties which now impede the progress of cultivation and the employment of labour and capital may be speedily and effectually removed, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Kirkheaton, Yorkshire, praying for the establishment of Local Courts in the county of Westmoreland, entitled to the use of Members only, praying for the establishment of Local Courts for the decision of small causes, with such provisions as may render their operation as beneficial to the Principality of Wales as to the other parts of the kingdom, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition from Leamington Priors; and, Pudsey (six Petitions); and, Pudsey (six Petitions) ; Esholt; Yeadon (two Petitions) ; Earlsheaton; Rawdon (two Petitions); Earlsheaton; Rawdon (two Petitions);—Pudsey (six Petitions); praying that the Factories Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Aglionby reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; that in the case of the Petition for the Edinburgh, Leith and Granton Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter, explain, revive and continue the powers and provisions of the Acts relating to the Edinburgh, Leith and St. Andrew's Railway, and to make two Branch Railways therefrom: and that Mr. Gibson Craig, Mr. Rutherford and Mr. Macaulay do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. John Henry Vizetoe presented a Bill for paving, lighting, cleansing, watering, regulating and otherwise improving the Town and Borough of Swansea, in the County of Glamorgan, and for removing and preventing nuisances and annoyances therein: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Fishermen of Hartlepool, in the county of Durham, stating that the Petitioners are informed that a Company is applying to Parliament for leave to make an additional Dock and Harbour near that place, at Stockton, to be called The West Harbour and Dock; that, being informed they would derive considerable advantage from the plan, they unthinkingly signed or gave their consent to a Petition to the House in favour of the plan; that the Petitioners have since discovered that the plan would be injurious to themselves and the public generally, and pray the House not to pay the slightest attention to a Petition obtained from them under such misrepresentations, but refuse their assent to the proposed measure, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

A Petition of Charles Woodcock, of the city of Coventry, Gentlemen, praying that the Birmingham Canal Navigation Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

A Petition of Merchants and Traders of the city of York, and Owners of vessels navigating on the River Ouse; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the York and Scarborough Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit, and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Institutions and Visitors of the borough of Cheltenham, praying that the Great Western Railway Bill may not pass into a law as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Members of the Improved Currency League, and other Persons, in public meeting assembled, at the Parthenium Rooms, in the city of Westminster, stating that it is the opinion of the Petitioners that the present system of Currency is rapidly pauperizing, demoralizing and enslaving the people; that the Petitioners believe that the making money subordinate to only one particular and scarce description of property, and that an article of foreign produce, of uncertain supply, and varying demand, termed gold, and maintaining for it a fixed standard of value, is in the highest degree impolitic as well as unjust; and praying the House to take into their serious consideration the following proposals: that, in place of basing the Currency entirely upon a very scarce, uncertain and fleeting foreign metal, it may be founded upon the available, real or real and funded property of the country; and that, in lieu of one law for a portion of Her Majesty's subjects who are proprietors of the Bank of England, a second and third for bankers in England and Wales, and still a different one allowing to bankers in Scotland and Ireland a privilege that is denied to those of England and Wales, that of issuing one-pound notes, one uniform law be made for the entire kingdom and the entire people; that the House would appoint a Board of Directors respectively as shall deposit double the amount of real or real and funded securities, and consent to pay two or two and-a-half per cent. interest per annum thereupon; that such notes be for the sum of one pound and upwards, and the total amount as shall be found necessary to give the heavily-taxed producers and industrial classes of Her Majesty's subjects such an advance upon the present low and under-estimating prices for their produce and labour as the House may consider them justly entitled to obtain; that such notes be at all times a legal tender in discharge of taxes and all other payments, but to be redeemable at the office of issue in either silver or gold, at the market price of such metals, as from time to time the same may be carefully computed by the state of the exchanges, &c., made publicly known in the London Gazette; the Petitioners believing that the enactment of a measure of this kind would greatly tend to emancipate the industry of this great mercantile country from undue subjection to the influence of foreign gold and hostile foreign tariffs; and it would in a corresponding degree restore the finances, trade, agriculture and labour of the country to a healthy and satisfactory state; and the Petitioners do therefore ask the House to pass it into law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Lorenzo Giordano, of No. 17, Duke-street, Saint James's, in the county of Middlesex, Gentlemen, stating that the Petitioner, from many years' laborious study, discovered a speedy and efficacious remedy for curing, at a trifling expense, several diseases; and praying the House to cause a copy of the discovery, which was the result of six years' laborious study, discovered a speedy and efficacious remedy for curing, at a trifling expense, several diseases; and praying the House to cause a copy of the discovery, which was the result of six years' laborious study, revealed by himself to be speedily and efficaciously efficacious remedy for curing, at a trifling expense, several diseases; and praying the House to cause a copy of the discovery, which was the result of six years' laborious study, revealed by himself to be speedily and efficaciously efficacious remedy for curing, at a trifling expense, several diseases; and praying the House to cause a copy of the discovery, which was the result of six years' laborious study, revealed by himself to be speedily and efficaciously efficacious remedy for curing, at a trifling expense, several diseases.
who have taken Orders to go into the Workhouse; of the Number of such Persons who have gone into a Workhouse.

Ordered, That the Number be laid before this House. Returns of all Children who have been removed from Union Houses into the Army and into the Navy, distinguishing the two Classes; their Names, their Ages; Names of Unions which removed, and the Date of such Removal; and whether by consent of their Parents or not.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Applications made by the Incumbent Churchwardens and Parishioners of the Church of Saint Nicholas Within, Dublin, or any of them, to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners of Ireland, relative to the dilapidated state of the parish church, and to the taking down of same;—Of the Report of the Architect of the said Commissioners, relative to the taking down of said Church;—Of the Official Report made by the Provincial Architect to the Archbishop of Dublin, relative to the taking down of said Church:—And, of the Correspondence or other Communications which may have passed between the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and the Archbishop of Dublin upon this subject.

The Farrington and Cwmgilla Inclosure Bill, was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

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affixed also this day on the building where the meet-
ings of the Royal Exchange are now held, while the Royal Exchange is being rebuilt, and inserted in this day's *London Gazette*, that the Three Pounds Ten Shillings Vi. Centums 1818, payable at the Bank of England, which were created by an Act passed in the 58th year of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Third, will be redeemed and paid off.

The Gaming Transactions (Witnesses' Indemnity) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

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The Consolidated Fund Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Canterbury Pavement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of so much of the Treasury Minute of the 26th day of December 1839, respecting the mode of carrying out the Penny Postage Act, as relates to the preparation and application of Postage Stamps.

Mr. Greene presented a Bill to amend the Laws now in force for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the marking of Gold and Silver Wares in England; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Greene presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to International Copyright: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to Order,
—Returns of all Stipendiary Magistrates serving in Ireland on the 1st day of April 1839, specifying the Station at which they were severally serving, and the dates of their respective Appointments as Stipendiary Magistrates:—Shewing dates of all Warrants for the Appointment of Stipendiary Magistrates, from the 1st day of April 1839 to the 15th day of September 1841, specifying the Names of the several Magistrates, the Stations to which they were severally appointed by each Warrant, and the cause assigned in each Warrant respectively for the appointment:—And, of the Number of Stipendiary Magistrates in Ireland who were effective on the 1st and 15th day of each month, from the 1st day of April 1839 to the 1st day of March 1844, inclusive.

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

Mr. George William Hope presented, pursuant to Foreign Juris-
—Copies of all Orders in Council issued in consequence of the Act of last Session, intituled, "The Foreign Jurisdiction Act;" and of any Instructions given to Her Majesty's Consuls and Diplomatic Agents in Foreign Coun-
tries, on the subject of Criminal Jurisdiction over British Subjects in those Countries.

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

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Poor Law, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Com-
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Ordered, That the Commissariat Estimates, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Factories, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after one of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

MERCURI, 13° die Martii;
Anno 7° Victorise Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

MR. COOTEN, from the British Museum, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order,—An Account of the Income and Expen-
siture of the British Museum for the year 1843; of the estimated Charges and Expenses for the year ending 25th March 1845, and of the Sum necessary to discharge the same; and also, an Account of the Number of Persons admitted to visit the Museum from Christmas 1837 to Christmas 1842; together with a Statement of the Progress made in the Ar-
rangement of the Collections; and an Account of Objects added to them in the year 1843:—And then he withdrew.

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

MR. ASHTON, from the Office of the Poor Law Commiss-
mersioners, was called in; and at the bar pres-
sented,
York and Scarborough Railway Bill.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Scarborough, in the county of York, praying that a clause may be inserted in the York and Scarborough Railway Bill, to prevent the Railway from being brought so close to the public carriageway between Scarborough and Filey, as to endanger the safety of persons travelling on horses or in carriages thereon, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

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A Petition of Sir Henry Bridges, of Bedlington, in the county of Surrey, Knight, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Bill, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Railways.

A Petition of Merchants, Manufacturers, Railways, Tradesmen, Common Carriers and others interested in the conveyance of goods by Railway, praying the House to secure to them and the public, the same benefit of a free competition in the inland carriage of goods, as they enjoyed previously to the formation of Railways, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

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2. Resolved, That in the case of the Manchester, Leeds and Hull Associated Railway Companies Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

3. Resolved, That in the case of the Chester and Holyhead Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

4. Resolved, That in the cases of the London and South Western Railway (No. 1.), Petition, and the South Eastern Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bills, provided that the said Standing Orders are dispensed with as shall directly or indirectly authorize the Companies to build, purchase or charter Steam Boats, or otherwise to act as Steam Boat Companies, be omitted.

5. Resolved, That in the case of the Liverpool Liverpool Fire Prevention Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, on giving the Notices for three successive weeks in the London Gazette and in some newspaper of the county of Lancaster.

That the Committees on this and the two preceding Bills do examine, in the first place, how such Orders have been complied with, and do report the same to the House on the Report of the Bill.

6. Resolved, That in the case of the South Eastern Railway Bill, was presented, and read. Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

7. Resolved, That in the case of the Blackburn and Preston Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

8. Resolved, That in the case of the Wells Harbour and Quay Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

9. Resolved, That in the case of the Rother Level Drainage Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Eastern Union Railway Bill, which was this day made from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from Colchester to Ipswich; And that Captain Gladstone and Lord Henniker do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That the House in respect of the Liverpool Fire Prevention Bill, which was this day made from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter and amend an Act of the sixth and seventh years of the reign of Her present Majesty, for the better Protection of Property in the Borough of Liverpool from Fire: And that Viscount Sandon and Sir Howard Douglas do prepare, and bring it in.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the South Eastern Railway Bill, which was this day made from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue and maintain a Branch Railway and Approach to the Harbour of Folkestone, and to construct other Works in connexion with the said Harbour, and also to effect certain Alterations and Extensions of the Works of the Minadstone Branch of the said South Eastern Railway, and to amend the Acts relating to the said Company: And that Sir Edmund Fîmer and Mr. Dodd do prepare, and bring it in.
Leeds and Selby Railway Purchase Bill.

Mr. Green, the Chairman of the Committees on unopposed Private Bills, informed the House, that in the case of the Leeds and Selby Railway Purchase Bill, when the Parties appeared before him previously to going into Committee, they proposed to insert many new Clauses which did not appear in the Copy of the Bill annexed to the Petition for leave; that he submitted to the House whether, in such case, the Parties ought not to withdraw their Bill, and present another Bill in the amended form.

Ordered, That the Order made upon the 20th day of February last for committing the said Bill, be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the Leeds and Selby Railway Purchase Bill, which, upon the 20th day of February last, was made from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for vesting the Leeds and Selby Railway in the York and North Midland Railway Company, and for enabling that Company to raise a further Sum of Money to complete the Purchase of such Railway:

And that Mr. Leatham, Mr. Stuart Wortley and Mr. Octavius Duncombe do prepare, and bring it in.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill, which was this day made from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from Chester to Holyhead:

And that Lord Robert Grosvenor and Mr. Owen Stanley do prepare, and bring it in.

A Petition of the Governor, Deputy Governor and Guardians of the Poor of the city of Exeter, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Six Petitions of Consumers of Tobacco and Snuff, in the borough of the Tower Hamlets; praying for a reduction of the Duty on Tobacco, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill.

Petitions of Feoffees of Trust and Governors of George Heriot his Hospital;—John Leith, Proprietor of the premises in the Lothian-road, Edinburgh, called The Royal Horse Bazaar;—Reverend James Vestch, one of the Ministers of Saint Cuthbert's, in the county of Edinburgh,—Kirk Session of the parish of Saint Cuthbert, in the county of Edinburgh;—and, Edinburgh Water Company; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, were heard in their Petitions, if they think it; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Mr. Lawson presented a Bill for making a Railway from the York and North Midland Railway, at Bolton Percy, to the Township and Parish of Knaresborough, all 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.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Maryport and Carlisle Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Maryport and Carlisle Railway, and for making certain Extensions and Branches connected thereto: And that Mr. Aglionby, Mr. Philip Howard and Mr. Marshall do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Ayr Bridge Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for improving and maintaining the Bridge of Ayr, commonly called the New Bridge, leading across the River of Ayr, at the Royal Burgh or town of Ayr, in the county of Ayr, or for taking down the same, and rebuilding a New Bridge in lieu thereof, and for other purposes in relation thereto: And that Lord James Stuart and Mr. Alexander Oswald do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Paisley General Gas Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better supplying and lighting with Gas or other illuminating power, the Town and Suburbs of Paisley, and certain neighbouring Towns or Villages and places adjacent, and for other purposes relating thereto: And that Mr. Haste and Mr. Patrick Stuart do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Manchester Police Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the good Government and Police Regulation of the Borough of Manchester: And that Mr. Mark Philips and Mr. Milner Gibson do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Manchester Improvement Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Improvement of the Town of Manchester: And that Mr. Mark Philips and Mr. Milner Gibson do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Manchester Stipendiary Magistrate Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter and amend an Act of the fifty-third year of the
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An Estimate of the Amount required to be voted Trafalgar in the year 1844-45, on account of Trafalgar square.

Estimate of the Sums required for the Services of Holyhead, Holyhead Harbour, and Shrewsbury and Holyhead Roads, in the year ending the 31st of March 1845.

An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted in Caldonian the year ending 5th January 1845, on account of the Canal Works carrying on at the Caledonian Canal.

An Estimate of the probable Expense of maintaining and enlarging the Paddington and several other Buildings, in the Department of the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland; also of the Expenditure of Inland Navigation and other Services under the direction of the Commissioners, for the year ending 31st March 1845.

An Estimate of the Amount required to be voted for Works and Repairs to Kingstown Harbour, from 1st April 1844 to 31st March 1845.

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An Estimate of the Sum that may be required Insolvent to defray the Charge of the Salaries of the Convicts in the Prison for Juvenile Offenders in the Prison, from 1st April 1844 to 31st March 1845.

An Estimate of the Sum of the Probationary Court for juvenile Offenders in the Prison, from 1st April 1844 to 31st March 1845.

An Estimate of the Amount required to defray the Expenses of the School of Design, Desig’s new, and Van Diemen’s Land, for the year ending 31st March 1845.

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University of London. Estimate of the Expenses of the University of London, from 1st April 1844 to 31st March 1845.

Scottish Universities. An Estimate of the Sum which will probably be required to pay Grants to Scottish Universities, formerly defrayed from the Hereditary Revenues of the Crown, and not provided for on Her Majesty's Civil List, nor on the Consolidated Fund; from 1st April 1844 to 31st March 1845.

Roman Catholic Colleges. An Estimate of the Charge of the Roman Catholic College, for the Financial year ending 31st March 1845.

Royal Irish Academy. Estimate of the probable Expenditure, Income and Sum required for the Royal Irish Academy, from 1st April 1844 to 31st March 1845.

Royal Hibernian Academy. An Estimate of the Income and Expenditure of the Royal Hibernian Academy, for the year commencing 1st April 1844, and ending 31st March 1845.

Royal Dublin Society. Estimate of the Sum that will be required for defraying the Expenses of the Royal Dublin Society, for the year commencing 1st April 1844, and ending 31st March 1845.

Royal Belfast Academical Institution. Estimate of the Expenditure of the Royal Belfast Academical Institution, for the year commencing 1st April 1844, and ending 31st March 1845, as far as the same be chargeable on the Public Funds.

British Museum (New Buildings.) An Estimate of the Amount that will probably be required for the British Museum, exclusive of the ordinary and necessary Works, for the maintenance of the Building, provided for in the Estimates for Public Buildings, &c., for the year ending 31st March 1845.

British Museum (New Purchases.) An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted to enable the Trustees of the British Museum to purchase for the Museum the hereunder-mentioned Collections, and to defray Expenses incurred in procuring Additional Properties for the Museum.

National Gallery. An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted in the year 1844 for the Expenses of the National Gallery.

Museum of Economic Geology. An Estimate of the Sum that will be required for Services connected with the Museum of Economic Geology, Craig's Court, within the year ending the 31st of March 1845.

Magnetic Observatories, &c. An Estimate of the Amount that will probably be required in the year ending 31st March 1845, to defray the Expenses of Magnetic Observatories at Toronto, Saint Helena and the Cape of Good Hope and Van Diemen's Land; also, for Observations and Services carrying on under the Direction of the Astronomer Royal, for the publication of the Catalogue of Stars and the Almanac, &c.

Monuments. An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted in the year 1844, towards defraying the Cost of the Monuments to be erected to the Memory of Sir Sydenham Gore, Lord Chancellor, and to the Memory of Sir George Busby, Surveyor General of the Mauritius, pursuant to the Addresses of the House of Commons, dated 10th August 1842.

Agricultural Museum (Edinburgh.) An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted in the year 1844, on account of the Agricultural Museum at Edinburgh.

Botanic Garden (Dublin.) An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted in the year 1844, in aid of the Expense of erecting Conservatories and other Buildings in the Botanic Garden in Dublin.

V. No. 106. Comparative Statement.

Bahama Islands. Estimate of the Charge of defraying the Civil Establishment of the Bahama Islands, from 1st day of April 1844 to 31st of March 1845.

Bermuda. Estimate of the Charge of defraying the Civil Establishment of the Bermudas, in America, from 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845.

Prince Edward's Island. Estimate of the Charge of defraying the Civil Establishment of Prince Edward's Island, in America, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845.

Sable Island. Estimate of the Amount required to defray the Expense of the Establishment at Sable Island, for the Relief of Shipwrecked Persons, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845.

Estimate of the Sum which will be required to Western Coast meet the Charges of the Civil Establishment on the 40 Africa, West Coast of Africa, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845.

Estimate of the Amount which will be required Saint Helena to defray the Charge of the Civil Establishment at Saint Helena, Works and Pensions and Allowances to the Civil and Military Officers of the East India Company's late Establishment in that Island, from 1st April 1844 to 31st March 1845.

Estimate of the Charge of defraying the Expense Western of the Settlement at Western, from 1st April 1844 to 31st of March 1845.

An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted in South Australia, the year ending 31st March 1845, to defray Expenses incurred at South Australia.

An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted in Port Elisabeth, the year 1844, in aid of the Charge of the Settlement at Port Elisabeth.

An Estimate of the Sum which will be required for falkland maintaining the Government of the Falkland Islands, during the year ending 31st March 1845.

An Estimate of the Sum that will be required to New Zealand, be voted in the year 1844, to defray the Charge of the Colonial Establishment in New Zealand.

An Estimate of the Sum which will be required to Heligoland, defray the Expense of the Civil Establishment of Heligoland, from the 1st of April 1844 to the 31st of March 1845.

An Estimate of the Amount that will be required to Australia, Governor and Lieutenants, and others, in the West Indian Colonies, from 1st April 1844 to the 31st March 1845.

An Estimate of the Charge of defraying the Expenses Ecclesiastical of the Ecclesiastical Establishment of the British Establishment in North American Provinces, from the 1st day of (con.) April 1844 to the 31st day of March 1845.

An Estimate of the probable Expenditure of the Indian Department in Canada, for its Establishment and Pensions, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st March 1845.

An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted to Emigration, defray the Charge of the Colonial Land and Emigration Board, and the Salaries of the Agents for Emigration at the different Ports of this Kingdom; also to defray Expenses in Canada connected with Emigration, and with this Country, for the year, from 1st April 1844 to 31st of March 1845.

An Estimate of the Sum which will be required stipendiary from the 1st of April 1844 to the 31st March 1845, to defray the Charge of the Local Government in the West Indies, and of the Officers of the Marine in the West Indies, and of the other Foreign Services for 1844-45, compared with the Estimates for the like Services for 1842-43, and other Foreign Services for 1844-45, compared with the Estimates for the like Services for 1842-43.

An Estimate of the Amount which may be wanted for the Conduct of the Slave Trade, for Twelve months, from the 1st of April 1844 to the 31st of March 1845, to pay Salaries and Incidental Expenses for Commissions established on the part of Her Majesty, under the Treaties with Foreign Powers, for suppressing the Traffic in Slaves; and in pursuance of Acts of the Legislature for carrying those Treaties into effect.

An Estimate of the Sum which will be required to Consuls, provide for the Expense of the Consular Establishment Abroad, for the year ending the 31st March 1845.
An Estimate of the Sum necessary for defraying Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests in Ireland, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the 31st of March 1845.

An Estimate of the Sum that will be necessary to defray the Expense of Non-Conformists, Seceding Ministers, &c., and Protestant Dissenting Ministers in Ireland, for (Ireland.)

One year, ending 31st March 1845.

An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted to pay Charitable Allowances charged on the Commissioners Fund in Ireland, and other Allowances and Bounties formerly defrayed from the Grants for the Lord Lieutenant’s Household, Civil Contingencies, &c., for the year ending 31st March 1845.

VII.

Statement of the Estimates for Special and Temporary Objects, for 1844-45, compared with the Comparative Estimates for the like Services for 1842-43 and Statement, 1843-44.

An Estimate of the Sum that will be required to defray the Expenses of the Female Orphan Institution called “The Refuge for the Destitute,” for the year 1844.


An Estimate of the Sum that may be required for the Payment of the Sistances of the Polish Refugees, and Allowances to Distressed Spaniards, for the year, from 1st April 1844 to 31st March 1845.

An Estimate of the Sum that may be required in the year, from 1st April 1844 to 31st March 1845, to enable Her Majesty to grant Relief to Toulonese and Corsican Emigrants, &c.

An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted to pay Miscellaneous Allowances formerly defrayed from the Grants for the year 1844.

An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted in British the year, from 1st April 1844 to 31st March 1845, to defray the Charges of Works Ambassador’s and Repairs to the British Ambassador’s House at Paris.

An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted in the year, commencing the 1st April 1844 and ending the 31st March 1845.

An Estimate of the Amount required for 1844.

An Account of the Sum expended under the head Civil Contingencies in the year 1843; and an estimate of the Amount required for 1844.

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

Ordered, That the said Estimates and Account be printed.

Sir Henry Hardinge presented, pursuant to Order, that Mrs. Faucett’s pension.

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

Sir Robert Peel presented, by Her Majesty’s Society Islands.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Court of Arches 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 the 27th day of this instant March.

The Order of the day being read for the second reading of the Commons Inclusion Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;
The Amendments following were proposed to be made to the Question; viz. 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 put, That the word "now," stand part of the Question; The House divided: The Yeas to the old Lobby; The Noes to the new Lobby. Tellers for the Lord Worsley; Mr. Aglionby; Tellers for the Mr. Sharman Crawford; Colonel Sitkohor; 70. 93. 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 27th day of this instant March.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Masters and Servants Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto. Ordered, That the Report be now received. Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly; and the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration upon Tuesday next; and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Teachers of Schools (Ireland) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Gaming Transactions (Witnesses' Indemnity) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto. Ordered, That the Report be now received. Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly; and the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration upon Friday next; and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Three and a Half per Centum Annuities Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto. Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Three and a Half per Centum Annuities 1818 Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto. Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Consolidated Fund Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto. Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow. A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed, to inquire into the mode of appointment, the duties, and the present system of remunerating the Clerks to Justices at Petty Sessions in England and Wales, and to report the Minutes of Evidence, and their Opinion thereon, to the House:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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 a Despatch, dated the 24th day of February 1841, with the Minutes, between Sir George Gipps and Lord John Russell, relative to the Condition of the Licensed Occupiers of Crown Lands in Port Phillip and New South Wales, and subsequent Correspondence.

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 the Number of Pauper Lunatics and Idiots chargeable to each of the Unions in England and Wales, in the month of August 1842 and 1843, respectively in pursuance of the Acts 3 and 6 Vic. c. 57), distinguishing those maintained in County Lunatic Asylum, in Licensed House, and elsewhere, with the Average Weekly Cost per Head of Maintenance and Clothing: together with the Population of each Union in 1841, and the estimated Number of Lunatics and Idiots for Places not in union.

A Petition of Joseph Bros Wathen, of Belford-Caustrel, square, Bloomsbury, in the county of Middlesex, Attorney and Solicitor, praying that the proper Officer of the House may attend a trial relative to Gavelkind at Maidstone, for the purpose of enquiring into the mode of appointment, the duties, and at the bar presented, pursuant to Orders, identifying the original manuscript Journals of the House, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That leave be given to the proper Officer to attend accordingly.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Oil Cakes a Return of the Importation of Oil Cakes into the different ports of Great Britain, for the year ending the 5th day of January 1844, and for the Two previous years.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Tobacco a Return of the Pounds Weight of Tobacco seized and condemned in England, Scotland and Ireland respectively, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844; distinguishing the Unmanufactured, Manufactured Stamps, and Cigars.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jocis, 14° die Martii; Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

Prayers.

M R. Law, from the Treasury, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Orders,—An Account of the Total Number of Quarters of Malt made between the 10th day of October 1842 and the 10th day of October 1843; distinguishing the Quantity made in each Country, and the Quantity used by Brewers and Victuallers, and Retail Brewers.

Accounts of the Total Number of Acres of Land Hops in Great Britain under the Cultivation of Hops in the year 1843; distinguishing the Number of Acres in each Parish,—Of the Duty on Hops of the growth of the year 1843; distinguishing the Districts,
Brewers, &c.

An Account of the Number of Persons in each of the several Collections in 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, particularizing each Class in each Collection, from the 10th day of October 1842 to the 10th day of October 1843.

Wheat.

A Return of the weekly aggregate Average Price of Wheat at London and other places also the weekly aggregate Average Price of Wheat, calculated according to the Provisions of the Act 9 Geo. 4, c. 60, from the 1st day of February 1843 to the present time.

Hawkers' Licences.

A Return of the Number of Hawkers licensed in each of the years 1800, 1810, 1820, 1830, 1840, and in 1841, stating the Rate paid for each License, and the Gross and Net Amount of Revenue received in each of these years, distinguishing England, Scotland and Ireland.

Soap.

Accounts of all Soap made in each Town in Great Britain, distinguishing Hard from Soft, and also that upon which the silicated Duty has been charged, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 8th day of January 1844;—Of all Soap exported and the Amount of Drawback paid thereon; specifying the Port from whence shipped, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844;—Of the Quantity of Soap, distinguishing Hard from Soft, and the Amount of all Allowances and Drawbacks made to the Manufacturers of Woolens, Linen, Silk and others, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844;—Of all Soap exported to Ireland, Hard and Soft, the Port from whence shipped, and the Amount of Drawback paid thereon, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844;—Of all Soap imported into Great Britain, Hard and Soft, the Port at which imported, and the Amount of Duty paid thereon, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844;—Of all Persons convicted of defrauding the Revenue arising from Soap; the date of each Conviction; the Amount of the several Penalties; whether the Persons so convicted had been previously convicted or fined, or had had Penalties compromised, with or without Conviction; and the Names, Dates and Amount of all Penalties paid in all cases which have been compromised or tried before the Summary Court of Excise, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 8th day of January 1844;—And, of the Number of Licences granted to Soap Makers; distinguishing those granted in England, Scotland and Ireland, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844 in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 331, of Session 1843.

Stock transferred.

An Account of the Amount of Stock transferred from England to Ireland, and from Ireland to England, from January 1841 up to the latest period it can be made up; distinguishing the Amount transferred in each year, and the different kinds of Stock (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 361, of Session 1841).

Returns to an Order, dated the 20th day of February, for Returns of the Number of Persons who have been suspended, superseded or discharged from the Customs, since the 1st day of January 1841; stating the Names of each Person and the dates of their first Entry into the Service, the several Situations which they have filled, and the time the Police in each Situation, the Offences for which they have been respectively suspended, superseded or discharged, and the dates respectively of such suspension, supersension or discharge; also, the Amount of Salary and Emoluments of every Person, at the time of his suspension or discharge;—And, of the Number of Licensed Custom House Agents, the date of their Appointment, and the Names and Places of Residence of their respective Sitters; also, a Return of such Agents as have been convicted of Offences against the Revenue, and of those defaulter who have eluded Examination; and whether the Amounts, or how much, were recovered from the Agents or Sitters.

A Return, showing, in columns, the Names of the Commissioners of the Board of Customs in London, of Customs, with the Age at which each was appointed to the said Office, and his present Age; the employ of Posts, Calling or Office (if any) which each filled previously to being so appointed.

An Account of the gross Receipts of Customs Duty, Duty collected at each of the under-mentioned Ports, during the Five years ending the 6th day of January 1841—Newcastle, Berwick, Leith, Dun- dee, Montrose, Aberdeen, Glasgow, Greencroak and Port Glasgow.

A Statement of the Tonnage of Shipping which shipped, arrived at the under-mentioned Ports, from Foreign Places, during the Five years ending the 4th day of January 1841—Newcastle, Berwick, Leith, Dun- dee, Montrose, Aberdeen, Glasgow, Greencroak and Port Glasgow.

A Copy of so much of the Treasury Minute of the Postage, 29th day of December 1839, respecting the mode of carrying out the Penny Postage Act, as relates to the preparation and application of Postage Stamps:—And then he withdrew.

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

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Joint Stock Companies have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Standing Orders have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Ordered, That Sub-Committee (No. 3.) of the Petitions for Orders for Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Petitions of John Gott, of Leeds;—George Hirst, of Durwath, near South Bradford;—Trustees in whom the collieries which were late the property of Charles John Brandling, deceased, afterwards of Charles John Brandling, Esquire, deceased, and subsequently
of the Reverend Ralph Henry Brandling, situate at Malscot, near Leeds, in the county of York;—Inhabitants of Clayton;—Worley;—Farley;—Robert Pemberton Milnes, of Yorkton, in the county of York, Esquire; and, Leeds Waterworks Company; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill,—were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Petitions from Scarborough;—and, Filey; praying that the York and Scarborough Railway Bill may pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

South-Eastern Railway Bill.

Sir Edmund Filmer presented a Bill to enable the South Eastern Railway Company to complete and maintain a Branch Railway and Approach to the Harbour of Folkstone, and to construct other Works in connection with the said Harbour; and also to make certain Alterations and Extensions of the Works of the Maidstone Branch of the said South Eastern Railway, and to amend the Acts relating to the said Company: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Leeds and Salley Railway Purchase (No. 2) Bill.

Mr. Lothier presented a Bill for vesting the Leeds and Salley Railway in the York and North Midland Railway Company, and for enabling that Company to raise a further Sum of Money to complete the Purchase of such Railway: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Rockdale Gas Bill.

Sir Henry Winston Barron reported from the Committee on the Rochdale Gas Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had considered the said Petitions, and had heard counsel in support of one of them; and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill.

Petitions of the Edinburgh, Leith and Newhaven Basin Company;—Edinburgh and Glasgow Union Canal Company;—Protest, Magistrates and Town Council of Lochbroom; and, Thomas Sprot, Writer to the Signet, Edinburgh;—praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill,—were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Liverpool Fire Prevention Bill.

Mr. Howard Douglas presented a Bill to alter and amend an Act of the Sixth and Seventh years of the reign of Her present Majesty, for the better Protection of Property in the Borough of Liverpool from Fire: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Bury Enclosure Bill.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Bury Enclosure Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Ramsgate Railway Inclosure Bill; That they had examined the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Milner Gibson presented a Bill to alter and amend an Act of Fifty-third George Third, for the Appointment of a Sessional Magistrate to act within the Townships of Manchester and Salford: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Milner Gibson presented a Bill for the Government and Police Regulation of the Borough Police Bill of Manchester: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Sir William Clay reported from the Committee on the Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That no person appeared in support of the said Petitions; and that the Committee had heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills; and 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Petition of the Edinburgh and Glasgow Union Canal Company, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Sluamannah Junction Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Brotherton presented a Bill to amend the Maryport Acts relating to the Maryport and Carlisle Railway, and Carlisle Canal Company;—and for making certain Extensions and Branches connected therewith: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Lord Worsley presented a Bill for extinguishing Crown Rights of Common and Pasturage upon and within certain Lands, called Linnams and Michaelaunans, in the Parishes of Saint Michael, The Holy Trinity and Saint John Baptist, in the City of Coventry and County of Warwick, and in the Parishes of Foleshill, Exhall, Stone, Stoke and Wyken, in the County of Warwick, and granting Compensation in lieu thereof, and for fencing and improving certain Commons or Waste Lands, called White Hill Common, Heavill Common and Croadford Green, within the same Parishes or some of them: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Blundford and its vicinity, praying that the Salisbury Branch Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
Mr. Owen Stanley presented a Bill for making a Railway from Chester to Holyhead: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of the Right honourable Edward Earl of Derly, and of the Right honourable Thomas Earl of Wilton, and Owners of or interested in property on or near the line of the proposed Bury Branch of the Leeds and Manchester Railway, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bury Branch) Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Merchants, Manufacturers, Tradesmen, Common Carriers and others interested in the conveyance of goods by Railway, praying the House to secure to them the same benefit of a free competition in the inland carriage of goods as they enjoyed previously to the formation of Railways, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Railways.

A Petition of Owners, Lessees and Occupiers of lands, tenements and property situate at a place called "The Garrison Side," in the county of the town of Kingston-upon-Hull, proposed to be purchased or taken for the purposes of a new dock and other works at Kingston-upon-Hull, under the powers and provisions of the Bill hereinafter mentioned, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Samuel Gordon, Esquire, of Angleterrestreet, Dublin, complaining of injuries perpetrated upon him by an officer of the Irish Government; and praying for consideration of his case, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Petition of the Leeds and Manchester Railway Company, stating that in consequence of disproportionate and almost prohibitory rates of charging passengers by the Dover and Croydon Railway Lines are reduced to the alternative of either submitting to an exorbitant extra charge in order to be carried to London Bridge, or to much inconvenience and loss of time by proceeding from New Cross in an omnibus or otherwise; and praying the House to take their statements into consideration, and adopt such measures as will secure the objects contemplated by the legislature, and in particular the conveyance at moderate and equal fares of all classes of passengers desirous of being carried to and from London Bridge, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Railways.

A Petition of Thomas Collun, of Ardore, stating that the main source of the evils of Ireland arises from the want of means of employing of two millions of her population, who are thereby reduced to a state of destitution, being obliged to seek for workhouse relief, or to have recourse to mendicancy; that there is ample room for employment were the means only enacted for that purpose; that to effect an object so desirable, it would only be necessary to apply certain sums to Public Works, such as railroads, reclaiming waste lands, &c., and towards defraying one half the expenses of workhouse relief on the same principle that the expenses of the Constabulary are defrayed under the Peace Preservation Bill; and praying the House to take the matter into consideration, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from West Keal;—Burgh;—Skegness;—Crom, Lincoln;—Hatherley;—Whitechurch;—Huntsley;—Burnswick;—Partney and Dalby;—Topton All Saints;—Ashford and Harington;—Firsby and Irby;—Thorpe;—Sawdon;—Topton Saint Peter;—Rainby;—Scremeby and Greby;—Spalby;—Carham;—Ashby;—Croft;—Wooler;—Ellingham;—Chollerton;—Warden;—Ellingham;—Bamburgh;—Ovingham;—Kirby;—Warkworth;—and, Chillingham; praying the House to devise means for a more effectual and less expensive method in inclosing Open Fields and Waste Lands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Conisborough;—Kirby Stephen;—Commons;—and, Brathwell; praying the House to devise means for a more effectual and less expensive method in inclosing Open Fields and Waste Lands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Chairman of a Meeting of True Poor Law Amendmentists of the Poor of the parish of Saint Leonard, Carpston, to the Bill for the Poor Law Amendment, and Members of the Board of Guardians of the Fordingbridge Union, in the county of Southampton; praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the Chairman of a Meeting of Mill-Factories Bill, owners, Overlookers, and other Residents in Bradford, in the West Riding of the county of York;—Otset;—and, Horbury; praying that the Factories Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Coombs;—Chipping Campden;—praying that the Silk Trade may be excluded from the operation of the said Bill, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Journeymen Coopers of the city of Coopers' Trade, Bristol, in general meeting assembled, stating that the Petitioners are suffering great privations, owing to the great falling off of the Cooperings Trade, principally in the export branch, which they attribute to the heavy amount of duty charged on all imported timber used for Coopers' work; that there is no drawback allowed on Cooperers' work when exported, as the greater part of our eaks, &c., are sent to the West Indies Colonies; that the British Colonies are chiefly supplied from foreign countries with shooks, which are eaks made, knocked down and imported...
there as lumber; and praying for the repeal of the duty on the raw material used by the Coopers' Trade, or by such an alteration of the law as will enable the Petitioners to compete with the foreign Coopers, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Blackburn and Preston Railway Bill.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the Blackburn and Preston Railway Bill, which was yesterday made from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the town of Blackburn to the North Union Railway, in the township of Padiham, in the county of Lancashire: And that Mr. Wilson Patten, Mr. William Fettes and Sir Hesketh Fleetwood do prepare, and bring it in.

North British Railway Bill.

Petitions of the Edinburgh and Dalkeith Railway Company; and, William Henry Miller, of Cranfieid, in the county of Mid Lothian, Esquire; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the North British Railway Bill,—were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Eastern Union Railway Bill.

Captain Gladstone presented a Bill for making a Railway from Colchester to Ipswich: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Paper Mills.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon the 8th day of this instant March, That there be laid before this House, a Return, stating the Number of Engines, Machines and Vats in each of such Mills; and the Quantity of Paper made at each Mill, and charged upon the productive industry of the People: And praying that the Standing Orders of the House in respect to the application for the Garnkirk, Glasgow and Coatsbridge Railway Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their agents and witnesses, against the same,—were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Joseph Capper.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Tintwell and its vicinity, in the Staffordshire Potteries, praying that the House will be pleased to address Her Majesty, advising Her to liberate forthwith Joseph Capper from the county gaol of Stafford, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Co'ts.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the borough of Hertford, praying that the House will not consent to impose, for the purpose of Metropolitan Improvements, any additional tax on Coals received into the port of London, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Cotton Merchants, Spinners and Cotton Manufacturers of Bolton-le-Moors, and its neighbourhood, praying for the repeal of the tax on Raw Cotton, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie Upon the Table.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Farrer and Mr. Senor; Mr. Skipper, The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act Maritima for naturalizing Diosgius Onufri Mariakian ; to Nat. Bill, which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

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, Copy of Correspondence or Extracts of any Correspondence between Her Majesty's Government and Sir Edmund Lyons, or the Courts of France and Russia, relating to the recent events in Greece. 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 was pro-The Petition was referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for British Subjects within the Dominions of the Porte; and praying that Her Majesty will be pleased to establish, with as little delay as possible, such jurisdiction as shall uphold and protect the lives and properties of Her Subjects in those countries, and remedy the lawless disorder resulting from the absence of any such jurisdiction:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Petitions from Penryn; and, Falmouth; praying for taking into consideration the Acts 36 Geo. 3, c. 52, 43 Geo. 3, c. 28, 48 Geo. 3, c. 149, and 48 Geo. 3, c. 150, with the view of imposing a Probate Duty in all cases on the death of Real Property; and praying that Her Majesty will be pleased to consider the expediency of imposing a Probate Duty on Real Estate for the purpose of taking into consideration the Acts 36 Geo. 3, c. 52, 43 Geo. 3, c. 28, 48 Geo. 3, c. 149, and 4 Geo. 3, c. 150, with the view of imposing the same Amount of Probate Duty on Real Estate as is now in similar cases imposed on Personal Property; and, likewise, of considering the expediency of imposing a Probate Duty in all cases on the death of the cestui que Trust (whether the Trust Property be Real or Personal), in order to substitute such a tax for the Tax imposed in similar cases on Personal Property.

A Motion was made, and the Question was pro—The Petition was referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and praying that the practice of Duelling may be prevented, —were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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of Postage Free Stamped Paper, without restriction as to Size or Quality, in addition to the use of Labels, Postage Free Envelopes, and Pre-payment at Post-offices, as at present:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Dean Forest Encroachments Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend the Time within which Conveyances may be made, on behalf of the Crown, of Encroachments in the Forest of Dean: And that the Earl of Lincoln and Sir Thomas Fremantle do prepare, and bring it in.

Indemnity Bill.

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 Sir George Clerk and Mr. Greene do prepare, and bring it in.

Land Tax Commissioners' Names Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to appoint additional Commissioners for executing the Acts for granting a Land Tax and other Rates and Taxes: And that Sir George Clerk and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring it in.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

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Night Poaching Prevention Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend an Act of the ninth year of King George the Fourth, for the more effectual Prevention of Persons going armed by Night for the Destruction of Game: And that Mr. Wallace, Mr. Henry Berkeley and Lord Worsley do prepare, and bring it in.

Naval Officers.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of all Persons who have been appointed to command Vessels in Her Majesty's Service, from the 1st day of October 1841 to the 1st day of March 1844.

Tobacco Trade.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon Monday last, That a Select Committee be appointed to examine into the present state of the Tobacco Trade, and to report what effects have been produced by the changes in the Laws relating to it; and whether any and what Legislative measures, compatible with the general interest of the Country, may be advisable, in order to promote the Trade on, to check Smuggling in Tobacco; and to report their Observations thereupon to the House, might be read; and the same being read:

A Committee was nominated of Mr. Husne, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Pouker, Mr. Villiers, Mr. Colypbom, Viscount Sandon, Mr. Beckett, Mr. Escott, Mr. Young, Mr. Smythe, Dr. Bowring, Mr. Hodgson Hinde, Sir Charles Douglas, Mr. Alderman Humphry and Mr. Durby; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Teachers of Schools (Ireland) Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Teachers of Schools (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene 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.

Three-and-a-Half per Centum Annuities Bill.

Mr. Greene reported the Three-and-a-Half per Centum Annuities Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed; and read the third time this day.

Mr. Greene reported the Consolidated Fund Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed; and read the third time this day.

The Earl of Lincoln presented a Bill to extend the Time within which Conveyances may be made, on behalf of the Crown, of Encroachments in the Forest of Dean: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Sir George Clerk presented a Bill to indemnify Indemnity, 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 this day.

Sir George Clerk presented a Bill to appoint additional Commissioners for executing the Acts for granting a Land Tax, and other Rates and Taxes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day.

Sir James Graham reported to the House, That Answer to their several Addresses of the 4th, 6th, 8th, 11th and 12th days of this instant March (That Her Majesty would be graciously pleased to give directions, that the Papers therein mentioned might be laid before this House), had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had cause purd him to acquaint this House, That She will give directions accordingly.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to several Addresses to Her Majesty — A Return of the Names of the different Regiments of Yeomanry that have been called out upon Service in aid of the Civil Power, in the years 1840, 1841 and 1842, and the Number of Days that each Regiment was kept on the Exchequer Establishment on the yeomanry. Copy of the last Report from the National Vaccine Establishment to Her Majesty's Secretary of the State for the Home Department.

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

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Liverpool New Gas and Coke Bill; and to whom the Petition of the Liverpool Guardian Society against the said Bill was referred; That they had heard counsel in support of the said Petition, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; and 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of the University of Glasgow, praying the House to resist the efforts now making to obtain a repeal of those statutory provisions under which the Universities of Scotland are now constituted, which require subscription to the...
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PRAYERS.

PETITIONS of the Governor and Company of Chelsea Waterworks;—Brentford Gas Light Company;—and, Coal Traders and Coal Merchants of the Port of London;—praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the London Gas Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Halstead Inclosure Bill.

The Halstead Inclosure Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Hartlepool West Harbour and Dock Bill.

Petitions of Captains of vessels wrecked near Hartlepool;—Owners and Captains of trading vessels at Sunderland; South Shields; Byth;—Owners of collieries interested in the trade of Hartlepool;—Ipswich;—Scarborough;—North Shields;—Yarmouth;—Newcastle-upon-Tyne;—Hartlepool Railway Company;—Whitley;—Strantoun; and, Clarence Railway Company;—praying that the Hartlepool West Harbour and Dock Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Fishermen belonging to or frequenting the public Port of Hartlepool, in the county of Durham, praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, was also presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Selection to refer the Edinburgh and Glasgow, the Stenmannan Junction, and the Edinburgh, Leith and Granton Railway Bills to the same Committee.

Glossop Market Bill.

The Glossop Market Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

South-Eastern and Hastings Railway Bill.

Petitions from Tenterden;—Ickleham;—Ore;—Plyden;—Elen;—Winchelsea;—Rye;—Rotherhithe and other places (two Petitions);—Ebony and other places (two Petitions);—Hundreds of Tenterden (Kent);—Ebony and Small Hythe;—Headcorn;—East Grinstead;—Marden;—Pett;—Fairlight;—Guestling;—Romney Marsh;—Rye Union;—Westfield;—Appledore;—Biddenden;—Pomemash;—Breda;—Smarden;—Northiam;—Woodchurch;—High Halden;—Udimore;—Stone;—Becky;—Wittersham;—and, Hastings (three Petitions);—praying that the South Eastern and Hastings Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Owners and Occupiers of land, and others, of Cranbrook;—Hawkhurst;—Enochurst and Sedlescombe;—Sandhurst;—Benenden;—Goudhurst, Horsmonden, &c.;—Owners and Occupiers of land in the interior part of the World of Kent;—and, Sussex;—Owners and Occupiers of lands and houses at Battle;—Ticehurst;—Etchingham and Burwash;—Robertbridge;—Mountfield, Waltham and Sedlescombe;—Sold, Wadhurst;—praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed South-Eastern and Hastings Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Amendments following were proposed to be made to the Question; viz. 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 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 the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Petitions of the Bradford Gas Light Company; Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill.

—Owners, Lessees and Occupiers of or interested in property upon or near the line of the proposed Railway from the town of Leeds to the town of Bradford;—Bradford Waterworks Company;—Leeds Gas Light Company;—Company of Proprietors of the Canal Navigation from Leeds to Liverpool;—Owners, Lessees or Occupiers of lands, tenements and property upon or near to the line of the proposed Railway from Leeds to Bradford;—Inhabitants of Sowerby;—Skircoat;—Stunningley;—Warley;—Birkenhams;—Oakenhams;—Tong;—Cleckheaton;—Batley;—Sheff;—Wibsey;—Clayton Heights;—Liversedge;—Gomersal;—Birstal;—Hebburn;—Wakefield;—Edward Lambert, of Manningham, in the parish of Bradford, in the county of York, Esquire;—Owners, Lessees and Occupiers of lands, tenements and property upon or near to the line of the proposed Railway from Leeds to Bradford;—Owners of mills, manufactories and other works;—Owners, Lessees or Occupiers of lands, tenements and property upon or near to the line of the proposed Railway from Leeds to Bradford;—Subscribers to a Railway Bill;—Appledore;—Biddenden;—Headcorn;—East Grinstead;—Marden;—Pett;—Fairlight;—Guestling;—Romney Marsh;—Rye Union;—Westfield;—Appledore;—Biddenden;—Pomemash;—Breda;—Smarden;—Northiam;—Woodchurch;—High Halden;—Udimore;—Stone;—Becky;—Wittersham;—and, Hastings (three Petitions);—praying that the South Eastern and Hastings Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time,—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

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—Owners, Lessees and Occupiers of or interested in property upon or near the line of the proposed Railway from the town of Leeds to the town of Bradford;—Bradford Waterworks Company;—Leeds Gas Light Company;—Company of Proprietors of the Canal Navigation from Leeds to Liverpool;—Owners, Lessees or Occupiers of lands, tenements and property upon or near to the line of the proposed Railway from Leeds to Bradford;—Inhabitants of Sowerby;—Skircoat;—Stunningley;—Warley;—Birkenhams;—Oakenhams;—Tong;—Cleckheaton;—Batley;—Sheff;—Wibsey;—Clayton Heights;—Liversedge;—Gomersal;—Birstal;—Hebburn;—Wakefield;—Edward Lambert, of Manningham, in the parish of Bradford, in the county of York, Esquire;—Owners, Lessees and Occupiers of lands, tenements and property upon or near to the line of the proposed Railway from Leeds to Bradford;—Owners of mills, manufactories and other works;—Owners, Lessees or Occupiers of lands, tenements and property upon or near to the line of the proposed Railway from Leeds to Bradford;—Subscribers to a Railway Bill;—Appledore;—Biddenden;—Headcorn;—East Grinstead;—Marden;—Pett;—Fairlight;—Guestling;—Romney Marsh;—Rye Union;—Westfield;—Appledore;—Biddenden;—Pomemash;—Breda;—Smarden;—Northiam;—Woodchurch;—High Halden;—Udimore;—Stone;—Becky;—Wittersham;—and, Hastings (three Petitions);—praying that the South Eastern and Hastings Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Petitions from Cackerley and Farsley—Burley;—Yeadon;—Armley;—Radow;—Eccleshill;—Horsforth;—Guiseley;—and, Branley; praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Reverend Fleetwood Parkhurst, of Ripple Hall, near York; and of the inhabitants of the county of Gloucester;—and, William Everett, of Epsom, in the county of Surrey, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Acts and Regulations. And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Petitions of Charles William Earl Fitzwilliam;—and, William Saint Quintin, of Scampston Hall, in the county of York, Esquire; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Acts and Regulations. And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Petitions of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgessesses of the borough of Ipswich, in the county of Suffolk, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Acts and Regulations. And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by them themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of messuages, tenements, lands and hereditaments situated within the walls of the city of Canterbury, and Owners and Occupiers of messuages or tenements, lands and hereditaments situate in the suburbs or without the walls of the same city, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Eastern Union Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on the Bill for lighting, paving, cleansing, widening and improving the Streets of the Town or Parish of Windsor, in the County of Berkshire, for removing and preventing Nuisances therein, and for making new Streets or Roadways; and that Mr. Woodhouse, Mr. Chute and Mr. Humbold do prepare, and bring it in.

Petitions of Commissioners of the Pier of Hartlepool, in the county of Durham;—and, Hartlepool West Harbord and Dock Railway Company; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Hartlepool West Harbour and Dock Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Petitions of Charles Collins Blane, Esquire, a Midland Lieutenant-Colonel in Her Majesty's Army;—Persons whose names are thereto subscribed,—Owners of coal-mines in the valley of Erewash, in the counties of Derby and Nottingham;—William Jessop, of Boulter Iron Works, in the county of Buckingham;—Charles Frederick Young, and John Newton Mappin, Inhabitants of the town of Sheffield, in the county of York, and Two of the persons forming a Company for promoting and making a Railway from Sheffield, to join the North Midland Railway at or near a place called Lockford, near Chesterfield, in the county of Derby;—and, Shareholders in the Midland Counties Railway Company; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Midland Railways Consolidation Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.
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Petitions from Stockport— and Chester; praying that the Manchester and Birmingham Railway (Macclesfield and Poynton Branches) (No. 2.) Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Birmingham Canal Navigations 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of John Samuel Wansley Sandridge, Erle D'arby, of Chesharborough Park, in the county of Dorset, Esquire, m. p., praying that the South Eastern, Canterbury, Romsey and Margate Railway Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Company of Proprietors of the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bury Branch) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of Sir Henry Webb, Baronet, and William Adams Smith, Esquire, Members of the Provisional Committee of the Harwich Railway Company, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bury Branch) Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

The Ashton, Stalybridge and Liverpool Junction Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of Sir Henry Webb, Baronet, and William Adams Smith, Esquire, Members of the Provisional Committee of the Harwich Railway Company, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against the Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2) and the Harwich Railway and Pier Bills, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Harwich Railway and Pier Bill.

Petitions of the Honourable James Hope and the Honourable Charles Hope, Two of the Tutors and Guardians of John Alexander Earl of Hopetoun;— Edinburgh, Leith and Newcastle Railway Company;— William Sawlekins, Esquire, of Emsley Hill, late Captain in the Seventh Dragoon Guards;— George William Hope;— Sir John Hall, of Dunbarton, Baronet;— and, John Charles Hall; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the North British Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the royal burgh of North Berwick, and neighbourhood, praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of William Forbes, Esquire, of Callendar, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Slamannan Junction Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That in the case of the Middle Level Drainage and Navigations Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

2. Resolved, That in the case of the Delabole and Rock Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

3. Resolved, That in the case of the Barley and Ince Junction Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

4. Resolved, That in the case of the Swansea Harbour Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

5. Resolved, That in the case of the Hythe Landing Place Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

6. Resolved, That in the case of the Glamorganshire Canal Petition, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

The first, second, fourth and seventh Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the London and South Western Railway, was made from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and the same being read:

1. Resolved, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from Mellorn, in the parish of Minster, to Blitch Rock, in the parish of Saint Michael, in Saint Minver Lowlands, in the county of Cornwall: And that Sir John Yarde Butler, Mr. Pendarves and Mr. Trevelyan do prepare, and bring it in.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Delabole and Rock Railway Bill, which was this day made from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and the same being read:

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Hythe Landing Place Petition, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Harwich Railway, and to authorize an extension of the same, as in the Petition for the London and South Western Railway, and to authorize an extension of the said Railway, and other Works, at or near the Nine Elms Station: And that Mr. Kemble and Sir John Easthope do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Milnes reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That in the case of the Middle Level Drainage and Navigations Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

2. Resolved, That in the case of the Delabole and Rock Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

3. Resolved, That in the case of the Barley and Ince Junction Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

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6. Resolved, That in the case of the Glamorganshire Canal Petition, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.
The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the Swansea Harbour Bill, which was this day made from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend an Act for altering and amending several Acts for the Improvement of the Harbour of Swansea, in the county of Glamorgan: And that Mr. John Henry Vivian and Mr. Manzel Talbot do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Thornely reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions, That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 11th and 12th 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.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Petition from the Auditor General's Office in Ireland, (Ireland.) of the Nature, Extent and Annual Value of the Lay Tithe of Victoria Hill, in the Diocese of Tuam and County of Galway, in Ireland; upon what Condition such Tithe were annexed to the Crown, for the benefit of the Church, and to whom such Tithe would have belonged if such Annexation had not taken place.

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 each Diocese in England and Wales, of the Total Amount paid upon the Consecration of every Church and Chapel, original or additional, and Burying Ground, for the last three years; specifying the Name of each Parish, and classifying the Fees, Costs, Charges and Expenses, in each case, by whom and for what Purpose the same were received.

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 House, Returns from the Overseers of the Poor of Birmingham, Bristol, Leeds, Liverpool and Manchester, of the Amount of Poor Rate assessed and levied upon each of these Boroughs for the last five years respectively; specifying the Rate per Pound of said Borough Rate upon the Rateable Property within each Union or parts of an Union comprised within each Borough, and the Purposes to which said Poor Rate has been applied:—And, of the Amount of Borough Rate assessed and levied upon each of said Boroughs respectively, for the same period; specifying, in like manner, the Rate per Pound of said Borough Rate upon the Rateable Property within each Borough, and the Purposes to which same was applied.

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, Custom Duties, an Account of the Gross and Net Receipts of Customs Duties collected at each Custom House of the United Kingdom, during the year ending the 5th day of January 1844, as compared with similar Receipts during the previous year (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 149, of Session 1842).
Bleaching Works.

Petitions from Neilston; and Pailey; praying the House to extend to operative Bleachers, the protections afforded by the Factory Act, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Joint Stock Companies (First Report.)

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the state of the Laws respecting Joint Stock Companies (except for Banking), with a view to the greater Security of the Public, have Power to report their Observations and Opinion thereon, from time to time, to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Mr. Gladstone reported from the said Select Committee; That they had made Progress in the matter referred to them; 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 the Resolutions of the Committee were read, as follow:

1. That in order to prevent the establishment of fraudulent Companies, and to protect the interests of the shareholders and of the public, it is expedient that all Joint Stock Companies (other than Banking Companies) for commercial purposes, whether future or already formed, be registered in an office to be appointed for that purpose.

2. That the registration of future Companies be made—(1) Provisionally, before the public announcement of the Company, or the doing of any public act by it; and (2.) Absolutely or completely, on the full formation thereof.

3. That on such provisional registration, such future Companies do register the principal particulars thereof; such as—
   a. The name and business or purpose of the Company;
   b. Its place of business, and every branch office or agency appointed or contemplated;
   c. The names and addresses of its promoters; and also, as the case may be, the names and addresses of its provisional directors, of its provisional officers and of its subscribers;
   d. And any prospectus or circular issued or intended to be issued; and so from time to time, until complete registration, any addition to or change in such particulars.

And that if any such Company intend to seek for incorporation by Act of Parliament, or by Charter, otherwise than under the Letters Patent Act, the particulars thereof do, upon provisional registration, make a declaration to that effect; and that they do also register such notices of the intention to apply to Parliament for an Act of Incorporation, as are required by the Standing Orders of either House of Parliament to be inserted in the London Gazette, or other newspaper, such registration being made at or within the period prescribed for such insertion by such Orders.

And that if a Company be intended to be established by Letters Patent or Charter, in pursuance of the Letters Patent Act, it do also register a copy of such Letters Patent or Charter.

And that provision be made for the return of any changes in the particulars so required for such complete registration.

5. That in respect of such registrations, whether provisional or absolute, a certain charge be made; and that in respect of other registrations, the charge be made, by way of fee, proportionate to the expense computed to be occasioned thereby to the office, such fee commencing from time to time appointed by the Treasury.

6. That for enforcing such registration, it is expedient to provide that any future Company not registered shall not be lawful.

7. That in order to prevent jobbing in shares of non-registering Companies and other Companies in an immature state, no allotment of shares have any legal effect till the Company be provisionally registered; and all sales or transfers of shares be prohibited till the Company be completely registered.

8. That due provision be made for defining and declaring the duties of the several officers of the Company, to such extent at least as is usually provided by Acts of Parliament and Charters for the incorporation of Companies; that the remedies of shareholders against directors for abuse and excess of their functions, be declared and facilitated; and that generally the legal and equitable remedies available to Joint Stock Companies, and to their directors, officers and shareholders, inter se, be facilitated and improved.

9. That if any such Company be duly constituted, then, on its being registered provisionally, it be entitled to the following powers and privileges:
   a. To use a common name; and
   b. To open subscription lists; and,
   c. To receive deposits; and,
   d. To perform such other acts only as are necessary for the establishment of the Company; and in respect of other registrations, the charge be made, by way of fee, proportionate to the expense computed to be occasioned thereby to the office, such fee commencing from time to time appointed by the Treasury.

To persuade the public of the worthlessness of the object of the Company, and to the extent of the powers and privileges, and to the effect the purposes of such Company, which a body corporate might do; and also,

To purchase and hold lands, tenements and hereditaments, with reference to the purposes of the Company, under such restrictions as shall be deemed necessary; and also,

To enter into contracts for the execution of its works, and for the supply of its stores, or for any other necessary purpose; and also,
To sue and be sued in its common name; and also,
To issue certificates of shares, with the date of
complete registration, and the particular
character of the Company marked thereon; and also,
To receive instalments from the subscribers of
the concern in respect of the amount of
any shares not paid up, and in respect of
any claims of the Company; and also,
To declare dividends of the profits of the con-
cern, if any; and, if the Company be regulated,
to register such particulars thereof as the following:
The name and purpose of the Company;
The names and addresses of its directors and
officers;
The place of its business, and every branch
office or agency;
The number and amount of the shares of the
Company;
The names and addresses of the Officers ap-
pointed to sue or be sued on behalf of the
Company, and a copy of every deed of set-
tlement or letters patent under which the
Company is constituted or is or may be regu-
lated;
And that in respect of such registrations of ex-
sting Companies no charge be made.
That for enforcing such registration, it is ex-
pedient to provide that any such Company not re-
gistered shall cease to be lawful after a time to be
appointed in that behalf, provision being made for
making this known to the public.
That in order to enable existing Companies
to avail themselves of the privileges to be conferred
on future Companies, it is expedient to provide that
if such existing Companies comply with the con-
ditions and regulations imposed on future Com-
panies, they also be entitled to the same privileges.
That for a time to be limited, with regard
both to future and to existing Companies, if it ap-
ppear to the Board of Trade that such conditions
and regulations as may be prescribed by law for the
government and constitution of Companies generally,
are in any case inapplicable to or inexpedient in the
case of any such Company, it is expedient to enable the
Board of Trade to dispense with or modify the
conditions and regulations imposed on future Com-
panies hereafter seeking to be incorporated by Act
of Parliament or by Charter, otherwise than under
the Letters Patent Act;—That when any such Com-
pany shall have obtained its Charter or Act of In-
corporation, it register such particulars as follows, viz.—
If incorporated by Charter, such particulars as are required by Resolution 4:
If incorporated by Act of Parliament, such particulars as are required by Resolution 20; except so far as is otherwise provided by
such Act of Incorporation.
And also a copy of every Charter or Act of Par-
lament, by which such Company shall be so incor-
porated or otherwise constituted or regulated.
And that the provisions contemplated by the
Resolutions 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 be applied to such future
Companies seeking to be incorporated or incorpo-
rated by Act of Parliament, or by Charter.
That the Committee recommend, that Her Majesty's Government do cause Bills to be prepared
for carrying into effect the above Resolutions, with
such subsidiary provisions (whether relating to any
of the Resolutions or to collateral portions of the
subject not herein specifically treated), as may be
requisite for that purpose.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The ingrossed Bill for transferring certain Annuities of Three Pounds Five Shillings per Centum per Annum, and new Three Pounds per Centum per Annum, and New Three Pounds per Centum per Annum, was, according to Order, read the third time.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass.
Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The ingrossed Bill for transferring Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum per Annum into Annuities of Three Pounds Five Shillings per Centum per Annum, and New Three Pounds per Centum per Annum Annuities, was, according to Order, read the third time.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass.
Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The ingrossed Bill to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year One thousand Eight hundred and Sixteen Bi.
thousand eight hundred and Forty-four, 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 Eight Millions out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four.

Resolved, That Sir George Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Message from the Lords.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Farrer and Mr. Lynch:—Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing Samuel Schuster; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Schuster's Nat. Bill.

Schuster's Naturalization Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Factories Bill.

Petitions from Westford;—Macclesfield (two Petitions);—Leek (two Petitions);—Hertfordshire;—Saint Alban's;—Tring;—Congleton (two Petitions);—Bolton (two Petitions);—and, Derby (two Petitions); praying the House to exclude the silk trade from the operation of the Factories Bill, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Bury;—Durby (Lancaster) (two Petitions);—Ashton-under-Lyne;—Hindley;—Stockport;—Leigh;—and, Lancashire; praying that provision may be made in the said Bill that persons under twenty-one years of age may not be worked more than ten hours in any one day, for five days in the week, and eight hours on Saturday, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Master Cotton Spinners of Greater and Little Bolton, in the county of Lancaster, praying for the insertion of a clause in the said Bill abridging the hours of labour of young persons to thirteen hours per diem, including two hours for meals, for five days in the week, and eight hours on Saturday, and to admit children at eleven years of age to work the above time, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Soothill Nether;—Oswest (two Petitions);—Sands Mills;—Dewsbury;—Gomersal (two Petitions);—Batley Carr;—Oswest-cum-Gowthorpe;—Batley;—Idde, Eccleshill and Calverley;—Yeadon (five Petitions);—Guiseley (six Petitions);—Rawdon;—Eccleshill (five Petitions);—Shipley;—Idde (twelve Petitions);—and, Baildon (two Petitions); praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, reported itself into a Committee upon the Factories Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed.

Clause, No. 1, agreed to.

Clause, No. 2, (Interpretation Clause).

Several Amendments made.

Amendment proposed:—P. 2. 1. 6. To leave out "eight" in order to insert "six" instead thereof.

Question proposed, That "eight" stand part of the Clause.

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, 16 die Martii, 1844:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene 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.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second Metropolitan reading of the Metropolitan Buildings Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second International reading of the International Copyright Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com. Supply:

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

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Gaming take into further consideration the Report on the Gaming Transactions (Witnesses’ Indemnity) Bill and the Amendments were read, as follow:

Pr. 1. 1. 1. Leave out from “Whereas” to “at,” in l. 5., and insert “a Select Committee of the Lords’ House of Parliament, was appointed on the fifth day of February, in this year, to inquire into the Laws respecting Gaming; And whereas, it is expedient to enable the said Committee, or any other Committee of either House of Parliament, which has been or may be appointed in this Session of Parliament, or either of the said Houses of Parliament,”

Pr. 1. 1. 20. After “prosecuting” insert “any,”

Pr. 1. 1. 25. After “who” insert “during this Session of Parliament.”

Pr. 1. 2. 29. After “temporal” insert “or of the Commons.”

Pr. 2. 1. 2. Leave out from “be” to the end of the line, and insert “a Select Committee of the Lords’ House of Commons or.”

Pr. 2. 1. 20. After “transaction” insert “save and except any penal action or criminal prosecution which was commenced before the said fifth day of February, and the forfeitures, punishments, disabilities and incapacities consequent upon any judgment given in any such penal action or criminal prosecution as last aforesaid,”

Pr. 2. 1. 21. Leave out from “that” to “be,” in l. 26., and insert “no such witness shall.”

Pr. 2. 1. 29. After “or” insert “The Speaker of the House of Commons or,”

Pr. 2. 1. 38. Leave out from “or” to “And,” in Pr. 3. 1. 1., and insert “The Speaker or the Chairman of such Committee shall be authorized to give,”

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

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

The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to Teachers facilitate the Recovery, by Summary Process, of small Sums due to the Teachers of Schools in Ireland, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Wyse do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.
The Indemnity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Establishment.

The Land Tax Commissioners' Names Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday the 24th day of April next.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Ordered, That the Knights of Shires, and other Members of this House, do prepare Lists, fairly written, of the Names of Commissioners for executing the said Acts for the respective Counties, Cities and places for which there have been used to be Commissioners; and that the Christian and Surname of the said Commissioners be written at length.

A Petition of Merchants, Manufacturers, Tradesmen, Common Carriers and others interested in the conveyance of goods by Railways, praying the House to secure to them, and the public, the same benefit of a free competition in the inland carriage of goods as they enjoyed previously to the formation of Railways, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Railways.

A Petition of the three undersigned, carrying on the business of Retail Stationers in the Metropolis, stating that the Petitioners have been informed, that the Government has in contemplation a plan for the impressing of Postage-stamps upon half-sheets of paper, and that it is also proposed to extend this plan to the impressing of Postage-stamps on whole sheets of paper, and on paper of various descriptions; and praying the House to secure for the Petitioners and all other persons engaged in the trade of a Stationer, such fair and adequate protection as the circumstances require, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Malt, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Hops, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Brewers, &c., which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Wheat, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Hawkers' Licenses, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Soap, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Stock transferred, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Customs, which was presented yesterday, be referred to the Select Committee on Tobacco Trade.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Commissioners of Customs, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Postage, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Yeomanry, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Vaccine Establishment, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till one of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

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Petitions of Commissioners for executing several London Gas Acts for the paving, lighting, &c., the South Western Bill.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Yeomanry, opening, widening and better regulating the Public Passages and Places which are or shall be situated in the parishes of Bermondsey, Rotherhithe and Saint Paul in the City of London, and Saint Nicholas Deptford, and for making several New Roads connected therewith, all in the counties of Surrey and Kent; Inhabitants, Householders of the city of London, the city of Westminster and the county of Middlesex (three Petitions).

Ordered, That the Knights of Shires, and other Members of this House, do prepare Lists, fairly written, of the Names of Commissioners for executing the said Acts for the respective Counties, Cities and places for which there have been used to be Commissioners; and that the Christian and Surname of the said Commissioners be written at length.

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Luna, 18° die Martii.

Anno 7° Victoriae Regnis, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Commissioners, was called in, and at the bar presented, pursuant to Orders.—A Copy of so much of the Minutes of the Board of Guardians of the Wells Union, at their Meeting on the 25th day of August 1843, as relates to the Dismissal of Mr. G. Newman, by the Poor Law Commissioners, from his Office of Surgeon to the Poor in the Glastonbury District, or to any other Proceeding taken upon that occasion relative to that Gentleman.

A Copy of such Letter or Letters as may have been addressed to the Wells Board of Guardians by any of the Four Clergymen who memorialized the Poor Law Commissioners, in June last, explanatory of their object in requiring the removal of Mr. G. Newman from the Situation of Medical Officer of the Glastonbury District:—And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
sion of the Town and Borough of Southwark, and certain Parts adjacent, in the County of Surrey, and for preventing Nuisances and Annoyances therein.

—City of London Gas Light and Coke Company;
—Inhabitants Householders of the borough of Southwark, and the parishes of Saint Mary, Rotherhithe, Saint Michael, Mopulden, Bermondsey, Saint Giles, St. camerwell, and Saint Mary, Newington, in the county of Surrey;—John Oliver, Hanson, of Doretsquare, in the county of Middlesex; Trustee of the Atlas Fire and Life Insurance Company;—Phluxus Gas Light and Coke Company;—Commissioners for executing an Act for better paving, cleaning, lighting and watching the Streets, Lanes and other Public Passages and Places within the Manor of Southwark, otherwise called The Clark, or Bishop of Winchester’s Liberty, in the Parish of Saint Saviour, Southwark;—Commissioners for executing several Acts for paving, cleaning, lighting and watching the Streets, Lanes and Places within the Western Division of the Town and Borough of Southwark, and certain Parts adjacent, in the County of Surrey, and for preventing Nuisances and Annoyances therein;—Commissioners acting under an Act for paving, etc., the Streets, Highways, &c., on the Bed ford Estate, in the Parish of Saint Pancras, Middlesex;—and, Shareholders of the South Metropolitan Gas Light and Coke Company; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the London Gas Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Petitions of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgessesses of the borough of Kingston-upon-Hull, and, Merchants, Ship-owners, Warehouse-keepers, Traders and others, at Kingston-upon-Hull aforesaid, and the President of the Chamber of Commerce there;—Ship-owners and Ship-masters of the Port of Kingston-upon-Hull;—and, Watch Committee of the borough of Kingston-upon-Hull; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Ordered, That Mr. Richard Hodgson and Mr. North British Railway Bill; and the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee on the North Railway Bill; and the same to be read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That Mr. Chute presented a Bill for improving the Wells Harbour and Quay of Wells, in the County of Norfolk, and the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Trelawney presented a Bill for making a Railway and Quay from Mellor to Rock Railway Black Rock, in the Parish of Saint Michael, in Saint Maser Loculans, in the County of Cornwall: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Petitions from Meaningtree;—and, Stonemarket; Eastern Union Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Petitions from the Borough of Kingston-upon-Hull; and, Watch Committee of the borough of Kingston-upon-Hull; praying that the Eastern Union Railway Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir John Easthope presented a Bill to amend the London and South Western Railway Act, and to authorize an Extension of the said Railway and other Works, at or near the Nine Elms Station: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Eaton presented a Bill to amend and enlarge the Powers of an Act passed in the thirty-fifth year of the reign of King George the Third, for improving the Drainage of certain Lands within the North and South-west Parts of the Middle Level, Part of the Great Level of the Fens, commonly called “Bedford Level,” and of an Act passed in the twenty-seventh year of the reign of King George the Second, for improving and preserving the Navigation from Salter’s Lode Sluice, in the County of Norfolk, to Stanground Sluice, in the County of Huntingdon, and other Navigations therein mentioned; and to make better Provision for the Drainage of the said Lands, and of other Lands in the said Middle Level, and in certain Fens adjacent thereto, by means of a Drainage and Navigation Bill.

Petitions from the said Middle Level to the River Ouse, and of other Works, and for improving the Navigation of the Rivers and navigable Streams passing through the same Level: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

The Thetford Inclosure and Drainage Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Eastern Counties Railway (Bradford and Peterborough Extension) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Petitions
Petitions of the Company of Proprietors of the Ryther and Navigation—ed., David Lyon, of Goring Hall, in the parish of Goring, in the county of Sussex, Esquire; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir William Hesketh presented a Bill for making a Landing-place at or near Hythe, in the Parish of Fawley, and Extra-parochial Places adjoining thereto, in the County of Southampton: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Emerson Tenant presented a Bill for establishing and regulating a Company to be called The General Steam Carriage Company, and to enable the said Company to purchase certain Letters Patent; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Petitions from Strensall:—Brillington:—Malton and Norton, and Extra-parochial Places:—Thornton;—Pickering:—Kirby Moorside:—Sinnington:—Clifton:—Rillington:—Crambe and Hatton's Ambo:—and, Robin Hood's Bay; praying that the York and Scarborough Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Shareholders in the Northern and Eastern Counties Railway Company:—and, James Thornton, esq. Railway Contractors; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Eastern Counties Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of James Beckford Wildman, Esquire, of Chilham Castle, in the parish of Chilham, in the county of Kent, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the South Eastern, Canterbury, Ramsgate and Margate Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Sir William Hesketh reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, to whom the Petitions of John Boll, John Leadbetter, Rosina Smith and George Smith, severally complaining of non-compliance with the Standing Orders, in the case of the Petition for the Glasgow, Gartkirk and Coatbridge Railway Bill, were referred; That the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Sir John Barker Mill, of Mottistford Salisbury Abbey, in the county of Southampton, Baronet, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Salisbury Branch Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Edinburgh and Leicester Railway 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 thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Beverley Navigation 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 thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Swan River Navigation 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 thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.
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The Liverpool Fire Prevention Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Bolton and Leigh Railway Company Bill, for leave to present a Petition for leaving out of the Bolton and Leigh Railway and the Kención and Leigh Railway into the Liverpool and Manchester Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The New British Iron Company Bill, for leave to present a Petition for/among other things, the improvement of the Manchester and Liverpool Railway, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The British Iron Company Bill, for leave to present a Petition for/among other things, the improvement of the Manchester and Liverpool Railway, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Petitions from Newcastle-under-Lyme;—South Window Tax; and, Malton; praying that the licensed victuallers may be placed on the same footing, in regard to the Tax on windows, as other tradesmen, owners of shops and warehouses in which goods are deposited, sold and exposed for sale, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town and neighborhood of Treparon, in the county of Cardigan, stating that the Petitioners have learned with satisfaction, that it is the intention of Her Majesty's Government to submit to the consideration of the Legislature a Bill for the establishment of Local Courts, for the recovery of debts of a small amount, at an early period in the present session; and praying that such Bill may speedily pass into law, with such additions and provisions as may render its operation as beneficial to the principle of Wales as to the other parts of the kingdom, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Petition of the President, Treasurers, Deputy Treasurers and Agents of the Royal Manchester Infirmary, &c. for leave to present a Petition for/among other things, the improvement of the Manchester and Liverpool Railway, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
Act. (England)

Coals. Parliament

Reform of Prisons

Dioceses. Saint Asaph (Scotland.)

Bleaching Works.

Factories Bill. Petitions from Bailey — and, Southill; praying that the Factories Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town and neighbourhood of Clitheroe, in the county of Lancaster, praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Coal owners, and others interested in the conveyance of goods by Railway; and, Huddersfield; praying the House to secure to them, and the public, the same benefit of the prohibition in the inland carriage of goods, as they enjoyed previously to the formation of Railways,—were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Railways.

Schoolmasters (Scotland.) Petitions from Peebles; and, Auchterarder; praying the House to adopt measures for ameliorating the condition of the Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Railways. Petitions from Haddington; Manchester; Merchants, Manufacturers, Tradesmen, Common Carriers, and others interested in the conveyance of goods by Railway; and, Huddersfield; praying the House to secure to them, and the public, the same benefit of the prohibition in the inland carriage of goods, as they enjoyed previously to the formation of Railways,—were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Railways.

A Petition of the Rector, Householders and other Inhabitants of the parish of Trefdraeth, in the county of Anglesey, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor,—was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Tobacco. Petitions of Residents in the town of Manchester; and, Grocers and Dealers in Tobacco in Manchester; praying for reduction of the duty on Tobacco,—were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Tobacco Trade.

Coal. A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Coal masters of the West Riding of the county of York, assembled at Wakefield, praying for the repeal of the export duty on Coals, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Coal masters of the West Riding of the county of York, assembled at Wakefield, stating that the Petitioners have heard with regret, that a Bill is about to be introduced into the House to increase the city dues on Coals imported into London; and praying the House to withhold its sanction to a measure injurious alike to the Petitioners and to the citizens of London, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Prisons (Scotland) Bill. Petitions of the Chairman of a Meeting of Coal masters of the West Riding of the county of York, assembled at Wakefield, stating that the Petitioners have heard with regret, that a Bill is about to be introduced into the House to increase the city dues on Coals imported into London; and praying the House to withhold its sanction to a measure injurious alike to the Petitioners and to the citizens of London, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the burgh of Musselburgh, in the county of Midlothian, praying that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Reform of Parliament (England) Act. Petitions of Richard Town, of 15, George-street, in the parish of Dillingham, in the county of Middlesex, praying the House to repeal the rate-paying clauses of the Reform of Parliament (England) Act, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Petition of John Carr, of Sheffield, in the county of Midland of York, Surgeon and Apothecary, praying that the Railways Midland Railways Consolidation Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

A Petition of Ship-owners, Masters and Seamen Merchant Sea of the port of Montrose, complaining of the mode of men's Fund, collecting and distributing the Merchant Seamen's Fund; and praying for redress, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on the Merchant Seamen's Fund.

A Petition of the Manager of the British and Irish Steam Packet Company, praying that the London and South Western Railway (No. 1.) Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Wetheringsett, in the county of Suffolk, and parishes adjoining and near thereto, praying that the Commons Inclusions Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of James Baker, and others, Commit - Tower Hamlets to the Court of Requests for the Tower Hamlets, praying the House to grant the warrant of a prison for the Tower Hamlets, for the punishment of fraudulent debtors, and afford protection to the inhabitants of the borough, who contribute largely to the county rate, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Operative Framework-knitters, of stocking Hawick, in Scotland, stating that the Petitioners form a consist of upwards of eight hundred individuals, all employed in the weaving of stocking and under clothing, and in the performance of their work they are subjected to considerable hardships, from the circumstance of the master manufacturers having entered into an association or combination, by one of the rules or regulations of which they refuse to give out tickets with the yarn given to the Petitioners to manufacture into stockings to them, containing the quantities, while in the event of there being any deficiency or alleged deficiency of weight in the returns made by the operatives, according to the date kept by the masters in their own books (which are not open to the operatives), they are punished by the retention of part of their wages until the alleged deficiency is wrought up, and should they refuse to acquiesce in such settlement as the master is willing to allow, and offer to leave the employment, the employer cannot be received into the employment of another master, unless the operative produces a certificate or line, showing the cause of his leaving, and containing a check to the effect of allowing part of his wages to remain for the payment of the alleged defalcation; and praying the House to take the premises into consideration, and to afford them redress, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Gedling, in the county of Northampton, praying the House to refrain from voting the Supplies until the grievances of the people are investigated and redressed, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the town of Kingston upon Hull, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Corporation of the Governer, Poor Law Deputies, Assistants and Guardians of the Amendment of the Poor of the town of Kingston upon Hull, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Orphan Children, i.e., having lost one or both Parents, under fourteen years of age, at present in the Poor Law Workhouses of England and Wales; distinguishing those from Males and Females, and stating the Number of their Children under fourteen years of age, who are dependent upon them for Subsistence.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Charitable Donations and Bequests, since 1850, specifying Name of Testator or Donor, particular Diocese or Court; Of the Number of Bills filed, or Actions or other Suits instituted, in any Courts, in each year, specifying the time of filing the Bills or commencing Actions; Of the Number and Particulars of Cases prosecuted to conclusion, or settled by Compromise; the Amount of Money realized, and the Taxed Costs or Expenses deducted; Of the Number of Cases in which the Commissioners have interfered, and recovered or administered any Funds or Monies for Gratuity or other Purposes, without Cost or Expenses; Of the Amount of Sums voted by Parliament, in aid of the Board of Charity, since 1830; Of the Number and Names of the Counsel for the Board in each case, and Amount of Fees paid to Counsel for每案; Of the Number of Meetings now administer the Funds; Compensation by way of Agency; Of the Sums in progress of Recovery; Of the Sums in each Case recovered, and the Expenses comparatively; And, of the Sums now invested in the Names of the Commissioners, and Specifications of Annuities and Charities now under the Administration of the Board; Specification of the Number and Particulars of the Charitable Donations and Bequests which appear to have been devoted to Roman Catholic Schools, Institutions or Charities; Returns of the Number of Meetings in each year, for the last five years, held by the Commissioners; also, the Numbers of the Commissioners present at each Meeting; also, the Total Number of Members of the Commissioners, their Names and Occupations; Copies of all Communications between the Commissioners and the Reverend Mr. Birmingham of Dally, and also, the Answers to the same respecting his leaving the United Kingdom, and the right to endow a School at said Place; And, of that part of the Will of the Person who left said Legacy, as far as relates to said Bequest; Account of the Amount of all Costs incurred in all Cases since 1850; A. 1844.
The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to indemnify Witnesses who may give Evidence before Gaming Transactions (Witnesses' Indemnity) Bill.

In the Title of the Bill:

L. 2. Leave out from “Evidence” to “touching:” in l. 5, and insert “during this Session, before either House of Parliament.”

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which Amendments this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Indemnity Bill.

A Committee upon the Indemnity Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Ordered, That Mr. Barclay be discharged from the Merchant Seamen's Fund.

Sir Robert Peel presented, by Her Majesty's East India Command, — Copy of a Legislative Despatch from the Court of Directors of the East India Company to the Governor-General of India in Council, dated 4th April 1840. No. 6. — Superintendence of Native Religious Institutions.

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

Sir George Clerk presented a Bill for punishing Mutiny Bill, Mutiny and Desertion, and for the better Payment of the Merchant Seamen's Fund.

Ordered, That Mr. Wawn be added to the Committee.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to the Committee's directions of several Acts of Parliament, — Returns (Ireland) from the Clerks of the Crown and Clerks of the Peace of the several Counties, &c., in Ireland, of the Number of Persons committed to the different Gaols thereof for Trial, in the year 1843.

Returns from the Marshal of the City of Dublin, Pawnbrokers of the Pawnbrokers of Ireland for the year ending (Ireland) the 31st day of December 1843; together with the states of their Registry, and the Amount of Sales of forfeited Pledges in said City by the Divisional Auctioneers in that year.

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

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before two of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.
Martiis, 19° die Martii;  
Anno 7* Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

The European Life Insurance and Annuity Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Salford Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Mr. Lockhart presented a Bill to extend the Line of the Garnkirk and Glasgow Railway, to enable the Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to alter and amend the Acts relating to the said Railway: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

The Whitehaven and Maryport Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

A Petition of the Right honourable William Brown Lowther and Subscribers to the undertaking for making a Railway from the town and port of Whitehaven to the town and port of Maryport, in the county of Cumberland, praying that provision may be made in the Whitehaven and Maryport Railway Bill, enabling the Petitioners to build a bridge or roadway over the River Derwent, at or near to Workington, in the county of Cumberland, and for regulating the tolls, rates and fares thereon, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Schuster's Nat. Bill.

Schuster's Naturalization Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Harrogate and Knaresborough Railway Bill.

Petitions of Surveyors of Highways for the township of Todcaster East, in the parish of Todcaster, in the county of York; and the Right honourable Henry Earl of Harewood, and others, Owners of lands and other hereditaments affected by the Bill hereinafter mentioned; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Harrogate and Knaresborough Railway Bill,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Sidmouth and Collumpton Road Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Liverpool New Gas and Coke Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Rochdale Gas Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Leeds and Selby Railway Bill (No. 3). Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

An ingrossed Bill to enable the Ribble Navigation Railway Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to enable the Owners of Reclaimed Lands to pay a Sum in Gross in lieu of the Annual Rents, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Wilson Patten do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of Inhabitants of New Shoreham, in Brighton and the county of Sussex, praying that the Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee Pulteney Town on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Pulteney Town, Harbour and Improvement Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as power being taken in the Bill to execute new works for the improvement of a Harbour, the Plans do not describe with sufficient clearness the line or situation of the whole work, and the lands in or through which it is to be made, two different Plans of such intended works, called alternative Plans, having been deposited in the Private Bill Office, and with the Sheriff Clerk and Session Clerk, and power being taken by the Bill to execute the work in accordance with either of the said Plans.

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

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee North Wales on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Mineral Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as the first Notice in the Gazette, the words relating to the compulsory taking of lands were omitted, but it was proved that a correct copy of such Notice was sent for insertion to the Gazette Office more than two days before the day of publication.

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

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee Weaver on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Weaver Navigation Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as the Bill appears to relate to property held in trust for public purposes, and no Notice has been given to the owners or reputed owners of the said property, namely, the Trustees of the River Weaver Navigation.

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

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee Sheffield and on Petitions for Private Bills, to whom the Petition for the Sheffield and Chesterfield Junction Railway Bill was referred; That the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as the name of the township of Coal Aston, through which the Railway is intended to be made is not contained in the Notices, but that it appeared that the portion of the township through which the Railway is intended to pass, is a small and detached portion of the township, and distant about half a mile from the rest of the
of the township; and inasmuch as a manufactury and buildings within the limits of deviation in the township of Stretford and parish of Stretford, of which Joseph Wolstenholme is lessee and occupier, in the said township, and inasmuch as all the properties Nos. 73 and 74, in the said township and parish, are not described on the Plan, nor is the name of Joseph Wolstenholme contained in the Book of Reference as such lessee, nor has application been made to him on or before the 31st of December, in respect of such property; and inasmuch as there are two cottages and yard of which the executors of Jane Badger are lessees, near Nos. 92 and 101, in the said township and parish within the limits of deviation, are not described on the Plan; nor are the names of the executors of Jane Badger contained in the Book of Reference as such lessees, nor has application been made to them on or before the 31st of December, in respect of such property; and inasmuch as two cottages and yard of which the executors of Jane Badger are lessees, near Nos. 92 and 101, in the said township and parish, are not described on the Plan, nor is the name of the executors of Jane Badger contained in the Book of Reference as such lessees, nor has application been made to them on or before the 31st of December, in respect of such property; and inasmuch as one or more cottages in the said township and parish, of which the assignees of Lake Palfreyman are lessees, near No. 93, on the Plan within the limits of deviation, are not described on the Plan, nor are the names of the assignees of Lake Palfreyman contained in the Book of Reference as such lessees, nor has application been made to them on or before the 31st of December, in respect of such property; and inasmuch as a certain piece of ground, in separate occupation, near property No. 6 in the parish of Whitthington, within the limits of deviation, is not described on the Plan; and inasmuch as a certain piece of ground, in separate occupation, near property No. 6 in the parish of Whittington, is incorrectly laid down, as no fence exists at the place described, but at a point further on, and in consequence thereof, Thomas Ward, owner and occupier of the land numbered 45, is not described as such owner and occupier in the Book of Reference, nor has application been made to him on or before December 31st, in respect of such property; and inasmuch as the Section does not show the surface of the ground marked on the Plan for a distance of 690 feet from the proposed point of Junction with the North Midland Railway, as marked upon the said Plan; and inasmuch as the Section does not show the proportion or rate of inclination of the proposed Railway for a distance of 690 feet from the point of Junction with the North Midland Railway, is marked as one in 330, whereas, in point of fact, it is in 267; and inasmuch as the height of the proposed Railway over or under the surface of Spitalfields, a public carriage-road in the township of Brightside Bierlow, is not marked in figures on the Section, at the proposed crossing thereof; and inasmuch as the Section does not contain a description of the Section of the line deposited, and of the greatest height of embankment and depth of cutting.

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

A Petition of the Right honourable Francis Chorley, Earl of Wemyss and March Baron Wemyss Railway Bill, of the United Kingdom, praying that he may be authorised, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the North British Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Commons Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the North British Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Great Western Railway Bill, and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Dr. Bowring presented a Bill to enlarge the Corn Cylyn and Blaina Iron Company Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read a second time.

The House was moved, That the Report in re Burton Leyspect of the Petition for leave to present a Petition Drainage, for leave to bring in the Rother Levers Drainage Act, which, upon the Motion for leave being made to the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and the same being read;

A Petition of Commissioners for executing the Acts for more effectively draining and preserving certain Marsh Lands or Low Grounds in the parishes of Sandhurst, Newenden, Rolvenden, Tenterden, Withernham, Ebony, Woodchurch, Applestone and Stone, in the county of Kent, and Tichhurst, Salthurst, Bodiam, Euxton, Northiam, Beckley, Penshurst, Iden and Playden, in the county of Sussex, for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the said Acts, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Petitions of Edward Knight, Esquire, of Godmersham, in the county of Kent; Roger Kynaston the younger, of Saint James's Place, Westminster, Esquire, and Owners and Occupiers of land within the Isle of Thanet, in the county of Kent; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the South Eastern, Canterbury, Ramsgate and Margate Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon
A Petition of Sarah Elizabeth Countess of War- 
wick, praying that she may be heard, by her coun-
sel or agent, against certain parts of the South 
Eastern Railway Bill, was presented, and read; 
and ordered to lie upon the Table.

South-Eastern Railway Bill.

Petitions of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses 
of the borough of Sheffield; — Master, Wardens, 
Searchers, Assistants and Commonalty of the cor-
poration of Catlers in Sheffield, in the county of 
York;— Inhabitants of Chesterfield;— Droxford;— 
and, Gentlemen, Merchants and others of the 
town and borough of Sheffield; taking notice of 
the application for leave to bring in the Sheffield 
and Chesterfield Junction Railway Bill; and praying 
that such Bill may pass into law,—were presented, 
and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sheffield and 
Chesterfield 
Junction Rai-
way.

Petitions from Allerton;— Horton;— Addingham;— 
Kildwick and Sutton;— Manningham;— Skipton;— 
Mannington; — Hawksworth;— praying that the 
Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill may pass into a 
law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to 
lie upon the Table.

Leeds 
and 
Bradford 
Railway Bill.

Mr. Thomley reported from the Select Com-
mmittee on Railways; That they had examined 
the Petitions presented upon the 13th, 14th and 15th 
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.

Public Petitions 
(Tenth Report)

Saint Asaph 
and Bangor 
Dioceses.

Petitions from Criciether and other places;—Beng-

gor; and, Llanerchymedd; praying for the repeal of 
so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates 
to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, 
were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon 
the Table.

Petitions from Llantrisant; and, Dean and 
Canons of Rochester; praying for the repeal of 
so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates 
to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bengor, 
and for the immediate establishment of a Bi-
shopric in Manchester by other means;—were also 
presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon 
the Table.

Petitions of Merchants, Carriers, Traders and 
Inhabitants of Rochdale, and of adjacent places, in 
the several counties of York and Lancaster;—and, 
Merchants and others interested in the carriage 
of heavy goods by Railways; praying the House to 
secure to them the same benefit of a free competi-
tion in the inland carriage of goods as they enjoyed 
previously to the formation of Railways;—were pre-
sented, and read; and referred to the Select Com-
mittee on Railways.

Railways.

A Petition of the Moderator of the Presbytery of 
Twis, in the county of Ross, praying the House to 
resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law 
League, and that no alteration whatever may be 
made in the existing Corn Laws;—were all pre-
sented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Mary-le-bone (four Petitions);— Tobacco. 
and, Southwark (forty-four Petitions);— praying for 
reduction of the duty on Tobacco,—were presented, 
and read; and referred to the Select Committee on 
Tobacco Trade.

A Petition of Stephen Geary, of No. 10, Hamilton 
Metropolitan Place, New Road, Saint Pancras, Architect and 
Surveyor, praying that a clause may be introduced 
into the Metropolitan Buildings Bill, whereby the 
safety mode of Buildings as designed by the Peti-
tioner for the prevention of accidents and preserva-
tion of life from fire may be carried out in all future 
buildings that may be erected, and that he may be 
allowed the opportunity of submitting his plans and 
models to the Committee on such Bill, and give 
and produce evidence as to the practicability and 
general utility that such safety mode of Building 
would be to the protection of the public, was pre-
sented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the borough of Redress 
of Manchester, praying the House to refuse from voting 
the Supplies until the Grievances of the people are 
investigated and redressed, was presented, and read; 
and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Anglesey Union;—and, Shrewsbury Poor Law 
Poor United District;— praying that the Poor Law Amendment 
Bill may not pass into a law, as it now 
stands,—were presented, and read; and ordered to 
lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Highton;— and, Withnell; praying poor Law. 
that those townships may be released from the 
operation of the Poor Law Amendment Act,—were 
presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from John Blade, of Nantwich, in the South Austra-
parish of Tidcombe, in the county of Wilts, Gentle-
man, praying the House to adopt measures 
across with China, was presented, and read; and 
ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of John Blades, of Frodsham, in the South 
Astran-parish of Tidcombe, in the county of Wilts, Gentle-
man, praying the House to adopt measures for per-
mitting the importation into this country from New 
South Wales and Van Diemen's Land, of Grain grown 
therein, at the same rate of duty only as that im-
ported from Canada, was presented, and read; and 
ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken Kingston-upon-
before the Committee on the Kingston-upon-
Docks Bill, in Session 1840, be referred to the 
Committee on the Kingston-upon-
Docks Bill of the present Session.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the Yarmouth 
North Walsham and Dilham Canal Navigation, praying 
that they may be heard, by themselves, their 
counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Yar-
mouth and Norwich Railway Bill, was presented, 
and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on 
the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by
by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants of Todmorden and its vicinity, in the counties of York and Lancaster, praying the House to insert a clause in the Factories Bill to prevent persons from working in Mills or Factories above ten hours per day for five days a week, and eight on Saturday, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Provost, Magistrates and Town Council of the town of Cupar, in the county of Fife, praying that the North British Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of James Mainwaring, of Bromborough, in the county of Chester, Clerk, praying that the Birkenhead Docks Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Debtor Prisoners in Monmouth, County Gaol, praying the House to pass a Bill with reference to the Report of the Commissioners appointed by Her Majesty to inquire into the Laws of Bankruptcy and Insolvency, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Christchurch, Surrey, stating that the Petitioners are supplied with water by the Lambeth Waterworks Company, and that the water so supplied is foul and filthy; and praying the House to take measures to compel the Company to be subjected in honesty and good faith to the penalties of their Act, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Presses and Clerk of a Meeting of Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, within the presbytery of Saint Andrews, and county of Fife, praying the House to take measures to ameliorate the condition of the Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to 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 Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council, for Prosecutions for Libel, or Actions instituted against the House of Commons through its Officers; stating the Names of the Plaintiffs and Defendants in each Prosecution or Action, with the Names in each case of the Crown Counsel, Solicitors for the Crown, and others employed on the part of the House of Commons, or the Officers of the said House, to defend such Actions, with the Amount charged in Fees, Bills of Costs and other Charges; showing the Sum Total paid by the Country on account of such Prosecutions or Actions during the above period, so as to balance the Receipt for Parliamentary Papers against the Expenses at Law, in a Debt and Credit Account.

Ordered, That the Returns of the Number of Grand Jurors, Days appointed by the Sheriff for transacting the Act, (Ireland.) Fiscal Business in each County, County of a City, and County of a Town in Ireland; with the Number of Grand Jurors sworn at each Assizes since the passing of the Act 3 and 4 Will, c. 78, for the same period; of the Date and Length of Sitting of the several Road Sessions in each County, County of a City, and County of a Town in Ireland, and of the Number of qualified Persons attending at them, distinguishing Magistrates from Cess-payers; and of the Date of the Publication of the Grand Warrant in each County of a City and County of a Town, during the same period, which were presented upon the 22d day of August in the last Session of Parliament, be printed.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Stipendiary Magistrates (Ireland), which were presented upon the 11th and 12th days of this instant March, be printed.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to the Poor Law, Law, which were presented yesterday, be printed. No. 130.

Ordered, That the Abstracts of the Committees' Accounts, which were presented yesterday, be printed. No. 133.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Grain and Flour, which was presented yesterday, be printed. House.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Spirits distilled, &c., which were presented yesterday, be printed. No. 135.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Illicit Distillation (Ireland), which were presented yesterday, be printed. No. 136.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Spirits per Distillation, mitted out of Distillers' and Rectifiers' Stocks, which was presented yesterday, be printed. No. 135.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Commercial Intercourse, or Actions, instituted against the House of Commons through its Officers; stating the Names of the Plaintiffs and Defendants in each Prosecution or Action, with the Names in each case of the Crown Counsel, Solicitors for the Crown, and others employed on the part of the House of Commons, or the Officers of the said House, to defend such Actions, with the Amount charged in Fees, Bills of Costs and other Charges; showing the Sum Total paid by the Country on account of such Prosecutions or Actions during the above period, so as to balance the Receipt for Parliamentary Papers against the Expenses at Law, in a Debt and Credit Account.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty will graciously pleased to give directions to Her Servants, not to enter into any negotiations with Foreign Powers which would make any contemplated alterations of the Tariff of the United Kingdom contingent on the alteration of the Tariffs of other Countries; and humbly expressing to Her Majesty the Opinion of this House, that the great object of reestablishing the Commercial Intercourse between this Country and Foreign Nations from all injurious restrictions, will be best promoted by regulating our own Customs Duties as may be most suitable to
the financial and commercial Interests of this Country, without reference to the Amount of Duties which Foreign Powers may think it expedient for their own interests to levy on British Goods;

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.

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**Mercuri, 20° die Martii;**

Anno 7° Victoriam Reginæ, 1844.

**Prayers.**

A **PETITION** of Owners and Occupiers of land in the several parishes of Ashford, Willesborough, Kennington, Boughton Aluph, Wye, Godmersham, Chilham, Chartham, Thannington, Hanndledon, Saint Dunstan and Holy Cross, Westgate, in the county of Kent, praying that the South Eastern, Canterbury, Romney and Margate Railway Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the **London** and **Greewich** Railway Company, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the said Bill, was also presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

**Guildford Junction Railway Bill.**

Lord Rendlesham reported from the Committee on the **Guildford Junction Railway Bill;** and to whom a Petition against the said Bill was referred; That they had heard counsel in support of the said Petition, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Petitions of Commissioners of Sewers for the Rape of **Arundel,** in the county of Sussex, agreed to at a special sessions of sewers helden at Arundel, in the said county;—and, Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the borough of Arundel; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the **Brighton** and **Chichester** Railway Bill,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the **Birmingham Canal Navigation Bill;** and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

**Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.**

**Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill.**

A **Petition** of Owners and Occupiers of the lands of the said Company, situated at or near **Stock-ford,** in the parish of **Ingatestone,** in the county of Essex, or upon such other lands adjoining thereto as the said Company may purchase; and praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsellor or agent, against the said clause, was presented, and read.

**Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill;** and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

**Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill, to hear the Petitioner in case any clause of the nature referred to in the Petition be proposed in the Committee.**

**Petitions from Bury;—Rochdale;—Oldham;—Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bury Branch);** and the Right honourable **Edward Vernon Lord Sheffield;**—and, **Midleton;** praying that the said Bill may pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

**Petitions of Inhabitants of Tottington Lower End, in the county of Lancaster, and others;**—Walsingam—Shuttleworth;—Haslundeen:—Tottington Higher End;—Bury and Elton;—Bolton;—Runestall;—Rachidoff;—and, Pilkington; praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law,—were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mariuszkis’ Naturalization Bill was read a second time; and committed.

**Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.**

A **Petition** of Inhabitants of the township and neighbourhood of **Pudsey,** in the county of York, praying that the Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Joseph Wolstenholme, Lessee of a **Sheffield** and certain manufactory and buildings in the township of **Handsworth,** and parish of **Sheffield;**—George Foster, the executor of the late Jane Boulger, deceased, and as such the lessees of certain cottages and yard, in the township and parish of **Sheffield;**—Thomas Ward, of **Unston,** in the parish of **Dronfield,** in the county of **Derby;**—William Webster, of the township of **Brightside Bierlow,** in the parish of **Sheffield;**—and, Edward Brooksbank Tattershall, of Great James-street, in the county of Middlesex, Gentleman, Assignee of the estate and effects of Luke Polleygreen, of Sheffield, in the county of York, a bankrupt; taking notice of the application for leave to bring in the **Sheffield and Chesterfield Junction Railway Bill,** and praying that such Bill may pass into law, although their property has not been properly described, marked and numbered on the plan of the said proposed Railway deposited in the Private Bill Office of the House, and that any omission or technical error in reference to the same may not be considered an obstacle to the passing of such Bill,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A **Petition** of Burgesses or Free-tenants and Trustees of the town of **Sheffield,** in the county of York, commonly called the town collector and his assistants, taking notice of the application for the said Bill; and praying that such Bill may pass into law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Forbes MacKenzie reported from the Select **Grand Canal Committee on Petitions for Private Bills;** That in the case of the Petition for the Grand Canal (Ireland), and the Standing Orders relative to Bills of the Third Class had not been complied with:

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

A **Petition** of the **Birmingham** and **Liverpool** Railway Company, praying that the **Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill** may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill.

A Petition of Sir Henry Jardine, Knight, a Pro- prietor of a house and tenement in Princes-street, between Haymarket and Hope-street, Edinburgh, and also joint proprietor of ground in the area opposite the said street, sought to be acquired by the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Company and as Preses of the committee of the proprietors of houses in said street, setting under the Act of Parliament the county of Rosscommon, which lies in a narrow strip along the Upper Shannon, a very undue proportion of said re-payment has been laid upon it; and praying that the House will afford to the Petitioners and the county they are connected with, relief, either by remitting the re-payment of a considerible portion of the contemplated expenditure, or else by spreading the instalments of re-payment over a much more considerable period of time, and thus preventing such an enhancement of the county rates as would be out of the power of the occupiers to pay, and which is for an object of far more national than local importance, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Eastern Counties Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Bolton and Preston Railway Bill; that they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Hartlepool Pier and Port Bill.

Mr. Hoyleon Hinde presented a Bill for amending the Acts relative to the improving of the Pier and Port of Hartlepool, in the County of Durham: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Manchester, Bury and Rossendale Railway Bill.

Petitions from Haslingden; Tottington Higher End; Tottington Lower End; Pilkingtom; Walton-le-cum-Shuttleton; Ratclifftown; Bury and Elton; and, Radcliffe; praying that the Manchester, Bury and Rossendale Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Saint Asaph and Bangor Dioces.

Petitions from Llansaweld-in-Cymmer; Rural Deanery of Duffryn Clyd; Denbigh; and, Ruthin; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Minister, Freeholders and other inhabitants of the parish of Llanfairtalhaiarn, in the County of Denbigh, praying that the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Pakington presented a Bill to define and regulate the periods for holding Quarter Sessions in cities and boroughs. The same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Orderd, That the Report on the Indemnity Bill Indemnity Bill. be received to-morrow.

Orderd, That the Mutiny Bill be now read a se- Mutiny Bill. cond time; The Bill was accordingly read a second 

A Petition of the High Sheriff and Grand Jury of the county of Roscommon, stating that by a recent Act of the Legislature certain sums were di-

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Coroners Bill.

Ordered, That the Marine Mutiny 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.

Marine Mutiny Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Ramsey Inclosure Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ramsey Inclosure Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Bury Inclosure Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Bury Inclosure Bill.

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 Baron to serve in this present Parliament for the Town and Port of Hastings, in the room of the Right honourable Joseph Planta, who, since his Election for the said Town and Port, hath accepted the office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltern Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough and Bovenham, in the County of Buckingham.

Hastings Writ.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker resume the Chair; and Mr. Greene 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.—put, and agreed to.

Mr. Greene reported the County Coroners Bill:—And the Bill was re-committed to a Committee of the whole House:—The House immediately resolved itself into the said Committee.

In the Committee.

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed.

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2, agreed to.

Clauses No. 3, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 4, and No. 5, agreed to.

Clauses No. 6, (Elections to be held in the district, and who to elect.) Amendment proposed, in P. 37. To leave out "Knights of the Shire" in order to insert "Coroners," instead thereof.

Question put, That "Knights of the Shire" stand part of the Clause; The Committee divided:— Tellers for the [Mr. Falkington, Mr. Gally Knight: ] 40. Tellers for the [Mr. Robert Scott, Mr. Warburton: ] 70.

Question, That "Coroners" be inserted instead thereof, put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses No. 7, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 8 and No. 9, agreed to.

Clauses No. 10, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 11, to No. 13, agreed to.

Clauses No. 14, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 15 and No. 16, agreed to.

Clauses No. 18 and No. 19, agreed to.

Clauses No. 20, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 21 to No. 23, agreed to.

Clauses No. 24, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 25 and No. 26, agreed to.

Clause added.

Preamble amended, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly; and the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration upon Wednesday next; and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second time upon Wednesday next.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Small Debts Bill; The Order of the day being read, for the second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into Masters and Servants Bill. The Bill was re-committed to a Committee of the whole House:—The House immediately resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Bill read 1st: to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed.

Clauses No. 1 and No. 2, agreed to.

Clauses No. 3, amended, and agreed to.

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Clauses No. 6, (In cases of misbehaviour imprisonment may be awarded.) Amendment proposed, in P. 37. After "contract" to insert " Such contract being in writing, and signed by the contracting parties." Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.

Wheupon, 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. Greene 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.

The Night Poaching Prevention Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Com Supply:

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Mr. Greene reported from the Select Committee the Taff Vale on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of Railway Bill, the Petition for the Taff Vale Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Taff Vale Railway, to authorize the alteration of certain Works thereby authorized, and the formation of additional Works, and to enlarge the Powers of the Company: And that Mr. Henry Berkeley and Mr. Philip Miles do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Greene reported from the Select Committee the Reversionary Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of Interest Society the
Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question was pro-posed, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Selection, to postpone the meeting of the Committee on the South Eastern, Canterbury, Ramsgate and Margate Railway Bill, till after Easter:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. Henry Berkeley presented a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Teff Vale Railway, to authorize the alteration of certain Works thereby authorized, and the formation of additional Works, and to enlarge the Powers of the Company: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Brands Burton Inclosure Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the Liverpool Canal Navigation from Leeds to Liverpool, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Liverpool Docks Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Lakenheath and Brandon Drainage Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for amending and rendering more effectual an Act for draining and preserving certain Fen Lands and Low Grounds in the parishes of Lakenheath and Brandon, in the county of Suffolk: And that Colonel Rushbrooke and Mr. Waddington do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Hope Johnstone presented a Bill to repair the Dingwall Thoroughfares and Police Bill, and to light, cleanse and watch the same; and also to regulate the Police of the said Burgh: And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Mr. Greene reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Diagwall Thoroughfares and Police Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repair the Public Thoroughfares in the burgh of Dingwall, and to light, cleanse and watch the same, and also to regulate the Police of the said Burgh: And that Mr. Hope Johnstone and Mr. Lockhart do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Taff Vale Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee of Selection; to postpone the meeting of the Committee on the South Eastern, Canterbury, Ramsgate and Margate Railway Bill, till after Easter:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of William Barnes, of Ardwick, near Manchester, in the county of Lancaster, Gentleman, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Manchester Police Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

An in-grossed Bill for more effectually lighting with Gas the Borough and Parish of Rochdale, in the County of Lancaster, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Botte Willbraham do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of William Barnes, of Ardwick, near Manchester, in the county of Lancaster, Gentleman, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Manchester Police Bill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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An in-grossed Bill for making a Railway from the Lancaster and Preston Junction Railway, at Lancaster, or near to the City of Carlisle, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Wilson Patten do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of the Viscount Marsham reported from the Committee on the York and Scarboroug Railway Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had heard counsel in support of one of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders.

Yorks and Scarbro. Railway Bill.
A Petition of the Great Western Railway Company, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Newbury, Basingstoke, London and Southampton Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

An ingrossed Bill to amend the several Acts relating to the Great Western, the Cheltenham and Great Western Union, and the Oxford Railways, to amalgamate the two last-mentioned Railways with the Great Western Railway, and to authorize the formation of certain additional Works at Cheltenham and Gloucester, by the Great Western Railway Company, was read the third time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in Pr. 19. 1. 9., by leaving out from the word "paid" to the word "And," in l. 18.

The House divided:—Yeas, 127; Noes, 73. 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 Christchurch, in the room of the Right honourable Sir George Henry Rose, who, since his election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward of Her Majesty's Manor of Northstead.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Order made upon Friday the 15th day of this instant March, That it be put, That the Order made upon Friday the 15th day of this instant March, That it be put, That the Order be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders, the Standing Order of the House (No. 121.), relative to Private Bills, might be read; and the same was read, as followeth:

"That when any Clause or Amendment is offered upon the Report, or reconsideration of the Report, or the Third Reading of any Private Bill, such Clause or Amendment shall be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.—That such Clause shall be printed:—And when any Clause is proposed to be amended, it shall be printed in extenso, with every addition or substitution in different type, and the Amendments therefrom included in brackets." Ordered, That the said Amendment be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

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 Christchurch, in the room of the Right honourable Sir George Henry Rose, who, since his election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward of Her Majesty's Manor of Northstead.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Order made upon Friday the 15th day of this instant March, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Selection to refer the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

A Petition of Members of the Loyal National Repeal Association, and others, praying the House to grant an immediate inquiry into their complaints, with reference to the late State Prosecution in Ireland, with the view of enabling them to establish the truth of the allegations contained in their Petition, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Merchants, Ship-owners and others, Inhabitants of Leith, praying for a reduction of the duty on Tea, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Giffin Williams and Mr. Brobham:

Mr. Speaker, The Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment; viz.:—

A Bill, intituled, An Act for transferring certain Three and a Half Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum per Annum, and Government Debentures, into Annuities of Three Pounds Five Shillings per Centum per Annum and New Three Pounds per Centum per Annum Annuities.

A Bill, intituled, An Act for transferring Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum per Annum Annuities One thousand eight hundred and eighteen into Annuities of Three Pounds Five Shillings per Centum per Annum and New Three Pounds per Centum per Annum Annuities.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to apply the Sum of Consolidated Eight Millions out of the Consolidated Fund, to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and forty: And also, The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the several Acts relative to the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for altering the House of Commons and West Riding of York Act, 1795, so as to repeal the same, and to establish the same under the Act of the Thirty-fifth year of King George the Third; in pursuance of the Bow Brickhill and Fenny Stratford Inclosure Act, passed in the Thirtieth year of King George the Third; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, the Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for authorizing the Surveyor of the Poor of the District of the Townships of Sir James Naguet, Baronet, deceased, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which Orders were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That in the case of the Sheffield and Chesterfield Junction Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

2. Resolved, That in the case of the West London Railway Extension Petition, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

3. Resolved, That in the case of the North Wales Mineral Railway Petition, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

4. Resolved, That in the case of the Pulteney Poole Town Harbour and Improvement Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, on condition that they abandon all such parts as relate to the Plan of Measures. Gibb.

5. Resolved, That in the case of the Weaver Navigation Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill, upon condition that they give to the Trustees of the Weaver Navigation, within one week from the present time, such Notice as is required by the 19th Standing Order to be given previous to the presentation of the Petition for the Bill, and that the Second Reading of the Bill be deferred till after the Easter Recess.

That the Committees on this and the preceding Bill do examine in the first place how far such Orders have been complied with; and do report the same to the House with the Report of the Bill.

The Third, Fourth and Fifth Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect Weaver Navigation of the Petition for the Weaver Navigation Bill, gaiton Bill, which was this day made from the Select Committee

Newbury, Basingstoke, London and Southampton Railway Bill

Great Western Railway Bill

Committee of Selection

State Trial (Ireland.)
on Standing Orders, might be read; and the same being read,
Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for amending the Acts relating to the Navigation of the River Weaver: And that Viscount Sandon and Sir Howard Dougall do prepare, and bring it in.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the Pulteney Town Harbour and Improvement Bill, which was this day made from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and the same being read,
Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter, explain, and amend the Acts incorporating the British Society, for extending the Fisheries and improving the Sea Coasts of the Kingdom, for enlarging and improving the Harbour of Pulteney Town, and for paving, lighting, cleansing and improving the said Town, and better supplying the same with Water: And that Mr. Travers, Mr. David Duns and Mr. Lock do prepare, and bring it in.

A Petition of Masters, Pilots and Seamen of the Corporation of the Trinity House of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, praying that the Hartlepool West Harbour and Dock Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

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 1844, unprovided for.

Sir George Clerk accordingly presented the said Account.
Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table.

Sir George Clerk presented, pursuant to an Address to Her Majesty,—A Return of the Number of Persons committed to Prison on a charge of Smuggling, and the Numbers committed in each year since the passing of the Act 5 and 4 Will. 4, c. 53, distinguishing the Number committed and convicted, in classes, for Smuggling Tobacco, Spirits, Tea, Silks and for any other Articles, and the Total Number in each year:—Also, of the Number of Persons who paid the Penalties imposed, the Number of Compromises made, and the Number of Persons confined in Prison for Smuggling in each year since the passing of the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 53.

Ordered, That the Return do lie upon the Table.

An Account of the Number of Pounds weight of Leaf Tobacco, Manufactured Tobacco, Sagars and Snuff, paid Duty upon for the year 1840, ending the 5th day of January 1841; 1841, ending the 5th day of January 1842; 1842, ending the 5th day of January 1843; 1843, ending the 5th day of January 1844; the Rate of Duty, and the Total Amount of Revenue, distinguishing England, Scotland and Ireland.

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

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Ecclesiastical Commission, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Stipendiary Magistrates (Ireland), which was presented yesterday, 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, an Abstract Return, being a continuation of the Statistical Reports already published, on the Mortality, being the number at the beginning and ending of each Year, and the Number of Bodies interred, of the Majestys Troops serving in the West Indies, the United Kingdom, the Mediterranean and British America; Western Africa, Saint Helena, the Cape of Good Hope and the Mauritius; Ceylon, the Town of serim Provinces and Burmese Empire; and among Her Majestys Troops serving in the East Indies for the years 1837, 1838, 1839, 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Trigonometrical Return of the manner in which the Sum voted in the Ordnance Estimates of the last year for the Trigonometrical Survey of Scotland has been appropriated; the Amount expended; the Balance, if any, remaining in hand; and a detailed Statement of the Progress made up to this date, since the last Return.

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 Tomorrow.

Veneris, 29° die Marti;
Anno 7° Victorie Regnine, 1844.

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

Mr. Sadleir, from the Audit Office, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of the several Acts of Parliament—List of Officers and Departments whose Accounts are audited by the Commissioners for auditing the Public Accounts.

An Account of the Arrears and Balances due to and from all Public Accountants on the 5th day of January 1837; 1838, ending the 5th day of January 1839; 1839, ending the 5th day of January 1840; 1840, ending the 5th day of January 1841; 1841, ending the 5th day of January 1842; 1842, ending the 5th day of January 1843; 1843, ending the 5th day of January 1844; the Rate of Duty, and the Total Amount of Revenue, distinguishing England, Scotland and Ireland.

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List of the Accounts depending in the Office of the Commissioners for auditing the Public Accounts, which have not been audited, stated or declared, completed to the 29th February 1844.—And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That the said Lists and Account do lie upon the Table.

Midland Railways Consolidation Bill.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Midland Railways Consolidation Bill have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Birmingham Canal Navigations Bill.

An ingrossed Bill for enabling the Company of Proprietors of the Birmingham Canal Navigations to borrow a further Sum of Money, and to extend and alter some of the Provisions of their present Acts, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Robert Scott do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Severn Navigation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Severn Navigation Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Dowager Lady Nugent's Nat. Bill.

Dowager Lady Nugent's Naturalization Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Gorbals Statute Labour Bill.

The Gorbals Statute Labour Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Beeches Navigation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Beeches Navigation Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Eastern Union Railway Bill.

Petitions from Woodbridge;—Halsworth;—Ipswich;—Sorrenwick;—Necham;—Newport Market;—Looeestow;—Framlingham;—and, Eye; praying that the Eastern Union Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Romney Inclusion Bill.

An ingrossed Bill for including Lands in the Parish of Romney, in the County of Huntingdon, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Bury Inclusion Bill.

An ingrossed Bill for including Lands in the Parish of Bury, in the County of Huntingdon, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Yarmouth and Norwich Railway Bill.

A Petition of Merchants, Bankers, Traders and Inhabitants of Great Yarmouth, in the county of Norfolk, praying that the Yarmouth and Norwich Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Pottensey Town Harbour and Improvement Bill.

Mr. Lock presented a Bill to alter, explain and amend the Acts incorporating the British Society for extending the Fisheries and improving the Sea Coasts of the Kingdom, for enlarging and improving the Harbour of Pottensey Town, and for paving, lighting, cleansing and improving the said Town, and better supplying the same with Water: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

The Eastern Union Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of Trustees for executing an Act for South-Eastern, more effectually repairing and otherwise improving the Canterbury, Romney and Margate Railway, from the Road from the Post-road, near Petersham, by Margate Railway, Bacon's Water, through Ashford, to Hythe, from Bacon's Water to Castle-street, in the city of Canterbury, all in the County of Kent, and of the other Trustees of the said first-mentioned Road, praying that the South Eastern, Canterbury, Ramsgate and Margate Railway Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

The Newcastle and Dartington Junction Railway Bill, and Tyne Bridge Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Postyn and South Shields Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the North Wales Mineral Railway Bill, which, upon Thursday last, was made from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and the same being read.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making a Railway from the River Dee, in the county of the city of Chester, to Wrexham, in the county of Denbigh, with a Branch Railway from Wrexham, to the Mineral Fields in the township of Brymbo, in the parish of Wrexham, to be called "The North Wales Mineral Railway": And that Mr. Mainwaring and Mr. Bagot do prepare, and bring it in.

A Petition of Henry Curwen, of Worthington Hall, Whitlaheen, in the county of Cumberland, Esquire, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the British Iron Company Bill, were presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Mainwaring presented a Bill for making a North Wales Railway from the River Dee, in the County of the Mineral Railway Bill, near Faversham, by Articulate, for more effectually repairing and otherwise improving the Road from the Post-road, near Petersham, by Margate Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Petitions of Shareholders of the British Iron Company;—and, James Whitchurch, of Norland-place, Company Bill, in the county of Middlesex, Esquire, and John Shennell, of the Stock Exchange, Esquire, and Edward Lomer, of Southampton, Merchant; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the British Iron Company Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.
South Devon Railway Bill.

Petitions of the Teignmouth and Shaldon Bridge Company;—Henry Hooper, Mayor of Exeter (two Petitions) — and, William Hillton, Porting, of Northernhay, in the county of the city of Exeter, Gentleman; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the South Devon Railway Bill,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Great Western Railway Bill.

A Petition of John Bawtree Hervey, of Colechester, in the county of Essex, Bookseller, praying that the Great Western Railway Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ness Fisheries Bill.

Mr. Edward Ellice presented a Bill for the more effectual Preservation and Increase of the Breed of Salmon, and for better regulating the Salmon Fisheries in the River Ness, and the Lochs, Streams and Waters flowing into the same: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Ribble Navigation Bill.

A Petition of John Grandy, of the borough of Preston, in the county of Lancaster, praying that the Ribble Navigation Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Reversionary Interest Society Bill.

Mr. Gisborne presented a Bill for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against the Reversionary Interest Society, and for enabling the Society to increase its Capital: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Weaver Navigation Bill.

Sir Howard Douglas presented a Bill for amending the Acts relating to the Navigation of the River Weaver: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Liverpool New Gas and Coke Bill.

An ingrossed Bill to amend and enlarge the Provisions of two several Acts for lighting with Gas the Town of Liverpool, and certain Places adjacent thereto, was read the third time. Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Sir Howard Douglas do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of William Stuart, President, and the other Members of the American Chamber of Commerce of Liverpool, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Liverpool Docks Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Railroad Companies.

A Petition of Charles Wye Williams, of the town of Liverpool, Esquire, Managing Director of the city of Dublin Steam Packet Company, praying the House to refuse to Railroad Companies the extraordinary and unprecedented powers and privileges sought by them, and by which they would be enabled to engage in the business of Steam-ship Companies, in addition to the former and legitimate object of Railway traffic, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Birkenhead Improvement Bill.

A Petition of Rate-payers of the townships of Birkenhead and Claughton-cum-Graigne, in the county of Chester, praying that the Birkenhead Improvement Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Edinburgh the Report on the Edinburgh Poor Assessment Bill; Poor Assessment and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

And other Amendments being proposed to be made to the Bill;

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration Edinburgh the Report on the Edinburgh Castle Market Bill; Castle Market and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The Edinburgh, Leith and Granton Railway Bill, Edinburgh, Leith and Granton Railway Bill.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in and Maryport the case of the Petition for Provision in the Whitehaven and Maryport Railway Bill, the Standing Orders relative to Bills for building Bridges had 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.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in Improvement the case of the Petition for the Clerkwell Improvement Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue and amend some of the Provisions of the Acts relating to the Street to Clerkwell Green, in the county of Middlesex: And that Mr. Whalley and Mr. Thomas Duncombe do prepare, and bring it in.

The Bow Brickhill Estate Bill was read the first Bow Brickhill time; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Thomas Duncombe presented a Bill to continue and amend some of the Provisions of the Improvement Acts relating to the Street to Clerkwell Green, in the county of Middlesex: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of the Dock Company at Kingston-upon-Hull, praying that provision may be made in Hull Docks Bill, the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, to the effect of authorizing the said Company to make and maintain a Branch Dock on the western side of the Humber Dock at the said Port of Kingston-upon-Hull, and to the north of the Railway terminus at the said town, with a communication therefrom into the said Humber Docks, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Hull and Selby Railway Company, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of the Board for the repair of the Sheffield United Highways in the township of Sheffield, in the county of York, praying that they may be heard, by them-
Dioceses.

Order, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

South-Eastern Railway Bill.

Petitions of Surveyors of Highways of the parish of East Pecham, in the county of Kent; and, Surveyors of the Highways of the parish of Brentley, in the county of Kent, and others, Rate-payers of the same parish; praying that the South Eastern Railway Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Lakenheath and Brandon Drainage Bill.

Mr. Redhead Yorke presented a Bill for amending and rendering more effectual an Act for draining and preserving certain Fen Lands and Low Grounds in the Parishes of Lakenheath and Brandon, in the County of Suffolk: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

South-Eastern Railway Bill.

The South Eastern Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Public Petitions (Grievous Complaints.)

Mr. Thorney 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.

Bankruptcy and Insolvency.

Petitions of Debtor Prisoners in Her Majesty's Gaol at Wiltos, in the county of Somerset; and, Debtor Prisoners in Durham Gaol; praying the House to expeditiously the passing of a Bill, with reference to the Report of the Commissioners appointed by Her Majesty to inquire into the Laws of Bankruptcy and Insolvency, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

Petitions from Southbury Union; and, Rockdale; praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Hand-loom Weavers.

A Petition of Silk Hand-loom Weavers of Leigh, and the townships and villages adjacent thereto, in the county of Lancaster, praying the House to pass some legislative enactment to protect them from the encroachments of their masters, which in the opinion of the Petitioners may be effected by the establishment of Boards of Trade composed of masters and workmen, and that the House will grant a Committee to inquire into the truth of all or any of the allegations contained in their Petition, especially into the system of abatements, or any of the allegations contained in their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Tobacco.

Petitions from Chester (two Petitions); from Finsbury (five Petitions); and, Westminster (sixteen Petitions); praying for a reduction of the duty on Tobacco, were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Tobacco Trade.

Saint Asaph and Bangor Dioceses.

A Petition of the Principal, Fellows and Scholars of Jesus College within the university and city of Oxford, of Queen Elizabeth's foundation, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Dioceses of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a See at Manchester by other means, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the baronies of Cork and Kinsale and Kinalea, in the county of Cork, praying the House not to pass any measure for continuing the Cork and Skibbereen Road Act beyond the end of the present Session of Parliament, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the boroughs of Cork and Kinsale, and Kinsale, in the county of Cork, praying the House to pass a measure for the speedy and entire abolition of all laws respecting the subscription tests by professors in the National Universities of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of John Hinks Handswell, praying for Medical formation of one Faculty of Medicine and Surgery for the United Kingdom, having boards of examiners in London, Edinburgh and Dublin, to grant medical degrees under uniform regulations, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgess of the borough of Waterford, praying for an equal distribution of Impositions payable to the Revenue of the United Kingdom, having boards of examiners in London, Edinburgh and Dublin, to grant medical degrees under uniform regulations, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Universities of the city of Edinburgh, praying the House forthwith to pass into a law the People's Charter, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Woolley Farmers, praying the House to adopt measures for ameliorating the condition of the Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the House of Commons, praying the House to adopt measures for ameliorating the condition of the Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of William Roberts; and, Inhabitants of Maryborough, praying the House to take into consideration the working of the Act for regulating Schools of Anatomy, with a view to its amendment, were presented, and read; and ordered to be read upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Saint John, in the Correide colony of Newfoundland, praying the House to take into consideration the working of the Act for regulating Schools of Anatomy, with a view to its amendment, were presented, and read; and ordered to be read upon the Table.

Petitions from Liverpool; Dundee; Inverness; with, respectively, Brexit; Lesser Ard; Dungaree; Town of Inverness; Chairman and Secretary of the Board of Town Surveyors; Birmingham Estate and Holly- wood; Newry; Castle Lyons; Inagh and Kilnamona; Ballinvaro; Choice; Preston.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Team- horst, in the county of Sussex, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Dioceses of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a See at Manchester by other means, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
A Petition of John Minter Morgan, of Ham Common, Surrey, praying that provision may be made for the establishment of Church Houses in the Commons Inclosure Bill, for appropriating a portion of inclosed lands for the benefit of the working classes, by the establishment of self-supporting institutions, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Rothbury—Felon—, and, Shill-Corn Law Bottle; praying the House to resist the efforts now being made by the Anti-Corn Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Braintree, and its Redress of grievance, in the county of Essex, praying the House, to refrain from voting the Supplies until the grievances of the people are investigated and redressed, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Message, by Sir Augustus Clifford, Gentleman Royal Assent 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, do 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 Public Bills therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Bills: Which Bills are as follow:

An Act to apply the Sum of Eight Millions out of the Consolidated Fund

An Act to indemnify Witnesses who may give Evidence during this Session before either House of Parliament touching Gaming Transactions

An Act to facilitate the Recovery, by summary Process, of small Sums due to the Teachers of National Schools in Ireland.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Factories Bill, a Committee upon the Factories Bill.

(In the Committee).

Clause No. 2 (Interpretation Clause):
Another Amendment proposed, in P. 2. l. 31:
To leave out the word "silk."
Question, That the word "silk" stand part of the Clause—put, and agreed to.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clause, No. 3, amended, and agreed to.
Clause, No. 4, agreed to.
Clauses, No. 5 to No. 7, amended, and agreed to.
Clause, No. 8, (Young persons and women not to be employed more than nine hours daily.) P. 4. l. 5. Motion made, and Question proposed, That the blank be filled with "twelve."
Afterwards proposed, That the blank be filled with "ten."
Whereupon, Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Committee do sit again, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.
Question put, That the blank be filled with "twelve."
The Committee divided:
Tellers for the Sir Thomas Fremantle, Yes, 183.
Tellers for the Lord Ashley, Noes, 186.
Tellers for the Sir Thomas Fremantle, Noes, 188.
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, 23° die Martii, 1844:
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had made further 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.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Gold and Silver Wares Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Metropolitan Buildings Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into International Committee upon the International Copyright Bill; Copyright Bill, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.
Mr. Greene accordingly reported the Bill; and the Amendment was read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-Supply; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
Select Committee on Tobacco Trade.

Bills, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Navy Estimates of 1844-45 have been founded.

each Parish, and classifying the Fees, Costs, Charges for the last Three years; specifying the Name paid upon the Consecration of

Address to Her Majesty, A Return from Court of Burgesses in carrying the said Acts, by the Court of Burgesses, Westminster,

An Account of the Ordinary Revenues and Extra-ordinary Resources constituting the Public Income of Great Britain, in the year ended 5th January 1844.

An Account of the Ordinary Revenues and Extra-ordinary Resources constituting the Public Income of Ireland, for the year ended 5th January 1844.

An Account of the Total Income of the Revenue of Great Britain and Ireland, in the year ended 5th January 1844, after deducting the Repayments, Allowances, Discounts, Drawbacks and Bounties in the nature of Drawbacks; together with an Account of the Public Expenditure of the United Kingdom, exclusive of the Sums applied to the Reduction of the National Debt, within the same period.

An Account of the Net Public Income of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in the year ended 5th January 1844, after abating the Expenditure theretofore defrayed by the several Revenue Departments; and of the actual Issues or Payments within the same period, exclusive of the Sums applied to the Redemption of Funded or Unfunded Debt; and of the Advances and Repayments on account of Local Works.

An Account of the Balances of Public Money remaining in the Exchequer on the 5th January 1844; the Amount of Money raised by the additions to the Funded or Unfunded Debt in the year ended 5th January 1844; the Money applied towards the Redemption of the Funded Debt or paying off Unfunded Debt; the Total Amount of Advances and Repayments on account of Local Works, &c., with the Difference accruing thereon, and the Balances in the Exchequer on 5th January 1844.

An Account of the Income of the Consolidated Fund arising in the United Kingdom, in the year ended 5th January 1844; and also of the actual Payments, on account of the Consolidated Fund, within the same period.

An Account of the Money applicable to the payment of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, in the year ending 5th January 1844, of the several Charges which have become due thereon in the same year; including the Amount of Exchequer Bills charged upon the said Fund, at the commencement and at the termination of the year; with Appendices.

An Account of the actual Receipt and Expenditure of the Funds placed in the hands of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, year ending 5th January 1844.

An Account of the Total Amount of the Unredeemed Funded Debt, and the Charge thereof, at 5th January 1843; of the Debt and Charge thereof created in the year ended 5th January 1844; of the Debt and Charge thereof, reduced in the course of that year; and the Total Amount of the Unredeemed Debt and Charge, as it stood on 5th January 1844.

An Account of the State of the Public Funded Debt of Great Britain and Ireland, and the Charge thereupon, at 5th January 1844.

An Account of the Unfunded Debt of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the Demands outstanding, on 5th January 1844; distinguishing Exchequer Bills; Sums remaining unpaid, charged upon Monies, Aids granted by Parliament; and Exchequer Bills...
Accounts of every Increase and Diminution which has taken place within the year 1843, in the Number of Persoas employed, or in the Salaries, Emolu-
ments, Allowances or Expenses in all Public Offices or Departments.

An Account of all Allowances or Compensations Superannu-
gated as Retired Allowances or Superannuations, ions,
in all Public Offices or Departments which remained payable on the 1st January 1843; the Annual
Amount which was granted in the year 1843; the
Annual Amount which ceased within the year;
and the Total Amount remaining payable on the
31st of December 1843.

An Account of all Additions which have been Public Debt.
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; and also
showing how the Charge incurred in respect of the
same has been provided for.

A Copy of the Fifth Report of the Commissioners Stannox
for the Improvement of the Navigation of the River Navigation.
Shannon; with an Appendix: —And then he with-
drew.

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

Mr. Bailey, Curator of Sir John Soane's Museum, Soane's
was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant
the directions of an Act of Parliament,—A Repor-
ment of the Funds of the Museum of the late Sir
John Soane, on the 5th January 1844: —And then he with-
drew.

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

Mr. Lock presented, pursuant to the directions of Highland Roads
Commissioners of Highland Roads and Bridges in
Scotland.

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

Petitions of Merchants, Ship-owners and others Liverpool
resident in or resorting to Liverpool; —Merchants, Docks Bill.
Manufacturers and others residing in Holdersfield;
—Commissioners appointed under several Acts for
the better raising and severage of the Town of Li-
verpool; —Merchants, Manufacturers and others resi-
sing in Halifax; —Merchants and other Inhabi-
tants of Liverpool, and of Birkenhead and other
places on the north side of the River Mersey; —The
Committee of Management appointed under the
Act relating to Woodside Ferry on the Cheshire side
of the River Mersey; and, Merchants, Manufac-
turers and others interested in the facilities given to
Commerce, through the Port of Liverpool and the
River Mersey, residing in Manchester and its neigh-
bourhood; praying that they may be heard, by
themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain
parts of the Liverpool Docks Bill,—were presented,
and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred
to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners
were heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon
their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard,
in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

The Garnkirk, Glasgow and Coatbridge Railway Company,
Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Com-
mmittee of Selection.

Petitions of the Lord Provost, Magistrates and
Council of the city of Edinburgh—Chamber of
Commerce and Manufacturers of the city of Edin-
burgh; —Incorporation of Traffickers or Merchant
Company of Leith; —and Corporation of the Master
and Assistants of the Trinity House of Leith;
praying that the Edinburgh, Leith and Granton
Railway
Railway Bill may pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

An ingrossed Bill to amend the Powers and Provisions of an Act of the First year of King William the Fourth, for making the River Waveney navigable for Ships and other Sea-borne Vessels from Rosehall Fleet to the Mouth of Oulton Dyke, and for making and maintaining a navigable Cut from the said River into the said Dyke, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Petitions from Broxbourne;—Edmonton;—Chelmsford;—Bishops Stortford;—Brentwood;—Owners and Occupiers of property on the line and in the neighbourhood of the Stratford (Eastern Counties) and Thames Junction Railway;—Northern and Eastern Railway Company;—Walton Abbey;—Romford; and, Ifford; praying that the Stratford (Eastern Counties) and Thames Junction Railway Bill may pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Secansia Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Paisley General Gas Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Ayr Bridge Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Southampton Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Manchester and Leeds and Heywood Branch Railway Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

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

Petitions of Thomas Holderness, of the borough of Kingston-upon-Hull, and Thomas Chilton, of Liverpool, in the county of Lancaster, Merchants and Co-partners;—and, Thomas Holderness, of the borough of Kingston-upon-Hull, Merchant; complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the Petition for additional provision in the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against the same,—were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

The Blackburn and Preston Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Petitions of Thomas Atkinson, of Peterborough, Eastern Counties Railway (Brandon and Peterborough Extension) Bill, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Ordered, That General Lygon do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
Northern and Eastern Railway (Newport Deviations) Bill.

A Petition of Sir James McAdam, of Whitehall, in the city of Westminster, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Northern and Eastern Railway (Newport Deviations) Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill, and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Edinburgh Cattle Market Bill.

An ingrossed Bill to amend an Act passed in the Third year of the Reign of Her present Majesty for abolishing certain Petty and Market Customs in the City of Edinburgh, and granting other Duties in lieu thereof, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Richard Hodgson do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Bolton and Preston Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Bolton and Preston Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Blackburn and Preston Railway Bill.

A Petition of James Coddwell, of Ellerbeek, near Chorley, in the county of Lancaster, Esquire, praying for the re-establishment by himself his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Blackburns and Preston Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Poor Law.

A Petition of Members of the Congregation of Protestant Dissenters worshiping in Victoria-street Chapel, Derby, praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Board of Guardians of the poor of the Hinckley Union, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the Chairman of the Newcastle-upon-Tyne Union;—Otty Saint Mary;—and, South Shields, Westminister, praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, nor any of the measures above-named established; were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the city of Bath, in the county of Somerset, praying for the establishment of a See at Manchester by other means, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the High Sheriff of the county of Saint Asaph, Flint;—Llandovery; and, Llanegwadled, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Mold;—Pershore;—Bettws-y-coed, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a See at Manchester by other means, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parishes of Case, Imperial college, Arra, Templekiel, Boher, Baragosey and State Company of the Imperial State of Ireland, by which, between five and six hundred men have been discharged, most of whom are married and have families dependent on them for support; and praying the House to take the state of misery of the poor of that locality into consideration, and relieve them, by such means as may appear calculated to promote the interest of the above-named Company, whose undertaking they consider of national importance, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Rate-payers of the Electoral Divisions of Derrygalvin, in the union of Limerick, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Birdsall;—President of the Denbighshire and Flintshire Agricultural Society;—Thickendale;—Scegglithorpe;—East Heslerton;—Achton;—Scrapingham;—Suttons Ambo;—Thorp Bassett;—Settrington;—Leptoning;—Westow;—Horsham;—Dugglety;—Norton;—Ediddlethorpe;—West Suffolk;—Borton Mills;—Stoke-by-Newton;—Freelandford;—Watton;—Bawdiston;—Great Bradley;—Little Bradley;—Clare, Suffolk;—Stoke and Wixx;—Wetherfield;—Great Wrasing;—Little Wrasing;—Kedington;—Clyton;—Kernwell;—Leicester;—Brittenhall;—Barnford;—Bilsted;—Lachford;—Walsham;—Walfleet;—Frickenham;—Wortlington;—Oussdon;—Roug-
A Petition of Workpeople engaged in the Silk-throwing business carried on in the town and neighbourhood of Ottery Saint Mary, in the county of Devon, praying the House to exclude the Silk Trade from the operation of the Factories Bill, or to introduce such causes and provisions therein as will be adapted to their trade and its necessaries, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Window Tax.

Petitions from Mizensick;—Clare, county of Tiphy, province of Nova Scotia;—Colonel of Cape Breton, in the province of Nova Scotia;—Prince Edward Island in British North America;—Stranorlar;—Faugheen;—Drumcliffe;—Bray;—Tollymore;—Patrickwell;—Killeen;—Kilcommon;—Culmullen;—Caker;—Kilmacee;—Dounboge;—Killean;—Knockaderry;—Dunsagehallin;—Newtown;—Kildon;—Mayn moth;—Drumragh;—Kilbhan;—Bree;—Morhas, and other places;—Halifax;—Mallow;—Lady's Island, Carne, and Saint Iberius;—Clone and Kilcornac;—Ballinteen hill;—Drumali;—Moortown;—Grattilillard and Purcell;—Killesberie;—Kilmoran;—Kilkewick;—Kilkenny and Meelick;—Raddenstown;—Killigan and Kilroran;—Enagh;—Rathkeale; and, the other avocations of the Commissioners be so numerous as to prevent them from attending to the duties of the Board, such duties may be remitted to other hands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Anatomy Act.

Ordered, That the Petition of William Roberts, relative to the Anatomy Act, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed for the use of Members only.

Prisons (Scotland) Bill.

Petitions from Aman;—Stranraer (Provost);—and, Lisaltigou; praying that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Universities (Scotland).

A Petition of the Chairman and Secretary of the Scottish Central Board for vindicating the Rights of Dissenters, praying for the repeal of the Statutes imposing religious tests upon professors as a qualification for their holding offices in the Universities and Public Schools of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Charitable Donations and Bequests (Ireland).

A Petition of Mary Wildridge, of Sandhirstreet, Dublin, Widow, complaining that great delay occurs in the business of the Board of Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests in Ireland, and that a cause in which the Petitioner is concerned, has been long procrastinated; and praying that the said Commissioners may be instructed to proceed in the aforesaid cause, and if it be found that the other avocations of the Commissioners be so numerous as to prevent them from attending to the duties of the Board, such duties may be remitted to other hands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
and the Names of the Persons to whom Postage Free Half Sheets of Paper will be sent for Sale.

Mr. George William Hope presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—A Return of all Persons holding Offices in the Colonies, who have been appointed thereto subsequent to the passing of an Act of Parliament of the 44th year of his late Majesty King George the 3d, c. 61, and who are not at present in the execution of the Duties of their respective Offices, (so far as the same relates to the Department of the Secretary of State for the Colonies).

Copies of the Laws and Ordinances passed by the Governor and Council of the Colony of Western Australia.

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Copies of the Laws and Ordinances passed by the Lieutenant Governor and Council of the Colony of Van Diemen's Land.

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

The Lords, and desire the concurrence of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal to the Bill, intituled, An Act to naturalize Michael Spartali; for which Authority, Power or Support the Returns of the Number and Amount of Public Bills have been issued under the head of Exchequer Business in the years 1838, 1839, 1840, 1841, 1842, and 1843; distinguishing the Numbers in each County, and the Number of Individuals affected by such Orders.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Orders made for the removal of Irish and Scotch Poor from England and Wales, in the years 1838, 1839, 1840, 1841, 1842, and 1843; distinguishing the Amount of each particular Issue, the Place and Period, and by whom such Issue was signed:—And, stating the Number of Days during which the Comptroller General was in attendance in the discharge of his Official Duties, and if absent, at what periods, and during such absence, under what particular Authority, Power and Signature each Issue was then made, the Returns to be made up to the 5th day of March 1844.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Order of the day for the Committee on the Factories Bill be now read—

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Lynch and Mr. Duckworth:—Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, An Act to indemnify Witnesses who may give Evidence before the Lords Spiritual and Temporal touching Gaming Transactions, without any Amendment: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalizing Antonio Lascari; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

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And the Question being put, That the Order of the day for the Committee on the Factories Bill be now read:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Order of the day being read accordingly; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Mutiny Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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The ingrosed Bill to indemnify such Persons in Indemnity Bill, the United Kingdom as have omitted to qualify themselves for Offices and Employments, and to extend the Time limited for those purposes respectively, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, 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 until the twenty-fifth day of March One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five.

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

The Gold and Silver Wares Bill was, according Gold and Silver to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Wares Bill Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The ingrosed Bill to amend the Law relating to International Copyright was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Comm. Supply;—Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Comm. Ways and Means;—Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Greene reported the Deed Forest Enroach-ments Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrosed; and read the third time To-morrow.

The Parishes (Scotland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a (Scotland) Bill Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com. Poor Law Amendment Bill:—Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Night Poaching Prevention Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consider the Acts in force with respect to the Elections of the United Kingdom as have omitted to qualify themselves for Offices and Employments, and to extend the Time limited for those purposes respectively until the twenty-fifth day of March One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five.

Ordered, That the Committee be nominated To-morrow.
Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that she will graciously be pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Memorial from the Master Bleachers in the West of Scotland to the Secretary of State 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.

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Ordered, That the Return relative to the Poor Law, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Churches, &c., which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Martis, 26° die Martii ;

Anno 7° Victoriae Regniæ, 1844.

Prayers.

Mr. Brown, Agent of the Clerk to the Commissioners of the Thames Navigation, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, An Account in Abstract of the several Sums of Money received and dispensed by the Commissioners of the Thames Navigation in the year 1842:—And then he withdrew.

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

Ordered, That the Committee on the Hartlepool West Harbour and Dock Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Maryport and Carlisle Railway Bill was read a second time, and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Dowager Lady Nugent's Naturalization Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Petitions from Chichester;—and, Brighton; praying that the Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Residents in the vicinity of the Ferry over the River Arun at Littlehampton, in the county of Sussex, praying that clauses may be inserted in the said Bill for granting compensation to the Proprietors of the Ferry established over the River Arun, at Littlehampton, or otherwise, so as to insure to the Petitioners and the public generally the permanent use of the said Ferry in the same manner as heretofore, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Occupiers of land and others resident in the upper division of the Rape of Chichester, in the county of Sussex, praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, with an Amendment, to the effect of causing the formation of double lines of rails, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill may now pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Amendments following were proposed to be made to the Question;viz. 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 put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question; The House divided:—The Yeas to the old Lobby; The Noes to the new Lobby.

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.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Petitions of Artizans, Mechanists and Silk Printers, residing in the parishes of Saint Leonard, Bromley; St. Mary Stratford-le-Bow and West Ham; Saint Mary Stratford-le-Bow, Old Ford and New Bond Saint Leonard Bromley;—Merchants, Traders, Bill Shop-keepers and Inhabitants of the town of Ilford;—Romford;—and, Lime-burners, Corn and Coal Merchants, Wharfingers, Traders and Shop-keepers of the town of Stratford, in the parish of West Ham, in the county of Essex;—praying that the Stratford (Eastern Counties) and Thames Junction Railway Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Merchants of Ware;—Edmonton and Tottenham;—Bishop Stratford;—and, Hertford; praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Eastern Counties Railway Company, praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Stratford (Eastern Counties) and Thames Junction Railway Bill may now pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Amendments following were proposed to be made to the Question;viz. 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 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 the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Strouds Burton Inclosure Bill;—the Chichester and Thames Junction Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The Commons Company Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of Freeholders and others, Inhabitants of Llanbister and Llangunllo, praying that they may
may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against the
Blededpo and Longwolfo Inclosure Bill, was present-
ed, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2.)
Bill was read a second time; and committed.
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Com-
mitee of Selection.

Admiral Dundas reported from the Committee on
the Manchester and Birmingham Railway (Maccles-
field and Poynton Branches) (No. 2) Bill; and to
whom several Petitions against the said Bill were re-
ferred; That they had heard counsel in support of
one of the said Petitions, and had also heard coun-
sel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired
into the several matters required by the Standing
Orders on Railway Bills; and that the Committee
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 Report do lie upon the Table;
and be printed.

Bow Brickhill Estate Bill.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on
Petitions in the County of Warwick; That in the case of
the Bow Brickhill Estate Bill, the Standing Orders
had been complied with.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on
Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the
Petition of the Dock Company of Kingston-
upon-Hull Docks Bill, the Standing Orders relative
to Bills of the Second Class (to which Class the
subject sought by the Petitioners related), had not
been complied with.

Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Se-
lect Committee on Standing Orders.

Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill.

A Petition of Booksellers in Edinburgh, praying that
the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill may
not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented,
and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

North British Railway Bill.

A Petition of Trafickers or Merchant Company of
Leith, praying that the North British Railway Bill
may pass into a law, was presented, and read;
and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Norwich and Boston Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration
the Report on the Norwich and Brandon Railway
Bill; and made Amendments warranting, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments,
be engrossed.

York and Scarborough Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration
the Report on the York and Scarborough Railway
Bill; said the Amendments were read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments,
be engrossed.

Midland Rail-
ways Consoli-
dation Bill.

Mr. Gisborne reported from the Committee on
the Midland Railways Consolidation Bill; and to
whom several Petitions against the said Bill were re-
ferred; That they had heard counsel in support of
several of the said Petitions, and had also heard
counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had
inquired into the several matters required by the
Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same
relate to the present application; and that the
Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table;
and be printed.

Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill.

Commissioners of Sewers for the Rape of Arundel, in
the county of Sussex, agreed to at a special sessions
of sewers held at Arundel, in the said county;
and, Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the bor-
ough of Arundel, which were presented upon Wed-
nesday last; praying that they may be heard, by
themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain
parts of the Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill, be
referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Peti-
tioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents,
upon their Petitions, if they think fit, in favour of the
Bill, against the said Pet-
itions.

Ordered, That the Petition of Residents in the vicinity of the Ferry over the River Arun at Little-
hampton, in the county of Sussex, praying that
clauses may be inserted in the said Bill for granting
compensation to the Proprietors of the Ferry esta-
blished over the River Arun, at Littlehampton, or
otherwise, so as to insure to the Petitioners and
the Public generally the permanent use of the said
Ferry in the same manner as heretofore; and, also
the Petition of Occupiers of land and others resi-
dent in the upper division of the Rape of Chichester,
praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, with an
Amendment to the effect of causing the formation of double lines of
rails, which were presented this day, be referred to
the Committee on the Bill.

Petitions of Proprietors of lands in the parishes of
Brighton and of Rustington, Lominester, East Preston, Anmering, and Tarring, affected by the Railway proposed to be
made from Shoreham to Chichester, in the county of
Sussex; and, Proprietors of lands affected by the Railway proposed to be made from Shoreham to Chichester;
praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill,
were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred
to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners
heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon
their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard,
in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Farnes
Railway Bill; That they had inquired into
the several matters required by the Standing Orders
on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the
present application; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table;
and be printed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Guildford Junction
the Report on the Guildford Junction Railway Bill; and
the Amendments were read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments,
be engrossed.

Petitions from the Liberty of Pevensey; Lewes;
Bolton and Way.

Ordered, That the Petition of Residents in the vicinity of the Grand Canal Grand Cana
(Ireland) Petition, the Standing Orders ought not
to be dispensed with.

1. Resolved, That in the case of the Grand Canal Grand Cana
(Ireland) Petition, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

2. Resolved, That in the case of the Bolton and Roch
Leigh Railway Petition, for leave to present a Plea to the Railway

Petition for a Bill, the Sessional Order ought not to be dispensed with.

3. Resolved, That in the case of the Amendment presented by the third reading of the Great Western Railway Bill, the said Amendment is of such a nature as may be adopted by the House at that stage, if it shall think fit.

4. Resolved, That in the case of the Amendments proposed on the consideration of the Report of the Edinburgh Poor Assessment Bill, the said Amendments are of such a nature as to justify the House in entertaining them without the re-commitment of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Great Western Railway Bill.
Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the Great Western Railway Bill be resumed To-morrow.

Edinburgh Poor Assessment Bill.
Ordered, That the further Proceeding on the consideration of the Report of the Edinburgh Poor Assessment Bill be resumed To-morrow.

Gravesend, Rochester and Chatham Railway.
Petitions of James Pin, junior, of Monkstown Castle, Dublin, Treasurer of the Dublin and Kingston Railway Company; and Members of the Provisional Committee of a Company formed for constructing a Railway from Gravesend to Rochester and Chatham; praying that they may be at liberty to proceed with the Gravesend, Rochester and Chatham Railway Bill, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Petitions be printed.

London and South Western Railway (No. 1.) Bill.
The London and South Western Railway (No. 1.) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill.
A Petition of Richard Kasseshaw and James Trevorlynn Rogers, both of Liverpool Quarry, Owners and Merchants in stone, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill upon the said Petition.

Mr. Thorneley reported from the Select Committee Public Petitions on Public Petitions; that they had examined the Public Petitions presented upon the 20th, 21st and 22d 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.

A Petition of the Chairman of the East India and China Association of Liverpool, praying that the Docks Bill, Liverpool Docks Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Motion was made, and the Question being put, Lime Toll (New Tower Bridge) Bill.
That leave be given to bring in a Bill to exempt Lime from Toll conveyed on any Turnpike-road in the Principality of Wales; the House divided:
The Yeas to the old Lobby:
The Noes to the new Lobby:

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Powell; Mr. Wynn.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Home.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Colonel Wood, Colonel Powell and Colonel Pennant do prepare, and bring in the Bill.

Petitions of Proprietors of land and others in-South Australia, interested in the prosperity of South Australia; and the persons interested in the trade with the Australasian Colonies; praying that the trade in Corn between the United Kingdom and South Australia may be made subject to the laws which regulate that trade between the United Kingdom and Canada, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That in the case of the Amendments presented by the third reading of the Manchester Police Bill, the said Amendments are of such nature as to justify the House in entertaining them without the re-commitment of the Bill.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill upon the said Petition.

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A Petition of Land-owners, Merchants and others Cape of Good Hope. Merchants, Ship-owners, and others, interested in the trade with the Australasian Colonies; praying that the trade in Corn between the United Kingdom and South Australia may be made subject to the laws which regulate that trade between the United Kingdom and Canada, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, Corn Importation Bill.
praying that in future, Wheat and Flour, the produce of the Cape of Good Hope may be admitted for consumption in Great Britain and Ireland, free of all duties whatever, or at least that no higher rate may be exacted than is payable on these articles the produce of Canada, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That in the case of the Amendments presented by the third reading of the Manchester Police Bill, the said Amendments are of such nature as to justify the House in entertaining them without the re-commitment of the Bill.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill upon the said Petition.

Mr. Thorneley reported from the Select Committee Public Petitions on Public Petitions; that they had examined the (Public Petitions) presented upon the 20th, 21st and 22d 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.

A Petition of the Chairman of the East India and China Association of Liverpool, praying that the Docks Bill, Liverpool Docks Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, Lime Toll (New Tower Bridge) Bill.
That leave be given to bring in a Bill to exempt Lime from Toll conveyed on any Turnpike-road in the Principality of Wales; the House divided:
The Yeas to the old Lobby:
The Noes to the new Lobby:

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Powell; Mr. Wynn.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Home.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Colonel Wood, Colonel Powell and Colonel Pennant do prepare, and bring in the Bill.
Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That a Committee of the whole House, for Friday the 18th day of April next.

Mr. Greene reported the Night Poaching Prevention Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Gladstone also presented, pursuant to an Import Duties Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of April, from the last Session of Parliament.—A Return, showing, in a tabular form, the Import Duties chargeable on each of the principal Articles imported from the different under-mentioned Countries; and also the Duties, rendered into English Weights, Measures and Monies, chargeable in those Countries upon the principal Articles of English Produce and Manufacturers imported into the same:

France, Austria, Prussia, German Union (Zollverein), Russia, United States, Holland, Belgium, Denmark, Spain, Portugal, Turkey, Brazil, British India, British West Indies, British North American Colonies and Australia.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copy of Correspondence respecting the Operation of the Commercial Treaty with Turkey, of 18th August 1838.

Mr. Gladstone accordingly presented the said Papers.

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

Mr. Manser Sutton presented, pursuant to an Address to Her Majesty,—Returns of all Monies, etc., paid to Frederick Bond Hughes, Charles Ross and (Unbek.) John.
John Jackson, on account of any Communications made by them to Government, relative to the Repeal of the Bill in Ireland, distinguishing the Amounts paid to each; also, the Duties of the several Payments, specifying the respective periods at which they commenced; together with Copies of any Instructions given to the above-named Frederick Bond Hughes, and John Jackson, with respect to the Duties to be performed by them in Ireland.—Of the Amount paid to the above-named for Expenses during their attendance at the Trial of the Queen versus O'Connell, and others.—And, of the Rate of Payments made to Mr. Frederick Bond Hughes, and to the Shorthand Writers appointed to report the Proceedings at the Trial of the Queen versus O'Connell, and others, and of the Rate of Payments made to the Shorthand Writers attached respectively to the Two Commissions appointed to inquire into the Tenure of Land in Ireland, and into the causes of the late Disturbances in South Wales.

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

A Petition of Magistrates and Town Council of the Royal Burgh of North Berwick, in Scotland, praying that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sidney Herbert presented, pursuant to Order,—A Return of the Names of all Persons who have been appointed to command Vessels in Her Majesty's Service, from the 1st day of October 1841 to the 1st day of March 1844.

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

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Public Income and Expenditure, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Accounts relative to Increase and Diminution of Salaries, &c., in Public Offices, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Superannuations, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Public Debt, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Copy of the Fifth Annual Report relative to the Shannon Navigation, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Thirtieth Report of the Commissioners of Highland Roads and Bridges, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Anno 7° Victoriae Regnie, 1844.

PRAYERS

The Petitions of Commissioners appointed under an Act for lighting, watching, &c., the Hamlets or Liberties of Duddleston and Nechells, in the Parish of Aston, near Birmingham; and for the repair of the Highways, in the hamlets of Duddleston and Nechells, in the parish of Aston, in the borough of Birmingham;—Lords of the Manor of Bordley, in the parish of Aston-in-Force; and, Freeholders, Leasholders and Rate-payers of the hamlets of Duddleston and Nechells, in the parish of Aston, in the borough of Birmingham;—praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were then presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Committee on the South Eastern, Canterbury, Ramsgate and Margate Railway Bill have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Lord James Stuart reported from the Committee on the Eastern Counties Railway Bill; and to whom the several Petitions against the said Bill were referred;—That they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill;—That they had inquired into several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Petition of the Eastern Counties Railway Company, praying that the Colchester and Harwich and Harwich Railway (No. 2) Bill may pass into a law, and that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of the Eastern Counties Railway Company, praying that the Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 3) Bill may pass into a law, and that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bills; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

The Amendments following were proposed to be made to the Question; viz. 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 put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question;—The House divided:

The Yeas to the new Lobby;
Tellers for the Yeas { Mr. Muniz } 67.
Tellers for the Noes { Mr. Dugdale } 77.
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 was amended, being put;—Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon this day six months.

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The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further Proceeding on the consideration of the Report of the Edinburgh Poor Assessment Bill:

The House resumed the said further Proceeding; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of the Provost, Magistrates and Council of the burgh of Leith, praying that the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the ingrossed Bill to amend the several Acts relating to the Great Western, the Cheltenham and Great Western Union, and the Oxford Railways, to amalgamate the two last-mentioned Railways with the Great Western Railway, and to authorize the formation of certain additional Works at Cheltenham and Gloucester by the Great Western Railway Company:—The House resumed the said further Proceeding; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Bill as amended, be ingrossed.

Ordered, That Mr. Charles Russell do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Lascari’s Naturalization Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

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A Petition of the Right Reverend Christopher Lord Bishop of Bangor, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against such parts of the said Bill as affect the rights and interests of the inhabitants of the city and council of Bristol, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Richard Gode, of Chobham, in the county of Surrey, and of George Yard, Lombard-street, in the city of London, praying that provision may be made in the said Bill, that it do not authorize the Inclosure of any open or common fields within certain distances of large towns, and that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against such parts of the said Bill as affect the rights and interests of the inhabitants of the city and council of Bristol, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition from Aspatria;—Dalham;—Members of the Uxbridge Society for the protection of agriculture;—and, Saint Maurin-in-Puyler; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Union of Lancaster, in the county of Lancaster, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Hartley,—Asby Courtforth,—Commons Mugglestone;—Mallertong;—Smardale;—Wathby; Inclosure.

—Winton;—and, Kaber; praying the House to turn their attention in the present Session of Parliament to some measure having for its object the facilitating the inclosure of commonable and of common and waste lands, so that the difficulties which now impede the progress of cultivation and the employment of labour and capital may be speedily and effectually removed,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Richard Gode, of Chobham, in the Commons Inclosure Bill.

Order, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition from Morley;—and, Smalley; praying the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, as relates to the union of the Sees of Asaph and Bangor,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the University of Oxford;—Birningham (four Petitions);—Edinburgh;—Hoyes;—Hawkhurst;—and, Denberry of Newbury; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Morley;—and, Smalley; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and, at the same time, that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a See at Manchester, by other means,—were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Carlisle;—and, Blackburn; praying for the repeal of the duties on Raw Cotton imported into Great Britain, both from our own colonies and other countries,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Asquith;—Dalham;—Residents of the Uxbridge Society for the protection of agriculture;—and, Saint Maurin-in-Puyler; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Cotton.

Corn Law.

Petitions from Asquith;—Dalham;—Residents of the Uxbridge Society for the protection of agriculture;—and, Saint Maurin-in-Puyler; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the
in the Bankruptcy Court, been empanelled and sworn as a juryman at the Sheriff's Court, at the Sessions and Assizes, and twice as a Grand Juryman at the Quarter Sessions for the said borough; that the Petitioner is in doubt, from the Judge declining to allow, that the law does not permit persons to be sworn in England in any other manner than that of kissing the Gospels, and if so, the Petitioner will in future be prevented being a witness, proving a debt or serving as a juryman; and praying the House to take his case into consideration and afford him redress, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Tobacco Manufacturers of the port of Loundon, praying for a reduction of the duty on Tobacco, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Tobacco Trade.

Staves.

Petitions of the Incorporation of Coopers in the city of Glasgow;—and, Master and Operative Coopers of Greenock; praying for a repeal of the duties on the importation of Staves, so that the British manufacturer may be placed on an equal footing, and enabled to compete with the foreigner, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Union with Ireland.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Ireland, in public meeting assembled at Murphy's Inn, in the county of Limerick, on the 12th day of June 1843, praying for the repeal of the Legislative Union between Great Britain and Ireland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

State Total (Ireland.)

A Petition of Members of the Local National Repeal Association of Ireland, and others, praying that an immediate inquiry may be granted into their complaints, with reference to the late State Prosecution in Ireland, with the view of enabling them to establish the truth of the allegations contained in their Petition, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Rating of Tenements.

A Petition of Landlords of property situate in the town and county of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, praying the House not to pass any Bill which may have the effect of rendering the landlords of any description of property liable to be rated to the poor rate, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sidmouth and Collumpton Road Bill.

A Petition of Trustees of Lyne Regis Turnpike roads, the Creditors thereof, and other persons interested therein, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

European Life Insurance and Annuity Company Bill.

A Petition of Henry Lannan, of the city of Dublin, Stock-broker, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the European Life Insurance and Annuity Company Bill, was presented, and read.

York United Gas Bill.

The Order made upon the 8th day of this instant March, for reading a second time the York United Gas Bill was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect York United Gas Bill, which Bill (No. 2.) upon the 6th day of this instant March, was made Bill, from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the House be again in Committee for uniting the York Gas Light Company and the York United Gas Company, and for more effectually lighting with Gas the city of York, and the suburbs and vicinity thereof, in the county of York; And that Mr. Lowther and Mr. Redhead Yorks do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to present the Bill on or before Wednesday the 17th day of April next.

Ordered, That all Petitions for the reduction of Tobacco, the duty on Tobacco, presented to the House during the present Session, be referred to the Select Committee on Tobacco Trade.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Tables Return, by Dioceses, of the Amount of Tithe Ar.—(Ireland.) rears in Ireland lodged under the Act 1 and 2 Vic. c. 109, distinguishing the portion due by defaulting Landlords from the portion due by Tenants, and showing the Total Amount of Dividends paid on account of the said Tenants' Arrear; with a Return showing the Amount already received, or by Law Proceedings recovered, in respect of such Landlords' Arrear, the Amount irrecoverable, and the Amount for which Law Proceedings are still pending:—And, Copies of any Minutes or Correspondence respecting the appropriation of any Repayments made by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners of Ireland; and, similar Copies relating to the Grant in 1836 of £100,000 to the Board out of the Exchequer Bills, to the Amount of One million, issued for the Relief of the Titheowners of Ireland; with Copies, also, of all Minutes or Correspondence respecting the appropriation of any Repayments made by the Ecclesiastical Commissi- mappers on account of the said Loan to them of £100,000.

An ingrossed Bill to effectuate the Sale by the Bolton and Preston Railway Company of their Preston Rail-Railway, and other Property and Effects, to the Bill, North Union Railway Company, to incorporate with such last-mentioned Company the Proprietors of the Bolton and Preston Railway, and to consolidate Shares into Stock, was read the third time.

Returned, That the Bill do pass.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being Orders of the proposed, That the Orders of the day be now read; Day: An Amendment was proposed to be made to the
Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The Earl of Lincoln presented a Bill for the better Prevention of Damage by Fire in the Metropolitan police and its neighbourhood: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of April next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Import Duties, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Corn, &c., was presented yesterday, to be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Repeal of Act against Agitation, &c. (Ireland), which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Naval Officers, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

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

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

Ordered, That the Return be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Mr. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Commissioners, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order, A Return of the Number of Pauper Lunatics and Idiots chargeable to each of the Unions in England and Wales, in the month of August 1842 and 1843, respectively (in pursuance of the Act 5 and 6 Vict. c. 57), distinguishing those maintained in County Lunatic Asylums, in Licensed Houses, and elsewhere, with the Average Weekly Cost per head of Maintenance and Clothing; together with the Population of each Union in 1841, and the estimated Number of Lunatics and Idiots for Places not in Union:—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Hyett, Secretary of the Irish Reproductive Loan Fund Institution, was called in; and at the Loan Fund bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act (Ireland) of Parliament, The First Report of the Irish Reproductive Loan Fund Institution:—And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Midland Rail- way; the Report on the Midland Railways Consolidation Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

A Motion being made, That the ingrossed Bill York and Midland Railway Bill, for enabling the York and North Midland Railway Company to make a Railway from York to Scarborough, with a Branch to Pickering, be now read the third time;

Lord Granville Somerset, 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 Sir Frederick Trench do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Curteis reported from the Committee on the Epsom and Epsom and Tooting, and other Roads consolidated Railway Bill, for carrying an Act for repairing the South Western Road from Epsom to Tooting, and other Roads communicating with the same, be ingrossed.
A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Trustees for erecting an Act for repairing the Road from Epsom to Tooting, and other roads communicating therewith, all in the county of Surrey, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

**Croydon and Epsom Railway Bill.**

A Petition of Members of the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Croydon and Epsom Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

**Southampton Marsh Improvement Bill.**

A Petition of Rate-payers and other Inhabitants of the parish of Saint Mary, in the town and county of the town of Southampton, praying that the Southampton Marsh Improvement Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

**Southampton Marsh Improvement Bill.**

The Southampton Marsh Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

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Petitions of Thomas Chamberlayne, of Cranbury Park, in the county of Southampton, Esquire; and, Inhabitant Rate-payers of the parish of All Saints, in the borough of Southampton, having rights of common, being a committee of the said parish appointed at a vestry meeting held at the parish church on the 22d day of February 1844; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the said Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

**Swansea Harbour Bill.**

A Petition of Payers of the paving and lighting rates of the town and Franchise of Swansea, in the county of Glamorgan, praying that the Swansea Improvement Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Newquay Harbour and Railway Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Newquay Harbour and Railway Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

And the House being informed, That other Amendments are necessary to be made to the Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to the former Committee.

Mr. Robert Palmer reported from the Committee on the Hartlepool West Harbour and Dock Bill, and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had heard counsel in support of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Rambury; -Swindon; and, All-Kent, being respectively the President and Vice-President of a certain society or community of persons, Merchants, Bankers and Tradesmen of Kingston-upon-Hull, styling themselves the Hull Guardian Society for the protection of trade; -and, Merchants, Traders and Inhabitants of the port and town of Goole, in the county of York, and of adjacent places interested in or connected with the trade of the said town and port; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of land south Eastern which will be taken, used or injuriously affected by the making of the Branch Railway to the Harbour of
Standing kiwi Docks Bill.

A Petition of the Heads of the Fourteen Incorporated Trades of Edinburgh, praying that the Edinburgh, Leith and Granton Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Padstow, being Merchants, Ship-owners, Ship-masters and others, interested in the trade, navigation and welfare of the Harbour of Padstow, in the county of Cornwall, praying that the Padstow Harbour Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

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

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the Manchester, Bolton and Burry Canal Navigation and Railway; and, Company of Proprietors of the Mersey and Irwell Navigation; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the said Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Standing Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of the Heads of the Fourteen Incorporated Trades of Edinburgh, praying that the Edinburgh, Leith and Granton Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Edinburgh and Glasgow Union Canal Company; — and, Dr. Thomas Charles Hope, late Professor of Chemistry in the University of Edinburgh; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the said Bill, were also presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Bill, were allowed to insert such additional Provision therein, pursuant to the said Resolution.

A Petition of Joseph Pease, Senior, of Peckham, Leeds and near Darlington, in the county of Durham, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

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A Petition to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill, that they have power to make Provision therein, pursuant to the said Resolution.

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Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill, that they have power to make Provision therein, pursuant to the said Resolution.
nature have expired since the last Report upon the subject; and also, what Laws of the like nature are about 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 Sir George Clerk, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Thomas Fremantle, Mr. Attorney General, Mr. Pigot, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Shell, Lord Eliot, Mr. Baring, Mr. Wilson Patten, Sir George Grey, Mr. Charles Wood, Mr. Greene, Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Home Drummond; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

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

Trigonometrical Survey of Scotland.

Captain Boldero presented, pursuant to Orders,—A Return of the manner in which the Sum voted in the Trigonometrical Estimate of the last year for the Trigonometrical Survey of Scotland has been appropriated; the Amount expended; the Balance, if any, remaining in hand; and a detailed Statement of the Progress made up to this Date, since the last Return.

An Account showing the Amount issued for the Payment of the Ordnance Department in Ireland, distinguishing the Expense for each Year, from 1831 up to the present period.

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

Ordnance Department (Ireland.)

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the city of Chichester, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

A Petition of Henry Gregory Drewe, a Prisoner for Debt in Glamorgan County Gaol, praying that a Bill for the better advancement of Justice in certain matters relating to creditors and debtors may become law, and take effect immediately, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Imprisonment for Debt.

A Petition of the Provost, Magistrates and Town Council of the Royal Burgh of Jedburgh, praying that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Prisons (Scotland) Bill.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the borough of Cork, praying the House to cause to be introduced into any Bill for the amendment of the Act for the Registration of Voters in Ireland, and for the extension of the County Franchise, provisions for the transfer for all purposes to the adjoining counties at large of such portions of the boroughs, being counties of themselves, named in Schedule (A), annexed to the Act for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations in Ireland, as were before the passing of the said last-mentioned Act, parts of such counties of cities or towns, but which are not within the municipal boundaries appointed thereby for such boroughs, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Municipal Boundaries (Ireland.)

A Petition of Peter Brown, of the township of Rhogoly; and, Llanfihangel, and other places; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asph and Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Saint Asph and Bangor Dioceses.

Petitions from London (two Petitions)—Bradford (York) (Chairman of a Meeting); Stocksport (Chairman of a Meeting); Bolton (Chairman of a Meeting); Preston (Chairman of a Meeting); Wigan (Chairman of a Meeting); Alton-under-Lyne (Chairman of a Meeting); Manchester (Chairman of a Meeting); Warrington (Chairman of a Meeting); Hindley (Chairman of a Meeting); Whitley (Chairman of a Meeting); Oldham (Chairman of a Meeting); Leigh (Chairman of a Meeting); Bedford (Chairman of a Meeting); and, Lancashire (Chairman of a Meeting), praying the House to limit the hours of labour of persons employed in Factories to ten in the day, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Master Cotton Spinners of Manchester, in the county of Lancaster, praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Master Cotton Manufacturers of Hyde, and its vicinity, in the county of Chester, praying the House not to sanction any Bill which shall have for its object the further restriction of adult labour in the cotton manufactories of the United Kingdom, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Master cotton Spinners of Manchester, in the county of Lancaster, praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- mitted on the Factories Bill; and a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Order for committing the Bill be discharged;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding at the end thereof the words "with a view, not only of carrying into effect, in "any future Bill, the recorded decisions of this "House, that the labour to be performed by young "persons and females in Factories should be less "than ten in the day, but also with a view "of maintaining good faith with those whose con- "fidence in the integrity of the Votes of this House "is indispensable to its character and its existence "as a deliberative and Representative Assembly."

And
And the Question being put, That those words be there added — It passed in the Negative.  

**Ordered**, That the Order for committing the said Bill be discharged.  

**Ordered**, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Supply;  
Import Duties.  
Commissariat Museum.  
Accounts, Museum.  
British Department.  
referred :  

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"it is indispensable to the maintenance and exten-

sion of the trade of this country, that those Duties be repealed which press on the raw materials of manu-
ufacture, especially the raw materials of the woollen and cotton trade:—That it is expedient also that those Duties be greatly reduced which press on articles of interchange in return for our manufactures; especially such articles of inter-
change as, at the same time, concern the subsist-
ce of the people; being (besides corn, which is the subject of superior and separate consideration) such articles as tea, sugar, coffee, bacon, butter and cheese:—That it is expedient that those Du-
ties also be greatly reduced, which, by their amount, encourage smuggling, being at once injurious to the Revenue and dangerous to the mo-
tility of the country, such as the Duties on to-
bacco, silk goods and foreign Spirits:—That whatever temporary deficiency of Revenue be caused by such reduction, ought, until the Reve-

ue regains its former amount, to be sustained by the property, and not by the trade and labour of the "country," 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 old Lobby;  
The Noes to the new Lobby.  
Tellers for the | Sir Thomas Fremantle, Yea | 88.  
| Mr. Henry Boring:  
Tellers for the | Mr. Ewart, No | 24.  
| Mr. Hume:  
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.  

**Ordered**, That the Order of the day for the Committee of Supply be now read; and the same being read;  

**Ordered**, That the Account of all Exchequer Bills raised or authorized to be raised, charged on the Aids or Supplies of 1844, unprovided for, which was presented upon the 21st day of this instant March, be referred to the Committee.  

**Ordered**, That the Account of the Income and Expenditure of the British Museum for the year 1843; of the estimated Charges and Expenses for the year ending 25th March 1845, together with a Statement of the Progress made in the Arrangement of the Collections; and the Account of Objects added to them in the year 1843, which was presented upon the 19th day of this instant March, be referred to the Committee.  

Then the House resolved itself into the Com-
mittee;  

(In the Committee.)  

1. **Resolved**, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirty-seven thousand nine hundred and eighty-seven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the British Museum, for the year ending on the 25th day of March 1845.  

2. Motion made, and Question proposed, That a Sum, not exceeding Forty-four hundred and thirty-six thousand two hundred and eighty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Commissariat Department, to the 31st day of March 1845:  

**Whereupon**, Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, with-
drawn.

Original Question put, and agreed to.  

3. **Resolved**, That a Sum, not exceeding Forty-six thousand six hundred and eighteen pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the British Museum, to the 31st day of March 1845.  

4. **Resolved**, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighteen Exchequer million four hundred and seven thousand and three bills, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay off and discharge Exchequer Bills charged on the Aids of 1844, unprovided for.  

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.  

**Ordered**, That the Report be received upon Mon-
day next.  

Mr. Greene 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.  

The Metropolitan Buildings Bill was, according Metropolitan to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Buildings Bill, Committee of the whole House, for Friday the 19th day of April next.  

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-
mittee of Ways and Means;  

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

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Labour in Factories; And that Sir James Graham and Mr. Manners Sutton do prepare, and bring it in.

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

Sabbati, 30° die Martii, 1 8 4 4 :  

**Ordered**, That leave be given to bring in a Bill County Courts for the more easy Recovery of Small Demands in the Bill.  

County Courts of England: And that Sir James Graham and Mr. Manners Sutton do prepare, and bring it in.  

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for regulating the Bailiffs of Inferior Courts: And that Sir James Graham and Mr. Manners Sutton do prepare, and bring it in.  

Ordered, That this House will, upon Friday the 25th day of April next, resolve itself into the said Committee.  

Sir James Graham presented a Bill to amend the Factories Laws relating to Labour in Factories: And the same (No. 5.) Bill.  

was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 22nd day of April next; and to be printed.  

Sir James Graham presented a Bill for the more easy Recovery of Small Demands in the County Bill.  

Courts of England: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 15th day of April next; and to be printed.
Sir James Graham presented a Bill for regulating the Balliffs of Inferior Courts; and the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, upon Monday the 15th day of April 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.

Luna, 1st die Aprilis;
Anno 7 Victoria Regina, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Commissioners, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order,—Returns of the Dates on which and the Places where the Military or Police have been employed in enforcing the Collection ofPoor Rates in Ireland, between the 1st day of January 1843 and the 1st day of January 1844; specifying the Number of Men employed, and the Amount collected on each occasion;—And, of the Date and Amount of each Rate made in the different Poor Law Unions in Ireland, under the Provisions of the Act 1 and 2 Vict. c. 56; for the more effectual Relief of the Destitute Poor in that Country; specifying the Amount of each Rate remaining uncollected on the 1st day of January 1844:—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Kelly, from the Commissioners of Bridgton Piers and Harbour, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of the Act of Parliament, —Abstract of the General Annual Account of the Commissioners of Bridgton Piers and Harbour, from the 28th day of July 1842 to the 26th day of July 1843:—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Duffield, from the Committee on the Manchester, Salford and Rosendale Railway Bill, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order,—Reports of the Consents Bills proved before the Committee, in the case of the Petition for the Rother Levels Drainage Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with.

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

Mr. John Yardes Bulter reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Rother Levels Drainage Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with.

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

Mr. Charles Lemon reported from the Committee on the North British Railway Bill; and to whom the Railway Bill, several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills; and that the Committee had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

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

Mr. Vernon Harcourt reported from the Committee on the Eastern Counties (Brandon and Petersborough Extension) Railway Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had heard counsel in support of such Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

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

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Northern Coal Mining Company Bill; That they Coal Mining Company Bill had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Gloucester Market Bill; That they had examined Market Bill; the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir John Yardes Bulter reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Manchester Royal Infirmary, &c., Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with.

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

Agent Sir John Yardes Bulter reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Rother Levels Drainage Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with.

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

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

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the North British Railway Bill; and to whom the Railway Bill, several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills; and that the Committee had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Padstow Padstow Harbour Bill; That they had examined Harbour Bill; the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Thetford Thetford Inclosure and Drainage Bill; That they had examined Drainage Bill; the Consent Bills proved before the Committee, but it was stated, that although on being applied to, the Lord of the Manor declined to sign the same, he informed the Parties that he would not offer any opposition to the progress of the Bill, but was desirous of remaining neuter in respect thereof; That all the other Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that it therefore appeared to the Committee, that in this case the Standing Order, No. 91, might, with propriety, be dispensed with.

Ordered, That Standing Order, No. 91, be dispensed with; and that the Committee be permitted to proceed with the Bill without having a copy of the Bill signed by the Lord of the Manor.

Lascardi's
A Petition of Owners or Proprietors of or other- wise interested in the open and common pastures, meadows, marshes, moors, meadows, pastures, fens and other common- able lands and grounds in the hamlet of Thetford, in the parish of Stretham, in the Isle of Ely and county of Cambridge, stating that the Petitioners are informed that one of the Standing Orders of the House requires the Committee to which the Thet- ford Inclosure and Drainage Bill stands referred, in the first place, to call on the agent for the said Bill to deliver a copy of the same, signed by the lord of the manor, and by other the owners of property affected by the same; that the said lord of the manor, although he has declared that he will not oppose nor cause any mistake or impediment to the passing of the said Bill, and that he is desirous of remaining nenter in respect thereto, nevertheless, decline to sign his consent to the same, and by reason thereof the passing of such Bill is endan- gered, unless the House consent to dispense with the production of a Bill so signed; and praying the House to consent to the said Bill proceeding without the production of such Bill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the Western division of Norfolk;—Con Law.

Spartali's Naturalization Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Com- mittee of Selection.

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Yarmouth and Norwich Railway Bill

A Petition of Charles Bell Ford, acting Director and Secretary of the Sun Fire Office, and of Thomas Trelawney, Secretary of the Phoenix Fire Office, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, or by counsel or agents, on certain parts of the Liverpool Fire Prevention Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, or by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

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

Edinburgh Poor Assessment Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

A Petition of the Incorporation of Tailors in the city of Edinburgh, praying that the North British Railway and Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bills may pass into law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Trelawny presented a Bill for making a Railway from Mellorn, in the Parish of Minster, to the sea; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Petition of the Chairman of the Guardians of the Poor Law Union of the Walsingham Union; and, inhabitants of the manor, and by other the miners of property in the manor, although he has declared that he will not deliver a copy of the same, signed by the lord of the said Petition; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.


Petitions of Clergy of the Deanery of Wirral, in the county and diocese of Worcestershire: — and, Clergy of the archdeaconry of Lanes: praying for the repeal of so much of the Parochial Assessments Act as affects the assessment upon Tithe and Title Re-rents. — were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Local Courts.

Petitions from Whitchurch (Pembroke): — Llanmihangel: — Gelligaer: — praying that a Bill be introduced to establish local courts for the decision of small causes, may speedily pass into law, with such provision as may render its operation as beneficial to the principality of Wales as to the other parts of the kingdom. — were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Lime Toll on Turnpike Roads (Wales) Bill. No. 103.

Colonel Wood presented a Bill to exempt from lime toll on turnpike roads in the Principality of Wales: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next; and to be printed.

Post-officer.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Manchester, complaining of the inefficient arrangements of the Post-office, with regard to the town of Manchester; and praying the House to direct steps to be taken, with the view to secure such relief as the wants of the commercial community imperatively require, and the mercantile importance of Manchester, and the districts connected therewith, may justly claim, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Tobacco.

A Petition of Segar Manufacturers of the port of London, stating that the Petitioners view with alarm the probability of the duty on foreign Segars being reduced, in the event of any reduction being contemplated in that of Leaf Tobacco; and praying the House not to adopt any measure having for its object a reduction of the existing duty on foreign Segars, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Tobacco Trade.

A Petition of Residents in the town of Stockport, praying for reduction of the duty on Tobacco to a very low rate, was also presented, and read; and referred to the said Select Committee.

Dublin Protestant Operative Association Bill.

A Petition of Members of the Dublin Protestant Operative Association and Reformation Society and other Protestants, in public meeting assembled, at the Rotunda, Dublin, praying that their address to Her Most Gracious Majesty and that to his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, on the subject of the Church Establishment in Ireland, may be produced and laid before the House, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Linlithgow : — Whitburn: — Arranbroth: — and, Selkirk; praying that the Prison Act (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Eastern Counties Railway Bill and the Amendments agreed to. Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The Row Brickhill Estate Bill was read a second Row Brickhill Estate Bill.

A Petition of William Pringle Green, a Lieut.-William Pringle tenant in the Royal Navy, stating that the Petitioner green, has made discoveries in naval matters, involving very materially the interests of the State; and praying the House to direct its attention to these public matters and discoveries, requiring many years assiduous labour and so extensive a chain of events to complete, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Matthias Phillips, suggesting that Lord Allet, a Parliamentary Enactment be immediately granted, enabling parishes, vestries or guardians to hire a moderately sized quantity of land at a fair farm rent, a rood or two to a family, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Clergy of the deanery of Wirral, in Convocation of the county and diocese of Worcester, stating that the Clergy, the Petitioners, deeply lamenting the present distracted state of the Church, and earnestly desiring both a decision on the important points of doctrine now at issue, and a return to the Godly discipline of the primitive Church, anxiously seek a restoration of the inalienable powers of Convocation with a view thereto; and praying the House to take steps to effect this end, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Clergy of the deanery of Wick, in Convocation of the county and diocese of Worcester, stating that the Clergy, the Petitioners, deeply lamenting the present distracted state of the Church, and earnestly desiring both a decision on the important points of doctrine now at issue, and a return to the Godly discipline of the primitive Church, anxiously seek a restoration of the inalienable powers of Convocation with a view thereto; and praying the House to take steps to effect this end, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from West Bromwich; Barnley (Chairman of a Meeting); Rochdale (Chairman of a Servants Bill Meeting); Staffordfields (President and Secretary); Biston (Chairman of a Meeting); Bradley (Staford); Dudley (Chairman of a Meeting); Tipton; Wednesbury (Chairman of a Meeting); Netherton (Chairman of a Meeting); Rockford; Woodside (Chairman of a Meeting); Tipton Summerfield (Chairman of a Meeting); and, Miners of Great Britain and Ireland; praying that the Masters and Servants Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Kirkmarnoch, praying for Redress of Grievances, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Captain Adderley Willecosk Sleugh, Fighting k. r. s., formerly acting Master of the Royal Navy, Breakwater, and late in the Military and Naval Services of Portugal and Spain, stating that the Petitioner has invented a Floating Sea and Wind Barrier or Breakwater, on an entirely new and original plan based on scientific principles, and capable of forming safe and sheltered Harbours on any coast; and praying that a temporary loan may be granted him of certain anchors and cables, together with the use of a steam vessel for four days to morn his invention, which will be capable (as a model refuge harbour) of affording shelter to several small vessels, and probably become, even in this instance, the means of preventing to a considerable extent, the loss of life and property, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
No. 164.

Mr. George William Hope presented, pursuant to an Address to Her Majesty.—Copies of the Address of the House of Assembly of the Province of Canada to the Governor-General, respecting the Civil List, regulated by the Act for the Union of the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada; of the Message of the Governor-General in reply to the said Address, and dated the 16th day of October 1843, together with the Memorandum alluded to in the said Message, and referred to the House of Assembly by the command of the Governor-General; and a Copy of the Address to Her Majesty the Queen, passed in the last Session of the Provincial Parliament by the House of Assembly, respecting the said Civil List.—A Copy of the Report presented by the Commissioners appointed, pursuant to an Address of the 7th day of September 1841, of the House of Assembly of the Province of Canada to the Governor-General, respecting the tenure existing in Lower Canada.—Also, Extracts of any Correspondence relative to the effect of the Canada Tenures Act, and the policy of excluding from the Province American Reprints of British Press.

Mr. George William Hope also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of a Bill to incorporate the Church Societies of the United Church of England and Ireland in the Dioceses of Quebec and Toronto, passed 1st December 1843.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
be the ordinary obligation to convey such passengers as may present themselves at any of the ordinary stations, in carriages provided with seats and protected from the weather, at a speed not less than 12 miles an hour including stoppages, and at fares not exceeding one penny per mile: each Passenger by such Train being allowed not exceeding 56 lbs. of luggage without extra charge, and extra luggage being charged by weight at a rate not exceeding the lowest charge by other Trains; Children under Three years being conveyed without extra charge; and Children from Three to Twelve years at half-price.

12. That the tax upon the receipts from such conveyance of third-class passengers should not exceed one half of any duty that may be laid upon the general traffic of Railways.

13. That the Board of Trade have a discretionary power of dispensing with any of the above requirements, and of allowing alternative arrangements which shall appear to it to be better calculated to promote the public convenience upon any particular Railway; and that the Board of Trade have a discretion to authorize the Post-office to require the conversion of the Train at any other point, and to extend the Time limited for those Purposes which shall appear to it to be better calculated to ensure the transmission of the Mails so required by the proper Authorities, provided with guards with bags not exceeding the weight allowed for an ordinary passenger's luggage (or subject to the rules of the Company for any excess of that weight) by any of the ordinary Trains, upon the understanding that such control is to be limited to the Train in question.

14. That the Companies shall be bound to convey upon such new Lines military and police forces, as suspended stores, baggage and ammunition, on the requisition of the proper authorities, at fares not exceeding 1d. per mile for each private, and 2d. per mile for each officer, with the usual accommodation, and at charges not exceeding 2d. per ton per mile for stores being conveyed in wagons and at the same quantity of personal luggage being allowed free of charge to each officer and private as to each ordinary first and second-class passenger respectively; and the carriages in which such forces are conveyed being, whenever so required by the proper Authorities, provided with seats and protected against the weather.

15. That upon such new Lines the Post-office be empowered to require the transmission of the Mails (subject to the usual conditions as to payment for services performed by Railway Companies) at any rate of speed certified by the Inspector-general to be consistent with safety; and also to send a mail by a regular Train as soon as such Train shall be started, nature of accommodation, arrangements with connecting Lines, and other points of detail, subject to the above general principles, and to the understanding that such control is to be limited to the Train in question.

16. That it shall be open to the Government to determine what extensions of existing Lines of Railway are to be considered as New Lines, for the purposes of these Regulations.

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

A Petition of the Mayor of the borough of Stamford, praying that power may be given to the Magistrates for the said borough, to commit offenders who are not triable within the jurisdiction of the borough for trial at the assizes at Oakham, instead of being sent to Lincoln, was presented, and read; and ordered to 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 Copy of a Letter addressed, on the 3d day of May 1838, from the Statistical Department of the Board of Trade to Woronzow Greig, Esquire, Honorary Secretary to the Statistical Society of London, together with its Inclusions, having reference to an attempt made by that Department to obtain Returns exhibiting the agricultural Capability and Production of the County of Bedford.

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 Emigration, to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Copy or Extract of a Despatch from the Governor-General of Canada, transmitting the last Annual Report of the Agent for Emigration.

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 Bill to alter and amend the Laws which regulate the Registration, Qualification and Polling of Parliamentary Electors in Ireland: And that Lord Eliot, Mr. Attorney General for Ireland and Sir James Graham, do prepare, and bring it in.
Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to alter the Qualification of Burgessess in Municipal Corporations, and of Voters in the Election of Municipal Commissioners in Ireland; and that Lord Eliot, Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, and Sir James Graham do prepare, and bring it in.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(The in the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One hundred thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Civil Contingencies, to the 31st day of March 1845.

2. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One hundred and twelve thousand one hundred and ninety pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, to the 31st day of March 1845, the Expense of Works and Repairs of Public Buildings; for Furniture, &c., for various Public Departments; and for certain Charges for Lighting and Watering, and for Rates and Taxes; also, for the Maintenance and Repairs of Royal Palaces and Works in the Royal Gardens, formerly charged upon the Civil List.

3. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Five thousand four hundred and twenty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of providing temporary accommodation for the Houses of Parliament, Committee Rooms, Offices and Temporary Official Residences for the Speaker of the House of Commons and other Officers of that House, to the 31st day of March 1845.

4. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Sixty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, to the 31st day of March 1845, the Expense of the Works at the New Houses of Parliament.

5. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Seven thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, on account of the Works and Improvements in Trafalgar Square.

Resolutions to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martin, 2d of April, 1845:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, that the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Greene 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 15th day of this instant April, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follows:

1. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirty-seven thousand nine hundred and eighty-seven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the British Museum, for the year ending on the 25th day of March 1845.

2. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Four hundred and thirty-six thousand two hundred and eighty-eight pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Half Pay, Pensions and Allowances in the Commissariat Department, to the 31st day of March 1845.

3. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Forty-six thousand six hundred and eighteen pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Half Pay, Pensions and Allowances in the Commissariat Department, to the 31st day of March 1845.

4. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighteen million four hundred and seven thousand and three hundred and eight pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay off and discharge Exchequer Bills charged on the Aids of 1844, unprovided for.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Quarter Sessions (Cities and Boroughs) Bill; and the Report taken into further consideration, the Report on the County Court and Boroughs Bill; and the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Report be taken into further consideration upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant April.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Report on the County Court and Boroughs Bill; and the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Order be given to bring in a Bill to extend the Jurisdiction and regulate the Practice of the County Palatine of Lancaster: And that Lord Grosvenor Somerset and Mr. Nicholl do prepare, and bring it in.

A Motion was made, and the Question was put, 'Resolved, That a Select Committee be appointed to enquire into and report upon the important of an early and complete trial of the Atmospheric Railway system.'—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Establishment and Regulation of Charitable Pawn Societies: And that Mr. Cooper and Mr. Hutt do prepare, and bring it in.

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A Motion was made, and the Question was put, 'Resolved, That Sir Thomas Fremantle be discharged from further attendance on the Select Committee on Controverted Elections.'—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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Mr. Greene presented a Bill to extend the Jurisdiction and regulate the Proceedings of the Court of Chancery of the County Palatine of Lancaster: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Mr. Cooper presented a Bill to provide for the Establishment and Regulation of Charitable Pawn Societies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Mr. Greville presented a Bill to enlarge the Jurisdiction and improve the Practice and Proceedings of the Court of Chancery of the County Palatine of Lancaster: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Sir George Clerk reported from the Committee appointed to inquire into what temporary Laws of a public and general nature are now in force, and what Laws of like nature have expired since the last Report upon the subject, and also what Laws of like nature are about to expire at particular periods, and in consequence of any contingent public event; and to report the same, with their Observations thereupon, to the House; That they had examined the matters to them referred, 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 Earl of Lincoln presented a Bill for the better Prevention of Damage by Fire in the Metropolis and its Neighbourhood: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 19th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to several Addresses to Her Majesty,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 1st day of August, in the last Session of Parliament, for an Account of all Sums received by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods and Forests, on account of each of the Royal Parks, Gardens, Parks and the Appurtenances thereof (stated to have been expended thereon, in Parliamentary Paper, No. 343, of that Session), for Rents, Pasturage, Sale of Unserviceable Timber, Windfalls and Toppings of Trees, Stock, Old Materials, or from any other source, in each year, from 1838 to 1842, both inclusive.

A Copy of the Memorial from the Master Bleachers in the West of Scotland to the Secretary of State for the Home Department.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to Orders,—A Return of the Number of the Irish Police Force and of the Metropolitan Police, in each year since they were established, and the Amount of Public Money voted for the same in each year.

A Return of the Number of Churches and Chapels built in each Diocese of Ireland, since the 1st day of January 1823; stating, as nearly as possible, the Cost in each case, and the sources, whether Public or Private, from which the Money was derived:—A similar Return of Churches and Chapels rebuilt and enlarged:—And, a Return of the Number of Schools for the education of the Children of the Divine Service formed by an Abstract of the Account of the Receipt and Dublin Expenditure of all Monies by the Corporation of the City of Dublin, from the 1st day of March 1843 to the Date of the Audit next preceding the 1st day of January 1844.

Return to an Order, dated the 11th day of March Valuation last, for a Return of the Number of Acres the Valuation of which has been completed, and the Cost of Valuation:—2. Of the Number of Acres the Valuation of which has not been commenced, and the estimated Cost of Valuation:—3. Of the Number of Acres the Valuation of which is in progress, separated into two classes:—1st. Where One-fourth and upwards of the estimated Cost of Valuation has been already incurred:—2d. Where less than One-fourth of the estimated Cost has as yet been expended on the Valuation; and stating the Number of Acres, actual Expense incurred, and the estimated ultimate Cost of the Valuation of each Class.

Copies of the Applications made by the Incommodious Woods in each of the Royal Palaces, Gardens, Parks and the Appurtenances thereof (stated to have been expended thereon, in Parliamentary Paper, No. 343, of that Session), for Rents, Pasturage, Sale of Unserviceable Timber, Windfalls and Toppings of Trees, Stock, Old Materials, or from any other source, in each year, from 1838 to 1842, both inclusive.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Pauper Lunatics, which was presented upon Friday last, be Laid on the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Reproduc- tive Loan Fund (Ireland), which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Trigonometrical Survey of Scotland, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till one of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

A. 1844.
Prayers.

A MESSAGE, 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, do 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 Public and Private Bills therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Bills: Which Bills are as follow:

Marble Bill.

An Act for publishing Mutiny and Desertion, and for the better Payment of the Army and their Quarters:

Marine Mutiny Bill.

An Act for the Regulation of Her Majesty's Royal Marine Forces while on Shore:

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, until the Twenty-fifth day of March One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five:

Ribble Navigation Bill.

An Act to enable the Ribble Navigation Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to enable the Owners of Claimed Lands to pay a Sum in Gross in lieu of the Annual Rents:

Inclosure Bill.

An Act for inclosing Lands in the Parish of Berry, in the County of Huntingdon:

Ranney Inclosure Bill.

An Act for inclosing Lands in the Parish of Runsey, in the County of Huntingdon:

East India.

Mr. Campbell, from the Court of Directors of the East India Company, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copy of Acts passed by the Right honourable the Governor-General of India in Council, on the 10th January 1842 (Nos. 1 to 28, of 1842).

East India.

Copy of Index to the Acts of the Supreme Government of India, for the year 1841:

Mr. Campbell also presented, pursuant to Order,—Copies of Instructions from Lord Cowperwall to Lord Lake, regarding the Relations of the British Government with Scinde, dated 19th September 1845—and, of Instructions from Sir George Burdon to Lord Lake, on the same subject, dated in October, or early in November, 1845—and, Extracts of a Letter from the Marquis of Hastings to the Secret Committee, as far as it respects our Relations with Scinde, dated 1st March 1829—and then he withdrew.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Papers relative to Scinde, be printed.

Trade and Manufacturers (Scotland.)

Mr. Low, from the Treasury, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order,—A Return (in continuation of that made to this House in 1840), showing, in columns, the yearly Income and Expenditure of the Public Money which is intrusted to the Right Honourable the Trustees of Trade and Manufacturers in Scotland; exhibiting the Income of each year, and the Individual Items of Expenditure in each year respectively, since the last Return; distinguishing the Amount of Premiums, and the Kind or Name of the Premiums in each year, from the other Items; with the Sum Total of Premiums and of other Items in each Volume.

year respectively.—Also, the Names of the Trustees or Directors composing the Board, with their Residences and Avocations:—Also, the Amount of Salaries and other Allowances paid to the Officers of the Board in each year respectively; together with the Dates of the Meetings of the Board in each year, and the Names of the Officers and Directors who attended each of the same.—And then he withdrew.

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

Petitions of Trustees of the Road from Worthing Bridge and to Lancing—Sir James Martin Lloyd and Rebecca Martin Lloyd, of Lancing, in the county of Sussex; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Brighton and Worthing Railway Bill,—were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition for leave; that they be admitted into Committee, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

The Pulmney Town Harbour and Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Select.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Newbury and Great Western Railway; and, Newbury, Basingstoke, Londo and Southamptonton Railway Bills, have power, if they think fit, to sit this day till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Durham County Coal Company Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. Greene, the Chairman of the Committees on unimposed Private Bills, informed the House, that in the case of the Salford Improvement Bill, when the Parties appeared before him previously to going into Committee, they proposed to insert many new Clauses which did not appear in the Copy of the Bill annexed to the Petition for leave; that he submitted to the House whether, in such case, the Parties ought not to withdraw their Bill, and present another in the amended form.

Ordered, That the Order was made upon the 19th day of March last, for committing the said Bill, be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the Salford Improvement Bill, which, upon the 7th day of March last, was made from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, might be read; and the same being read:

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for opening certain Streets and otherwise improving the Town of Salford, and for amending an Act passed in the eleventh year of the reign of his Majesty King George the Fourth, for better cleansing the Streets and Avocations: Also, the Amount of Salaries and other Allowances paid to the Officers who attended each of the same: And then he withdrew.

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

A Petition of Master Cooper of London, praying, That the House to authorize colonial Staves to be compete in our colonies with the foreigner, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Sutton Pool Company, praying, That they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition for leave; that the said Petition be received, and that the said Company be heard.

The Pulteney Town Harbour and Improvement Bill.
or agents, against certain parts of the South Devon Railway Bill, was presented, and read.
Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Furness Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Cobbe's Nat. Bill.
The Cobbe's Naturalization Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

South-Eastern Railway Bill.
A Petition of Lydia Elizabeth Hague, of Folkestone, in the county of Kent, Spinster, praying that she may be heard, by herself, her counsel or agent, against certain parts of the South Eastern Railway Bill, was presented, and read.
Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by herself, her counsel or agent, upon her Petition, if she think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Schoolmasters (Scotland.)
A Petition of Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of the presbytery of Kirkcudbright, praying the House to adopt measures for ameliorating the condition of the Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Railroad Companies.
A Petition of John Malcomson, William Milward, John Barden, Joseph D. Lapham and Josiah Williams, Merchants, Directors of the Waterford Steam Navigation Company, praying the House to reject all clauses in Railway Bills, having for their object the granting powers to Railroad Companies of becoming steam-vessel Proprietors, also by the rejection of all clauses empowering the said Companies to lend money on the security of any description of property or by the insertion, in clauses for lending money on the security of property, of words excepting property in steam ships, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Manchester and Birkenhead. (Secretary of State for the Colonies.)
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Manchester and Birkenhead Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Reversionary Interest Society Bill.
The Reversionary Interest Society Bill was read a second time; and committed.
Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Manchester and Leeds, and Heywood Branch Railway Bill.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Manchester and Leeds and Heywood Branch Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Edinburgh Poor Assess. Bill.
The ingrossed Bill for providing for the liquidation of the Debt owing by the Charity Workhouse of the City of Edinburgh, for regulating the Assessment for Relief of the Poor of the said City, and for other Purposes relating thereto, was, according to Order, read the third time.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass.
Ordered, That Mr. Gibson Craig do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public Petitions (Fourteenth Report.)
Mr. Thornely reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions, That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 27th and 29th 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.

Lord Eliot presented, by Her Majesty's Com- mand,—Returns of Parliamentary Electors, also of Tenements valued under the Act 1 and 2 Vic. c. 36 for Relief of the Poor in Ireland, 1842-3.
Ordered, That the said Returns do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Master Cotton Spinners of the city of Carlisle and its neighbourhood, praying the House to prevent no further alterations in the hours of labour in Factories, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Lom bardrig; — and, Oxted; Saint Asaph praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Bangor Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Seats of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time, that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a See at Manchester by other means, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Abercornyn, in the Low Courts county of Cardigans, and its vicinity, praying that a Bill for the establishment of Local Courts for the decision of small causes may speedily pass into a law, with such provisions as may render its operation as beneficial to the principality of Wales, as to the other parts of the kingdom, was presented, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Charles Fresfield, of New Bank, and Burslem, Solicitor, praying that an officer of the House may attend at the Central Criminal Court on the trials against Joshua Fletcher and others, for forgery Wills, to produce the Journals of the House containing the appointment of the Right honourable the Speaker in the years 1839 and 1841, was presented, and read.
Ordered, That leave be given to the proper officer to attend accordingly.

Petitions of the Provost, Magistrates and Town Prison Councils of North and South— and, Proved of Forhurst; praying, (Scotland) Bill, that the Prison (Scotland) Bill may pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of John Fry—Henry Achison Coo—Medical Prisons; Robert Rendall; and, T. S. Tickell; praying, that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands; were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of Mill cotton property in the town of Stalybridge, in the counties palatine of Lancaster and Chester, praying for the total and immediate repeal of the duty on Cotton Wool, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the South Eastern, Canterbury, Ramsgate and Margate Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

A Petition of Inhabitants, Freeholders and Elec- tors of the county of Berks, situate within the borough of Wallingford, and in the parishes and hamlets of Aston Tirrold, Aston Upthorpe, Blakeney, Mortons, &c., praying that the Commons Inclosure Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered,
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Postoffice.

Rating of
Tenements.

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Aprilis.

Ordered, That the Petition from Manchester, re- for her Apprehension, and by whom granted ; the
lative to the Post-office, which was presented yes- Name of the Officer who was despatched to the
United States in search of her; Copy of any Corterday, be printed.
respondence which took place between the British
A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Saint Government and the American Government or AuGermain's Union, in the counties of Cornwall and thorities, relative to giving up the person of Mrs.
Devon, praying that so much of the Act of 59 Geo. 3, Gilmour ; the date of the Officer's return with her
C. 12, as transfers the payment of rates from occu- to Scotland, and the date of her Incarceration in

piers to owners of divided houses be adopted in Paisley Gaol ; the dates of her several Examinations,
cases of cottages and small tenements, the rent of and the Name or Names of the Magistrate or Mawhich is five pounds and under, or that such occu- gistrates before whom the same were made ; the
piers at or under such rental paying the poor rates date and place of her Trial ; the Cost incurred by

Union with

Ireland,

be empowered to make deductions of such payments the Crown in the Proceedings.
Ordered, That the said Address be presented to
from their rents, and of the value of goods and chatHer
Majesty by such Members of this House as are
tels distrained for such payment, and of costs attendant on the process, was presented, and read ; of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.
and ordered to lie upon the Table.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Excise.
A Petition of Inhabitants of Saint John, in the Returns of the manner in which the Sum of £.1,520
town of Sligo, praying for the repeal of the Legis- was expended for Fortifications by the Excise Delative Union between Great Britain and Ireland, partment in Ireland in the years 1842 and 1843, by

was presented, and read ; and ordered to lie upon the Act 43 Geo. 3, c. 55 ; stating for what Places
the Expenditure was made, and the Person to whom
the Table.

Prisons

(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 showing all Sums of Money which
have been assessed and levied in each County and

paid : Of the manner in which £.6,114, paid by
the Excise Department in England for Corn Re,
turns was expended ; stating the Name and Place
of Residence, and the Amount paid to each Person,
according to the Acts 9 Geo. 4, c. 60, and 5 Vic.,

Sess. 2, c. 14, by the Excise :Of the manner in
Burgh in Scotland, respectively, for each of the which £.9,987 was expended by the Excise in Eng-

Three years immediately preceding the commence- land, under the head of Pensions ; stating the Name

ment of the Act 2 and 3 Vic. c. 42 ; 1st. for the of each Person, the Amount paid to each, and by
Erection and Repair of any general or local Prisons; what authority the Pension was paid : And, of the
and 2dly, for the Committal, Trial, Removal and manner in which £.30,696, paid by the Excise DeMaintenance of any Prisoners, and all other Ex- partment in Scotland, in the years 1812 and 1843,
penses connected therewith, distinguishing the under the Act 48 Geo. 3, c. 11, to the White HerAmount expended under these two separate heads,
and specifying the Funds out of which such Sums
were paid ; the Returns from Burghs including such
Towns and Places as have been made Parliamentary

ring Board, was expended ; stating, in detail, under
the several heads, the Amount paid, and the Number
of Persons receiving Salaries under 50 a year, and

the Name, Place of Residence and Amount of Sa-

Burghs by the Act 2 and 3 Will. 4, c. 65 :And, lary and Allowances of every Person receiving more

showing all Sums of Money which have been assessed than E. 50 per year :And, an Account of the manner
and levied in each County and Burgh in Scotland, in which .L38,412 sterling was expended by the Excise

respectively (including as aforesaid), for each year Department in Ireland, in payment for Traders in
since the commencement of the Act 2 and 3 Vic. Irish-grown Tobacco, in the years 1834 and 1835,
C. 42 ; 1st. for the Erection and Repair of any Ge- under the Act 2 Will. 4, c. 20 ; stating the Name
neral Prison ; 2d. for the Erection and Repair of of each Person to whom Payment was made, the
any local Prison ; 3d. for the Committal, Trial, Re- Amount paid to each Person, and the Number of
moval and Maintenance of any Prisoners, and all Acres of Tobacco Cultivation for which Compensaother Expenses connected therewith, distinguishing tion was made to each ; stating also the Barony or

the Amount expended under these three several Parish in which situated, and the Principle on
heads, and specifying the Funds out of which such
Sums were paid ; also, whether such Assessment
was made upon valued Rent or real Rent ; and
stating the Amount of the Rate per cent. upon such
Rent levied in each County and Burgh 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.

which and the Orders by which that Compensation
was made.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Drunkenness,
a Return of the Number of Persons taken into custody for Drunkenness and for disorderly conduct,

by the Metropolitan Police, in each year, from

1831 to 1843, both inclusive, distinguishing each,
and stating the Population of the Metropolitan Po-

lice District in the years 1831 and 1843 :And, a

Gamekeepers.

Mrs. Gihnour,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented similar Return for the City of London.
to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased
to give directions that there be laid before this
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a WhitecrossHouse, a Return of all Inquests held by the Coro- Return of the Amount of original Debt, the Amount street Prison.'
ners of England and Wales, since the year 1833, of Costs, and the Number of Days' Imprisonment
upon the bodies of Gamekeepers ; and the Verdicts of each Person confined in TVhitecross-street Prison,
of the Juries.
on the 31st day of March 1844.
Ordered, That the said Address be presented to
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Westminster
Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are
Returns
of the Amount of Money expended upon Bridge.
of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.
Westminster Bridge for Repairs, Alterations, ProResolved, That an humble Address be presented fessional and other Services, from the 5th day of
to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased April 1810 till the 5th day of April 1838 :Of the
to give directions that there be laid before this Sums of Money already expended, or now due, in
House, a Return, showing the stages of the Proceed- respect of the Repairs and Alterations of Westminings in the case of Mrs. Gilmour, who fled from ster Bridge since the 5th day of April 1838 ; speRenfrewshire to the United States, and was there- cifying separately, the Cost of the Works and Serafter tried before the High Court of Justiciary in vices relative to the Elongation of the Piers, with a
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structure and filling up the bed of the River, in consequence of the recent sinking of the Foundations:—Of the Sums of Money required to defray the probable Cost of the further Works and Services required in repairing, altering and widening Westminister Bridge, under the following heads:—1. For repairs of Foundations and Arches; 2. For the Erection of Friers to receive a widened Superstructure; 3. For Repairs and Alterations of the Superstructure; 4. For Superintendence and Miscellaneous Services.—And, of the Income of the Commissioners of Westminster Bridge arising from Property belonging to the Commission; specifying the nature and extent of such Property, in detail, and the Rents payable in respect of it, as well as all other sources of Income, if any exist; and also, whether there are any, and if any what Incumbrances upon the same.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return from the Records of the Public Record Office, Custom House Buildings, showing the nature and extent of the Lay Tithes formerly belonging to the Monastery of Knockmay, alias Colls Victoria, alias the Mountain of Victory, in the County of Galway, in what manner and upon what condition same were vested in the Crown, and by whom and under what conditions same may have been held from the Crown, from the earliest period to the year 1700; and to whom said Tithes would have belonged, if same were not so vested in the Crown, subsequent to the Restoration of Charles the Second.

Answer to Addresses.

Mr. Menmers Sutton presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—A Copy of the Report of the Commissioners appointed under the Act of the 6th and 7th Vict, c. 97, to inquire into the existence of Bribery in the Borough of Sudbury.

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

Sir James Graham reported to the House, that their several Addresses of yesterday (That Her Majesty would be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House), had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had commanded him to acquaint this House, that She will give directions accordingly.

Mr. Gladstone presented, pursuant to an Address to Her Majesty,—A Copy of a Letter addressed on the 3d day of May 1838, from the Statistical Department of the Board of Trade to Warsaw Greig, Esquire, Honorary Secretary to the Statistical Society of London, together with his Resolutions, having reference to an attempt made by that Department to obtain Returns exhibiting the Agricultural capability and production of the County of Berford.

Ordered, That the said Paper 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 the 10th day of this instant April.

China.

Sir Robert Peel presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Supplementary Treaty between Her Majesty and the Emperor of China, signed at Hoomun-Chaer, October 8, 1843, with other Documents relating thereto.

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

Colonial Land and Emigration Commission.

Lord Stanley presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of General Report of the Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners.

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

Mr. George William Hope presented, pursuant Coloniess. to several Addresses to Her Majesty,—Return to an Address from Her Majesty, in the 24th day of April, in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return of the Income, Expenditure and Debt for the last Two years of each of the British West India Colonies, British Guiana and Mauritius, specifying the sources of Income, Heads of Expenditure and Balances in the hands of the Treasurers, or other Officers holding the same, of the said Colonies; showing also, the Debt due to Great Britain in respect of Loans, and the Distinguishing Amount of all Loans and Grants of Money advanced to each Colony respectively:—And, Copies of the Tariffs in operation in the British West Indies, British Guiana and Mauritius in 1832—3, previous to the passing of the Abolition Act, and those recently passed by the said Colonies, to come into operation during the present year, together with Copies or Extracts of any Despatches relating to the same.

Copies or Extracts of a Despatch, dated the 24th day of February 1841, with the Enclosures, between Sir George Gipps and Lord John Russell, relative to the condition of the licensed Occupiers of Crown Lands in New South Wales, and subsequent Correspondence.

Copy or Extract of a Despatch from the Governor of Emigration, General of Canada, transmitting the last Annual Report of the Agent for Emigration.

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

Lord Eliot presented a Bill to alter and amend the Laws which regulate the Registration, Qualification and Polling of Parliamentary Electors in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 19th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

A Petition of Sarah Quincey, of Great Grange, Colchester and near Aford, in the county of Essex, Widow, praying that she may be heard, by her counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2) Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by her counsel or agent, upon her Petition, if she think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of the Churchwardens, Surveyors of the Stratford (East) Highways and other Inhabitants and Rate-payers of the parish of Westham, in the county of Essex, praying that the Stratford (Eastern Counties) and Thames Junction Railway Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented State Trial to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Notes taken by the Short-hand Writer appointed by the Crown to report the Proceedings at the late Trial of The Queen v. O'Connell and others.

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, an Account of the Quantity of Quassia imported in each
each year, from 1840 to 1844 inclusive, commencing from the 5th day of January 1840.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Quantity of Beer exported, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Duckworth and Mr. Russell:
Mr. Speaker,
The Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment; viz,

1. A Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law relating to International Copyright;
2. A Bill, intitled, An Act to extend, until the First day of January One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, and to the end of the then next Session of Parliament, the time within which Conveyances may be made on behalf of the Crown of, and Disputes settled with regard to, Encroachments in the Forest of Dean;
3. A Bill, intituled, An Act to amend an Act passed in the third year of the reign of Her Most Gracious Majesty, for abolishing certain Petty and Market Customs in the City of Edinburgh, and granting other Duties in lieu thereof: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for more effectually lighting with Gas the Borough and Parish of Rochdale, in the County of Lancaster, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate the Jurisdiction and improve the Practice of the Ecclesiastical Courts of England and Wales, and for otherwise altering and amending the Law in certain matters Ecclesiastical; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords request, that this House will be pleased to communicate to their Lordships, a Copy of the First Report of the Select Committee appointed by this House in the present Session of Parliament on Joint Stock Companies; together with the Minutes of Evidence taken in 1841 and 1843, and the Appendix and Index thereto:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Resolved, That this House will send an Answer to the last part of the said Message, by Messengers of their own.

And the Messengers were again called in; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith:—And then they again withdrew.

The Ecclesiastical Courts Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday, the 22d day of this instant April; and to be printed.

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 be pleased to communicate to their present Majesties, a Copy of the First Report of the Select Committee appointed by this House in the present Session of Parliament on Joint Stock Companies; together with the Minutes of Evidence taken in 1841 and 1843, and the Appendix and Index thereto.

Resolved, That a printed Copy of the said Report be communicated to the Lords, as desired by their Lordships in their said Message: And that Mr. Greene do deliver the same.

Law of Partnership, &c.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into a Committee to take into consideration the state of the Law of Partnership, with a view to providing for the following purposes, viz., for the registration of Joint Stock Companies, and for conferring on such Companies certain Privileges of Corporate Bodies, subject to the payment of certain Fees, and on certain conditions and regulations, and for preventing the establishment of Fraudulent Companies; for the regulation of Joint Stock Companies; for facilitating and improving the Remedies at Law and in Equity, in reference to Joint Stock Companies, their Members, Directors and other Officers, whether inter se or in relation to persons not being members thereof, and for winding up the affairs of Companies unable to meet their pecuniary engagements; and for enabling private Partnerships to register the names of their Partners, and to sue and be sued in the name of their Firm:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Sir Thomas Fremantle reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Sir Thomas Fremantle accordingly reported several Resolutions, which were read, as follows:

1. Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to Joint Stock Companies' Registration Bill for the Registration of Joint Stock Companies, and for conferring on such Companies certain Privileges of Corporate Bodies, subject to the payment of certain Fees, and on certain conditions and regulations, and for preventing the establishment of Fraudulent Companies.
2. Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to Joint Stock Companies' Registration Bill for the Registration of Joint Stock Companies.
3. Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to Joint Stock Companies' Registration Bill for facilitating and improving the Remedies at Law and in Equity, in reference to Joint Stock Companies, their Members, Directors and other Officers, whether inter se or in relation to persons not being members thereof, and for winding up the affairs of Companies unable to meet their pecuniary engagements.
4. Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to Joint Stock Companies' Registration Bill for enabling private Partnerships to register the Names of their Partners, and to sue and be sued in the name of their Firm:—And he moved the House accordingly.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill upon the first and second Resolutions: And that Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Young do prepare, and bring in the same.
Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the third Resolution: And that Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Attorney-General do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the last Resolution: And that Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Young do prepare, and bring it in.

Menai Bridge.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a copy of any Report of Mr. Provis to the Commissioners of Woods and Forests, since the 1st day of October 1840, on the Menai Bridge.

Holyhead and Portdinllaen Harbours.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of all Letters of Instructions to the Naval Officers and Civil Engineers appointed in 1843 to report upon the Harbours of Holyhead and Portdinllaen, as a Packet Station between London and Dublin, and as a Harbour of Refuge for the Channel.

Dublin Jury Lists, &c.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Lists returned by the Collectors of Grand Jury Cess for the County of the City of Dublin, to the Clerks of the Peace for the said City, containing the Names of men qualified to serve as Jurors for the said City for the year 1844, showing the Corrections and Adjudications made therein by the Right honourable the Recorder of the said City, pursuant to the provisions of the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 91: Of the general List of Jurors, made out from such Lists by the said Recorder:—Of the Jurors’ Book for the year 1844, as delivered to the Sheriff of the City of Dublin, or to his Under Sheriff, of the Special Jurors’ List, made by the said Sheriff, or his Under Sheriff, for the year 1844:—Of all Correspondence with or by the Clerks of the Peace for the said City in relation to theJurors’ Lists for the year 1844, and especially between them and the Recorder for the year 1844:—Of the Special Jurors’ List, containing the Names of men qualified to serve as Jurors for the said City, and of the Names of men qualified to serve as Special Jurors for the said City for the year 1844; together with a Copy of the Challenge to the Jury in the said cause, and of the Jury Cess for the County of the City of Dublin, to the Clerks of the Peace for the said City, containing the Names of men qualified to serve as Jurors for the said City for the year 1844, and of all Affidavits filed in the Crown Side of the Court of Queen’s Bench in Ireland, since the 1st day of December 1843, in the cause of The Queen against O’Connell and others, and of all Protests made to the Clerk of the Crown, also filed in the said cause, at the striking of the Jury in the month of January last; together with a Copy of the Challenge to the Jury Array in the said cause, and of the Demurrer filed in reply to the same:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Dublin Jury Lists, &c. Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Lists returned by the Collectors of Grand Jury Cess for the County of the City of Dublin, to the Clerks of the Peace for the said City, containing the Names of men qualified to serve as Jurors for the said City for the year 1844, showing the Corrections and Adjudications made therein by the Right honourable the Recorder of the said City, pursuant to the provisions of the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 91: Of the general List of Jurors, made out from such Lists by the said Recorder:—Of the Jurors’ Book for the year 1844, as delivered to the Sheriff of the City of Dublin, or to his Under Sheriff, of the Special Jurors’ List, made by the said Sheriff, or his Under Sheriff, for the year 1844:—Of all Correspondence with or by the Clerks of the Peace for the said City in relation to the Jurors’ Lists for the year 1844, and especially between them and the Recorder for the said City, and of Mr. Peirse Mahony:—And, of all Affidavits filed in the Crown Side of the Court of Queen’s Bench in Ireland, since the 1st day of December 1843, in the cause of The Queen against O’Connell and others, and of all Protests made to the Clerk of the Crown, also filed in the said cause, at the striking of the Jury in the month of January last; together with a Copy of the Challenge to the Jury Array in the said cause, and of the Demurrer filed in reply to the same:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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Post-offices.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of chargeable Letters which have passed through the London General Post (inwards and outwards) since the first general reduction of Postage on the 5th day of December 1839, dividing the time (as far as practicable) into periods of four complete weeks each, and distinguishing, as regards each period, the Unpaid, Paid, and Stamped, and Total Number of Letters; also, of the estimated Average Number for four weeks of the year immediately preceding the reduction, distinguished in like manner:—And, of the Number of Letters which have passed through the London District Post (exclusive of all General Post Letters) for the same periods: and distinguishing in the same manner as the last Return:—Comparative Statement of the Number of Letters (including Franks during the existence of the Franking Privilege) delivered in the United Kingdom in one week of each calendar month, beginning with November 1839 and ending with the present time:—Accounts showing the gross and net Post-offices Revenues, and the cost of Management, for the United Kingdom, for each of the years ending the 5th day of January 1839, 1840, 1841, 1842, 1843, and 1844, excluding from the Account whether of Gross Revenue or Cost of Management, any Advances that may have been made by the English to the Irish Post-office, and Advances to the Money Order Office:—Showing, as nearly as it can be given, the gross Amount of Postage Revenue for England and Wales (exclusive of Returns for Rejected Letters, &c.), for the month ending the 5th day of January 1840 (during which the Fourpenny Rate was established); and also for the months ending the 5th day of January 1842, the 5th day of January 1843, and the 5th day of January 1844:—And, of the Payments by the Post-office made during each of the years ending the 5th day of January 1839, 1840, 1841, 1842, 1843, and 1844, for the conveyance of the Mails by Railway in Great Britain; distinguishing in each instance the Payments for work done within the year from Payments for work done in previous years:—Return of the Number and Amount of Money Orders issued and paid in England and Wales during each quarter, from the quarter ending the 5th day of April 1839 to that ending the 5th day of January 1844, inclusive:—Similar Return, as regards Money Orders issued and paid in London:—Return by the Admiralty, showing in detail the different items which compose the sum of £612,850 charged for Packets, in Return, No. 201, of Session 1843:—Return of all Provincial Post-offices in which, owing to the death or resignation of the Deputy Postmaster, Compensation have lapsed to the Revenue, since September 1839, showing, in each case, the Amount of such Compensation, and the Total Cost of the Office to the Revenue, both before and after its re-arrangement:—Copy of all Railway Mails as directed by the Treasury to be made in August 1842; together with an addition, showing the length of each line as per official notice to the Company, as per Post-office time-bill, and as per actual payments directed by the Treasury to be made in August 1842; and also for Rooms in College, and Commons or other Allowances enjoyed by the Provost, Senior and University.
Mr. French presented a Bill to further amend the Church Laws relating to the Temporalities of the Church in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant April; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Petition of John Watkins Southampton Drew, Esquire, which was presented upon the 4th March Improvement of the South Western Railway Bill, be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner, heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Residents in the several parishes of Epsom and Leatherhead, Michelham and Ashstead, in the county of Surrey, praying that the Epsom and South Western Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Poor Relief, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Royal Palaces, laces, Gardens, &c., which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Bleachers, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Police, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Churches, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Valuation, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Saint Nicholas Within Church (Dublin), which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Constabulary Force, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Accounts relative to Grand Jury to Grand Juries Presentments (Ireland), which were presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till Monday the 15th day of this instant April.

Lun 15° die Aprilis.

Anno, 7° Victoriae Regni, 1844.

Pray.
A Return of the Number of Ships laden with Foreign Corn entered Inwards at the Ports of the United Kingdom, between the 5th day of January 1843, and the 31st day of December 1843: specifying the Kinds and Quantities of Corn, the Ports of Lading and the Ports of Discharge, and whether in Ships of the United Kingdom or any other Nation, and whether in Bond or Free; and they belong (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 190, of Session 1843.)

An Account of the Quantities and declared Value of British Woollen Manufactures exported from the United Kingdom in the year 1843; specifying the Countries to which they were sent.

Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of February last, for Returns of the Number and Quantity of Sailing Vessels registered at each of the Ports of Great Britain and Ireland, including the Isle of Man and Channel Islands; distinguishing those under and those above Fifty Tons Register, on the 31st day of December 1843:—Similar Returns of Steam Vessels, and their Tonnage:—Returns 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, the Number of their Crews, distinguishing Steam from Sailing Vessels, between the 31st day of December 1842 and the 31st day of December 1843:—Like Returns from and to the Colonies; further distinguishing British from Foreign Vessels:—Like Returns from and to Foreign Ports; also, distinguishing British from Foreign Vessels:—Returns 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 1843:—Similar Returns of Steam Vessels and Tonnage:—Returns of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels that entered and cleared at each of the Ports of each Colony Coastwise in the same Colony, or to Ports of other Colonies of the United Kingdom, distinguishing Steam from Sailing Vessels, and also distinguishing between British, Colonial and Foreign Vessels, from the 31st day of December 1842 to and including the 31st day of December 1843:—Like Returns from and to the United Kingdom, Channel Islands and the Isle of Man:—Like Returns from and to Foreign Ports:—And, a Return of the Number of Vessels, with their Tonnage (distinguishing Steam from Sailing Vessels), that were built and registered; also, a Return of Vessels sold, wrecked and broken up, in the year 1843 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 207, of Session 1843.)

A Return of the Amount of Duty charged and Drawback paid on each Description of Glass in England, distinguishing the Quantities, for the year ending the 5th day of January 1844:—Similar Return for Scotland:—Similar Return for Ireland:—Returns of the Quantities of Glass retained for Home Use in the United Kingdom during the said period, with the amount of Duty paid thereon, calculated weekly, the principle of the Return of the 14th day of June 1841:—Of the Amount of Drawback or Allowance on Glass used for Churches during the same period:—Of the Annual Report which has been imported into the United Kingdom for the year ending the 5th day of January 1844, stating the Quantities or Weight, and the Countries from which imported:—Of the Quantities, and Weight, and the Rate and Amount of Duty paid on each Description of Foreign Glass during the same period:—Of the Quantities of each Description of Foreign Glass exported, distinguishing the Countries to which, during the same period:—Of the Quantity of each Description of Foreign Glass remaining in Bond on the 5th day of January 1844:—And, of each Description of British Glass exported each year, for seven years, ending the 5th day of January 1844, distinguishing the Quantities, and Countries to which it was exported.

A Return of the Number and Quantity of Staves, imported into the United Kingdom in each of the last six years; stating the Quantity imported into the United Kingdom, with the Countries from which, and the Rate of Duty levied, and the Amount of Duty received in each kind in each year, and the Total Amount of Revenue in each year; also, an Account of the Amount of Drawback allowed on the Exportation of Shooks and of Casks in each of these years.

Return to an Order, dated the 29th day of February last, for Returns, showing the Annual Amount in Value of Paper, Bookbinding and Printing supplied by the Stationery Office in Dublin to the Ordinance Office, Custom House and Excise Offices in Ireland, during the years 1841, 1842 and 1843, distinguishing each year; the Amount of Paper, Bookbinding and Printing to be stated separately:—Showing the Annual Amount in Value of Paper, Bookbinding, and Printing supplied by the Stationery Office in London to the Ordinance Office, Custom House, Excise and other Public Offices in Ireland, during the years 1841, 1842 and 1843:—And, of the Annual Amount of Revenue from the Exportation of each Description of Paper, printed Books and Forms as have been supplied from the Stationery Office in London to the Ordinance, Excise, Post-office and other Public Offices in Ireland, during the years 1841, 1842 and 1843.

Return to an Order, dated the 27th day of February last, for an Account of the Quantities of Cheese imported into the several Ports of Great Britain and Ireland respectively, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844; distinguishing the Unmanufactured, Manufactured Stalks and Cigars.

An Account of the Gross and Net Receipts of Custom Duties collected at each Custom House of the United Kingdom, during the year ending the 5th day of January 1844, as compared with similar Receipts during the previous year (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 142, of Session 1843.)

A Return of the Pounds weight of Tobacco seized and condemned in England, Scotland and Ireland respectively, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844; distinguishing the Unmanufactured, Manufactured Stalks and Cigars.

An Account of the Gross and Net Receipts of Custom Duties collected at each Custom House of the United Kingdom, during the year ending the 5th day of January 1844, as compared with similar Receipts during the previous year (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 142, of Session 1843.)

A Copy of the Returns relating to the Issue of Promissory Notes in England, Scotland and Ireland respectively, and to the Bullion in the Bank of England, directed to the Secretary of the Treasury, in each month of the year 1843 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 207, of Session 1843.)

A Return of the Amount of Draw-back paid on Tobacco imported from 1840 to 1844 inclusive, commencing from the 5th day of January 1844.

A Copy of all Letters of Instructions to the Naval Lords and Officers and Civil Engineers appointed in 1843 to Portolygisa Harbours and to the Bullion in the Bank of England, directed to the Secretary of the Treasury, and as a Harbour of Refuge for the Channel Trade.

Returns of the Number of chargeable Letters Post-office, which have been supplied to the General Post (Inwards and Outwards) since the first general Reduction of Postage on the 5th day of December 1839, dividing the time (as far as practicable) into Periods of Four complete Weeks each, and distinguishing as regards each Period, the Unpaid, Paid and Stamped, and Total Number of Letters; also, of the estimated Average Number for Four Weeks of the year immediately preceding the Reduction, distinguished in like manner;—And, of the Number of Letters which have passed through the London District Post (exclusive of all General Post Letters) for
for the same Periods; and distinguishing in the same manner, a Comparative Statement of the Number of Letters (including Franks during the existence of the Franking Privilege) delivered in the United Kingdom in One Week of each Calendar Month, beginning with November 1839 and in the year 1840:—

Accounts showing the Gross and Net Post-office Revenue, and the Cost of Management, for the United Kingdom, for each of the years ending the 5th day of January 1839, 1840, 1841, 1842, 1843 and 1844, excluding from the Account, whether of Gross Revenue or Cost of Management, any Advances that may have been made by the English to the Irish Post-office, and Advances to the Money Order Office:—Showing, as nearly as it can be given, the Gross Amount of Postage Revenue for England and Wales (exclusive of returns for Refused Letters, &c.), for the month ending the 5th day of January 1840 (during which the Fourpenny Rate was established); and also for the months ending the 5th day of January 1842, the 5th day of January 1843, the 5th day of January 1844:—And, of the Payments by the Post-office made during each of the years ending the 5th day of January 1839, 1840, 1841, 1842, 1843 and 1844, for the Conveyance of the Mails by Railway in Great Britain, distinguishing in each instance the Payments for Work done by the Post-office, and the Payments for Work done before previous years:—A Return of the Number and Amount of Money Orders issued and paid in England and Wales during each Quarter, from the Quarter ending the 5th day of April 1840 to that ending the 5th day of January 1844 inclusive:—Similar Return, as regards Money Orders issued and paid in London:—A Return by the Admiralty, showing in detail the different Items which compose the Sum of £12,850 charged for Post-office, in Return, No. 201, of Session 1843:—A Return of all Provincial Post-offices in which, owing to the Death or Resignation of the Deputy Postmaster, Compensations have lapsed to the Revenue, since September 1839, showing in each case, the Amount of such Compensation, and the Total Cost of the Office to the Revenue, both before and after its Re-arrangement:—Copy of all Railway Mails as directed by the Treasury to be made in August 1842; together with an Addition, showing the length of each Line as per Official Notice to the Company, as per Post-office Time-bill, and as per Actual Payments by the Post-office to the Company, past and present; also, an Explanation of any Discrepancy which may appear in such Return:—Annual Return of Fees, Postages, &c., for the year 1842, as ordered by the Treasury Minute of the 15th day of May 1842:—Returns of the Details, as submitted to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, on which the Estimate No. 201 of last Session was prepared:—And, of Letters registered in the Travelling Post-office in a week in July or August 1843:—And then he withdrew.

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

Sir Fortunatus Dwaris, one of the Masters of the Court of Queen’s Bench, was called in; and at the bar presented,—Further Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of February last, for a Return of all Monies received on account of Fees in the years 1841, 1842 and 1843, in the Court of Queen’s Bench, Common Pleas and Exchequer, or of any of the Officers thereof; and a Return of the Application or Appropriation of Monies so received; and also, a Return of all Salaries, Commissions and other Payments made out of such Monies, stating the Names of the Persons to whom paid, and the Office, or abolished or reduced Office, in respect of which such Payments are made; and also, a Return of all Officers of such of these Courts whose Salaries, Commissions and other Payments are paid in whole or in part by Fees, stating the Names of the Persons so paid and the Office in Vol. 99.

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Petitions of the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors South Devon, for the borough of Dartmouth, in the county of Devon, and Free Burgesses of the borough of Saltash, in the county of Cornwall; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Petition of the General Gas Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Manchester, in the county of Lancashire, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Petition of the New British Iron Company Bill, were presented, and read.

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

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An ingrossed Bill for maintaining a Railway from the Manchester and Leeds Railway to Hingham, and for amending the Acts relating to the Manchester and Leeds Railway, was read the third time. Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Milner Gibson do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Birkenhead Improvement Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Northern Coal Mining Company Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Huntingdon, in the room of Sir Frederick Pollock, who, since his Election to that Borough, hath accepted the Office of Chief Baron of Her Majesty's Court of Exchequer.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown to make out a new Writ for the election of a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of Exeter, in the room of Sir William Webb Follett, who, since his Election to that City, hath accepted the Office of Her Majesty's Attorney General.

A Petition of Merchants, Manufacturers, Traders and others at Ayr, in the county of Ayr, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the King-ston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Solicitors of Her Majesty's High Court of Chancery, residing in the city of York, complaining of the amount of compensation awarded under the Act 6 & 7 for abolishing certain Officers of the High Court of Chancery in England; and praying the House to inquire into the claims made before the Lord Chancellor in pursuance of the said Act, and to take under their consideration the several orders made thereon, and to inquire into the fees imposed upon the suitors of the said court, in pursuance of the powers of the said Act, and into the state, and several charges affecting the funds of the suitors of the said court, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Partners of the Alloa, Stirling and Kinross Steam Boat Company, praying the House to confine all Railroad Companies to the purposes for which they were originally incorporated, and reject all clauses in Railroad Companies Acts which would give them powers either directly or indirectly to become steam-boat owners with a limitation of liability, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Railways.

Petitions from Edinburgh; and, Paisley; praying that the Charitable Pawn Societies Bill may not pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the President of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, praying the House to take into consideration, without delay, and grant during the present Session of Parliament such a legislative measure as will introduce uniformity of education, uniformity in the conditions of granting medical and surgical qualifications, and uniformity in regard to the right to practise the several departments of the Medical Profession in virtue of the possession of such qualifications, from whatever division of the kingdom they may have been received, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Paisley; Leoury; and, Huddersfield; praying that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill (Scotland) Bill, may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Clergy of the deanery of Hadston, Saint Asaph in the diocese of Peterborough, praying for the re-establishment of the office of Sur- geon to the Royal Hospital at St. Asaph, and the annexed parochial chapelry of Trewochchini, in the county of Anglesey, and diocese of Bangor, praying for the re-establishment of the office of Sur- geon to the Royal Hospital at St. Asaph, and Bangor, and at the same time that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a See at Manchester by other means, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion being made, That the ingrossed Bill Forest for making a Railway from Rampside and Barrow Railway Bill, to Dalton Lindsey and Kirkby Ireleth, in the county of Durham, be now read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

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

An ingrossed Bill for regulating Legal Proceed- ings by or against the Durham County Coal Com- pany, and for other Purposes, was read the third time. Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

A Petition of Owen Owen Roberts, of Bangor, Bangor in the county of Carnarvon; stating, that in the Free Grammar Schools of Saint Asaph and Bangor, property of very considerable value has from time to time been left for the purpose of conferring the blessings of education on the children of the poor; that the property in several cases has been mismanaged, and the income arising therefrom misapplied, and that a striking instance occurs in the case of the Saint Asaph and Bangor Free Grammar School; and praying the House to inquire into the claims made by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Petitions from Paisley; Penzance; Saint Ives and Hayle; and, Cardiff; praying that the Padstow Harbour Bill may not pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Paisley; —Stranraer; Padstow —Newquay; —Penzance; Saint Ives and Meoly; —and, Cardiff; praying that the Padstow Harbour Bill may not pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
Local Courts.

Petitions from Clengy.—Newcastle Emlyn and Adspur;—Llanwscar;—and, Walter Davies, Clerk praying that a Bill for establishing Courts for the decision of small cases may speedily pass into law, with such provisions as may render its operation as beneficial to the burgh of Wales as to other parts of the kingdom,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

A Petition of the Churchwarden and Chairman, and Vestry Clerk of the Vestrymen, Governors and Directors of the Poor of the parish of Bethnal Green, Middlesex, praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Bill, in regard to the Proxty and Auditor clauses, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Tobacco.

Petitions from West Bromwich;—Dudley;—Walsall;—Wolverhampton;—Birmingham;—Coventry;—Kendal;—and, Billston; praying for a reduction of the duty on Tobacco, were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Tobacco Trade.

Atmospheric Pressure.

A Petition of Richard Fell, of No. 54, Crown-street, Bishopsgate, in the city of London, and of Francis George Squire, of Brompton, in the county of Haddington, praying the House to adopt measures for ameliorating the condition of the Burgh and Parish Schoolmasters of Scotland, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Railways.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Select Committee on Railways.

Ships mortgaged.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Ships annually mortgaged, wholly or in part, in the several Ports of London, Liverpool, Newcastle, Sunderland and Hull; specifying the Name at each Port, from the 5th day of January 1855, to the 5th day of January 1844 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 126, of Session 1835.)

Vinegar.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Licensed Vinegar Makers in England, Scotland and Ireland; with an Account of the Number at each Port, from the 5th day of January 1835 to the 5th day of January 1844 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 334, of Session 1843).

Army.

Sir Henry Hardinge presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—A Return of Officers, who have been allowed to receive their Half-Pay since the 1st April 1843, under the Provisions of the Act of the 6th and 7th Vict. c. 95, s. 24.

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

Pentaville Prison.

Mr. Manns Sutton presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Second Report of the Commissioners for the Government of the Pentaville Prison, made in pursuance of the Act 5 and 6 Vict. sess. 2, c. 59, s. 12.

Copy of the Twenty-second Report of the Inspectors General on the General State of the Prisons of Ireland, 1843, with Appendices.

Mr. Manns Sutton presented, pursuant to several Addresses to Her Majesty,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 18th day of July 1843, for a Return of all Extra-parochial Vol. 90.

Lands, Houses and Tenements in each County and Borough of England and Wales, exempted from the payment of Poors Rates, together with the Population and Acreage of each such Place, and its Assessment to the County or Borough Rate, so far as the same can be ascertained.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the County Rates, 16th day of February last, for an Account of the latest Valuation of every Parish, Township or Place upon which the County Rates have been laid, in the respective Counties of England and Wales; stating the year in which such Valuation was taken; showing also, the Total Valuation of each Hundred and County (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper No. 277, of Session 1842).

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the Imprisonment 22d day of February last, for a Return of the Number of Persons confined for Debt, at the present time, in the Prisons of London, Middlesex and Surrey; stating, in classes, the years in which they were imprisoned, the Number whose Debts, without Costs, are respectively under £1, £5, £10, £50, £100, £500, and all above that Sum, and distinguishing the Number of those for Offences against the Revenue Laws; and stating also, the Average Term of Imprisonment of each of these classes, the Name, the Amount of Debt and Amount of Expenses of each Person who has been in Prison more than Five years—A Similar Return for the other Prisons of England and Wales—A Similar Return for Scotland—And, a Similar Return for Ireland.

A Return of the Tables of Fees and Allowances Justices' Clerks to the Justices and Constables, settled and Constables, by the Justices in Sessions in the different Counties in England and Wales, and approved by the Secretary of State, under the Act 5 and 6 Vict. c. 199.

Mr. Manns Sutton also presented, pursuant to a Valuation Order,—A Return of the several Counties, Counties (Ireland.) of Cities and Counties of Towns in Ireland, of which the Valuation, under the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 84, has been completed; specifying the Name of each Barony or Half Barony, the acreable Contents, and the Valuation thereof; stating also, the Sum ordered to be levied by the Grand Jury Warrant of Spring Assizes 1843, for each such Barony or Half Barony, and the Rate per centum which each such Sum bears to the Valuation; also, the Sum ordered to be levied by the Grand Jury Warrant of Summer Assizes 1845, for each such Barony or Half Barony, and the Rate per centum which each such Sum bears to the Valuation; stating also, the Name and acreable Contents of each such County, County of a City and County of a Town; the Annual Value thereof, according to the Valuation under that Act; the Amount of the Expense of such Valuation, the Cost per Acre of such Valuation, and the Rate which the Cost of such Valuation bears to each £100 of the Valuation (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 284, of Session 1843.)

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

A Petition of Trustees of the Surrey and East-Western Railway praying that they may be heard, by their counsel, against certain parts of the Act of the 6th and 7th Vict. (No. 1.) Bill. South Western Railway (No. 1.) Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Trustees of the Surrey and East-Western Railway praying that they may be heard, by their counsel, against certain parts of the Croydon and Epsom Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.
The House resolved itself into the Committee.

(15th April 1844.)

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Four thousand one hundred and sixty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of Holyhead Harbour, and the Shrewsbury and Holyhead Roads, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Fifty thousand and sixty-eight pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Comptroller General of the Public Works in Ireland; also, the Expense of maintaining and repairing the several Public Buildings in the direction of the said Commissioners, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighty thousand and seven hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries of the Officers of the Two Houses of Parliament, and Allowances to Retired Officers and others whose Offices have been abolished.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty thousand four hundred and sixty-seven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries of Persons employed in the care and arrangement of the Public Records, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirty thousand seven hundred and thirty-nine pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of 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 1845.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty thousand and one hundred pounds, 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 1845.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirty thousand and five hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses in the Departments of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council, and Committee of Privy Council for Trade, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two thousand six hundred and eighty-nine pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salary of the Lord Privy Seal, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirty thousand one hundred and six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the State Paper Office, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Three thousand two hundred and thirty-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissions for carrying into execution the Act for the Amendment of the Laws relating to the Poor in England and Wales, and the Act for the Relief of the Destitute Poor in Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Whereupon, Motion made, and Question, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighteen thousand three hundred and sixty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioners for carrying into execution the Act for the Amendment of the Laws relating to the Poor in England and Wales, and the Act for the Relief of the Destitute Poor in Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845, put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Fifty thousand two hundred and thirty-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioners in Canada, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirty thousand one hundred and sixty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, 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 1845.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty thousand and one hundred pounds, 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 1845.

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Whereupon, Motion made, and Question, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighteen thousand three hundred and sixty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioners for carrying into execution the Act for the Amendment of the Laws relating to the Poor in England and Wales, and the Act for the Relief of the Destitute Poor in Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845, put, and negatived.

Original Question put, and agreed to.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Fifty thousand two hundred and thirty-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioners in Canada, to the 31st day of March 1845.
of the House of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845; Whereupon, Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding Four thousand eight hundred and ninety-one pounds one shilling and three pence, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries of the Officers and Attendants of the House of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland; The Committee divided:

21. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty thousand and four hundred pounds, 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, and of Her Majesty's Privy Council in Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845.

22. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Four thousand nine hundred and seventy-nine pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Office of the Paymaster of Civil Services in Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845.

23. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Six thousand nine hundred and twenty-four pounds, 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 1845.

24. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirty-nine thousand and two hundred and fifty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of Her Majesty's Foreign and other Secret Services, to the 31st day of March 1845.

25. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty thousand three hundred and sixty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, in the year 1844, the Expense of Buildings and Fittings at the Office of the Solicitor for the Affairs of Her Majesty's Treasury, to the 31st day of March 1845.

26. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One hundred and fifty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Solicitor for the Affairs of Her Majesty's Treasury, to the 31st day of March 1845.

27. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Board of Public Works in Ireland, and for providing Stationery, Printing and Binding; for the several Departments of Government in England, Scotland, Ireland and the Colonies, and for providing Stationery, Printing and Paper for Printing for the Two Houses of Parliament, including the Expense of the Stationery Office, to the 31st day of March 1845.

28. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty thousand three hundred and sixty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Board of Public Works in Ireland, and for providing Stationery, Printing and Binding; for the several Departments of Government in England, Scotland, Ireland and the Colonies, and for providing Stationery, Printing and Paper for Printing for the Two Houses of Parliament, including the Expense of the Stationery Office, to the 31st day of March 1845.

29. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Forty thousand and two hundred and fifty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Office of the Solicitor for the Affairs of Her Majesty's Treasury, to the 31st day of March 1845.

30. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighteen thousand and four hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, in the year 1844, the Expenses incurred by Sergeants' Expenses, to make good the Deficiency of the Fees in the Office of the Solicitor for the Affairs of Her Majesty's Treasury, to the 31st day of March 1845.

31. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty-six thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the County Rates, to the 31st day of March 1845.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Gold and Silver Wares Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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.

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 Woodstock, in the room of Frederic Thesziger, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the office of Her Majesty's Solicitor General.

Ordered, That the Return of the Number of Criminal Lunatics now under Confinement; specifying the Name, Age and Sex of each Person, the Place of Confinement, the Nature of Offence committed, and the Period at which such Confinement commenced, which was presented upon the 22d day of May, in the last Session of Parliament, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Marts, 16° die Aprilis; Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

East India.

Mr. Campbell, from the Court of Directors of the East India Company, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, List (No. 112), specifying the Particulars of the Compensation proposed to be granted to a Person who belonged to the late Maritime Service of the East India Company, and to the Widows and Family of Persons who belonged to the same Service, under an arrangement sanctioned by the Board of Commissioners for the Affairs of India, and laid before the Honourable the House of Commons on the 26th February 1835, and then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Brotherton presented a Bill for opening certain Streets and otherwise improving the Town of Salford, and for amending an Act passed in the eleventh year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, for better cleansing and improving the said Town of Salford, in the County Palatine of Lancaster: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Petitions of Ship-owners, Merchants, Manufacturers, Traders and others, in the Port of Sunderland, in the county of Durham; and, Merchants, Manufacturers, Traders and others, at Manchester, in the county of Lancaster; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Petitions of Owners and Occupiers of land in the county of Essex; and, Thomas Philip Earl de Grey; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2) Bill, and that the Harwich Railway and Purse Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Petitions of Samuel Cooper, the elder, of the Colchester parish of Dedham, in the county of Essex; and Harwich and Harwich must Cooper, the younger, of the parish of Arlefield, in the county of Essex; the Reverend John Harrison, of the parish of Dinton, in the county of Buckinghamshire; John Anson, Esquire, of Ramsey, in the county of Essex; Farmer; Edward Roberts of Dedham, in the county of Essex, Esquire; and, John Hempson, of Ramsey, in the county of Essex, Farmer; praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2) Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

An ingrossed Bill to authorize the letting on Lease to the Eastern Counties Railway Company of the Eastern Railways and Works of the Northern and Eastern Railway Company, and to give effect to certain Arrangements entered into by the said Companies; and to amend and enlarge some of the provisions of the Acts relating to the first-named Company, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Eastern Counties Railway (Branch) Bill. And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Thursday next.

Petitions of Thomas Eastwood, of Brindle Lodge, Blackburn, and, Sir and Preston Henry Bold Hoghton, of Hoghton Tower, in the county of Lancaster, Baronet; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Blackburn and Preston Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Sir Edward Colebrooke reported from the Committee on the Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill, and Bradford Rail to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; that they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had considered the other Petitions; and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills; and 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Yarmouth and Norwich Railway Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Thursday next.

A Petition.
A Petition of Inhabitants of the borough of Arm- 
del, in the county of Susses, praying that they may be 
heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts 
of the Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the 
Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, 
by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if 
they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the 
Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That Mr. Trotton Egerton do carry the 
Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of Members of the Company of Proprietors of the South-Eastern Navigation of the River Medway, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the South Eastern Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the 
Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, 
by themselves, their counsel or agents, against their 
Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the 
Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That Mr. Couper do make the Repor 
from the Committee to whom the Manchester, Bury 
and Rosendale Railway and Manchester and Leeds 
Railway (Bury Branch) Bills were referred; and 
that such Report be made To-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration 
the Report on the Glossop Market Bill; and the 
Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, 
be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration North British 
the Report on the North British Railway Bill.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the South-Eastern 
Navigation of the River Medway, praying that they 
may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, 
against certain parts of the South Eastern Railway Bill, 
was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the 
Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, 
by themselves, their counsel or agents, against their 
Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the 
Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till 
Thursday next.

A Petition of Tea Merchants, Grocers and others, Ten. 
Inhabitants of Edinburgh, praying the House to 
make such a reduction in the duty on Tea as may 
be deemed expedient in promoting its greater con- 
sumption in this country, and the increase of our 
trade with China, was presented, and read; and 
ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That Mr. Thorley reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions 
upon the 1st and 2d days of Report.) 
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; 
and be printed.

A Petition of Members of the Anti-Tithe Law Poor Law. 
and Anti-Poor Law Association of Pembroke, and 
of Rate and Tithe Payers, praying for alteration of 
the Poor Law Amendment Act, was presented, and 
read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion being made, That the Amendments made by the 
Committee to whom the Manchester, Bury Bury, and 
Leeds Railway (Bury Branch) Bills were referred; 
and that such Report be made To-morrow.

Petitions from Brighton;—Chichester;—Rochester and Strood;—Newcastle;—Gateshead;—Blackburn;—and other Towns in the North of England, praying the House to 
reduce the duty on Tobacco, was presented, and read; and 
ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That Mr. Wilson Patten do carry the 
Bill to the Lords; and ascertain them, that this 
House hath agreed to the Amendments made by 
their Lordships.

Ordered, That Mr. Tatton Egerton do carry the 
Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That Mr. Couper do make the Repor 
from the Committee to whom the Manchester, Bury 
and Rosendale Railway and Manchester and Leeds 
Railway (Bury Branch) Bills were referred; and 
that such Report be made To-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration 
the Report on the Glossop Market Bill; and the 
Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, 
be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration North British 
the Report on the North British Railway Bill.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the South-Eastern 
Navigation of the River Medway, praying that they 
may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, 
against certain parts of the South Eastern Railway Bill, 
was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the 
Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, 
by themselves, their counsel or agents, against their 
Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the 
Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till 
Thursday next.

A Petition of Tea Merchants, Grocers and others, Ten. 
Inhabitants of Edinburgh, praying the House to 
make such a reduction in the duty on Tea as may 
be deemed expedient in promoting its greater con-
sumption in this country, and the increase of our 
trade with China, was presented, and read; and 
ordered to lie upon the Table.

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

A Petition of Manufacturers of Tobacco in New- 
castle-upon-Tyne and its neighbourhood, praying the 
House to pass such a law for the protection of 
the Revenue and the fair trader, as will afford the 
Excise due power, whereby they may be enabled to 
detect smuggled Tobacco, whether raw or manufac-
tured, as well upon the premises of manufacturers 
and dealers, as while in transit throughout the 
kingdom, was presented, and read; and referred to the 
Select Committee on Tobacco Trade.

A Petition of Residents in the town of Blackburn, 
praying the House to reduce the duty on Tobacco 
to a very low rate, was also presented, and read; and 
referred to the said Select Committee.
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Local Courts.

Petitions from Cuallo Saint Panhrinaple;—and, 
Llanarth; praying that a Bill for establishing Local 
Courts for the decision of small causes may speedily 
pass into a law, with such provisions as may render 
its operations as beneficial to the Principality of 
Wales, as to the other parts of the kingdom,—were 
presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the 
Table.

Medical Profession.

A Petition of William Moorean, a legally-qua-
lified Medical Practitioner, praying for the formation 
of one faculty of Medicine and Surgery for the 
United Kingdom, having Boards of Examiners in 
London, Edinburgh and Dublin, to grant medical 
degrees under uniform regulations, was presented, 
and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Saint Asaph and Bangor Dioceses.

Petitions of Clergy of the Diocese of Gloucester 
and Bristol, in the Deaneries of Cirencester 
and Fairford;—and, Thomas Newsome, Clerk, Rector 
of Shely; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 
6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the 
Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor,—were presented, 
and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Prisons (Scotland) Bill.

Petitions from Sanquhar;—and, Cullen; praying 
that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill may not pass into 
a law, as it now stands,—were presented, and read; 
and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Schoolmasters (Scotland.)

A Petition of Parochial Schoolmasters of the 
Presbytery of Brechin, in the county of Forfar, 
praying the House to adopt measures forameliorat-
ing the condition of the Burgh and Parochial School-
masters of Scotland, was presented, and read; 
and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Alfred Moore.

A Petition of Alfred Moore, stating that he is a 
hawker regularly licensed according to Act of 
Parliament; that on 1st September 1843 while calling 
the town of Strewbridg, he was stopped by a police-
man who demanded his license, which was imme-
diately shown to him; that the policeman without 
sufficient grounds took him to the station-house; 
that he was subsequently taken before the magis-
trate at the town-hall, when he was sentenced to 
three months' imprisonment and hard labour in 
the house of correction, for seeking to obtain money 
under false pretences; and praying for an investi-
gation into the circumstances of his case, was pre-
sented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the 
Table.

Maynooth College.

A Petition of Members of the Operative Pro-
testant Association, and other Inhabitants of the 
city of York and its vicinity, praying the House to 
insist an inquiry into the class-books and stand-
ards of instruction used in Maynooth, into the pro-
vincial statutes of the papal bishops in the province 
of Leinster, where this College is situated, into the 
standard of the diocesan conferences appointed in 
those statutes by the bishops for their priests, in 
which they train them to direct the consciences of 
the people, into the code of laws added to that 
standard in 1832, and into the questions of their 
conferences as they appear in their own directories 
for the last eleven years, was presented, and read; 
and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Railway Companies.

A Petition of Merchants and other Inhabitants 
of the town of Dundalk and vicinity, in the county 
of Louth, praying the House to reject all clauses 
in Railway Bills, having for their object the granting 
powers to Railroad Companies of becoming also 
steam-vessel proprietors, also to reject all clauses 
empowering the said Companies to lend money on 
the security of any description of property, or to 
insert in clauses for leading money on the security 
of property, words excepting property in steam 
shipping, was presented, and read; and ordered to 
lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Manager, Overlookers, &c. 
Factories 
another and other Operatives above the age of six, 
that the Poor of the borough of Newcastle upon Tyne, praying that 
their clause may be inserted in the Poor Law Amend-
ment Bill, by which it shall be enacted, that the owners 
of the occupiers of all houses and 
apartments let at a rent not exceeding £10 a year, 
may be assessed to the poor's rate for such houses 
and apartments, was presented, and read; and or-
dered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of the Anti-Tithe Law 
and Anti-Poor Law Association of Pembroke, and 
other Acts of Rate and Tithe-payers, praying for alteration of the 
Tithe Commutation Act, was presented, and 
read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses 
County Courts of the borough of Hastings, in the county of Sussex, 
praying that the County Courts Bill may pass into 
a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie 
upon the Table.

A Petition of Magistrates, Clergymen, Gentlemen, 
Merchants, Farmers and Traders of N. Eng., in the 
counties of Devon and Armagh, praying the House 
to extend to Ireland the provisions of the said Bill, 
with such alterations and amendment, if any, as the 
circumstances of the case may require, was also 
presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the 
Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Eriet Union with 
Keron, in the county of Tyrone, praying for a repeal 
Ireland. 
of the Licensure Union between Great Britain and 
Ireland, was presented, and read; and ordered to 
lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Minister and other Members 
Murrnages of the Congregation of Roundstone, in the County of (Ire.) 
Galway, in connection with the General Assembly of the 
Presbyterian Church in Ireland, praying the House 
to pass a Bill to declare valid to all intents and 
and purposes in law, all Marriages heretofore solemn-
ized or hereafter to be solemnized by Presbyterian 
Ministers in Ireland, between parties not within 
the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and 
who have the consent of parents or guardians, 17 and provided that all such Marriages shall be so-
lemnized and registered agreeably to the published 
law of the Irish Presbyterian Church, was presented, 
and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That be laid before this House, Scindia.
A Copy of a Letter from Lord Lake to Maharajah 
Dowul Rao Scindia, dated the 1st day of July 
1800.

Resolved, That an Ineligible 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 Expenditure of 
£12,063.17s. 6d. charged in the Civil Contingen-
cies
Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Ordered, That the said 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 Amount expended in the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, for Salaries and Expenses of Queen's Messengers and extra Couriers, in the year 1843, stating the Names of the Messengers on the Establishment, and the Amount of Salary of each; and also, the Amount of Charges for each separate Messenger and Courier, the Places to which they were sent, and arrived; so as to exhibit the entire Charge of that Branch of Service in the year, and the Regulations under which they are 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.

Ordered, 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 Fee Fund in the Department of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council, as are

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, an Account of the Total Charge for Acts of Parliament supplied to Public Departments, and also under the Promotion Order, in the year 1843, arising from Beneficial Warrants, Orders and Appointments; stating, under separate heads, the Appointments for which Fees are charged, and the Rate of each class of Fees; also, a Statement of the Fees formerly received by the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

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, an Account of the Fee Fund of the Foreign Office, to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report of the Board of Works acting as Commissioners of Kingstown Harbour:—Of Minutes presented to the Board by Mr. Walker, Civil Engineer, and also into the Official Correspondence of the Railway Commissioners and their Secretary with the Board of Works, the Treasury or Commissioners of Kingstown Harbour, relating to Encroachments on same, or to the Construction of the Atmospheric Railway, since Date of last Returns:—Of Instructions to Mr. Walker, Civil Engineer, relative to the Works employed on, or being done for the Construction of the Atmospheric Railway and Kingstown Harbour:—And, of the Report and Evidence taken by Mr. Walker, and the Minutes or Orders thereon, with a Statement of the Amounts so received, under the various heads.

Ordered, 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 collected in the Isle of Man, for the 10th day of April 1844, from Date of last Returns.

Ordered, That the Petition of Owen Owen Roberts, relative to Bangor Free Grammar School, Bangor Grammar School, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Names of each Union in England and Wales, formed in pursuance of the Poor Law Amendment Act, according to the Register of the Assistant Commissioners; with the Names of each Assistant Commissioner; the Number of Parishes in each Union; the Area in Statute Acres (excepting the Welsh Unions), and the Population of each Union:—And, for each year, from 1840 to 1843 inclusive, the Weekly Average Number of Papercuts reliev ed in the Workhouse during each year; the Number of Medical Officers employed in each Union; the Aggregate Amount of their Salaries; the Aggregate Amount of Midwifery and Surgical Fees; the Total Amount paid to the Medical Officers in each year; the Rate per head of Medical Expenses on the Population of each Union in each year; and any Augmentation or Diminution of the Salaries of Medical Officers since the 25th day of March 1843.

Sir Robert Peel presented, by Her Majesty's Gutter, Command, — Copy of further Papers respecting Gutter.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That there be laid before this House, a Return of Excise, and the Names, Offices, Places of Birth, Salaries and Ages of all Persons holding Offices in the Customs, Excise and Post-office Departments of the United Kingdom, with the Dates of their Appointment and present Location:—It passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of Irish Income which is assessed to the Property Tax in Great Britain: distinguishing the Amount charged under each Schedule:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question was pro Property Tax, proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of Irish Income which is assessed to the Property Tax in Great Britain: distinguishing the Amount charged under each Schedule:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question was pro Anatomy Act, 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 all Communications, with the Names of the Commissioners of Kingstown Harbour, relating to the Works of the Anatomy Act, and also into the Official Conduct of any Inspector or Inspectors of Schools of Anatomy for England, Scotland and Wales; with
the Dates of each Commission, and Reports (if any) of the Evidence taken by the said Commissioners:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House was moved, That the Report which, upon the 16th day of June 1841, was made one of the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the present state of the National Monuments and Works of Art in Westminster Abbey, in Saint Paul’s Cathedral and in other Public Edifices, to consider the best means for their protection, and for affording facilities to the public for their inspection, as a means of moral and intellectual improvement for the People, might be read; and the same was read, as follows:

"That your Committee strongly deprecate any course which could create an impression that Churches were at any time to be considered merely in the light of places for the exhibition of Works of Art; but it is their opinion that as, by increased facilities of admission to the inspection of these Works of Art, civilization has been encouraged and public taste improved, so a more free admission to religious edifices, under proper regulation, may be made conducive, not merely to the gratification of curiosity and the acquisition of historical knowledge, but to the growth and progress of religious impressions, by leading the mind of the spectator from the contemplation of the building to a consideration of the views with which, and the purposes for which, it was originally erected, and is still maintained: your Committee entertain a hope that arrangements may be made by the Cathedral Authorities, to allow the larger portions of Westminster Abbey, and of Saint Paul’s and other Cathedrals throughout the Country, to be open freely to the public daily; and especially on Sundays, reconciling such free admission with the due and undisturbed performance of religious services, though it may be required to continue a small reduced fee, or other sufficient restriction, in regard to the chapels and smaller or more intricate portions of those edifices; your Committee think it right to add, that if the greater freedom of admission to those Churches should lead, as it probably must, to an increase of the number of officers employed in their superintendence, the additional expense ought to be defrayed from other funds than those belonging to the Cathedrals."

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That this House, taking into consideration the exemplary conduct of the people during the occupation with the due and undisturbed performance of religious services, though it may be required to continue a small reduced fee, or other sufficient restriction, in regard to the chapels and smaller or more intricate portions of those edifices; your Committee think it right to add, that if the greater freedom of admission to those Churches should lead, as it probably must, to an increase of the number of officers employed in their superintendence, the additional expense ought to be defrayed from other funds than those belonging to the Cathedrals."

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the said Motion be referred to the Select Committee appointed, "and the question being proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Resolution of the Committee to the effect that, "and the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That there be laid before this House, a Resolution of the Committee to the effect that, "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 Wednesday morning;
27. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirty Law Charges, three thousand and four hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of Law Charges, and the Salaries, Allowances and incidental Expenses in the Office of the Solicitor for the Affairs of Her Majesty's Treasury, to the 31st day of March 1845.

28. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Fourteen Gold and Silver thousand and three hundred and sixty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray with the Prosecution of Offenders against the Laws relating to Gold and Silver Coin, to the 31st day of March 1845.

29. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One County Rates, hundred and fifty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, in the year 1844, certain Charges hitherto paid out of the County Rates.

30. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eight-shepherds' teen thousand and four hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards the Expenses of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for carrying into execution the Act for the Amendment of the Laws relating to the Poor in Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845.

31. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirty thousand and five hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for the Expenses of the Prison Commissioners for carrying into execution the Act for the Prosecution of Offenders against the Laws relating to Beggars, to the 31st day of March 1845.

32. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eight-practitioners', five thousand five hundred and eighty-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Prison for Juvenile Offenders in the Isle of Wight, to the 31st day of March 1845.

33. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty twenty thousand and four hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Penitentiary Prison, to the 31st day of March 1845.

34. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Forty-three thousand and six hundred and eighty-nine pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Millbank Prison, to the 31st day of March 1845.

35. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Three thousand and nine hundred and seventy-two pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries of the Commissioners of the Insolvent Debtors' Court, of their Clerks, and the Contingent Expenses of the Court and Office, to the 31st day of March 1845; also, the Expenses attendant upon the Circuit.

36. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Six Prisons, two thousand and four hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Prison for Juvenile Offenders in the Isle of Wight, to the 31st day of March 1845.

37. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Sixty-law Charges, three thousand nine hundred and thirty-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of Law Charges, and the Salaries, Allowances and incidental Expenses in the Office of the Solicitor for the Affairs of Her Majesty's Treasury, to the 31st day of March 1845.

38. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Sixteen Gold and Silver thousand and three hundred and sixty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray with the Prosecution of Offenders against the Laws relating to Gold and Silver Coin, to the 31st day of March 1845.

40. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Sixty-six, Convict Depot thousand three hundred and ninety-two pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Charge of the Public Offices and the Metropolitan Police of Dublin, to the 31st day of March 1845.

41. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eight-shepherds', seven thousand and ninety pounds, be granted to
Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Con-

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Ordered, That an Abstract of the Return relative to Justices' Clerks and Constables, which was pre-
sented yesterday, be printed.

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, 17° die Aprilis :

Anno 7° Victoriae Regionis, 1844.

PRAYERS.

THE House met; and being counted by Mr. Adjournment.

Speaker, it appeared that Forty Members were not present; yet it being four of the clock, Mr.

Speaker took the Chair, and again counted the House; and Forty Members not being present:—
The House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till To-morrow.

Jovis, 18° die Aprilis

Anno 7° Victoriae Regionis, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Saint Andrew's
Commissioners, was called in; and at the Ward (Dublin),
bar presented, pursuant to Order.—A Copy of a Report
of W. J. Hancock, Esquire, Assistant Poor Law
Commissioner, upon the Late Election of a Poor Law Guardian for the Ward of Saint Andrews,
in the City of Dublin—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Scott, from the Office of the Commissioners National Debt,
for the Reduction of the National Debt, was called in;
and at the Bar presented, pursuant to the di-
rections of several Acts of Parliament,—An Ac-
count 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 Mo-
ney paid to the Commissioners for the Reduction
of the National Debt; and the Gross Amount of
Annuities for Lives and for Terms of Years which
have been granted for the same, under the Provi-
sions of the Acts 10 Geo. 4, c. 24, and 3 Will. 4,
c. 14, within the year ending 5th January 1844.

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 (including Friendly Societies),
in Great Britain and Ireland, from their commence-
ment at 6th August 1817 to the 20th November 1843, inclusive:—Also, an Account of all Expenses
incurred by the said Commissioners, for Salaries of
Clerks or other Incidental Charges, during the pre-
ceding year:—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Malety, from the Trinity House, was called Trinity House
in; and at the Bar presented, pursuant to Order,—
Returns of the whole Receipt and Revenue of the
Corporation of Trinity House of Deptford Street;
distinguishing the particular sources from which the
same are derived; together with a particular and
detailed Account of the Appropriation of the same,
for each of the years 1841 to 1843, both inclusive,
in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 445,
of Session 1842:—And, of the Number of Pen-
sioners receiving Relief from the Corporation of
Trinity House of Deptford Street, on the 1st day
of January in each year, commencing on the 1st
day of January 1841; distinguishing Men, Women
and Children, and specifying the Rate of Pension
allowed to each class of Pensioners; the Names of the
the Ports or Places at or in the vicinity of which the Parties receiving Pensions reside, and the Number of Men, Women and Children at each Port; with a Copy of the Rules of Admission, showing the Age which qualifies Petitioners to be admitted to a Pension; also, an Account of the Number of Vacancies which have occurred by the Death or Disqualification of Pensions in each of the last three years, commencing on the 1st day of January 1843; distinguishing the Number of Vacancies occasioned by the Death or Disqualification of Male Pensioners from the Number by Female Pensioners:

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

Mr. Law, from the Treasury, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Orders,—An Account of the Net Public Income of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in the year ended the 5th day of April 1844, after abating the Expenditure thereout defrayed by the several Revenue Departments, and of the actual Issues or Payments within the same period, exclusive of the Sums applied to the Redemption of Funded or paying off Unfunded Debt, and of the Advances and Repayments for Local Works, &c.

An Abstract of the Returns attending the Trial of the Maltese Azzopardi, for Murder, before the Central Criminal Court, on the 12th day of May 1845, including the Transport of the said Prisoner and the Witnesses against him from Smyrna, and the Compensation paid to the Witnesses for their Attendance on the said Trial.

Accounts of the Quantities of Coals, Cinders and Coke shipped at the several Ports of England, Scotland and Ireland, Coastways, to other Ports of the United Kingdom, in the year 1843; distinguishing the Quantity shipped at each of the said Ports, as compared with the year 1842.—Of the Quantities and declared Value of Coals, Cinders and Coke exported from the several Ports of England, Scotland and Ireland to Foreign Countries, and the British Settlements Abroad, in the year 1843; distinguishing the Countries to which the same were sent, and comparing the same with the year 1842; also, distinguishing the Ports of the United Kingdom from which the same were shipped.—Of the Quantities of Coals, Cinders and Coke exported from the United Kingdom in the year 1843, with the Rate and Amount of Duty thereon;—And, of the Quantities of Coals brought Coastways and by Inland Navigation into the Port of London during the year 1843, comparing the same with the Quantities brought during the years 1842 and 1841.

Return to an Order, dated the 22nd day of February last, for Returns of the Quantity of Coals exported from the several Ports of Newcastle, Sunderland and Montrose, in each of the years 1841, 1842 and 1843; distinguishing the Coals shipped to British Possessions from those shipped to Foreign Parts;—And, of the Total Quantity of Coals exported from the United Kingdom to Foreign Parts in each Quarter of the years, from 1828 to 1843, inclusive; distinguishing Round Coals from Small, with the Amount of Duty paid in each Quarter.

Return to an Order, dated the 4th day of March last, for a Return of the Number of Persons convicted before Magistrates for Smuggling, or being concerned in the Smuggling of Tobacco in the United Kingdom, distinguishing England, Ireland, and Scotland, between the 1st day of January 1843 and the 1st day of January 1844, naming the Places where each Conviction occurred; distinguishing those cases heard by Magistrates, where the weight has been over Six pounds, and stating the weight in both cases; and also specifying whether the Tobacco seized was manufactured, or was not manufactured; and also stating the Amount of Fine or Imprisonment imposed in each case, and whether the Party paid the Fine, or suffered the Imprisonment: also, the Cost of maintaining the Prisoners in Goal; And the like Return between the 1st day of January 1843 and the 1st day of January 1844:—And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Committee relating to Public Income and Expenditure, be printed.

Mr. Loutcher presented a Bill for uniting the York and Leeds Light Company and the York and Leeds Union Gas Light Company, and for more effectually lighting with Gas the City of York and the Suburbs and Vicinity thereof, in the County of York: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Magistrates, Manufacturers, Shop- and other Inhabitants of the town and neighbourhood of Keighley, in the West Riding of the county of York, praying that the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bradford Branch) Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of James Marquis of Abercorn, praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Magistrates, Proprietors of the Navigation of the River Medway, and other Inhabitants of the counties of Kent and Sussex, praying that the South Eastern Railway Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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An ingrossed Bill to authorize the Purchase of Birkenhead "Mann's Ferry," by the Commissioners for the Improvement of Birkenhead, Cloughton-cum-Grange, and part of Oxtos, in the County of Chester, and for amending the Acts relating to the said Commissioners, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Sir Philip Egerton do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions of shareholders in a Company called the South Eastern Railway Company, praying that the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bradford Branch) Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of Thomas Stebbard, of Pollokston-Brighton, in the county of Sussex, Esquire, a Member of the House, and of Owners and Occupiers of lands and property on the line of a projected Railway from the London and Brighton Railway to Hastings, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts thereof;—were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas Stebbard, of Pollokston-Brighton, in the county of Sussex, Esquire, a Member of the House, and of Owners and Occupiers of lands and property on the line of a projected Railway from the London and Brighton Railway to Hastings, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Brighton, Lewes and Hastings Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.
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Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill.

Petitions of Hugh Wyatt, of Cisbury, in the county of Sussex, Esquire;—and, Trustees of and Contributors to the ferry at Littledown, in the county of Sussex;—praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Ordered, That the Petition of Commissioners for erecting Piers in, and for repairing and keeping in repair the harbour of Littlehampton, called Arundel Port, in the county of Sussex, and for improving the Navigation of the River Arun from the said Harbour to the town of Arundel, in the same county, which was presented upon the 8th day of March last, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against the application for the Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill, be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill.

An ingrossed Bill for establishing a Market in the Town of Glossop, in the County of Derby, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Earl of Arundel and Surrey do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill.

Petitions of Trustees for executing an Act for more effectually repairing and improving the Road from Conway to Pwllheli, and other Roads therein mentioned, in the counties of Carnarvon and Denbigh;—Mortgagees of the Tolls of certain Turnpike-roads under the provisions of and regulated by an Act passed in the second year of the reign of his late Majesty, for more effectually repairing and improving the Road from Conway to Pwllheli, and other Roads therein mentioned, in the Counties of Carnarvon and Denbigh;—Trustees for executing the several Acts for improving and repairing certain Roads in the counties of Flint and Chester, and for better maintaining the Ferry over the River Dee, called the Lower King's Ferry, in the said county of Flint;—United Company of Proprietors of the Chester Canal;—Sir Stephen Cullum, of Hardwick House, in the said county, Doctor in Divinity, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the said Bill, was also presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

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The Order of the day being read, for resuming Yarmouth and Norwich Railway Bill, the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed and Norwich Railway Bill to be now read a second time; and the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Town of Glossop, in the County of Derby, was read the second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of Land-owners, Merchants, Manufactures, and others, Inhabitants within the division of Stipendiary Magistrates for the county of Lancashire, and of the Manchester Stipendiary Bill for the said division, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

South Devon Railway Bill.

A Petition of Share-holders in the proposed South Devon Railway Company, and other Inhabitants of the borough of Devonport, in the county of Devon, and its vicinity, praying that the South Devon Railway Company be not allowed to lay down a line into the said borough, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Petitions of the Plymouth Union Bath Company;—and, Plymouth and Dartmoor Railway Company; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the said Bill, were also presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgess of the Town of Bury Saint Edmunds, in the county of Suffolk, praying that the Eastern Union Railway Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Andrew Arcedeckne, of Glevering Hall, in the county of Suffolk, Esquire, and the Reverend Joshua Rousey, of East Bergholt, in the said county, Doctor in Divinity, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the said Bill, was also presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Hugh Wyatt, of Cisbury, in the county of Sussex, Esquire;—and, Trustees of and Contributors to the ferry at Littlehampton, in the county of Sussex, Esquire;—and, Trustees of and contributors to the ferry at Littlehampton, in the county of Sussex;—praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the said Bill, were also presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.
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Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne, and Manchester Railway Bill.

Petitions of John Kevansworth, of Ashton-under-Lyne, in the county of Lancaster; and the Right Honourable George Harry Earl of Stamford and Warrington; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Standing Orders.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That in the case of the Rother Levels Drainage Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

2. Resolved, That in the case of the Manchester Royal Infirmary, &c., Petition, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

3. Resolved, That in the case of the Manchester Bonding Petition, for leave to present a Petition for a Bill, the Sessional Order ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to present a Petition accordingly.

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

Rother Levels Drainage Bill.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Manchester, for leave to bring in a Bill for the Warehousing of Foreign Goods for Home Consumption, at the borough of Manchester, in the county of Lancaster, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Manchester Royal Infirmary, &c.

A Petition of Jonathan Nield, John Clegg and John Hardman, three of the Trustees nominated and appointed under an Act for providing an additional Market-place in and for the Town of Rochdale, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Rochdale Improvement Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill, in favour of the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Rochdale Improvement Bill.

A Petition of Jonathan Nield, John Clegg and John Hardman, three of the Trustees nominated and appointed under an Act for providing an additional Market-place in and for the Town of Rochdale, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Rochdale Improvement Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill, in favour of the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Eastern Counties Railway (Brandon and Peterborough Extension) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed upon Tuesday last, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the Eastern Counties Railway (Brandon and Peterborough Extension) Bill, be now read a second time; and the Question being again proposed: The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put: It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The said Amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

London Gas Bill.

A Petition of the Minister, Churchwardens, Overseers and other Inhabitants of the parish of Paddington, in the county of Middlesex, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the London Gas Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

The House being informed, That the West Croft Nottingham (West Croft Canal) Improvement Bill was not properly prepared; Ordered, That the Order for the second reading of the said Bill be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The House was moved, That the Report, in re West Croft, was to be read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, might be read; and the same being read:

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for altering and amending an Act passed in the Third year of the reign of Her present Majesty, for inclosing certain Lands in the Town and County of the Town of Nottingham; And that Sir John Hobhouse and Mr. Gisborne do prepare, and bring it in.

The House being informed, That the Nottingham (West Croft Canal) Improvement Bill was not properly prepared; Ordered, That the Order for the second reading of the said Bill be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect Nottingham (West Croft Canal) Improvement Bill, which, upon the 6th day of March last, was made from the Select Committee (No. 2.) Bill, on Petitions for Private Bills, might be read; and the same being read:

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for amending the Provisions of an Act for forming a Canal and other Works within and near certain Lands called The West Croft, in the Parish of Saint Mary, in the Town and County of the Town of Nottingham, and for making certain Improvements within the said Town; And that Sir John Hobhouse and Mr. Gisborne do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Cooper reported from the Committee on the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bury Branch) and the Manchester, Bury and Rosendale Railway Bills (Competing Lines); and to whom several Petitions against the said Bills were referred; That they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of each of the said Bills; That they had examined and taken Evidence upon the comparative merits of the two Bills referred to them; and had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Manchester and Leeds (Bury Branch) Railway Bill; but that the said Bill had not been proved to their satisfaction; That they had examined the allegations of the Manchester, Bury and Rosendale Railway Bill, and found the same 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.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed upon Tuesday last, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the North British Railway Bill, be now read a second time; And the Question being again proposed: The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put: It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The said Amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

North British Railway Bill.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the words " That the " the end of the Question, in order to add the words " Report be taken into further consideration upon this day six months," instead thereof.

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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.

And the Question being put, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill be now read a second time—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The said Amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

An ingrossed Bill for enabling the Northern Coal Mining Company to raise Money for paying off existing Debts of the Company, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Hardy do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire the concurrence.

A Bill from the Lords, intitled, An Act for naturalizing Samuel Schuster, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Hardy do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

A Petition of Members of the Committee of Directors of the Undertakers of the Navigation of the Rivers Aire and Calder, in the county of York, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Leeds and Selby Railway Purchase (No. 2.) Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Members of the Committee of Directors of the Undertakers of the Navigation of the Rivers Aire and Calder, in the county of York, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the Manchester Royal Infirmary, &c., Bill, which was this day made from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and the same being read.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to enable the President, Treasurers, Deputy Treasurers, Benefactors, and Subscribers of and to the Manchester Royal Infirmary, Dispensary, and Lunatic Hospital or Asylum, to enlarge the said Infirmary, and to purchase and hold Land for the Erection of a new Lunatic Hospital or Asylum: And that Mr. Mark Philips and Mr. Milner Gibson do prepare, and bring it in.

Petitions from Bromley—Birmingham (two Petitions); Newark-upon-Trent; Ecton; Portsmouth; Poors and Gosport; Wednesbury; West Bromwich; Dudley; Mark S. Lee; Leamington Prizors; Worcester; and Coventry; praying that the Charitable Pawn Societies Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Merchants, Manufacturers, Traders, Common Carriers and others interested in the conveyance of goods by Railway, praying the House to secure to them the same benefit of a free competition in the inland carriage of goods as they enjoyed previously to the formation of Railways, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Railways.

A Petition of the Minister, Wardens and Mem- bers of the congregation of the Holy Trinity Chapel, in the borough of Birmingham, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Three Petitions from Chester, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time that speedy and conciliatory endeavours may be made for the establishment of a See at Manchester, by other means,—were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Inverkeithing—Leith (two Petitions); Queensferry—Duftermill;—and, Porto (Scotland) Bill belli; praying that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill may not pass into law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Stoverton;—and, Bridport (two Petitions); praying the House not to interfere with the (No. 2.) Bill, the Act upon the laws for regulating the hours of labour in Factories, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of a Meeting of Clergy, Merchants, Mill-owners, Manufacturers, Factory Operatives and other Inhabitants of Bradford, and its vicinity, in the West Riding of the County of York, praying that provision may be made in the Factories (No. 2.) Bill for limiting the labour of young persons to ten hours a day for five days in the week, and eight hours on the Saturday, and that none be admitted under nine years of age, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the Staffordshire Potteries Masters and Cheltenham (Chairman); and, Bath (Chairman); Servants Bill, praying that the Masters and Servants Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Aberdeen:—Glasgow (two Petitions) ;—and, Perth; praying the House to receive the Bills at present in existence respecting the subscription of Tests by Professors in the National Universities of Scotland, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Tea-dealers and others, praying the Tea House to make such a reduction in the duty on Tea, as may be deemed expedient in promoting its greater consumption in this country, and the increase of our trade with China, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Dublin:—Glenealy;—Newtown Marriages Stewart (two Petitions);—Portaferry;—Stranraer (Ireland) bar;—Durnamana;—Ardsdale;—Orney;—Killiter; Donaghadee;—Furthong;—Croghan;—Aughnacloy Ballymacnally;—and, Westport; praying the House to introduce without delay into Parliament a Bill to declare valid to all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages hereafter solemnized or hereafter to be solemnized by Presbyterian Ministers in Ireland, between parties not within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and who have the consent of parents or guardians; and provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and recorded accordingly to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Rate-payers and Inhabitants of Poor Relief electoral division of Ross, in the Poor Law Union (Ireland) Act, of
of New Ross, in the county of Wexford, praying for amendment of the Poor Relief (Ireland) Act, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Coal-owners, Merchants, Shipowners and others interested in the Coal Trade, resident in the borough of Hartlepool, praying for repeal of the duty on Coals exported, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Sunderland, praying the House, not to impose any additional tax upon Coal for the purposes of embanking the River Thames, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Sunderland, stating, that of late years the loss of life and property at sea has fearfully increased; that it is the opinion of the Petitioners that if the masters and mates of vessels had to undergo an examination into their qualifications for situations, and the navigation of unsavoury ships were prevented, fewer lives would be lost, and a large amount of property invested in our mercantile marine thereby saved; and praying the House to pass a law for the protection of life and property at sea, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Residents in the town of Bolton, praying for a reduction of the duty on Tobacco, was presented, and referred to the Select Committee on Tobacco Trade.

Petitions from Ford, and Doddingston; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no further alteration may be made in the existing Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the President of the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no further alteration may be made in the existing Corn Laws, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Parochial Schoolmasters of the Presbyterian Church at Wood, praying the House to adopt measures for ameliorating the condition of the Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Manser Sutton presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 23d day of this instant April, for Returns of the Number of Persons taken into custody for Drunkenness, and for Disorderly Conduct, by the Metropolitan Police, in each year, from 1831 to 1843; stating the Population of the Metropolitan Police District in the years 1831 and 1843;—And a similar Return for the City of London, (so far as relates to the Metropolitan Police.)

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

The Earl of Lincoln presented, pursuant to Order,—Copy of any Report of Mr. Provise to the Committee on Tobacco Trade. Order, That the Petition of Alfred Moore, Alfred Moore, which was presented upon Tuesday last, be printed.
A Motion being made, That this House will, To-morrow, 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 Salaries and Compensations to be granted in pursuance of an Act of the present Session for the Recovery of Small Demands in the County Courts of England;

Sir James Graham, 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.

Mr. Gladstone presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Commercial Tariffs and Regulations of the several States of Europe and America, together with the Commercial Treaties between England and Foreign Countries (Part the 14th, Portugal).

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

Ordered, That the Detached Parts of Counties 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.

Ordered, That the Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

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

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next, resolve itself into a Committee upon the Masters and Servants Bill.

Ordered, That the Report on the County Coroner's Bill be now taken into further consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Report into further consideration:—And the Bill was re-committed to a Committee of the whole House for To-morrow.

Ordered, That the County Court (County Palatine of Lancaster) Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

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Ordered, That the Charitable Pawn Societies Bill be read; and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Court of Chancery (County Palatine of Lancaster) Bill be read a second time on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Church Temporalities (Ireland) Bill be read a second time upon Thursday the 2d day of May next.

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

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Ordered, That the fifth and sixteenth of the Resolutions which, upon Tuesday last, were reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolutions were then postponed, be taken into further consideration To-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, representing, that in the Opinion of
that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Margport and Carlisle Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of Sir Henry Webb, Baronet, and William Adams Smith, Esquire, Members of the Provisional Committee of the Harwich Railway Company, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Salisbury and Harwich Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

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A Petition of the Union of Traders and Shipowners of the city of London, pray- ing that the Margport and Carlisle Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

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in the county of Lancaster, Esquire;—and, Trustees of the Manchester andSalterbrook Turnpike-road; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the said Bill,were also presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Petitions of Inhabitants of the town and borough of Sheffield, in the West Riding of the county of York;—and, Board for repair of the Highways in the town of Sheffield, in the county of York; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Sheffield United Gas Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of John Bagshaw, Chairman of the Provincial Committee of the Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2.), praying that the Bill for incorporating the Eastern Union Railway Company may not pass into a law, and that the same may be referred to a Select Committee of Five Members of the House, and that the Plans and Sections of the Colchester and Harwich Line may be examined by the Committee of Selection; and that it may be declared by such Committee of Selection that the line laid down on the said Plans is a competing Line with the Eastern Union Line, and that thereupon the same may be referred to a specially-constituted Committee of Five Members, along with the said Eastern Union Line, and that the Petitioner may, by his counsel or agent, be heard before the Committee to which such Eastern Union Railway Bill shall be referred, against the preamble thereof, and against the clauses and provisions thereof, or that the House shall be pleased to order that the Committee on the said Eastern Union Railway Bill shall be postponed until after the specially-constituted committee on the Competing Harwich Railway Bills shall have made their Report, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of property on the line of Railway called the Eastern Union Railway, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Eastern Union Railway Bill, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Sir Oswald Mosley, of Rolleston Hall, in the county of Stafford, Baronet, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Manchester Police Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of William Marvell, of Ashton-under-Lyne, in the county of Lancaster, Farmer, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Bill, and that the Ashton, Stalybridge and Liverpool Junction Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bills; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of the Manchester and Birmingham Railway Company, praying that the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Bill may pass into a law, and that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Ashton, Stalybridge and Liverpool Junction Railway Bill, was also presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bills; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Ashton, Stalybridge and Liverpool Junction Railway Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of the South Eastern Railway Company, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Brighton, Lewes and Hastings Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Merchants, Traders and Shipowners of and to the Manchester Royal Infirmary, Dispensary and Lunatic Hospital or Asylum, to enlarage the said Infirmary, and to purchase and hold Land for the Erection of a new Lunatic Hospital or Asylum: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Ordered, That the Copies of the Reports of the Liverpool acting Conservator of the River Mersey to the Commissioners for the Conservancy of the Mersey, under the Act 5 and 6 Vic. c. 110, in each of the years 1843 and 1844, which were presented upon the 4th day of March last, be referred to the Committee on the Liverpool Docks Bill.

Petitions from Dublin;—Dunmanus;—Cork: Marriages being held within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and who have the consent of parents or guardians, and provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered according to the provisions of the Irish Presbyterian Church, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Kilkeary;—Falkland;—Pitten;—Frensham were in Fife;—Crail (Chairman);—Aberdeenshire (Scotland) Bill, in Fife;—Anstruther Easter (Chairman);—Banff;—and, Glasgow; praying that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thorncroft reported from the Select Committee Public Petitions on Public Petitions; That they had examined the (Sixteenth Report) Petitions presented upon the 13th and 16th days April, 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.

Petitions
Factories.

Petitions from Southwark; — Clerkenwell and Spitalfields; — Leithington; — Lambeth; — Bermondsey; — Chelsea and Pimlico; — Hoxton and Kingsland; — Westminster; — Leeds (Chairman); — Norwood (William Esenman); — Burnley and Hoveham Estes (Chairman); — and, Huddersfield (Chairman); praying the House to pass a Bill in the present Session of Parliament, limiting the labour of young persons and children to ten hours per day to five days in the week, and to eight hours on the Saturday, and prohibiting the employment of children in Factories under nine years of age, — were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Tea.

A Petition of Tea-dealers of the city of Carlisle, praying that such a reduction may be made in the duty on Tea as may be deemed expedient for promoting its greater consumption in this country, and the increase of our trade with China, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Tea and Sugar.

A Petition of Merchants, Ship-owners and other Inhabitants of the city of Glasgow, praying the House to make such a liberal reduction on the Duties of Tea and Sugar, as may be deemed expedient for promoting their greater consumption, and the increase of our trade with China and other countries, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sugar.

A Petition of Hand-loom Weavers of Manchester, praying the House to repeal the differential Sugar Duties, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Corn Laws.

Petitions from Whiston; — Alford; — Ferry; — Scampston; — Rawby; — Tumby; — Softy; — Wood Endby; — Saldmo; — Westgton; — Horkington; — Thedby; — Markis; — East Barkwith; — Great Sturton; — Hatton; — Greetham; — West Asby; — Bag Endby; — Moory and Claxby; — Wilksby; — Moorham-le-Fen; — High Town; — Backhall; — Edlington; — Holberdy; — Asgory; — Sizewold; — Woodhall; — Reesby; — and, Langton-by-Wragby; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no further alteration may be made in the existing Corn Laws, — were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Charitable Pawn Societies Bill.

Petitions from Walsall; — Sunderland; — Wolverhampton; — Oxford; — Gloucester (three Petitions); — Saint Helen; — Leicester; — Ashton-under-Lyne (Chairman); — Halshaw Moor; — Rochdale (Chairman); — Norwich (Chairman); — Bermondsey (Chairman); — Lambley (Chairman); — Bristol (Chairman); — Edinburgh; — Halifex (Chairman) (two Petitions); — Preston (Chairman); — Warrington (Chairman) (two Petitions); — Burslem; — Burslem; — Wolverhampton (Chairman); — Manchester (two Petitions); — Rickermersworth; — Seasham Harbour (Chairman); — Leeds (three Petitions); — William Smith; — Carrington; — Sunderland (Chairman); — Bradford, (York); — Chemish (two Petitions); — Samuel Sowden; — and, Mountains; praying that the Masters and Servants Bill may not pass into law, — were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants of Wigton, praying that the Masters and Servants Bill; and, the Commons Inclosure Bill, may not pass into law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Rochdale, in the county of Lancaster, praying that the County Court (Commissary of the County Palatines) Bill may not pass into a law, and that the County Courts Bill may and, County Court Bills may not pass into a law, — were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Owners and Part-owners of steam vessels, Merchants, Traders and others at the port of Kingston-upon-Hull, praying the House not to pass any Bill which shall confer, either on existing Railway Companies or on those hereafter to be established, the power of building or employing steam vessels, or of embarking in steam navigation, — were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Railways.

Petitions of Inhabitants and Owners and Occurs South-Eastern piers of land in the parishes of Mayfield and Rosneath, in the county of Sussex; — and, Heathfield, Warbleston and Dallington, in the county of Sussex; praying that the South Eastern and Hastings Railway Bill may not pass into a law, — were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Thomas Law Hodges, of Heslep, in the parish of Beeston, in the county of Kent, Esquire, and of Edward Barrett Courtice, of Lensom, in the parish of Rye, in the county of Sussex, Esquire; — and, Inhabitants, Owners and Occupiers of lands and houses in the interior parts of the Wealds of Kent and Sussex, — praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the said Bill, — were also presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Petitions of Inhabitants of the barony of Gorbals, Gorbals Statute of the county of Lanark; — and, Statute Labour of the Magna Charta of Stonness, or the Magna Charta of Lanark; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Gorbals Statute Labour Bill, — were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of Proprietors or Factors for Proprietary-Paisley General tors of houses and other tenements in the town and Gas Bill, suburbs of Paisley, praying that the Paisley General Gas Bill may not pass into a law, and, that certain Petitions, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on Railways.

Petitions of George Basset and others, Inhabitant London Gas Householders within the districts included in the Bill, limits of a Bill now before the House for incorporating a Company styling themselves the London Gas Light Company; — William Saunders and others, Inhabitant Householders within the district included in the limits of a Bill now before the House for incorporating a Company styling themselves the London Gas Light Company; — James Moghbank and others, Inhabitant Householders within the districts included in the limits of a Bill now before the House for incorporating a Company styling themselves the London Gas Light Company; — J. L. Dale
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And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners, heard by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the Rother Levels Drainage Bill, which was this day made from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend three Acts for more effectually draining and preserving certain Marsh Lands or Low Grounds in the parishes of Kent and Sussex, draining into the River Rother and Channel of Appledore:—And that Mr. Darby and Mr. Carteira do prepare, and bring it in.

Petitions of his Grace the Duke of Norfolk;—Henry Lord Howard and the Honourable Henry Valentine Stafford Jerningham;—Thomas Attress, of Brighton;—in the county of Sussex, Gentleman;—and, Trustees for executing an Act for equalizing and improving the Road from Brighton to Shoreham, for building a Bridge over the River Adur, at New Shoreham, and for making a Road to Lancing, and a Branch Road thereto;—all in the county of Sussex;—praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners, heard by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of Charles Price and William White Thompson, complaining of the conduct of the magistrates before whom the Petitioners were summoned for the non-payment of a Church Rate made on behalf of Saint Mary's Church, Warwich, in the parish of Saint Mary, on January 18th 1841; and praying for inquiry into the case, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas King, Schoolmaster, setting forth, that the Petitioner was an inmate of Woodbridge Union Workhouse, in the county of Suffoll, and that during the period of his residence there, he witnessed the most heart-rending acts of cruelty, oppression and neglect towards the sick, and other inmates of that establishment; and praying the House to prevent the enforcement of the payment of the instalments of the loan granted for the purpose of building the Union Workhouse there, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Petition of the Superintendents, Travelling and Local Preachers with the Circuit Stewards and others, Members of the Wesleyan Methodist Society, in their Plymouth circuit, in their quarterly meeting assembled, praying that Dissenting Ministers may be exempted from the payment of Tolls, when proceeding to their respective places of worship on the Lord's Day, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Mallevy and Llandymonde—Local Courts. Dolopoly;—Chester;—and, Llanfangel Caryn Uchaf;—praying that a Bill for establishing Local Courts for the decision of small causes may speciously pass into law, with such provisions as may render its operation as beneficial to the principalities of Wales, as to the other parts of the kingdom, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the city of Durham, in the towns of Gateshead, Barnard Castle and Bishop Auckland, in the county of Durham, engaged in the manufacture of Wool and Worsted, praying for a reduction of the duty on Foreign Wool, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Northampton (five Petitions) to the House of Commons, and Wellingborough (three Petitions);—praying for a reduction of the duty on Tobacco, were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Tobacco Trade.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Tobacco Tobacco, which was presented yesterday, be referred to the Select Committee on Tobacco Trade.

A Petition of William James Watson, of Saint Education, Nicholas, Vicar, Cardiff, South Wales, stating that he has been for many years convinced that the Education, or moral and religious training of infant children between the ages of two and seven years, has been most grievously neglected in all classes of society; suggesting the establishment of Infant Schools; and praying the House to take this most important subject into consideration, and provide a sufficient remedy for the evil, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Import Duties. Common Council of the city of Glasgow, praying that all Customs Duties on produce or manufactures from whatever country or colony imported, may be equalized, and that all Duties imposed for the purpose of protection to any particular class or interest, and not for the sole purpose of Revenue, may be repealed, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Kinnale Union, praying the House to adopt such measures as may prevent the enforcement of the payment of the instalments of the loan granted for the purpose of building the Union Workhouse there, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Provost, Magistrates and Town Council of Cupar, Fifes, praying that the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Share-holders of the British Iron Company, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the British Iron Company Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners, heard by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Manns Suttor presented,—Further Re- Drunkenness. turn to an Order dated the 2d day of April last, for
Scotland.

Church of Scotland.

Churches in Scotland which have been vacant since the installation of his Majesty the King of Prussia, to the Officers of the Order of the Garter upon the nomination of the Officers therein named to be Knights Grand Cross of the Bath, was expended; stating the Amount of the several Fees, the Persons for whom paid, and by what authority they are received:—And, of the manner in which £ 851, 13s. 4d. charged in the Civil Contingencies for Fees paid to the Officers of the Order of the Bath upon the nomination of the Officers therein named to be Knights Grand Cross of the Bath, was expended; stating the Amount of the several Fees paid, for whom paid, and the authority for receiving the same:—A similar Account for £ 293. 16s. 6d. charged for granting the dignity of Baronet to Lieutenant-General Sir H. Gough:—And, a similar Account for £ 555, 14s. 11d. charged for appointing Sir Charles T. Metcalfe, Governor of Nova Scotia, British North America, &c.

Schools (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 all Crown Presentations to Parishes in Scotland which have been vacant since the 1st day of May 1845, specifying in each case the cause of Vacancy, the Name of the Minister appointed, and the Parish from which he may have been transferred.

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

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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, Accounts, in detail, of the manner in which £ 439. 3s. 4d. charged in the Civil Contingencies for 1843, paid to the Officers of the Order of the Garter upon the installation of his Majesty the King of Prussia, was expended; stating the Amount of the several Fees, the Persons for whom paid, and by what authority they are received:—And, of the manner in which £ 851, 13s. 4d. charged in the Civil Contingencies for Fees paid to the Officers of the Order of the Bath upon the nomination of the Officers therein named to be Knights Grand Cross of the Bath, was expended; stating the Amount of the several Fees paid, for whom paid, and the authority for receiving the same:—A similar Account for £ 293. 16s. 6d. charged for granting the dignity of Baronet to Lieutenant-General Sir H. Gough:—And, a similar Account for £ 555, 14s. 11d. charged for appointing Sir Charles T. Metcalfe, Governor of Nova Scotia, British North America, &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 the Number of Persons taken into custody for Drunkenness, and for Disorderly Conduct, by the Metropolitan Police, in each year, from the 1st day of May 1831 and 1842:—And, a similar Return for the City of London, as far as relates to the City of London.

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

Schools (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 Persons taken into custody for Drunkenness, and for Disorderly Conduct, by the Metropolitan Police, in each year, from the 1st day of May 1831 and 1842:—And, a similar Return for the City of London, as far as relates to the City of London.

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

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Dowedeswell Message from Mr. Farrer:—Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment; viz.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to alter and extend the Several Navi-

Provisions of an Act for improving the Navigation along Bills

of the River Severn:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to effectuate the Sale Bolton and

by the Bolton and Preston Railway Company of Preston Rail-

their Railway and other Property and Effects to the North Union Railway Company, to incorporate

such last-mentioned Company the Proprietors of the Bolton and Preston Railway, and to consolidate Shares into Stock:—And also,

The Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment; viz.

A Bill, intituled, An Act for naturalising Henry Victor Malan; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And

then the Messengers withdrew.

Malan’s Naturalisation Bill was read the first time;

and ordered to be read a second time.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- Supply:

mittee 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 “there be laid before this House, a Return of the Timber (Navy.)” Timber rejected by the Surveyor of the Yards, and afterwards received by order of the Admiralty and Storekeeper General; likewise of the Number of Official Letters written and signed by Subordinate Officers of the Admiralty, 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. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Three Thousand four hundred and ten pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Civil Establishment of the Bahama Islands, to the 31st day of March 1845, and of the Light-houses there.

2. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Four Thousand and forty-nine pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Civil Establishment of Prince Edward’s Island, to the 31st day of March 1845.

3. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Three Thousand four hundred and seventy pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Civil Establishment of Prince Edward’s Island, to the 31st day of March 1845.

4. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Four Hundred and one hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Civil Establishment of Prince Edward’s Island, to the 31st day of March 1845.

5. Resolved,
Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirteen thousand six hundred and eighty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Civil Establishments on the Western Coast of Africa, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Seven thousand two hundred and nineteen pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Government of the Falkland Islands, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Four thousand seven hundred and seventy-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Establishment in that Island, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Six thousand nine hundred and sixty-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Expenses incurred in aid of the Charge of the Settlement at Port Essington.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Seven thousand eight hundred and twelve pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, in aid of the Charge of the Settlement of Western Australia, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Seven thousand and twenty-three pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses in connexion with the Government of the Falkland Islands, to the 31st day of March 1845;

Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Nine thousand and one hundred and sixty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Government of New Zealand, to the 31st day of March 1845; and also, for the Compensation which may be granted to persons whose emoluments may be diminished under the operation of the said Act.

Resolved, That Provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for the Payment of the Salaries of the Judges, and the Remuneration to the Treasurers, who may be appointed in pursuance of an Act of the present Session for the Recovery of Small Demands in the County Courts of England.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Roman Catholic Clergy Grants and Clergy Grants Conveyance (Ireland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second Roman Catholic Clergy Grants and Clergy Grants Conveyance (Scotland) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 3d day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Bill;

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Resolved, That Provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, of Salaries and Compensations to be granted in pursuance of an Act of the present Session for the Recovery of Small Demands in the County Courts of England.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland Bill;

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

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Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.
the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly; and the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration upon Wednesday next; and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.

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.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the fifth and sixteenth of the Resolutions which, upon Tuesday last, were reported from the Committee of Supply; and which Resolutions were then postponed:

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

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 all Despatches or Communications that may have been received from China, having any reference to the Services, or to the Decease of the late John Robert Morrison:—Also, a Return, describing the several Offices held successively, or at the same time, by the late John Robert Morrison, distinguishing those that were gratuitous from those for which he received a Salary, and stating the Amount of such Salary, and during what period enjoyed.

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.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Wednesday next, upon the Commons Inclosure Bill, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Sir George Clerk presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Officers of the Railway Department to the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, for the year 1843.

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

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Holyhead and Porthgwylan Harbours, which was presented upon Tuesday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the National Debt, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Menai Bridge, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Lunae, 29° die Aprilis ;
Anno 7° Victorie Regine, 1844.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the Select Committee on Railways have leave to sit this day till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

The Salford Improvement (No. 2.) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of William Lochett, Samuel Eseleigh, Charles Tyson, Richard Woodhead and John Kay, was presented.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bills.

Petitions of the Reverend George Burneaster, of Harwich Little Oakley, in the county of Essex, Clerk, being an Owner of property through which the line of Railway from Harwich, in the county of Essex, to join the Eastern Counties Railway at Colchester, in the said county, and for constructing a Pier or Jetty in the Harbour at Harwich, is intended to be made;—and, Edward Lugar, of Hengrave, in the county of Suffolk, Gentleman, being an Owner of lands through which the intended line of Railway hereinafter mentioned is intended to be made; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Harwich Railway and Pier Bill, were presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petitions be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of the Present and Scholars of Queen's College, in the University of Oxford, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Southampton Marsh Improvement Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

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And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of Leonard Wrinch, a Surveyor of Harwich Rail-Highways for the pariah of Little Oakley, in the county of Essex, praying that the Harwich Railway and Harwich and Pier, and, Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2.) Bills, may not pass into law, as they now (No. 2.) Bills, stand, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bills.

A Petition of Edward Lugar, of Hengrave, in the county of Suffolk, Gentleman, being an Owner of lands through which the two intended lines of Railway mentioned are intended to be made; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Harwich Railway and Pier Bill, were presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bills; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bills, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Edward Lugar, of Hengrave, in the Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2.) Bill,
lands through which the intended line of Railway from Colchester to Harwich is to pass, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2) Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

The Coventry Improvement and Cemetery Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Coventry Improvement and Cemetery Bill.

Brighton, Lewes and Hastings Railway Bill.

Petitions of Inhabitants of the town of Lewes and the neighbourhood thereof, in the county of Sussex; — William Verrall, of Lewes, in the county of Sussex, Esquire, of Thomas Sheppard, of Follifton-place, in the said county of Sussex, Esquire, a Member of the House, and of Owners and Occupiers of lands on the line of a projected Railway from the London and Brighton Railway to Hastings; — Thomas Hillman and Robert Hillman, of the Cliffs, Lewes, in the county of Sussex, Merchants and shrieval-masters, interested in the navigation of the River Ouse; — Directors of the Lewes Waterworks Company; — Alfred Burton, of Saint Leonard's-on-Sea, in the county of Sussex, Esquire, sole acting Executor under the will of James Burton, Esquire, deceased; — John Langford, of Lewes, in the county of Sussex, Brewer; — Trustees of the Ouse Lower Navigation in the county of Sussex; — the Right honourable William Pitt Earl Amherst, and Mary-Courtice Amherst; — and, Inhabitants, Owners and Occupiers of houses, land and other property whose interests will be affected by the Bill for making a Railway from the London and Brighton Railway to Lewes and Hastings, with a Branch thereto, all in the county of Sussex; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Brighton, Lewes and Hastings Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Coventry Improvement and Cemetery Bill.

A Petition of Freeemen of the city of Coventry, praying that the Coventry Lammas, &c., Lands Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Coventry Improvement and Cemetery Bill.

A Petition of Freeemen and others chosen by the Freeemen of the city of Coventry; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Coventry Improvement and Cemetery Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

South Devon Railway Bill.

Petitions of William Mackworth Praed, of Ditton House, in the parish of West Teignmouth, in the county of Devon, Esquire; — Fishermen, Inhabitants of Dawlish and Topsham, in the county of Devon; — Trustees of the Teignmouth Turnpike-road, in the county of Devon; — Henry Bonnycastle, of the parish of Dawlish, in the county of Devon, Esquire; — James Powel, of Sea Lave, in the parish of Dawlish, in the county of Devon, Esquire; — Thomas Bevill, of Bevill House, in Plymouth, Devon, Esquire; — Elizabeth Gamlen, of Dawlish, in the county of Devon, Widow; — Lady Hester Jay Watson, of the city of Bath; and William of Lincolns Inn, Gentleman, a Trustee under the will of the late Right honourable the Earl of Devon, deceased; — praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the South Devon Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of Trustees for executing an Act for Mandating more effectually maintaining the Road from Cross Ford Bridge to the town of Manchester, in the county palatine of Lancaster, and for making a Branch Road to communicate therewith; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Manchester Police Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

An ingrossed Bill to amend and enlarge some of the Provisions of the Act authorizing the construction and completion of the Yarmouth and Norwich Railway, and to authorize the construction of certain New Works in connection therewith, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Thetford Thetford Inclosure and Drainage Bill; that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Henry Bolteth, of Glyngynyn, in Chester and the parish of Llandrillo-yn-Rhos, in the county of Holyhead, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Richard Smith, of Urraville, in the Birkenhead county of Lancaster, Esquire, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Birkenhead Docks Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Gisborne presented a Bill for altering and West Coy amending an Act passed in the third year of the Reign of Her present Majesty, for inclosing certain Lands in the Town and County of the Town of Nottingham: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Mr.
Nottingham
(West Coast Canal Improvement)
Bill.

Mr. Gisborne presented a Bill for amending the provisions of an Act for forming a Canal and other Works within and near certain Lands, called The West Coast, in the Parish of Saint Mary, in the Town and County of the Town of Nottingham, and for making certain Improvements within the said Town: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town of Ware, in the county of Hertford, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Petitions of the Right Honourable the Earl of Stamford and Warrington; and, Merchants, Manufacturers, Shop-keepers and other Inhabitants of the town of Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the ingrossed Bill for making a Railway from the City of Edinburgh to the Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, with a Branch to the Town of Haddington, be now read the third time; the Amendments following were proposed to be made to the Question; viz. 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 put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question; the Yeas were:

Yeas,
Mr. Richard Hodgson: 102.
Mr. Borthwick: 23.

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; and committed.

A Petition of the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Edinburgh Council of the city of Glasgow, praying that the Bill to incorporate the Glasgow Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Commissioners of Police of the town of Ashton-under-Lyne, in the county of LAN caster, being either Owners of property of the value of thirty-five pounds per year, or Occupiers of property of the same yearly value; praying that the Ashton, Stalybridge and Liverpool Junction Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Merchants, Manufacturers, Traders Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, being either Owners of property or Agents, against certain parts of the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Petitions from Saint Giles, Camberwell, and Stockwell;—Saint Mary, Islington;—Saint Mary, Paddington;—Saint Pancras;—Saint Saviour, Southwark;—Hammersmith;—Saint Mary-le-Bone;—Inhabitants of districts within the limits of a Bill now before Parliament for incorporating the London Gas Light Company (two Petitions);—Inhabitants of parishes and places in which the mains of the London Gas Light Company are laid down (eight Petitions);—and, Saint James, Clerkenwell; praying that the London Gas Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Owners of land situated in the parish of Stain and of Harrowford, in the county of Devon, praying that Colchester Road Bill may be heard, by themselves or their counsel, against certain parts of the Stain and Colchester Road Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

An ingrossed Bill for making a Harbour and Town Dock near to Hartlepool, in the County of Durham, was read the third time.

Resolved,
Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Hodgson Hinde do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Railways.

A Petition of Merchants, Manufacturers, Traders, Common Carriers and others interested in the conveyance of goods by Railway, praying the House to secure to them the same benefit of a free competition in the inland carriage of goods as they enjoyed previously to the formation of Railways, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Railways.

Edinburgh, Leith and Granton Railway Bill.

A Petition of John Donaldson Bonnell, of Warkie, Esquire, Captain in the Royal Navy, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Edinburgh, Leith and Granton Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Reversionary Interest Society Bill.

A Petition of Samuel Wilson, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Reversionary Interest Society Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Sugar.

A Petition of Merchants, Ship-owners, Brokers, Dealers and others engaged in the trade and commerce of the port of Liverpool, praying the House to abolish all differential duties on Sugar forthwith, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Shifnal; Saint Paul's, Birmingham; and, Deanery of Tavistock, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Clergy of the archdeaconry of Warrington, praying the House to take measures for securing to the said Thomas Cooper a commutation of his sentence of two years' imprisonment, by advising Her Majesty to release him on parole, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Petitions of the Moderator of the Presbytery of Universities of Ayr and the Moderator and Clerk of the Presbytery of Ayr, praying the House to abrogate religious tests in the Scottish Universities, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the President and Fellows of the Medical Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh; and, Profession.

Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council of the city of Edinburgh; praying the House to grant, without delay, such a legislative measure as will secure uniformity of education, uniformity in the conditions of granting medical and surgical qualifications, and uniformity in the light of practising the Medical Profession in all its branches among the professors of such qualifications, from whatever division of the kingdom these may have been received, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Sunderland; Tillicoultry (Chairman);—Liversedge (Chairman);—Penzance (Chairman);—York (Chairman);—Dundee (Chairman);—New Mills (two Petitions);—Birkenhead (Chairman);—Torquay;—Bolton-le-Moors (Chairman);—Leeds;—and, Kelburne (Chairman); praying that the Masters and Servants Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas Cooper, habitants of Sunderland and Wearmouth; and, Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants of Sheffield; stating that Thomas Cooper is at present undergoing sentence of imprisonment for alleged conspiracy in the county gaol of Stafford, and setting forward circumstances in extenuation of his case; and praying the House to take measures for securing to the said Thomas Cooper a commutation of his sentence of two years' imprisonment, by advising Her Majesty to release him on parole, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Petition of Merchants, Ship-owners, and others, Inhabitants of Liverpool, praying the House to make such a reduction of the duty on Tea as may be deemed expedient in promoting its greater consumption in the country, and the increase of our trade with China, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of unemployed Labourers, in the parish of Askill, in the county of Kilclare, complaining of want of employment, and praying the House, on the principle of equal justice to all, to extend the principle of interference with capital and labour to all classes of Her Majesty's subjects; that, having restricted the employment of labour in some instances, to enforce it in others where want of employment is proved to produce the same evils as its excess, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Licensed Victuallers residing in the eastern division of the county of Suffolk, praying that Licensed Victuallers may be placed on the same footing in regard to the Tax on Windows as other tradesmen, owners of warehouses and shops in which goods are deposited, sold and exposed for sale, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Milborne Port, praying the House to make the People's Charter the law of the land, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Tiverton, praying that the Small Debts Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Trustees and Creditors under the Tiverton Turnpike Acts, praying that Mail Coaches may not be exempted from the payment of Turnpike Tolls, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Aberdeen; and, Greenock (Pro- vest); praying the House to allow the free importation of Cotton Wool into the United Kingdom, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copy of the Correspondence between the Irish Government and the Managers of District Lunatic Asylums in Ireland, previous to entering on the Duties of their Office.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of Letter from Lord Lake to Dowlat Rao Scindia, June 4th, 1805; Letters of Mr. Mercer to the Secretary of the Government at Calcutta, in the Secret Department, June 4th 1805 and June 5th 1805; Letters from Mr. Jenkins to Lord Lake, June 17th and June 20th 1805; Lord Wellesley to Lord Lake, June 25th 1805; Lord Lake to Dowlat Rao Scindia, July 18th 1805; Lord Wellesley to Dowlat Rao Scindia, July 25th 1805; Mr. Jenkins to Colonel Malcolm, August 16th and September 15th 1805; the Governor General in Council to Lord Lake, July 25th 1805; the Governor General in Council to the Secret Committee, July 30th, 1805.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Report of a Committee of Managers of Greenwich Hospital for Hops during the last Fifteen years, including the present; the Names of the Parties to each Contract; and the Prices paid by the Commissioners.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copy of a Report made by Mr. Walker to the Adela-ray Railway, mirality on the subject of the South Devon Railway.

The following Return, having been transmitted Whitemore to the Clerk, was laid upon the Table; viz.—Return to an Order dated the 2d day of February last, for a Return of the Amount of Original Debt, the Amount of Costs, and the Number of Days' Imprisonment of each Person confined in Whitecross-street Prison, on the 31st day of March 1844.
The House divided: The Yeas to the old Lobby; The Noes to the new Lobby.

Tellers for the [Sir Thomas Fremantle, Yeas]: [Mr. Henry Baring]: 168.
Tellers for the [Mr. Tufnell, Noes]: [Mr. Marcus Hill]: 89.

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.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee to whom it was referred, to consider of authorizing the payment, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, of Salaries and Compensations to be granted in pursuance of an Act of the present Session for the Recovery of Small Demands in the County Courts of England, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:

Resolved, That Provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for the Payment of the Salaries of the Judges, and the Remuneration to the Treasurers, who may be appointed in pursuance of an Act of the present Session for the Recovery of Small Demands in the County Courts of England; and also, for the Compensation which may be granted to Persons whose emoluments may be diminished under the operation of the said Act.

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the County Courts Bill, That they have Power to make Provision therein pursuant to the said Resolution.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the County Courts Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly; and the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration upon Monday next; and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.

The Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill, was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday the 6th day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Gold and Silver Wares Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 6th day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Detached Parts of Counties Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 1st day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Three thousand four hundred and ten pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Civil Establishment of Prince Edward's Island, to the 31st day of March 1845.

4. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Four hundred and eighty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Establishment at Sable Island, Nova Scotia, for the Relief of Shipwrecked Persons, to the 31st day of March 1845.

5. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirteen thousand six hundred and eighty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Civil Establishment on the Western Coast of Africa, to the 31st day of March 1845.

6. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirteen thousand five hundred and four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Civil Establishment of Saint Helena, and of Pensions and Allowances to the Civil and Military Officers of the East India Company's late Establishment in that Island, to the 31st day of March 1845.

7. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Seven thousand two hundred and fourteen pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Settlement of Western Australia, to the 31st day of March 1845.

8. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Three thousand seven hundred and seventy-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Expenses incurred at South Australia.

9. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Four thousand two hundred and twenty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, in aid of the Charge of the Settlement at Port Essington.

10. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Nine thousand eight hundred and twelve pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Government of the Falkland Islands, to the 31st day of March 1845.

11. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Seven thousand five hundred and sixty-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Colony of New Zealand, to the 31st day of March 1845.

12. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One thousand two hundred and thirty-three pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Settlement at Prince Edward's Island, to the 31st day of March 1845.

13. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighteen thousand three hundred and ninety-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Settlement at Heligoland, to the 31st day of March 1845.

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

The sixth Resolution was postponed. The subsequent Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Resolution which has been postponed be taken into further consideration upon Friday next.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Ordered, That the Resolution be read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee upon the Bailiffs of Inferior Courts Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the
the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Small Debts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Small Debts Bill;

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

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

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

Supply [16 April.]

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the fifth and sixteenth of the Resolutions which, upon Tuesday last, were reported from the Committee of Supply; and which Resolutions were then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Friday next.

Vestries Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the holding of Vestries in Churches:

And that Mr. Stafford O'Brien and Mr. Beckett Denison do prepare, and bring in.

Rother Levels Drainage Bill.

Mr. Darby presented a Bill to amend Three Acts for more effectually draining a certain Marsh Lands or Low Grounds in the Counties of Kent and Sussex, draining into the River Rother and Channel of Appledore: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Newspaper Stamps, &c.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Stamps issued to Newspapers, and the Amount of Advertisement Duty paid on each, in the first Quarter of the present year (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 55, of the present Session).

Exchequer.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of Two Letters addressed to the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury by the Comptroller General of the Exchequer, dated the 15th day of January and the 1st day of April 1844.

Sir George Clerk accordingly presented the said Papers.

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

Sir James Graham reported to the House, That Her Majesty, dated the 22d day of February last, for a Return, showing the Force.

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

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to sever Imprisonmental Addresses to Her Majesty,—Further Return to for Debt.

An Address to Her Majesty, dated the 22d day of February last, for a Return of the Number of Persons confined for Debt, at the present time, in the Prisons of London, Middlesex and Surrey; stating, in classes, the years in which they were imprisoned, the Number whose Debts, without Costs, are respectively under £1, £5, £.10, £.50, £.100, £500, and all above that Sum, and distinguishing the Number of those for Offences against the Revenue Laws; and stating also the average Term of Imprisonment of each of these classes, the Name, the Amount of Debt, and Amount of Expenses of each Person who has been in Prison more than five years:—A similar Return for the other Prisons of England and Wales:—A similar Return for Scotland:—And, a similar Return for Ireland (so far as relates to Scotland).

A Return, showing the stages of the Proceedings in the case of Mrs. Gilmour, who fled from Renfrewshire to the United States, and was afterwards tried before the High Court of Justiciary in Edinburgh, charged with having murdered her husband by Poison; with the date of the first Warrant for her Apprehension, and by whom granted; the Name of the Officer who was despatched to the United States in search of her; Copy of any Correspondence which took place between the British Government and the American Government or Authorities, relative to giving up the Person of Mrs. Gilmour; the date of the Officer's return with her to Scotland, and the date of her Incarceration in Paisley Gaol; and the dates of her several Examinations, and the Name or Names of the Magistrate or Magistrates before whom the same were made; the date and place of her Trial; the Cost incurred by the Crown in the Proceedings.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 22d day of February last, for a Return, showing the Number of the Constabulary Force in each County, or Division of a County, in England and Wales, under the Act 2 and 3 Vic. c. 93, distinguishing each Class or Denomination; together with an Acco...
Yeomanry Arms (Ireland.)

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to Orders.—A Return of the Number of the Yeomanry Arms that have been registered in each County in Ireland, and showing the Names and Residence of every Person who may have more than one stand of Yeomanry Arms in his Possession, and specifying the Number and Nature of such Arms in each case.

A Return of all Churches which have been erected in Ireland since 1809; specifying the date of Erection, whether Parochial, Chapels of Ease or Chapelries, the Parish and Diocese where situate, the Number of Sittings, and whether free or appropriated, the Expenses of Erection, and what Amount thereof has been contributed by the Voluntary Subscriptions of Individuals, Societies, Boards or Corporate Bodies (with the Names of such), and how much has been raised by Parochial Rates.

An Account of the Number of Persons in each County in Ireland who have registered more than Twenty stand of Arms, mentioning the Name and Residence of every such Person.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Account, in charge and discharge, of the Fees received by the Registrar of Treasurers' Accounts under the directions of an Act of Parliament, An Act, intituled, "An Act for the more effectual Security and Improvement of the Harbour of New Shoreham, in the County of Sussex," which were presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, The Report of the Commissioners called the Eastern Union Railway, which were presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, The Report of the Commissioners for the more effectual Security and Improvement of the Harbour of New Shoreham, in the County of Sussex;—And then he withdrew.

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

Drunkenness.

No. 217.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Drunkenness, which were presented upon Thursday and Friday last, be printed.

Agreed to.

Poor Relief

(Ireland) Act.

No. 218.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Poor Relief (Ireland) Act, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 23° die Aprilis ;

Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

M. R. Upperton, from the Commissioners of Shoreham Harbour, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, and read ; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The York United Gas (No. 2.) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, Council and other Inhabitants of the borough of Colchester, in the county of Essex, praying that the Eastern Counties Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Colchester and Harwich Railway Bill, and the Harwich Railway and Pier Bills, that it be at liberty to deem the Line of Railway from Colchester to Harwich, projected by Mr. Hobson (as men-
Monastery or Abbey of Stratford Langborne, in the county of Essex;—and, Churchwardens, Surrogates of the Highways, and other Inhabitants and Rate-payers of the parish of Westham, in the county of Essex; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Stratford (Eastern Counties) and Thames Junction Railway Bill,—were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of Merchants, Manufacturers, Shopkeepers and other Inhabitants of the town of Stablebridge and its vicinity, in the county of Lancaster, praying that the Ashton, Stablebridge and Liverpool Junction Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.


Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Hand Sawyers of the town of Belwood.

Petitions from Burntisland;—Dyasp;—and, Peterhead; praying that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands;—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the chapelry of Brompton and parish of Northallerton, praying the Vol. 99.

House to pass a Bill limiting the hours of labour in Factories to ten hours a day, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Bromton;—Brighton (Chairmen) Masters and (three Petitions) ;—and, Forfar (Chairman); praying, that the Masters and Servants Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Llandyfall;—and, Carisbrooke; praying that Saint Asaph and Bangor Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Gentry, Clergy and other Inhabitants of the parish of Holyhead, in the rural deanship of Talyllyn, in the county of Anglesey and diocese of Bangor, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a See at Manchester, by other means, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Secretary to the Committee of Free Labour the Colchester Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Anti-Slavery Society;—and, Inhabitants of Stratford-upon-Avon; praying the House to adopt fiscal regulations in favour of the produce of free labour, and also not to adopt any fiscal regulations afforded by facilities introducing into the British market the produce of Slave Labour, inasmuch as such a course would, in the opinion of the Petitioners, inestimably aggravate the miseries of the slaves, and supply a fearful stimulus to the slave trade;—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thornsby reported from the Select Committee Public Petitions on Public Petitions; That they had examined the (Seventeenth Report.)

Petitions presented upon the 18th, and 19th 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.

A Petition of Thomas Sturgis, of Kingsclere, Commons Haunts, praying that the Commons Inclosure Bill Inclosure Bill.

may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Cahans;—Ballaghelly;—Fenagh;—Core of Cork;—Ardglare;—Glewastig;—Ballybunion (Ireland.)

—Derrymore;—Newton Limeavady;—Carrigduff;—Randalstown;—and, Reverend John Elgar, and others; praying the House to introduce a Bill, without delay, to declare valid, to all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages heretofore solemnized or hereafter to be solemnized by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, between parties not within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and who have the consent of parents or guardians, and provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agreeably to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church;—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Leigh Union;—and, Whitechurch poor Law (Salop); praying that the Poor Law Amendment Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands;—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Hand Sawyers of the town of Belwood, Prisons (Scotland) Bill. fast, and neighbouring towns, praying the House to place an adequate and proportionate tax on steam machinery, and an increased rate of duty on saw timber.
timber from the colonies, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

**County Courts Bill.**

A Petition of John Locke, William March Soxton, William Frederic Beadon and William Gorsett Romaine, Esquires, Barristers at Law, the Four Counsellors of the ancient court of the Marshalsea, of the Queen's Household, and of the Court of Her Majesty's Palace of Westminster, praying that the County Courts Bill may not pass into a law, without a Clause being introduced for compensating the Petitioners for the loss which they will sustain, should the said Bill pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Merchants, Traders and Inhabitants of the borough of Leicester, praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ecclesiastical Courts Bill.

A Petition of Frederick Capes, of Great Carterlane, Doctors Commons, a Proctor and Notary Public, and one of the principal clerks of the seat of the Prerogative Court of the Archbishop of Canterbury, praying that the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill may not pass into a law, without securing to the Petitioner the enjoyment of his office, and the duties, privileges and emoluments appurtenant thereto, or in lieu thereof such a fair and reasonable compensation as to the House shall seem meet, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Tobacco.

Petitions from Greenwich,—Croydon (three Petitions)—and, Croydon and Beddington; praying for a reduction of the duty on Tobacco, were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Tobacco Trade.

Cotton.

A Petition of Cotton Spinners, and others, interested in the Cotton Manufacture at Belfast, praying the House to repeal all duties on the importation of Cotton Wool, excepting such nominal rate as may be required for the usual statistical purposes, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Universities (Scotland.)

A Petition of the Moderator and Clerk of the presbytery of Ayr, praying the House to resist the attempt which is now being made by certain corporate bodies in Scotland, to procure the abolition of religious tests in the Scottish Universities, which tests the Petitioners consider are essential to the prosperity and religious peace of these institutions, and to the stability of the Established Church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Tea.

A Petition of Bankers, Merchants, Manufacturers and others, Inhabitants of Bolton and its vicinity, praying the House to make such a reduction in the duty on Tea, as may be deemed expedient in promoting its greater consumption in this country, and the increase of our trade with China, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Constabulary Act.

A Petition of Guardians of the Rye Poor Law Union, in the counties of Sussex and Kent, for the repeal of the Constabulary Act, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill.

A Petition of the Mayor of Cork, praying that the Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Wool.

A Petition of Merchants, Manufacturers and other Inhabitants of Saddleworth, in the West Riding of Yorkshire, praying that the law relating to the duty on the importation of Foreign Wool may be repealed, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Benjamin Wills, of Camberwell, Poor Employment, submitting a plan for the Employment of the Poor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Beaufort; and, Llanganweli Local Courts.

Gwas-w-Glys; praying that a Bill for establishing Local Courts for the decision of small causes may speedily pass into law, with such provisions as may render its operation as beneficial to the principality of Wales as to the other parts of the kingdom, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Two Petitions of Dairy Farmers in Cheshire, and Cheese, the borders of Shropshire adjoining, stating that the very low duty of one penny per pound on American Cheese, when the sum of fivepence is imposed as a duty on Cheese imported into the American ports, is in equity not fair and reasonable; were presented, and read; and ordered to 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 Aggregate Amount of all Fees taken at any of the Courts of Petty Sessions held within the Division of Manchester; distinguishing the Fees respectively taken at the New Bailey Court House at Salford, at the Town Hall at Salford, at Worsley, and at Thetford; also, an Account of the way in which such Fees are disposed of, for the years ending on the 1st day of February 1843, 1844, 1843 and 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.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Copies of the Correspondence between the Commissioners of Woods and Forests with Charles Barry, King's Architect, respecting the Separate Allowance to be paid him for superintending the building of the Houses of Parliament.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Average Annual Expenditure of the Parishes comprised in each of the Unions in England and Wales, during the Three years prior to Union; and the Amount expended for the Relief and Maintenance of the Poor in each of the years ended Lady Day 1841, 1842 and 1843; also the Number of In-door and Out-door Paupers relieved during each of the Quarters ended Lady Day 1841, 1842 and 1843; together with the Number of Illegitimate Children relieved during the same Periods, stating the per-centage as compared to other Paupers; and the present Population in the different Unions; specifying the Number of Unions now without Workhouses.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill, be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon:

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Friday next.

Sir Robert Peel presented, —Return to an Address from Members of this House, praying the House to take the same into consideration, and to the Petitioners for the loss which they will sustain, a Clause being introduced for compensating the Petitioners, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House Proceeded to take into consideration Leeds and Bradford Railway Bill.
Correspondence between Her Majesty's Government and Sir Edmund Lyons, or the Courts of France and Russia, relating to the recent events in Greece.

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

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Gifford Wilson and Mr. Farrer:

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for inclosing Lands in the Parish of Brandes Burton, in the County of Lincoln, and certain Places adjacent thereto:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Powers and Provisions of an Act of the First year of King William the Fourth, for making the River Wear navigable for Ships and other Sea-borne Vessels, from Rosedale Fleet to the Mouth of Oulton Dyke, and for making and maintaining a navigable Cut from the said River into the said Dyke:

A Bill, intituled, An Act for providing for the Liquidation of the Debt owing by the Charity Workhouse of the City of Edinburgh, for regulating the Assessment for Relief of the Poor of the said City, and for other Purposes relating thereto:

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for enabling the Company of Proprietors of the New Gas and Coke Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for providing for the Establishment and ancient usage of this realm, was presented and read.

Mr. Stafford O'Brien presented a Bill to prohibit the holding of Vestries in Churches: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 8th day of May next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Exchequer, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That theReturn relative to Exchequer Bills, &c., which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Exchequer, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Return relative to the Constabulary Force, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Yeomanry and Holyhead Railway Bill, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Yeomanry Arms (Ireland), which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Arms (Ireland), which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to County Treasurers (Ireland), which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Petitions from Glasgow, relative to Universities (Scotland), which were presented upon Thursday last, be printed.

A Petition of Parochial Clergy of the town of Aylesbury, and of certain of the surrounding parishes, praying the House to present an humble Address to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to direct that Parliament, in all matters ecclesiastical, should receive the advice of the clergy in convection assembled, according to the constitution and ancient usage of this realm, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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.

A PETITION of Inhabitants of the town and Borough of Colchester, in the county of Essex, praying that the Eastern Union Railway Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

A Petition of the There-undersigned, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the said Bill, was also presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That the Paddington Harbour Bill be re-Putnam committed to the former Committee, for the purpose of amending the Toll Clauses and the Schedules to the Bill.

Petitions of Merchants, Wharfingers and Fac-tories in the city of London:—Ship-owners, Hull Docks Bill.

 Petitions of Merchants, Traders and others at the port of North Shields, in the county of Northumberland:—Ship-owners, Merchants, Traders and others at the town of Berwick-upon-Tweed:—Ship-owners, Merchants, Traders and others at the port of South Shields, in the county of Durham:—Ship-owners, Merchants, Traders and others atBoston, in the county of Lincoln:—Merchants, Traders and others atLouth, or the courts of France and Russia, relating to the recent events in Greece.

Ordered, That the said Petitions be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of property, Chester and praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Faulkner Boges, Esquire, praying Harrogate and that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Harrogate and Knaresborough Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.
Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Newcastle and Darlington Junction Railway Bill. That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Newcastle and Darlington Junction Railway Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Pontop and South Shields Railway Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Petitions from Drizham;—Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce of the port of Plymouth;—Chairman of the Commissioners acting under an Act for better paving, lightning, cleansing, watching and improving the Town and Borough of Plymouth, in the county of Devon, and for regulating the Police thereof, and for removing and preventing Nuisances and Annoyances therein;—Darlington;—and, Plymouth; praying that the South Devon Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the Mersey and Irwell Navigation, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Salford Improvement (No. 2.) Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That the Copies of the First Report of the Committee appointed by the Lords of the Treasury, in pursuance of Addresses of the House of Commons of the 12th, 14th and 20th August 1839; and of a Report from Rear Admiral Sir James A. Gordon and Captain Beechey to the Lords of the Admiralty, relative to the best means of communicating between London and Dublin, to the relative capacities of the Ports of Holyhead, Ormes Bay and Portphyllyen, which were presented upon the 15th day of April 1840, be referred to the Committee on the Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill.

Petitions of Robert John and Randle Brereton;—and, Merchants, Traders, Ship-owners and others interested in the port of Wells, Norfolk; praying that the Wells Harbour and Quay Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Manchester Stipendiary Magistrate Bill, was referred; That the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as no Notices had been given in the London Gazette, or in the Newspaper of the county or on the church doors, as required in case of Bills of the first class, to which class the Provisions proposed to be introduced appeared to belong.

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

A Petition of John Bagshaw, of Harwich, in Harwich Rural district, the county of Essex, Esquire, praying that he may be heard, by his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Petitions from Newtonsperre;—Newtonhamiliton;—Marriages (two Petitions);—Clochgar;—Convoy;—Dun (Island);—and, Alt; praying the House to introduce without delay a Bill to declare valid to all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages heretofore solemnized or hereafter to be solemnized by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, between parties not within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and who have the consent of parents or guardians, and provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agreeably to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Philip Wyatt Cowthorpe, of Baring County Courthouse, Lodge, Hexestreet, in the county of Devon, Esquire, Bill, praying that the County Courts Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Minister and other Inhabitants of Saint Asaph parish of Worfled, in the county of Salop, praying against Bill for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Clergy of the Deanery of Frodsham, in the county of Chester, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a See at Manchester, by other means, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Wigan;—Heywood;—and, Glascottown (Chairman); praying for repeal of the duties on raw Cotton imported into Great Britain, both from our own colonies and other countries, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Newton Abbots;—Exeter (two Masters and Petitions);—Preston (Lancaster) (Chairman);—Servants Bill; Nottingham (two Petitions);—Loudon (two Petitions);—Miners of Great Britain and Ireland;—Cochermount;—Benjamin Francis Birt;—and, Britieol; praying that the Masters and Servants Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Glasgow;—Renfrew;—and, Ro Prisons therbegy; praying that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill (Scotland) Bill, may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions
Free Labour resolutions.

Petitions of Members of the Committee of the Exeter Anti-Slavery Society;—Friends of the abolition of the Slave Trade and Slavery, in Surinam;—and, Chairman of the Committee of the Glasgow Emancipation Society; praying the House to adopt fiscal regulations in favour of the produce of Free Labour, and more especially to pass a law which shall admit the produce of Free Labour, of all kinds, of foreign countries, into the British market, on the same terms as the produce of British possessions and plantations,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman and Secretary of the Kedani Anti-Slavery Society, praying the House to open the ports of Great Britain for the introduction of all tropical produce raised by Free Labour, at the same rate of duty as may be charged on similar productions coming from our own colonies, and that this privilege shall be offered to Spain and to Brazil, so soon as the slaves of these two countries are emancipated, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the towns of Guildford, Godalming and Farnham, in the county of Surrey;—and, Parochial School and Schoolmaster of Guildford, in the county of Surrey; praying the House to restrict labour in Factories to ten hours a day;—and, Aberdeen (Chairman); praying the House to restrict labour in Factories to ten hours a day;—and, Edinburgh; praying the House to restrict labour in Factories to ten hours a day;—and, London;—and, Lambeth; praying that the House will take into consideration the propriety of calling upon the Petitioners to pay for any local improvements of the metropolis, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the county of Norfolk, praying that the Act 54 Geo. 3, c. 141, "to alter so much of an Act made in the fifty-second year of his present Majesty, as relates to the Duties payable in respect of killing of Game," may be explained or amended and altered, so that persons assisting in the taking or killing of any Game, or any wood-cock, snipe, quail or land-rail, in the company or presence, and for the use of another person who shall have duly obtained his certificate in his own right, and who shall not act therein by virtue of any deputation or appointment, shall be exempt from the same duty and penalty, notwithstanding there may be used on the occasion any dog, gun, net or other engine of a person not then present, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants of Carlisle, praying that the House will be pleased to take measures for securing to Thomas Cooper a commutation of his sentence of two years' imprisonment in Stafford Gaol, by advising Her Majesty to release him forthwith, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of a deputation or appointment, shall be exempt from the stamp duty and penalty, notwithstanding any deputation or appointment, shall be exempt from the stamp duty and penalty, notwithstanding there may be used on the occasion any dog, gun, net or other engine of a person not then present, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition from South Shields, praying the House to restrict labour in Factories to ten hours a day;—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants of Bath, praying that the Commons' resolution of the late Vol. 99, British American Association for Emigration and Colonization, complaining of the interference of the Colonial Land and Emigration Commissioners, which delayed the sailing of the brig "Barbadoes," chartered by the Commissioners of the late British American Association for Emigration and Colonization, for the emigration of certain inhabitants from the Highlands and Islands of Scotland, and of the return of the said brig to Cork, after completing two-thirds of her voyage, and finally the entire breaking up of the Association; and praying that it may please the House, with the view to ascertain where the real blame and responsibility rests, to move an Address to Her Majesty the Queen, praying for the production of papers relative to the "Barbadoes," to appoint a Select Committee to investigate all the circumstances of the case, or otherwise to take such steps in the matter as the protection of the character and property of the members of the late Association demand, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the Presbytery of Irvine;—and, Schoolmasters Presbytery of Islay and Jura; praying the House to adopt measures for ameliorating the condition of the Schools of Scotland, all the enactments which require professors in the National Universities of Scotland to subscribe the standards of the National Church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Merchants, Dealers and Consumers Tea of Foreign Coffee, praying for reduction of the duty on Foreign Coffee, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Kirkcaldy;—Coal-traders at the Edinburgh terminus of the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway;—Dublin;—and, Edinburgh, praying that the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Owners, Beneficial Lessees and Canterbury Occupiers of messuages or tenements and hereditaments, situated within the vine or precinct of the palace of the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, in or near the city of Canterbury, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Canterbury Pavement Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Petitions from South Shields;—Liverpool;—Charitable London;—and, Lambeth; praying that the Charitable Pawn Societies Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants of Bath, praying that the Commons' resolution, Inclosure


Resolved, That the Petitions of Surveyors of Harrogate and Knaresborough Railways for the township of Tadcaster East, in the parish of Tadcaster, in the county of York; and, Right honourable Earl of Harewood, and others, Owners of lands and other hereditaments affected by the Bill hereinafter mentioned, which were presented upon the 19th day of March last; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Harrogate and Knaresborough Railway Bill, be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners, or any of them, or their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented Slave Trade to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of English Cruisers employed in the Suppression of the Slave Trade, to which Warrants have been given according to the Convention entered into with France in 1832; distinguishing the Number employed each year, from 1831 inclusive:—And, of the Number of French Cruisers employed in the Suppression of the Slave Trade, to which Warrants have been given by the English Government, according to the same Conventions; distinguishing the Number of Warrants granted each year, from 1831 inclusive.

Resolved, 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 Emigration. to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, that there be laid before this House, a Return of all Ships, with their Names and Tonnage, that have been employed in carrying Emigrants from the United Kingdom since the passing of the last Colonial Passengers Act, as far as the same can be made up; together with the Number of such Ships of which the Emigration Commissioners have had information of or noticed:—Copy of all the Correspondence which has taken place between the Public Boards and Public Officers in the year 1843, respecting the Emigrant Ships "Catherine," and "John and Robert," conveying Emigrants to the Colony of New South Wales and Canada:—And, a Return of the Number of Emigrants, distinguishing Men, Women and Children, shipped on board the Ship "Catherine," and a similar Return of Emigrants transhipped on board the Ship "John and Robert."

Resolved, 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 there be laid before this House, a Return List of the Names of all Persons qualified to serve (Tipperary,) as Jurors in the Northern Division of the county Tipperary, returned by the Collectors of Jury Cens to the Clerk of the Peace, submitted by him to the Magistrates at Special Sessions, agreeably to the Act 3 and 4 Will, 4, c. 91, commencing Spring Assizes 1839, and ending Spring Assizes 1844:—Also, a Return, for the same period, of the Long Panel of the above County, from which Petty Juries are selected.

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 Abstract from the Blue Books sent to the Colonial Office by the British Colonies, for the year 1844, of the Total Amount of Revenue received by each of these Colonies, under the heads of National Debt; and also, the Amount of Expenditure, under separate
Bill.

Complaint.

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What was his conduct in the House of Commons, for Sir was a man who could not bear state of degrading slavery. What was his conduct in my own case? I stuck to the philosophy of the time; the whole of the Government must forsooth whether he got his Seat for £40 I do not know but this To

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The Com- in The Times Newspaper of Wednesday, April 10, 1844—The said Newspaper was ordered in, and the Passages complained of, as follow:—

"I know a little about Sir ; a man who has had to battle against him when fighting the cause of the working classes in this county; and a man who took steps to procure a Report which was false, merely for the purpose of crushing a Member of the House of Commons, who raised his voice in defence of the suffering poor, would not hesitate to keep the working classes in the manufacturing districts in a state of degrading slavery. What was his conduct in my own case? I stuck to the man like a leech. I told him the Report of Mr. , his Assistant Poor Law Commissioner, was false. I was determined to bring it before the House until justice was done; but he feared to meet me, and dismissed the poor tool who had been his degraded and ignominious instrument in fabricating the injurious Report."

That is not all Sir has done of late, for the purpose of putting down the advocates of the poor in the House of Commons. You will remember that was returned for . The Com- means.

The Order of the day being read, the New Poor Law more rigorously, or a at a greater sacrifice of time and money, than Mr. . It was, therefore, felt necessary by Sir .

No man has resisted the New Poor Law more rigorously, or at a greater sacrifice of time and money, than Mr. . It was, therefore, felt necessary by Sir to get him out of the House of Commons, for Sir was a man who could not

bear to hear the truth spoken, especially on that subject. A Petition was presented against Mr. Walter's Return. The Committee sat several days, and entered into an inquiry as to the alleged bribery and corruption which Mr. Walter had committed in obtaining his seat. They could not prove that he had spent one farthing, nor had he; they could only prove that his friends in the town of , not his agents, had spent between £30 and £40 in money, and what they called treating. The Committee was divided—there were three Whigs for throwing him out, and three Tories for keeping Mr. .

Mr. , the Member for Beverley, one of the most pure Boroughs in the Kingdom, forsooth—whether he got his Seat for £40 I do not know—but this Tory Chairman sided Sir and the Government in unseating Mr. Walter. Mr. tried to explain away his conduct on that occasion; the whole of the Government side of the House, on which I sat, listened with feelings of disgust while he higgled and haggled through his explanation; but there was one man who vociferously cheered, and that one man was Sir .

A Motion was made, and the 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, That this House will take the said Com-plaint into consideration upon Friday next.

Ordered, That William Busfeild Ferrand, Esquire, do attend in his place upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Marriage and Divorce Bill;

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

A Petition of the President and Honorary Secretary of the Manchester Law Association, praying that (County Palatine of Lancaster) Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Court of Chancery (County Palatine of Lancaster) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday the 15th day of May next.

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The Order of the day being read, for taking into County further consideration the Report on the County Coroners Bill;—The Bill was re-committed to a Committee of the whole House:—And the House immediately resolved itself into the Committee.

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed. Clauses, No 1 to No 5, agreed to. To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene 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 the 8th day of May next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Small Debts reading of the Small Debts Bill;—

Ordered, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Small Debts reading of the Small Debts Bill;—

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- mittee of Ways and Means;

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Court of Returns of the Number of Causes set down in the Court of Chancery. 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 Friday next.

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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:—
Veneris, 26° die Aprlis;  
Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.  

PRAYERS.  

Mr. Law, from the Treasury, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Orders, an Account of all Tin exported from the United Kingdom in the year ending the 5th day of January 1844; distinguishing each Sort of Tin, from what Country, and into what Ports imported:—Of the Quantities of Tin exported from the United Kingdom in the year ending the 5th day of January 1844; distinguishing each Sort, and to what Country exported:—Of the Quantities of Tin exported from the Port of London in the year ending the 5th day of January 1844; distinguishing each Sort, and to what Port sent, and to what Country exported:—Of the Quantities of Tin exported from the United Kingdom in the year ending the 5th day of January 1844; distinguishing each Sort, and to what Country exported:—Of, and all Tin Ore which has been imported into the United Kingdom in the year ending the 5th day of January 1844; distinguishing to what Countries exported.  

An Account of all Tin imported into the United Kingdom in the year ending the 5th day of January 1844; distinguishing from what Countries imported; also, an Account of all Tin exported from the United Kingdom in the year ending the 6th day of January 1844; distinguishing to what Countries exported.  

An Account of all Zinc and Zinc Ore imported and exported during the year ending the 5th day of January 1844; distinguishing to what Countries exported.  

A Return, showing, in columns, the Net Amount received annually from the Sale of Parliamentary Papers, printed by Order of the House of Commons; distinguishing the Amount received for whole Sets of Papers, and the Amount for Miscellaneous Papers; showing the Amount in each year, commencing in 1836, specifying the Increase or Decrease in each year respectively; and in one Sum, the Total Net Receipt, to the end of 1843:—Also, the Amount paid by the Country in 1836, and each year since respectively, for Prosecutions for Libel, or Actions instituted against the House of Commons through its Officers; stating the Names of the Plaintiffs and Defendants in each Prosecution or Action, with the Names in each case of the Crown Counsel, Solicitors for the Crown, and others employed on the part of the House of Commons, or the Officers of the said House, to defend such Actions, with the Amount charged in Fees, Bills of Costs and other Law Charges; showing the Sum Total paid by the Country on account of such Prosecutions or Actions during the above period, so as to Balance the Receipt for Parliamentary Papers against the Expenses at Law, in a Debt and Credit Account.  

An Account of the Quantity of Beer exported, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844.  

A Return, showing the Number of Gallons brought to Charge and Duty paid, from the 1st day of January 1843 to the 1st day of January 1844.  

Mr. Law also presented, pursuant to an Address to Her Majesty,—A Return, in detail, of the Expenditure of £12,065 17s. 8d. charged in the Civil Contingencies for the year 1843, for the Expenses of Military Officers employed on Special Service in the Levant; stating the Names of the Officers, the Service on which employed, the Period of such Employment, and the Amount paid to each:—And then he withdrew.  

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

Mr. Watson, from the Corporation for the Relief of Seamen in the Merchant Service, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—An Account of the Income and Expenditure of the President and Governors of the Corporation for Relief of Seamen in the Merchant Service, their Widows and Children, at the Port of London, and the various Outports under their management, from 1st January 1843 to 31st December 1843, inclusive.  

An Account of the Income and Expenditure of the Trustees for the Relief of Seamen in the Merchant Service, their Widows and Children, at the Port of Hull, in the years ending the 5th day of January 1845, and the Duty paid thereon.  

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

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to Mr. Harsham, Writ Drawers, to the Clerk of the House, to take out a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to sit in this present Parliament for the Borough of Horsham, in the room of the Honourable Robert Campbell Scarlett, now Lord Abinger, called up to the House of Peers.  

Ordered, That the Committee on the Northern and Eastern Railway (Newport Deviations) Bill have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.  

Petitions of Overseers of the poor of the town of Saltford, and of the town of Salford;—Ordered, That the Bills for the Improvement of the said town of Salford, comprised within the township of Salford, praying that the Saltford Improvement (No. 3.) Bill may pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.  

A Petition of Petitioners of districts for the Improvement of Drainage, in March, in the Isle of Ely, and county of Cambridge, and also, within a certain level of the fens called Middle Level, praying that they may be held in their own right, or as Trustees or Agents against certain parts of the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill, was presented, and read.  

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.  

Petitions of Owners and Occupiers of land in the district of the town of Salford, assembled at Tins;—And, Farmers of the eastern division of the county of Ross, assembled at Tins;—and, Farmers of the eastern division of the county of Ross, and Inhabitants of the villages of Invergordon, Abies, and others, assembled at Tins; praying that the Dingwall Thoroughfares and Police Bill may not pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.  

An ingrossed Bill for making a Railway from the Manchester, and also, within a certain level of the fens called Middle Level, praying that they may be held in their own right, or as Trustees or Agents against certain parts of the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill, was presented, and read.  

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An ingrossed Bill for making a Railway from the Manchester and Bolton Railway, in the parish of Eccles, to the Parish of Worsley, all in the County of Manchester, to be called the Manchester, Bury and Rosendale Railway, was read the third time.  

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.  

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

Petitions of the Edinburgh, Leith and Newhaven Railway Company;—and, Provosts, Magistrates and Town Council of Llandaff; praying that they may
may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill,—were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of the Slamannan Railway Company, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Slamannan Junction Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

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Brighton, Levens and Hastings Railway Bill.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the borough of Lewes, and its vicinity, praying that no Clause be inserted in the Brighton, Leves and Hastings Railway Bill, restricting the Company from providing a station adjacent to the High-street, in the town of Lewes, in addition to the proposed station in the Han Field, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend and enlarge the Provisions of Two several Acts for lighting with Gas the Town of Liverpool, and certain Places adjacent thereto; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 4. 1. 36. After “Company” insert “or the
said Committee of Management.”

Pr. 4. 2. 21. After “Company” insert “or
the said Committee of Management.”

Pr. 4. 1. 29. After “up” insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A.) “And be it Enacted, That the
several persons who shall become possessed of
any shares of Twenty-five Pounds each, shall
be entitled to vote at the general or special
general meetings of the said Company, according
to the scale following; (that is to say, for any
number of such shares amounting to four, and
not exceeding sixteen, one vote, for any number
thereof amounting to twenty, and not exceeding
thirty-six, two votes, for any number thereof
amounting to forty, and not exceeding fifty-six,
three votes, for any number thereof amounting to
sixty, and not exceeding seventy-four, six votes,
and for eighty, or any greater number of such
shares, five votes: Provided always, That no
shareholder shall be entitled to vote at any of
such meetings, unless he shall have paid all the
calls then payable upon the shares held by him.”

Pr. 18. 1. 29. Leave out “and” and insert “or.”

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

Ordered, That Sir Howard Douglas do carry the
Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this
House hath agreed to the Amendments made by
their Lordships.

Severn Improvement Bill.

A Petition of the Severna Gas Light Company,
praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their
counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Sew-
several Improvement Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Com-
mittee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard
by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their
Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in
favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Harrogate and Knaresborough Railway Bill.

Petitions of Gentry, Professionals, Tradesmen and
other Inhabitants of the city of Ripon, in the
West Riding of the county of York;—Inhabitants of
High and Low Harrogate, in the West Riding of the
county of York;—Merchants, Manufacturers and
other Inhabitants of Otley, Bridge, Nidderdale and
the Forest of Knaresborough;—Inhabitants of
Knaresborough and Sivreen, in the West Riding of
the county of York;—praying that they may be
heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon
certain parts of the Harrogate and Knaresborough
Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred
to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners
heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon
their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard,
in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

The Manchester Royal Infirmary, &c., Bill was
read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Com-
mittee of Selection.

Petitions from the county of Angelsey;—Conwy; Chester and
and, Bangor; praying that the Chester and Holyhead
Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Commissioners of Police of the Ashton, Staly-
borough of Ashton-under-Lyne, in the county of
Lancaster, praying that the Ashton, Stalybridge and
Liverpool Junction Railway; and, Sheffield, Ashton-
under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Bills, may pass
into law, was presented, and read; and ordered to
lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Teignmouth;—Stauro;—Shaldon Devon
don;—Danish;—and, Newton; praying that the Railway Bill
South Devon Railway Bill may pass into a law, were
presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thornely reported from the Select Committee Public Petitions
Public Petitions upon Public Petitions; That they had examined the (Eighteenth
Public Petitions) Petitions presented upon the 22d and 23d days of
the present legislative protection of Brit-
these Acts for lighting with Gas the Town
of Liverpool, and certain Places adjacent thereto; and the same were read, as follow:

Petitions from the county of Anglesey;—Conwy; Chester and

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, by Her Majesty’s Public
Command.—A Copy of the Fifth Report of the
Deputy Keeper of the Public Records, March 25,
1844.

Copy of Report of the Tithe Commissioners in Tithe Com-
England and Wales to Her Majesty’s Principal Se-
cetery of State for the Home Department, 1844.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented,—Return to Coals,
Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of
this instant April, for Copies of any Orders in Counc-
cal for reducing or altering the Rates of Duty on
Coals on exportation in British and Foreign Ships
since the passing of the Act 7 Victoria.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to Stipendiary
Order,—A Return, showing the Dates of the Ap-
Punctualities of Stipendiary Magistrates, in Ireland,
(Ireland.)

from the 2d day of March to the 15th day of April,
both inclusive; specifying the Names of the seve-
ral Magistrates, the Stations to which they were
severally appointed by each Warrant, and the Cause
assigned in each Warrant respectively for the Ap-
pointment.

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

A Petition of Inhabitants of the city and borough of
City of York, in the county of York, praying the House
to uphold the present legislative protection of Brit-
ish industry, and to take steps for discountenancing
the agitation of the Anti-Corn Law League, was
presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Petworth and other places;—Pool Saint Asph
and Caernarvon;—and, Bethes;—praying for the re-
and Bangor, were presented, and read; and or-
order to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of John Henson;—Charles K. Vacy; Medical
and, William Pearse; praying for the formation of one Faculty of Medicine and Sur-
gery for the United Kingdom, having Boards of
Examiners in London, Edinburgh and Dublin, to
grant Medical Degrees under uniform regulations,
were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Thomas William Smith;—Joseph Ford Smith;
Profession.

Henry Page; and, William Poore; praying for the forma-
tion of one Faculty of Medicine and Surgery for the United Kingdom, having Boards of
Examiners in London, Edinburgh and Dublin, to
grant Medical Degrees under uniform regulations,
were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Rate-payers and Inhabitants of the Poor Law
town and county of the town of Southampton, pray-
ing that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not Bill.
pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Members of the Committee of the Plymouth British and Foreign Anti-Slavery Society, praying the House to adopt fiscal regulations in favour of the produce of Free Labour, and more especially to pass a law which shall admit the produce of Free Labour, of all kinds, in foreign countries into the British market, on the same terms as the produce of British Possessions and plantations, and not to adopt any fiscal regulations affording facilities for introducing into the British market the produce of Slave Labour, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Clergy of the Rural Deanery containing the parishes of Petworth, Tillingston, North Chapel, Largashall, Kirdford, Waverough Green, Stopham, Fittleworth and Egdeam, in the Diocese of Chichester, praying the House to take steps to extend to the town of Manchester the benefits of immediate episcopal care, by founding a See in that vast and destitute population, without withdrawing from any existing diocese the undivided care of a resident Bishop, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sidney Herbert presented, pursuant to Order,

—Copy of a Report made by Mr. Walker to the Admiral, on the subject of the South Devon Railway.

Ordered, That the said Paper be referred to the Committee on the South Devon Railway Bill.

Complaint.

Complaint being made to the House, by John Arthur Roebuck, Esquire, Member of Bath, of a Letter which he had received from the Honourable George Sydney Smythe, Member for Canterbury; the said Letter was delivered in, and read, as follows:

Sir,

Travellers' Club, Thursday, April 25, 1844.

I cannot determine, from the newspaper reports of your speech, nor from what I understand of it myself last night, whether it was to me personally that you meant to apply dishonourable motives.

If it is, I beg to refer you to a Letter to my friend Captain Darell can address himself.

I am, Sir, your most obedient Servant,

George Sydney Smythe.

And Mr. Roebuck having stated, that it was not his intention to take any steps of a hostile nature, in consequence of the said Letter, Mr. Speaker called upon Mr. Smythe to assure the House that this matter should not, on his part, proceed further: Whereupon Mr. Smythe submitted himself to the pleasure of the House, and gave the required assurance.

The Order of the day being read, for the consideration of the Complaint of Passages of a Speech delivered at a public meeting with reference to the Return of John Walter, Esquire, to this House, for the town of Nottingham, in the year 1842, it is stated, that "it was felt necessary by Sir James Graham to get him out of the House of Commons;" and that James Weir Hog, Esquire, a Member of this House, who had been Chairman of the Committee appointed and sworn to try and determine the matter of the Petition, complaining of the said Return, "had aided Sir James Graham and the Government in unseating Mr. Walter:"—That the said Sir James Graham and James Weir Hog, Esquire, having avowed that he had used the said expressions, and having declined to substantiate the truth of them, this House is of Opinion that the imputations conveyed in the said expressions are wholly unfounded and calumnious; and that they do not affect, in the slightest degree the honour and character of the Members to whom they were applied.

Petitions from Batley:—Belfast (four Petitions);—Ballymacarrett;—and, Smithies and Brook (No. 2) Bill.

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A Petition of Woolen Manufacturers of Trowbridge, in the county of Wilts, praying the House not to restrict the hours of labour in Factories to less than twelve per day, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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26°—27° April.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Order be discharged; The House divided: The Yeas to the new Lobby; The Noses to the old Lobby. Tellers for the [Mr. str. Downes, ] {Mr. Ward:} 42. Tellers for the [Sir Thomas Freameantle, ] Noes, {Mr. Henry Daring:} 145. So it passed in the Negative. Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee. (In the Committee.) Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph. Preamble postponed.

Clauses, No. 1, to No. 4, agreed to. Clause, No. 5, (Office of Factory Inspectors):— Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill: The Committee divided: Tellers for the [Sir Thomas Freameantle, ] Yeas, {Sir George Cler.:} 157. Tellers for the [Mr. Mark Philips; Noes, {Mr. Strutt:} 53. Clause, No. 6, agreed to. Clauses, No. 7 to No. 8, amended, and agreed to. Clauses, No. 10 to No. 12, agreed to. Clause, No. 13, amended, and agreed to. Clause, No. 14, agreed to. Clause, No. 15, amended, and agreed to. Clause, No. 16, agreed to. Clauses, No. 17 and No. 18, amended, and agreed to. Clause, No. 19, (Protection of workers in wet spinning flax mills):— Amendment proposed, in P. 8. ls. 30, and 31: To leave out the words “to “ to “ of the satisfaction of the Inspector or Sub-Inspector of the district”:—Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. Clause amended, and agreed to. Clause, No. 20, amended, and agreed to. Clause, No. 21, agreed to. Toreport Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene repeated, 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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Tax Commissioners’ Names Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 24th day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Poor Law Amendment Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 10th day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Poor Law Amendment Bill; Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Metropolitan Buildings Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Damage by Fire (Metropolis) (No. 2.) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into Supply, further consideration the Sixth of the Resolutions which, upon Monday last, were reported from the Committee of Supply; and which Resolution was then postponed; Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into Supply, further consideration the Fifth and the Sixteenth of the Resolutions which, upon the 16th day of this instant April, were reported from the Committee of Supply; and which Resolutions were then postponed; Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

Mr. Greene reported the Balliffs of Inferior Courts Bill and the Amendments were read, and agreed to. Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Laws and Means; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed New Zealand, to inquire into the state of the Colony of New Zealand, and into the Proceedings of the New Zealand Company, and to report the Minutes of Evidence, and their Opinion thereon, to the House.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Poor Relief Returns of the Date of each Audit in each of the Poor Law Unions in Ireland, stating the Period when commenced and ended, and the Name of the Commissioner by whom it was made:—Of the Names of Assistant Commissioner or Commissioners, who resigned or were dismissed since the first day of April 1843:—And, of the Date of Attendance of the Assistant Commissioner at each Board of Guardians in Ireland, between the 1st day of April 1843 and the 1st day of April 1844.

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

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee upon the Commons and Houses Bill, upon Wednesday next, was read; and discharged. Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 15th day of May next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Saturday morning; Sabbati, 27° die Aprilis, 1844: A Petition of John Hustler, of Bolton House, in Birkenhead: the parish of Calverley, in the county of York, Esq., praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Birkenhead Docks Bill, was presented, and read. Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition. A Petition.
Manchester Improvement Bill.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the Rockdale Canal, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Manchester Improvement Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Southampton Improvement Bill.

A Petition of the London and South Western Railway Company, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Southampton Improvement Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Universities (Scotland.)

Ordered, That the Petition of Members of the University of Glasgow, praying the House to resist the efforts now making to obtain a repeal of those statutory provisions under which the Universities of Scotland are now constituted, which require subscription to the Standards of the Church from all professors in Universities, which was presented upon the 14th day of March last, be printed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Thetford Inclosure and Drainage Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of Parochial Schoolmasters of the Presbytery of Dalkeith, county of Edinburgh, praying the House to adopt measures for ameliorating the condition of the burgh and parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Commissioners, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order,—A Return of the Number of Unions in England and Wales, in which no Chaplains had been appointed on the 1st day of January last, and the Number of Inmates in such Unions at that Period;—And then he withdrew.

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

Ordered, That the Committee on the Leeds New Gas Bill have leave to sit this day till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Salford Improvement (No. 2.) Bill.

Petitions of George Jones, of Portswood Park, in the county of Hants, Esquire; and, Rate-payers of the township of Salford, in the county of Lancaster, and entitled to be placed on the burgesses list of the borough of Salford; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Salford Improvement (No. 2.) Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Salford Bill, that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Wells Lighting and Improvement 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the South Western Railway 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Universities Bill; that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Lascaridi’s Naturalization Bill; that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Pettotions of Charles Scrase Dickins, of Cookhurst, Epsom and South Western Railway Bill;—and, Matthew Munro, of Fritham, near Stoney Cross, in the county of Sussex, Esquire; and, Matthew South Western Railway Bill;—and, Matthew South Western Railway Bill were presented, and read.

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

Ordered, That the Petition of Members of the University of Glasgow, praying the House to resist the efforts now making to obtain a repeal of those statutory provisions under which the Universities of Scotland are now constituted, which require subscription to the Standards of the Church from all professors in Universities, which was presented upon the 14th day of March last, be printed.

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Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee of Selection.

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Mr. Mundy reported from the Committee on the Salisbury Bill, that several Petitions against the said Bill were referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Malan’s Naturalization Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Fyge’s Naturalization Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

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

Lunae, 29° die Aprilis ;

Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for enabling the Company of Proprietors of the Birmingham Canal Navigations to borrow a further Sum of Money, and to extend and alter some of the Provisions of their present Acts; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 12. 1. 27. Leave out from "no" to "be" in Clause (A.)
Pr. 13. 1. 7. and insert "a transfer of a share in the said Company, or of a share in the consolidated stock hereinafter mentioned (whether such transfer be made on the sale of such share or on any other occasion whatsoever), shall, in l. 12.
Pr. 13. 1. 10. Leave out "already" and insert "for the time being,"
Pr. 13. 1. 11. Leave out from "share" to "in" l. 12.
Pr. 13. 1. 12. Leave out from "Act" to "with," in l. 14., and insert "or the said recited Acts or any of them,"
Pr. 13. 1. 19. After "notwithstanding" insert Clause (A.)
Pr. 13. 1. 20. Leave out "paid" and insert "fixed."
The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Schoefield 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 Bill, intituled, An Act for enabling the Company of Proprietors of the Birmingham Canal Navigations to borrow a further Sum of Money, and to extend and alter some of the Provisions of their present Acts, and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 12. 1. 27. Leave out from "no" to "be" in Clause (A.)
Pr. 13. 1. 7. and insert "a transfer of a share in the said Company, or of a share in the consolidated stock hereinafter mentioned (whether such transfer be made on the sale of such share or on any other occasion whatsoever), shall, in l. 12.
Pr. 13. 1. 10. Leave out "already" and insert "for the time being,"
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Petitions from Fakenham;—Oxestrey;—Tor; Free Labour quay (Chairman);—Helston;—Darlington (Chairman).

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

Petitions from Moray (Moderator of the Synod); Marling;—Dungannon (two Petitions);—Ephraim;—Cook (Ireland.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Northern and Eastern Railway (Newport Deviations) Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had considered the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and the Amendments thereto.

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

Petitions from Vinehall to Rye, and also, Owners and Occupiers of land near and adjoining the same, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Brighton, Leves and Hastings Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners agree, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Charles Popham Hill, Lord of the Manor of Bonchurch, in the Isle of Wight, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Ventnor Improvement Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that he may be heard, by his agent, against the same, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners be heard, by their counsel or agents, against the said Bill; and they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Viscount Barrington reported from the Committee on the Northern and Eastern Railway (Newport Deviations) Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had considered the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and the Amendments thereto.

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Hail-storm (Scotland.)

Bishopric.

Servants Bill.

Masters and Servants Bill.

Corn Laws.

Tea.

Sinecures, &c.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

Poets from Carlisle:—Kinglsey (Chairman); — Preston (Lancaster) (Chairman); — London (Chairman); — Bolton-le-Moors (Chairman); — and, Lowell, Leitit, praying that the Masters and Servants Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, — were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Crewe and Borough:—Crewe (two Petitions);—Bridgewater;—and, Wrexham and Wrexham; praying that the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Birkenhead; — and, Liverpool; praying that no Clause may be inserted in the Poor Law Amendment Bill, to the effect of rating the owners of small tenements to the poor rate instead of the occupiers,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Anglesey Union; — and, Wellington (Somerset) Union; praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Collompton, in the county of Devon, praying the House to abolish all useless Places and Sinecures, to reduce the salaries of all classes of overpaid public officers, and especially to relieve the Petitioners from the tax upon their daily bread, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of parochial schoolmasters of the county of Devon; praying the House to abolish the stamp duty on Policies of In-, ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ecclesiastical Courts Bill.

Petitions from Nevers; — Dioceses of Gloucester Saint Asaph and Bangor; (two Petitions); — Deanery and Hundred of Plympton and Cornwall; — Hope; — Darley; — Newport (Pembroke); — Crony; — Ashington and other places; — Castle Cary; — Daventry; — Northam-ton; — Preston; — Newchurch with Clyde; — Deanery of Poole; — and, Llanelli; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, — were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Worcester; — and, Worcester upon Imprisonment Tyre; praying the House to abolish Imprisonment for Debt,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Horbury; — Lindsworth; — Ashton, Factories, under-Lyne (Chairman); — Croxton (Chairman); — Hyde (Chairman); — Vandy, Late (Chairman); — Montrose (Chairman); — Warwick Works; — Carlisle; — Clayton; — Honley; — Belfast; — and, Shadow Cotton-works near Carlisle; — praying the House to limit the hours of labour in Factories to ten hours a day for five days in the week, and eight hours on the Saturday,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants, Thomas Cooper, bitants of Nottingham, praying the House to take steps for securing to Thomas Cooper, a prisoner in Stafford Gaol, a commutation of his sentence of two years' imprisonment, by advising Her Majesty to release him forthwith, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants of Aberdeen, praying the House to abrogate the statutes relative to Blasphemy, under which Thomas Pettison and Henry Robinson have been convicted and punished, was presented, and read and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Schoolmasters (Scotland.)

A Petition of the Parochial Schoolmasters of the Presbytery of Selkirk, praying the House to adopt measures for ameliorating the condition of the Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Manchester Bishops' and.

A Petition of the Rural Dean and Clergy of the Rural Deanery, containing the parishes of Ashington, Ashton, Bramber and Botolphs St., Thetlham, Stepping, West Grinstead, Wormaltchester and Wiston, in the diocese of Chichester, praying the House to extend to the town of Manchester the benefits of inclosure, may be afforded them, and that vest and diestitute population, without withdrawing from any existing dioceses the individual care of a resident bishop, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the County of Berks; — County of Cambridge; — and, County of Wilts; praying the House to repeal the stamp duty on Policies of In- Vol. 19.,

assurance against damage by Hail-storms, so far as agricultural produce is concerned, thereby placing it on the same footing as in the case of loss by fire,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Tailors’ Trade.—Petitions from Bradford (York); —Chester; —Dublin; —Rochdale; —Liverpool; —Saint Albans; —Sheffield; —and, Bury (Lancashire); praying that the present system relative to Tailors’ Trade may be put an end to, and the hours of labour regulated in accordance with supply and demand, and that the House will grant a Committee of Inquiry into the several allegations contained in their Petitions, every one of which the Petitioners have evidence to substantiate, with a view to an alteration of the present system, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Cotton.—Petitions from Manchester—and, Paisley; praying for a repeal of the duties on raw Cotton, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Rates.—A Petition of William Blight Taylor, of Hatfield-street, Stamford-street, Householder of the parish of Christchurch, in the county of Surrey, praying the House to pass an Act defining the powers of Overseers in making Poor Rates, and to provide in all cases of improper rating a sufficient penalty, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Window Tax.—Petitions from Bath; —and, Salisford; praying that Licensed Victuallers may be placed on the same footing in regard to the Tax on Windows, as other tradesmen, owners of warehouses and shops, in which goods are deposited, sold and exposed for sale, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Rating of Tenements.—Petitions from Docking Union; —Wellington (Somerset); —and, Clutton Union; praying the House to enact that for the future the parochial charges on cottage holdings, below a certain rental, shall be payable by and charged to the owner, instead of the occupier of such cottage holdings, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Universities (Scotland.) —A Petition of the Moderator of the Provincial Synod of Moray, of the Free Church of Scotland, praying for the repeal of all Acts of Parliament which seem to limit the holding Professional Chairs in the Universities, except the Theological ones, to members of the Established Church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Moderator of the Presbytery of Preston;—Moderator of the Presbytery of Fowden; —Moderator of the Presbytery of Lochkaben;—Presbytery of Dumfries;—and, Provincial Synod of Dumfries; praying that the House will enjoin to maintain the existing statutes relative to religious tests required of Professors in the Universities of Scotland, and to refuse any modifications of the same, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Birkenhead Docks Bill.—A Petition of Bankers, Merchants, Manufacturers and others residing in or resorting to Manchester, and interested in the facilities given to commerce through the port of Liverpool and River Mersey, praying that the Birkenhead Docks Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sidmouth and Collumpton Road Bill.—Petitions of Inhabitants of the town and parish of Bradninch, in the county of Devon; and Owners of land on or near the line of road intended to be made from Sidmouth to Collumpton (two Petitions); praying that the Sidmouth and Collumpton Road Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Croydon and Epsom Railway Bill.—A Petition of Matthias Muir, of Fritsham, near Stoney Cross, in the county of Southampton, Esquire, Warden of New Square, Lincoln’s Inn, in the county of Middlesex, Esquire, and William Rutter Bayley, of Coftord, near Honiton, in the county of Devon, Esquire, Devisees of Hector William Bower Munro, Esquire, deceased, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel, against certain parts of the Croydon and Epsom Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Payers of the Paving and Lighting Rates of the town and franchise of Swansea, in the county of Glamorgan, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Swansea Improvement Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Petitions from Penryn;—and, Ruthin;—praying County Courts that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Messrs. George Kear and Robert William Vivian, of the borough of Stafford, Attorneys and Solicitors, stating that in the said Bill no provision is made for compensation to the County Clerks who shall not hold any offices under the new Courts to be established; and praying the House to provide compensation for the Petitioners, in case they shall not be re-appointed County Clerks, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Clergy within the Deanery of Bell-Convocation minister, in the Archdeaconry of Bath and Diocese of the Clergy, of Bath and Wells, praying the House to present a loyal and dutiful Address to Her Majesty, that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to grant Her royal License for the Houses of Convocation to meet for the despatch of such business as is proper to them, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Edwin Edisson, of Leeds, in the Metropolitan county of York, Solicitor, praying the House to enact that all furnaces within the limits prescribed in the Metropolitan Buildings Bill be constructed so as to prevent or consume their own smoke; that penalties shall be enforced for negligence or omission, not only against the owner or occupier thereof, but also against the engine-man, stoker or other person having the care of such furnace; and that power may be given, with proper restrictions, to examine and see whether such furnaces and the works connected therewith are properly constructed; and also that provision may be made in the said Bill, empowering and compelling the persons charged with the execution thereof, when passed into a law, to abolish all duplicate names of streets within the limits thereof, and to substitute others, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Provost of the royal burgh of Princes Inverness, praying that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill (Scotland) Bill, may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Shelton, Maynooth in the county of Meath, and others, praying the House to withdraw every kind of public support from the College of Maynooth, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition.
A Petition of John Cook, Gentleman, of Fitzroy-place, Kensal Town, in the county of Middlesex, submitting that the Bank of England and its proprietors have a strict, equitable, legal and fair right and claim to be and continue to be the national bank and sole bank of issue; that the subjects of the empire at large, be put on the most wise, solid and wholesome principles that wisdom and experience can suggest; but in carrying out the said grand and national improvements, that the existing interests and rights of the Bank and its proprietors may not be overset and swamped, but honourably protected, secured and taken care of, and if doubted, that the Petitioner may be heard in that behalf, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of the Dublin Protestant Operative Association and Reformation Society, praying that the Roman Catholic Clergy, Grants and Conveyances (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Lanhavy; Llandilotalgbont and Cyfrinfadrinant; and or-dered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Clergy of the deanery of Powder, in the county of Cornwall and diocese of Exeter, praying for amendment of the fifth clause of the Theatres Regulation Act, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Dissenting Ministers and Congregations in Maryport, praying that any Bill, having for its object the regulation of suits relating to meeting-houses and other property held for religious purposes by persons dissenting from the Church of England, may not receive the sanction of the House, but that the laws relating thereto may remain as they stand at present, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of the Moderator of tlie Provincial Synod of Moray, of the Free Church of Scotland, and of the Provincial Synod of Dunfrie; praying that the Parishes (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Lanhavy; Llandilotalgbont and Cyfrinfadrinant; and or-dered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Inhabitants of the parish of Shelton, in the county of Staffor-d, and others, praying the House to devise measures for the suppression of Monasteries, and the final prohibition and banishment from the United Kingdom of Jesuits and members of other religious orders, communities or societie-s of the Church of Rome, bound by monastic or religious vows, was presented, and read; and or-dered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Shetland, in the county of Stafford, and others, praying the House to devise measures for the suppression of Monasteries, and the final prohibition and banishment from the United Kingdom of Jesuits and members of other religious orders, communities or societies of the Church of Rome, bound by monastic or religious vows, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion being made, That the ingrossed Bill No. 45, praying for amendment of the fifth clause of the Theatres Regulation Act, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the title be, An Act to amend an Act for maintaining the Pier and Harbour and Railway Bill, Newquay, in the County of Cornwall, and to make certain Railways or Tram Roads in connection therewith, be now read the third time;

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the title be, An Act to amend an Act for maintaining the Pier and Harbour and Railway Bill, Newquay, in the County of Cornwall, and to make certain Railways or Tram Roads in connection therewith, be now read the third time;

Then the Bill was read the third time.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

Ordered, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolu-

Then the Bill was read the third time.

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Ordered, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- mittee on the Factories (No. 1) Bill;

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- mittee on the Factories (No. 2) Bill;

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

Ordered, That this Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 10th day of May next.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Bill; 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 Ecclesiastical Courts Bill; 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 County Courts Bill; Resolved, That the Report be taken into further consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill; 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 Metropolitan Buildings Bill; 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 Damage by Fire (Metropolis) Bill; 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 Small Debts Bill; Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Metropolitan Buildings Bill; 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 Damage by Fire (Metropolis) (No. 2.) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Small Debts Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Brown Stock Bill; Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to Order, A Copy of the Correspondence between the Irish Government and the Managers of District Lunatic Asylums in Ireland, on the subject of the Report of the Select Committee of the House of Lords, of last Session, on the state of the Lunatic Poor in Ireland.

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

The House was moved, That the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 98, for giving to the Corporation of the City and County of London, and Others, the Privilege of certain Privileges for a limited period under certain conditions, might be read ; and the same was read.

The House was also moved, That the several other Acts relating to the Charter of the Bank of England, and Advances by them to the Government, and also to Banks and Banking Partnerships, might be read ; and the same was read.

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

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Copper, Copper, which were presented upon Friday last, be printed. No. 225.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Zinc, Zinc, which were presented upon Friday last, be printed. No. 225.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Lead, Lead, which were presented upon Friday last, be printed. No. 225.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Parliamentary Papers, Parliamentary Papers, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed. No. 225.

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Ordered, That the Return relative to Vinegar, Vinegar, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed. No. 222.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Merchant Seamen, Merchant Seamen, which were presented upon Friday last, be printed. No. 229.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Stipendiary Stipendiary Magistrates (Ireland), which was presented upon Friday last, be printed. No. 230.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.
PRAYERS.

M. R. Perry, from the Court of Chancery, was called in; and at the bar presented,—Return to an Order dated the 24th day of this instant April, for Returns of the Number of Causes set down and remaining for hearing before each of the Judges of the Court of Chancery, on the 11th day of January in each of the years 1838, 1839, 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843; and also of the Number of Bills in Chancery filed in each of those years, stating the Courts in which they have been marked to be heard:—And then he withdrew.

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

A Petition of the Right Honourable Lord Belhaven and Stenton, praying that the Garnkirk, Glasgow and Coatbridge Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of a Meeting of Commissioners of Supply of the county of Caithness, praying that the Dingwall Thoroughfares and Police Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Newcastle and Darlington Junction Railway and Tyne Bridge Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Pontop and South Shields Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of Residents in and Owners and Occupiers of property in part of the parish of Newchurch, in the Isle of Wight, called Ventnor, praying that the Ventnor Improvement Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Ventnor Improvement Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of Owners of land in the parish of Harford, in the county of Denbigh, praying that the Sidmouth and Collampton Road Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

A Petition of the Liverpool and Manchester Railway Company, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Saltford Improvement (No. 2) Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Richard Hill and Anthony Hill, of Cardiff, in the county of Glamorgan, Iron Masters and Co-partners trading under the firm of R. and A. Hill, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Taff Vale Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

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Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of the Mayor and Town Council of the Borough of Newbury, praying that the Committee to whom the competing Lines of Railway from Newbury to Basingstoke, and from Newbury to Pangbourne were referred, have unanimously reported in favour of the former; and to the exclusion of the latter Line; and praying that the House will adopt the Report of the Committee, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town of Newbury and its vicinity, praying the House not to confirm the decision of the Committee in favour of the Line of Railway from Basingstoke to Newbury, and that the Newbury, Basingstoke, London and Southampton Railway Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Newbury, the Report on the Newbury, Basingstoke, London and Southampton Railway Bill. And a Motion being made, and the Question Railway Bill, being proposed, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill be now read a second time: An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the words "That " the" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "consideration of the said Report be deferred till this day six months," 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 old Lobby; The Noes to the new Lobby. Tellers for the yeas, Mr. Pusey, Yews, Sir William Heathcote: Tellers for the noes, Mr. Charles Russell, Noes, T. M. Hyder: And the numbers reported by the Tellers being, Yeas 166, Noes 73:—

Objection was taken to the Vote of Mr. Russell, one of the Tellers for the Noes, on the ground that the Great Western Railway Company are interested in the rejection of the said Bill; and Mr. Russell is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the said Company:—

Whereupon Mr. Russell stated, that he is the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the said Company, and holds shares in the undertaking, but considers he has no direct pecuniary interest which disqualifies him from voting upon the Question now before the House.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the vote of Mr. Russell be disallowed:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker reported the numbers on the Division, Yeas 166, Noes 73:—

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill be now read a second time:—The said Amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee standing on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, Ordered, as followeth:—Resolved, That in the case of the Manchester Stipendiary Magistrate's Petition for additional pay, to be assigned.
The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Norwich and Brandon, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Great Western Railway Bill, with Amendments relating to the Great Railway Bill, Western, the Cheltenham and Great Western Union, and the Oxford Railways, to amalgamate the two last-mentioned Railways with the Great Western Railway, and to authorize the formation of certain additional Works at Cheltenham and Gloucester, by the Great Western Railway Company, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Lancashire Act for making a Railway from the Lancaster and Carlisle Preston Junction Railway, at Lancaster, or near to the City of Carlisle, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Manchester Bonding Bill. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.

The House was moved, That the Act 1 & 2 Vic., Glass Duties, c. 44, to consolidate and amend the Laws for collecting and securing the Duties of Excise on Glass, might be read; and the same being read; Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the said Act.

The House was also moved, That the Act 6 Geo. 4, c. 57, to provide for the future assimilation of the Duties of Excise upon Sweets or Made Wines, upon Mead or Metheglin, upon Vinegar, and upon Cyder and Perry in Great Britain and Ireland, might be read; and the same being read; Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the said Acts.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts of the Notes of the Bank of Ireland, in circulation; distinguishing those of the Branches from those in Dublin; Of the Amount of all Deposits, distinguishing Public from Private; And, of the Amount of Securities held by the Bank, distinguishing Public from Private: And, of the Amount of Bullion in the Bank at the close of every week, from the 6th day of March 1832 up to the present time.


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

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, Lime Toll the Lime Toll Exemption (Wales) Bill, was read, Exemption (Wales) Bill, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 14th day of May next.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Agricultural Copies of Memorials to the Treasury, and Minutes of the Board, relating to the Grants for the Agricultural Garden cultural Museum at Edinburgh and the Botanic Garden in Dublin, proposed in the Estimates of the present year.

Sir George Clerk accordingly presented the said Papers.

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


Sir George Clerk presented, pursuant to Orders,
Accounts of the Quantity of Foreign Iron imported into and exported from the United Kingdom in the year 1843; distinguishing the several sorts of Iron, and the Countries from which imported, and to which exported:—Of the Quantity of British Iron exported (including unwrought Steel) in the year 1843; distinguishing the Countries to which exported:—And, of the Quantity of British Hardware and Utensils exported in the year 1843; distinguishing the Countries to which the same were exported, and the declared Value thereof (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 237, of Session 1843.)

Civil Contingencies.
Accounts in detail, of the manner in which £ 459 3s. 4d. charged in the Civil Contingencies for 1843, paid to the Officers of the Order of the Garter upon the installation of his Majesty the King of Prussia, was expended; stating the Amounts of the several Fees, the Persons for whom paid, and by what authority they are received:—And, of the manner in which £ 821 13s. 4d. charged in the Civil Contingencies for Fees paid to the Officers of the Order of the Bath upon the Installation of the Officers therein named to be Knights Grand Cross of the Bath, was expended; stating the Amount of the several Fees paid, for whom paid, and the authority for receiving the same:—A similar Account for £ 299 10s. 4d. charged for granting the dignity of Baronet on Lieutenant General Sir H. Gough:—And, a similar Account for £ 265 14s. 11d. charged for appointing Sir Charles T. Metcalfe, Governor of Nova Scotia, British North America, &c.

Sir George Clerk also presented a Return respecting the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of Warrant granting Compensation to Thomas Fenton, one of the Chief Exempts of the Court of Chancery in Ireland, for the quarter ending 11th April 1844.

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

Mr. George William Hope presented, pursuant to Order,—A Return of all Contracts entered into by the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital for Hops during the last fifteen years, including the present; the Names of the Parties to each Contract; and the Prices paid by the Commissioners.

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

Mr. Thynne reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 24th and 26th days of March last, and ordered to be printed.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Committee of the Southampton Auxiliary to the British and Foreign Anti-Slavery Society, praying the House to adopt fiscal regulations in favour of the Produce of Free Labour, and more especially to pass a law which shall admit the Produce of Free Labour of all kinds in foreign countries into the British market on the same terms as the Produce of British possessions and plantations; and that the House will not adopt any fiscal regulations affording facilities for introducing into the British market the produce of slave labour, inasmuch as such a course would, in the opinion of the Petitioners, inestimably aggravate the miseries of the slaves, and supply a fearful stimulus to the slave trade, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of jure Clerks of the Peace of the County of Somerset, in Peace. Quarter Sessions assembled, praying that the House will, by some legislative provision, invest the Justices of the Peace, in Quarter Sessions assembled, with power to ascertain and fix a salary to be paid to the Clerks of the Peace in lieu of all fees and emoluments whatever; and that the House will make such other provisions as the case may require, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Members of the United Associate Universities Presbytery of Glasgow:—and, Members of the Con. (Scotland.)
gregional Union of Scotland, held in Dundee; praying the House to enact that the religious tests affecting professorships in science, literature, medicine and law in the Scottish Universities be abolished, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Moderator of the Presbytery of Ca-
par:—and, Moderator of the Presbytery of Weem; praying the House to reject any motion having for its object the abolishing all religious tests as regards the professors of Scottish Universities, and not to deprive the national church of any of those privileges which she has so long held, and which are confirmed to her by statute, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, Universities that leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate (Scotland.) the Administration of Oaths in the Universities of Scotland;


Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Union of Copies of the Instrument appointing the present Archdeacon of Armagh; and of any Orders or Acts of Privy Council in Ireland for disuniting the Parishes forming the Union of Armagh:—And, of any Memorials or Letters which may have been addressed to the Irish Government on the subject of the severance of the Union of Parishes forming the Archdeaconry of Armagh; and of the Answers thereto:—And, a Return of any Union of Parishes in Ireland, dissolved under the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 27, s. 124.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Sinking Fund, Return of the several Amounts which were appropriated in each year since the passing of the Act of 1786 (Mr. Pitt's Act), to the Creation or Support of a Sinking Fund, with the authority for creating and appropriating the same; exhibiting from year to year the Capital and Interest thereon; also, a Statement of the Amounts of Capital and Interest which, from year to year, were applied out of the said Sinking Fund to the Public Service; stating for what particular Services, with the authorities for applying the same, up to the period of the final extinction of the Sinking Fund.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Arms (Ireland) Returns of the Sums of Money demanded by the Act, Clerks of the Peace in the different Counties and Counties of Cities in Ireland, to remunerate them for their additional Services under the new Arms.
Act:—Of the Sums of Money approved of by the different Grand Juries of Ireland for that purpose;—Of the Number of Armies registered in each County;—And, of the Sums of Money demanded and allowed, as above, to the different Clerks of Petty Sessions under the above Act.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

March 4, 1844:

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Names of the different Union Workhouses not having been visited by the Assistant Commissioner, from the 1st day of November 1843 to the 1st day of April 1844:—Of the Salary and Allowances of the Architect to the Poor Law Commissioners in Ireland and his Assistants, for the last year; specifying the Duties performed by him during that period:—Of the Names of those Persons lately appointed Poor Law Auditors in Ireland:—Of the Medical Qualifications of the District Vaccinators appointed for the Neutronne’s Union, with Copies of any Remonstrances addressed to the Poor Law Commissioners against such Appointments:—And, of the Number of the Irish Poor who have been removed from any Parish, Township or Place in England to Ireland, under the Provisions of the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 40, between the 1st day of April 1843 and the 1st day of April 1844:—And, a Copy of the Resolutions addressed by the Guardians of the Ballinrobe Union to the Poor Law Commission, dated the 4th day of April 1844, as to the impossibility of collecting the Poor Rates without the assistance of a Sipendary Magistrate and a Military Force.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the operation of the Laws for the Relief of the Destitute Poor of Ireland:—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 a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the operation of the Laws for the Relief of the Destitute Poor of Ireland.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers and records.

New Zealand.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon Friday last, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the state of the Colony of New Zealand, and into the Proceedings of the New Zealand Company, and to report the Minutes of Evidence, and their Opinion thereon, to the House, might be read;—And the said Committee was nominated of Mr. Aglionby, Lord Francis Egerton, Viscount Hove, Mr. George William Hope, Mr. Robert Clive, Mr. Hawes, Sir Robert Goodyear, Viscount Ebrington, Mr. Charteris, Sir John Hamner, Mr. Milnes, Viscount Jocelyn, Mr. Roebuck and Mr. Wilson Patten; with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ways and Means;

Mr. Green reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

Resolved, That towards raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Sum of Eighteen millions four hundred and seven thousand and three hundred pounds, be raised by Exchequer Bills, for the service of the year 1844.

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. Greene, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring it in.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into Supply further consideration the Sixth of the Resolutions, [16 April] which upon the 22d day of this instant April, were reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolution was then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into Supply further consideration the Fifth and the Sixteenth of [16 April] the Resolutions, which upon the 18th day of this instant April, were reported from the Committee of Supply; and which Resolutions were then postponed;

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Friday next.

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 the Regulations now in force as to the Admissions of Advocates in the Ecclesiastical and Admiralty Courts of Doctors’ Commons, and in the Provincial Court of York; and the present Number of Advocates in these Courts.

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.

The House was moved, That the Act 55 Geo. 3, Stamp Duties, c. 184, for repealing the Stamp Duties on Deeds, Law Proceedings and other written or printed Instruments, and the Duties on Fire Insurances, and on Legacies and Successions to Personal Estate upon Intestacies, now payable in Great Britain; and for granting other Duties in lieu thereof, might be read; and the same was read.

The House was also moved, That the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 33, to reduce the Stamp Duties on Advertisements, and on certain Sea Insurances, to repeal the Stamp Duties on Pamphlets and on Receipts for Sums under Five Pounds, and to exempt Insurances on Farming Stock from Stamp Duties, might be read; and the same was read.

The House having continued to sit until half an hour after one of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.
Mr. Greene 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 gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Brotherton presented a Bill for the warehousing of Foreign Goods for Home Consumption Binding Bill, at the Borough of Manchester, in the County of Lancaster: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Petitions from Gowerrsville—North Bierley and Birstall; and, likewise, that the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bradford Branch) Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Reverend Godfrey Wright, of Bitham, in the county of York; and, Joshua Wood, of Horton, in the parish of Bradford, in the county of York, Worsed Spinner, William Greenwood, of the same place, Maudine Maker, Benjamin Styles, of the same place, Gentleman: praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon certain parts of the said Bill, were also presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Petitions of Commissioners acting under an Act Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill, to raise and apply Funds for the future Maintenance and Repair of the Banks of the River One, between Doncaster and the Ea Bird Cut, in the county of Yorkshire; Owners of land in several parts of Wymehall Saint Germans, Wiggenhall Saint Peter, and Wiggenhall Saint Mary the Virgin, in the county of Norfolk; Owners and Occupiers of lands in the Sutton and Mepal district, and in the Maine and Welney district of drainage, in the Isle of Ely and county of Cambridge; Owners of lands and hereditaments at a certain place in the county of Norfolk, called Donaghahen Fen; and William Nix, an Owner and Occupier of lands situated in the Sutton and Mepal district, and in the Maine and Welney district of drainage, in the Isle of Ely and county of Cambridge, and also in several other places in the Middle Level, part of the Great Level of the Fens, commonly called Bedford Level; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Petitions from Winterburn; Donegal; (two Petitions); Raphoe; Ballinlumine; Balligraekash; (Ireland)

—Buncrana; Rato; Kilmore (two Petitions); Crosshaw; Donaghahen; Ballinsloe; Largy; Glavish; Carrickfergus (Parish); Down; Romeland; Newtown Linewley; and, Neary (two Petitions); praying the House to introduce, without delay, a Bill to declare valid, to all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages hereafter solemnized or hereafter to be solemnized by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, between parties not within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and who have the consent of parents or guardians, and provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered according to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Bill of the Bledfa and Llangwil Insertion Bill; that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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A Petition of the Assistant Overseer of the parish of Saint James, Bath, in the county of Somer set, praying the House to insert a clause in the new Law Amendment Bill, empowering overseers of parishes to assess to the poor rate all owners of houses and tenements below the yearly value of ten pounds, instead of the occupiers of such tenements and houses, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Mary-le-bone (two Petitions); and, Saint Pancras (two Petitions); praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Guardians of the Petitioning Union ; and, Ministers, Preachers and Elders of a certain religious denomination of Christians, commonly called "The Welsh Calvinistic Methodists' Connection," agreed to use a general assembly or quarterly association of the said connection for North Wales held at Llandafascereinion; praying for alteration of the said Bill, in regard to the Bastardy Clauses, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Clergy, Gentry and Inhabitants of the several towns and parishes in the deanery of Cricklade, in the county of Wilts, and in the diocese of Gloucester and Bristol, taking notice of the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill ; and praying the House not to transfer the deanery of Cricklade to Bristol, but to attach it, on the ground of public convenience, to the diocese of Gloucester, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Attornies and Solicitors of Bolton-le-Moors, in the county of Lancaster, praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the Deanery of Gloucester and Bristol; --Birling; --Marston-upon-Dove;--Deanery of Menai;--Gainsborough;--Llangennech;--

and, Archdeaconry of Wilts; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor,--were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Llandau;--Snodland;--Ryash;--

Deanery of Framland;--Newborough;--Deanery of Avon;--

Deanery of Featherstone;--Sheffield;--

Loddon;--Winchfield;--East Woodhall;--Weston

Patrick;--Up Nately;--Sutton (Southampton);

Oxen;--Heckfield;--Kingscote;--Upton Gray;--

Towermill;--West Sherborne;--

Steventon (Southampton);--County of Caithness;--

Whisky;--Cameringham;--Goulceby;--

Mort;--Morton;--Willington;--West Stock- west;--

Willington;--Northorpe;--Pilkam;--

Springthorpe;--Dereham;--Teddington;--Tovil;

Fillingham;--Snaulf;--Holton Beckering;--

Bardsley;--Swilly-cum-Igley;--

Towern-on-Trent;--Metheringham;--

Kirkby Green;--Wellingore;--Digby;--

Seepieck;--Bassingham;--Stepford;--Necton;

Dunston;--Potterhanworth;--Carlton-le-Moor- land;--Willstoke;--Torksey;--

Sowby;--Scotter;--Lincoln;--Walker- tike;--Westburton;--Netherdunstan;--Southor- pe;--and, Renton and Bransom;--praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti- Corn Law Leage, and that no further alteration or repe of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a See at Manchester, by other means, --were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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(No. 2). Bill, That they do ascertain that there are no Provisions introduced into the Bill inconsistent with the Notices given in compliance with the Standing Orders.

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A Petition of the Hull and Selby Railway Com- Kingston-upon-hull Docks Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Two Petitions of Owners and Occupiers of land, Hull-town in the county of Berks, praying the House to repeal the stamp duty on policies of insurance against damage by Hail-storms, so far as agricultural produc e is concerned, --were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Stratford; --Bury (Lancaster) (Chairman); --Mythol Tye (Chairman); (No. 2) Bill; James Jones and others;--and, Thornton; praying that provision may be made in the Factories (No. 2). Bill for limiting the labour of young persons to ten hours a day for five days in the week, and eight hours on the Saturday, and that none be admitted under nine years, --were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Harwick;--and, Bailey (two Peti tions);

praying the House to expunge the 30th Clause from the said Bill, --were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Inha Masters and bitants of the parish of Saint Poelas, in the county of Middlesex, praying that the Masters and Servants Bill may not pass into a law; that the House will restrict the labour of women and young children in Factories to ten hours in the day; and, that the Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Southark (Chairman) (two Petitions) and, Manchester and Salford (two Petitions);--Manchester and Salford (four Petitions); --Newcastle-upon-Tyne (two Petitions);--Lye Waste (Chairman);--Redditch;--Saint John, Hampstead (two Petitions);--Coggeshall (Chairman);--Tolmowe Wells;--Ardishaw and Arbury;--Mellorfield (four Petitions);--Cullompton;--Treecle;--Oldbury;--

Bilton;--Ide;--Chester-le-Street;--Old Bill Inn, Old Bailey (Chairman);--Bradford, (Witte Chairman);--Warton;--Portrechtone (two Petitions);--Hull;--Northampton;--Butele;--Gay thorn;--Pattiercroft;--Newcastle-under-Lyme;--

Lambeth;--Lichfield;--Dudley Wood (Chairman);--Hedgeford (Chairman);--

Leamington;--Newport Vale;--Worcester;--

Popular;--Whitehechap (Middlese);--Yeovil;--

Intake (Chairman);--Macclesfield (two Petitions);--

Leamington;--
Railway Bill.

Mr. Walter Long reported from the Committee on the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, That one of the Petitions opposing the Bill had stated to the Committee that the evidence of Mr. Charles Fox, Assistant Overseer of Sculcoates, in the borough of Kingston-upon-Hull, was essential to enable them to establish their case before the Committee; and that the attendance of the said person could not be obtained without the intervention of the House; and that he had been instructed by the Committee to apply to the House to order the said Charles Fox to attend and give evidence before them.

Ordered, That Charles Fox, Assistant Overseer of Sculcoates, do attend the Committee on the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, upon Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Young be added to the Committee on the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill.

Petitions of Inhabitants of Wandsworth and Battersea, and adjoining parishes;—and, Members of the Sculcoates Inclosure Bill, the National Convention of the working classes, assembled in Manchester;—praying that the Commons Inclosure Bill may not pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Memorial to Her Majesty of the House of Assembly of Jamaica, during its last Session.

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 Petition of Solicitors and Attornies composing the Law Society of the county of Suffolk, praying that the operation of the Bankruptcy Law, and of the rules made thereunder, may be inquired into, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Land-owners, &c., in the parishes of Stoke and Wixoe, in the county of Suffolk,—pray- ping that the crime of Arson may be punished by death, as formerly, and that any person guilty of that heinous offence shall be executed in the parish in which he committed the crime, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Hep- maynooth, in the county of Suffolk, praying the House to establish their case before the Committee; and the evidence of the Assistant Overseer of Sculcoates, in the borough of Kingston-upon-Hull, was essential to enable them to establish their case before the Committee; and that the evidence of the said person could not be obtained without the intervention of the House; and that he had been instructed by the Committee to apply to the House to order the said Charles Fox to attend and give evidence before them.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Agricultural Museum (Edinburgh) and, Botanic Garden (Dublin), which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Civil Continencies, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

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Ordered, That the Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate on the Question proposed. E K K upon
The Committee divided:—
Tellers for the [Mr. Robert Scott],

YEAS,
Mr. Brotherton: 19.

Tellers for the [Mr. Mansers Sutton],

NOES,
Mr. Richard Hodgson: 10.

Whereupon the Chairman left the Chair.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and the House being 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.

Jovis, 2° die Maii;
Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAESENT

Mr. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Commissioners, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order, A Return of the Average Annual Expenditure of the Parishes comprised in each of the Unions in England and Wales, during the Three years prior to Union; and the Amount expended for the Relief and Maintenance of the Poor in each of the years ended Lady Day 1841, 1842 and 1843; also, the Number of In-door and Out-door Paupers relieved during each of the Quarters ended Lady Day 1841, 1842 and 1843; together with the Number of Illegitimate Children relieved during the same periods, stating the Percentage as compared to other Paupers; and the present Population in the different Unions; specifying the Number of Unions now without Work-houses;—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Leonard Edmunds, Clerk of the Crown, in Oaths of Office.

Petitions of Medical Practitioners resident in the town of Salford;—Eighty-four Commissioners of (No. 5.) Bill. Police of the town of Salford;—Ministers of the Church of England or Ireland, previous to entering on the Duties of their Office (so far as relates to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland or the Lord Chancellors of England or Ireland, previous to entering on the Duties of their Office (so far as relates to the Lord Lieutenant of England).—And then he withdrew.

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And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of Manufacturers, Farmers, Shopkeepers and other Inhabitants of the town and neighbourhood of Bingley, in the West Riding of the county of York, praying that the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bradford Branch) Bill, above presented, and read.

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A Petition of Economy, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from Norwich to Brandon, with a Branch to Thetford; and the same were read, as follows:

Pr. 146. 1. 20. Leave out "or his Trustees," and insert "the Reverend George Pollen Boileau Pollen, Clerke, Charles Lestock Boileau, Esquire, Lestock Vench Wilson, Esquire, and Edward Butler, Esquire."

Pr. 146. 1. 23. Leave out "parish" and insert "parishes," and in the same line after "Arminghall" insert "and Trouse Newton."

Pr. 148. 1. 27. After "Cringleford" insert "and in the hamlet of Eaton."

Pr. 146. 1. penult. After "Eaton" insert "from the Right honourable the Earl of Albemarle, in the parishes of Eccles and Beattorpe, from Sir Thomas Branthwayt Beevor, Baronet, in the parishes of Eccles, Hargham and Attleborough."

Pr. 164. 1. 14. After "direct" insert "Clauses (A) and (B)."

Clause (A). "AND with respect to the crossing of roads by the Railway: BE it Enacted, That if the line of the Railway cross any turnpike-road or public carriage-way, except as hereafter mentioned, any such turnpike-road or public carriage-way shall be carried over the Railway, or the Railway shall be carried over such road by means of a bridge, of the height and width with the ascent or descent by which the Act in that behalf provided, and such bridge and other necessary works connected therewith shall be executed at the expense of the Company; Provided always, That the following turnpike-road and public highways numbered respectively as follows on the Plans deposited as hereinbefore mentioned, may be crossed by the said Railway on the level thereof, that is to say, in the parish of Santon, the roads numbered 7 and 16; in the parish of Saint Peter Thetford, the roads numbered 21, 14, and 16; in the parish of Croxton, the roads numbered 4 and 16; in the parish of Besthorpe, the roads numbered 14, 52, 91; in the parish of Santon, the roads numbered 14, 52, 91; in the parish of Wymondham, the roads numbered 29, 37, 80, 131, 150, 155, 156, 187, 211; in the parish of Ketton, the road numbered 9; in the parish of Inwood, the road numbered 7; in the parish of Ketton, the road numbered 7; in the parish of Arminghall, the road numbered 21; in the hamlet of Trouse Miligate, the road numbered 21."

Clause (B). "Provided always, and be it Enacted, That in crossing the said road numbered 21 in Trouse Miligate, the locomotive engines on the said Railway shall not travel at a greater rate of speed than Four miles an hour, under a penalty on the Company of Ten pounds for each offence."
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A Petition of Inhabitants of Kettering, in the Church of county of Northampton, praying the House, with all due regard to the present incumbents, to abolish the present Irish Church Establishment, and to dispose of the funds in such manner as may seem best, and place all religious sects on a perfect equality, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Members of the Elgin and Moray-Maynooth shire Protestant Association, and Inhabitants of College, Elgin and neighbourhood;— Rural Deanery of Largs;—and, Inhabitants of Sidmouth (two Petitions); praying the House with every kind of public support from the Roman Catholic College of Maynooth, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Stroud;—Plymouth;—Aylesbury; Ecclesiastical— Warrington;—Philip James Case and John Costa Bills. Greene;— and, Bury Saint Edmunds (two Petitions); praying that the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Physicians, Surgeons and General Horse Tax, &c. Practitioners of the town of Warrington, in the county of Lancaster, stating that, in the practice of their profession, the Petitioners are under the necessity of keeping horses, at a very great expense to themselves, and, in particular instances, close vehicles or gigs, not as articles of luxury, but to enable them to discharge the duties of their profession, and to protect themselves from the inclemency of the weather; that the Petitioners believe that when the assessed taxes were first imposed upon horses, medical men were exempted from the payment of them; that the Petitioners are informed that it is in the intention of Her Majesty's Ministers to introduce into the House a Bill for the regulation of the Medical Profession; and praying that the House will, in relation to such taxes, make such exemptions in their favour as may be thought due to the members of the profession, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Rate-payers of the township of Railways. Deesbury, in the parish of Deesbury, in the West Riding of the county of York, praying the House not to sanction any measure exempting or partially exempting Railway Companies from the payment of any parochial assessments, or for altering the principle upon which such Companies are now rated, and that the present laws for regulating parochial assessments may not be altered so as to throw any additional burden on the Petitioners, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Bankers, Shop-keepers, Traders and Small Debtors of the county of Northumberland, praying the House, with every kind of respect to the present incumbents, to abolish the present Irish Church Establishment, and to dispose of the funds in such manner as may seem best, and place all religious sects on a perfect equality, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from South Shields (Chairman);—and, Registration Hamilton (Chairman); praying that the Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the county of Criceton, Elective in the county of Devon, praying the House to extend Franchise, the Parliamentary Suffrage, and make such other provisions as may be necessary for securing a full, fair and free representation of the people in Parliament, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of George Christopher Rapier, praying George Christopher Rapier for an order for the production of a Memorial ad per Rapier, dressed to the Treasury by the Petitioner, on the subject.
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subject of his imprisonment in Grenada, in the year 1803; and also for an inquiry into the state of the representation of boroughs in Parliament, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Saint Andrews, Holborn, and Saf- from Hill;—Aberdeen (Chairman);—and, Holborn (Chairman); praying that the Masters and Ser- vants Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of messuages Canterbury and hereditaments within the city of Canterbury, Pavement Bill, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Canterbury Pavement Bill, was presented, and read. Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Master Mariners, Pilots and other Harbours of Nautical Officers engaged in the Foreign and Coast, Refuge, ing Trade from the Port of Liverpool, stating that the Petitioners have learnt the application has been made to Her Majesty’s Government, to construct at the public expense, a Harbour of Refuge and Packet Station at Holyhead; that the Petitioners humbly beg to call the attention of the House to Llandudno Bay, situated between the Great and Little Ormes Heads, as a part of the coast where a Harbour of Refuge would be of infinitely greater service than at Holyhead, or any other part of the Channel; and praying that the House will be pleased to take into their consideration the matters referred to therein, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Francis Daniell;—and, John Hodge Medical Lawrence; praying for the formation of one Faculty Protection, of Medicine and Surgery for the United Kingdom, having boards of examiners in London, Edinburgh and Dublin, to grant Medical Degrees under uniform regulations,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Latchford;—and, Donegal; praying Dissenters’ the House to reject any measure which goes to Chapels. change the law of religious trusts, and sanction the usurpation and perversion of trust property, held by persons dissenting from the Church of England, —were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from South Shields (Chairman);—and, Universal Hamilton (Chairman); praying the House to make Saffrage, Sec. the People’s Charter the law of the land,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of In- Political habitants of Hamilton, stating that they have learned Offenders, with pride and satisfaction, that a free pardon has been extended to a number of those who were connected in the late insurrection in Canada, and even that some of those individuals have been raised to places of trust and honour under the government of that country; and praying that the House will be pleased to address Her Majesty to grant a full and free pardon to Frost, Williams, Jones and Ellis, and to all persons now suffering imprisonment for political offences, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the towns of Kings- Free Labour bridge, Dobbsbrooke and their vicinity, in the county of Derby, praying the House to adopt fiscal regulations in favour of the Produce of Free Labour, and more especially to pass a law which shall admit the Produce of Free Labour of all kinds in foreign coun- try into the British market, on the same terms as the
the Produce of British Possessions and plantations, and that the House will not adopt any fiscal regulations affording facilities for introducing into the British market the produce of Slave Labour, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Redress of Grievances.

A Petition of Town Councillors, Manufacturers, Traders and others, being Members and Friends of the Leicester Complete Suffrage Association, praying the House to refrain from voting the Supplies until the Grievances of the people are investigated and redressed, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Police Magistrates (Clerkenwell.)

A Petition of William Mason and Charles Paul Bigot, of the Guardians of the poor of the parish of Saint James, Clerkenwell, in the county of Middlesex, complaining of the conduct of the Magistrates at the Clerkenwell Police Court in having insisted on the broker appointed by the parish authorities being in all cases accompanied by a police constable in full uniform, in the excess of warrants for the recovery of parochial rates; and praying the House to take the matter into consideration, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

East India.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the borough of Bridgewater, stating that the Petitioners have heard with extreme regret of continual hostilities in India, and that they deeply deplore the fearful sacrifice of life with which the engagements between the opposing armies have been attended; and praying the House to direct that those to whom the administration of affairs in India is entrusted should settle disputes in a manner becoming a nation professing Christianity, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Chester Out-Penoners.

Sir Henry Hardinge presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Copy of Warrant authorizing the Enrolment of the Chester Out-Penoners, dated the 12th April 1844.

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

John Robert Morrison.

Sir Robert Peel presented, Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 19th day of April last, for granting to his Majesty several additional Duties of Excise in Great Britain; and the Act 6 Geo. 4, c. 37, to provide for the future assimilation of the Duties of Excise upon Sweets or Made Wines, upon Mead or Mehetlin, upon Vinegar, and upon Cyder and Perry in Great Britain and Ireland, and to continue the Duty of Excise on Sweets or Made Wines in Great Britain until the fifth day of January One thousand eight hundred and Twenty-six.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, re-solve itself into a Committee to consider the Act 45 Geo. 3, c. 50, for granting to his Majesty several additional Duties of Excise in Great Britain; and the Act 6 Geo. 4, c. 37, to provide for the future assimilation of the Duties of Excise upon Sweets or Made Wines, upon Mead or Mehetlin, upon Vinegar, and upon Cyder and Perry in Great Britain and Ireland, and to continue the Duty of Excise on Sweets or Made Wines in Great Britain until the fifth day of January One thousand eight hundred and Twenty-six.

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene accordingly reported a Resolution, which was read, as followeth:

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the Duty of Excise on Vinegar made in the United Kingdom.

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And for and in respect of every Policy of Assurance or Insurance, or other Instrument, by whatever name the same shall be called, whereby any Insurance shall be made upon any ship or vessel, or upon any goods, mercantile, or other property on board of any ship or vessel, or upon the freight of any ship or vessel, or upon any other interest in or respecting any ship or vessel, which may lawfully be insured for or upon any voyage whatever,

Where the premium or consideration for such Insurance actually and bona fide paid, given, or accepted for, shall not exceed the rate of ten shillings per centum on the sum insured,

If the whole sum insured shall not exceed 100l. 

-2 6

And if the whole sum insured shall exceed 100l., then for every 100l., and also for any fractional part of 100l. whereof the same shall consist

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If the whole sum insured shall not exceed 100l.

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And if the whole sum insured shall exceed 100l., then for every 100l., and also for any fractional part of 100l. whereof the same shall consist

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If the whole sum insured shall not exceed 100l.

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If the whole sum insured shall not exceed 100l.

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And if the whole sum insured shall exceed 100l., then for every 100l., and also for any fractional part of 100l. whereof the same shall consist

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If the whole sum insured shall not exceed 100l.

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And if the whole sum insured shall exceed 100l., then for every 100l., and also for any fractional part of 100l. whereof the same shall consist

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If the whole sum insured shall not exceed 100l.

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And if the whole sum insured shall exceed 100l., then for every 100l., and also for any fractional part of 100l. whereof the same shall consist

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If the whole sum insured shall not exceed 100l.

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If the whole sum insured shall not exceed 100l.

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But if the separate interests of two or more distinct persons shall be insured by one Policy or Instrument, then the said respective Duties, as the case may require, shall be charged therein in respect of each and every fractional part of 100l., which shall be thereby insured upon any separate and distinct interest,

And for and in respect of every Policy of Assurance or Insurance, or other Instrument whereby any such Insurance as aforesaid shall be made, or whereby any such Insurance as aforesaid shall be made for any certain term or period of time, the following rates or sums for every 100l., and also for any fractional part of 100l., whereof the same shall consist, is to say,

Where any such Insurance shall be made for any term or period not exceeding six calendar months

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Exceeding six calendar months

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For every sum of 100l., and also for each and every fractional part of 100l. thereby insured to any person or persons

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And for and in respect of every Letter or Power of Attorney, or other Instrument, made for the sole purpose of appointing or nominating a Proxy to vote at any meeting of the Proprietors of Shareholders of or in any Company or Society whose stock or funds are divided into shares, and transferable

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Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution,

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Ordered, That the Escheuer Bills Bill be now Escheuer Bills read a second time—The Bill was accordingly read Bill a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The House was moved, That the Act 9 Geo. 4, Savings Banks c. 92, to consolidate and amend the Laws relating Bill. to Savings Banks, might be read; and the same was read.

The House was also moved, That the Act 3 and 4 Will, c. 14, to enable Depositors in Savings Banks and others to purchase Government Annuities through the medium of Savings Bank funds, and to amend the Act of the ninth year of His late Majesty, to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Savings Banks, might be read; and the same was read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws relating to Savings Banks, and to the purchase of Government Annuities through the Medium of Savings Banks: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Army. Returns of all Officers to whom Pensions had been granted for the Loss of Limb, or Wounds equivalent thereto, and whose Pensions were subsequently purchased by the Government; stating the Name and Rank, and the Amount of Pension of each Officer; also the Dates when such Pensions were purchased, and the Amount paid by Government for such Pensions; with a Calculation of the Profit or Loss resulting to the Public; so far as the same can be made out, up to the 23rd day of March 1844:—And, of the Number of Chelsea and Ordinance Pensioners who obtained permission to commute their Pensions; showing the Number of those who actually commuted, and the Number of those who,
who, not having received the full Amount of the
compounded Allowance, were replaced on the Pension
List; with a Calculation of the Profit or Loss re-
sulting to the Public, so far as the same can be
made out, up to the 31st day of March 1844:—
Also, a Statement showing the Amount paid in
Commutation, the yearly Amount of the Pensions
saved thereby, and the Profit resulting to the Pub-
lic, affecting the same paid in Canada to the com-
mitted Pensioners and their Families, who had
emigrated to that Country, and all Charges that
have been incurred in consequence of this measure.

Church
Temporalities
(Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second
reading of the Church Temporalities (Ireland) Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time
upon Wednesday the 15th day of this instant May.

Customs Duties.
The House was moved, That the Act 5 and 6 Vic-
c. 47, to amend the Laws relating to the Customs,
might be read; and the same being read;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday
next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the
Duties imposed by the said Act.

Tithes Commu-
nication.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House,
Returns of all Agreements for the Commutation of
Tithes which have been confirmed by the Tithe
Commissioners in the several Counties in England
and Wales, from the 1st day of July 1843 to the
1st day of January 1844; specifying also, in each
case, the Amount of Rent-charge agreed to be
paid in lieu of Tithes, and showing whether the
same be payable to Appropriatees, Impropricators
or Clerical Incumbents:—And, of all Awards for the
Commutation of Tithes which have been confirmed
by the Tithe Commissioners in the several Counties
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also, in each Case, the Amount of Rent-charge
awarded to be paid in lieu of Tithes; and showing
whether the same be payable to Impropricators,
Impropricators or Clerical Incumbents:—Also, of all
Appointments of Rent-Charges which have been
confirmed, from the 1st day of July 1843 to the
1st day of January 1844 (in continuation of Para-
lementary Paper, No. 598, of Session 1843).

Detached Parts
of Counties Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday
the 14th day of this instant May, resolve itself into
a Committee upon the Detached Parts of Counties
Bill.

Chester and
Holyhead
Railway.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House,
the Bill, a Copy of Mr. Rendel's Report to the Admiralty,
on the Chester and Holyhead Railway, dated the
17th day of April 1844.

Mr. Sidney Herbert accordingly presented the
said Paper.

Ordered, That the said Paper be referred to the
Committee on the Chester and Holyhead Railway
Bill.

Savings Banks
Bill.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill
to amend the Laws relating to Savings Banks, and
to the Purchase of Government Annuities through
the medium of Savings Banks:—And the same was
read the first time; and ordered to be read a second
time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Steam Com-
munication with
India.

A Petition of Members of the Bengal British
India Society, and of Native Inhabitants of Calcutta,
praying the House to take the subject of Steam Com-
munication with India into consideration, so as to
prevent the adoption of any plan which might, by
possibility, deprive the Inhabitants of Bengal of
any advantages which they at present enjoy in the direct
communication between Suez and Calcutta; and to
take such measures as may be conducive to the
establishment of monthly Communications by Steam
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throughout the year to and from Calcutta and Suez
direct, and to cause the transmission of letters by
the same direct line, instead of circuitously by Bombay,
was presented, and read; and ordered to lie
upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Metro-
politan Police, which was presented upon the 4th
day of March last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to the Metro-
politan and City Police, which were presented upon
the 4th day of March last, and upon Wednesday
last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the Me-
tropolitan Police, which were presented upon the
6th day of March last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the City of London
Police, which was presented upon the 19th
day of April last, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Veneris, 3° die Maii ;

Anno 7° Victoriiæ Regnis, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Goodbody, from the District Courts of Bankruptcy,
Bankruptcy, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order.—Copies of all Ac-
counts of Assignees in Bankruptcy, audited by the
Commissioners for the District Courts of Birming-
ham, Bristol, and Exeter, since the 11th day of No-
Vember 1842:—And then he withdrew.

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

Ordered, That the Committee on the Brighton
and Chichester Railway Bill have leave to sit this Chichester
Railway Bill
day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the
House.

The House procured to take into consideration Gaudens
the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, in-
junction Rall-
tituled, An Act for making a Railway from the
London and South Western Railway to Guildford,
in the County of Surrey; and the same were read,
as follow:

Pr. 151. l. 19. Leave out from " whereas" to the first
" the " in l. 24.

Pr. 151. l. 23. Leave out from " St modest " to the first
" the " in l. 28., and insert " and; ".

Pr. 218. l. 5. After " same " insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A.) " And be it Enacted, That nothing
in this Act contained shall be held to exempt the
Railway by this Act authorized to be made, from
the provisions of an Act passed in the first and
second years of the reign of Her present Ma-
jecty, intituled, " An Act to provide for the Con-
voyage of the Mail by Railway."

The said Amendments, being read a second time,
were agreed to,

Ordered, That Mr. Boring Wald do carry the Bill
to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House
hath agreed to the Amendments made by their
Lordships.

Mr. Boring reported from the Committee on European Life
the European Life Insurance and Annuity Com-
pay Bill; and to whom a Petition against the said
Bill was referred; That they had considered the
said Petition, and had heard counsel in favour of
the Bill; and that they had examined the allega-
tions of the Bill, and found the same to be true
and had gone through the Bill, and made Amend-
ments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr.
Manchester Police Bill.

Mr. Liddell reported from the Committee on the Manchester Police Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; that no person appeared in support of the said Petitions; and 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 thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Harrogate and Knaresborough Railway Bill.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town and neighbourhood of Northallerton, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Harrogate and Knaresborough Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Stratford (Eastern Counties) and Thomas Junction Railway Bill.

Petitions of the Board for the repair of the Highways of the parish of West Ham, in the county of Essex:—Alfred Head, of Mile End-road, in the county of Middlesex; Brewer, and Edward Charrington, of Mile End aforesaid, Brewer, being Owners and Lessees of property on the line and in the neighbourhood of the proposed Stratford, Eastern Counties and Thomas Junction Railway:—Mary Benson, of Stratford, in the parish of West Ham, in the county of Essex, Widow, an Owner of messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments in the said parish, likely to be affected by the Stratford, Eastern Counties and Thomas Junction Railway:—and, inhabitants of the parish of West Ham, in the county of Essex, and others, Owners, Lessees and Occupiers of property through which the intended Stratford, Eastern Counties and Thomas Junction Railway is to pass, and others, Parties whose interests are affected thereby; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Stratford, Eastern Counties and Thomas Junction Railway Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Leeds New Gas Bill.

Viscount Ingestre reported from the Committee on the Leeds New Gas Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee of 1835 and 1843 were referred; That they had heard counsel in support of the said Petitions; and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; and 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 thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Newcastle and Darlington Junction Railway and Tyne Bridge Bill.

An ingrossed Bill for authorizing the Sale of the Durham Junction Railway to the Newcastle and Darlington Junction Railway Company; and for enabling the said Company to make a Station at Gateshead, with a Bridge and Approaches to connect the said last-mentioned Railway with the Town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and for other Purposes, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Hodgson Hinde do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Pontop and South Shields Railway Bill.

An ingrossed Bill for enabling the Pontop and South Shields Railway Company to widen a part of their Railway, and to make a Branch therefrom, and for other Purposes, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Hodgson Hinde do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of Thomas Powell, of the Gates, New-Taff Vale port, in the county of Monmouth, praying Railway Bill, that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Taff Vale Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Petitions from Earlheaton:—Hanging Heaton; Manchester:—and, Hooley, Staincliffe and White Lee;—Corliss;—Leeds Railway Company,—Cleckheaton:—Denbury;—Ossett and Horbury;—Branch Bill.

—Rockhalde;—Huddersfield;—Bolton Bridge, (York):—Bradford (York):—Helden Bridge, Elland and Birghton (two Petitions);—Sowerby Bridge;—Manchester;—Hopton;—Liversedge;—Ashton-under-Lyne;—Mistfield;—and, Wakefield; praying that the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bradford Branch) Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That Lord Granville Somerset be added to the Committee on the Liverpool Docks Bill.

An ingrossed Bill for vesting the Leeds and Selby and Railway in the York and North Midland Railway Company, and for making a further Sum of Money to complete the Purchase of such Railway, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Hodgson Hinde do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions from Little Borough:—Kirby Misperton;—Great Borough;—and, Northern District of the county of Westmorland:—praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Uppingham;—Radford;—and, Poor Law Leftwich; praying the House not to consent to the introduction into the Poor Law Amendment Bill of any clause to exempt Union Workhouses from parochial rates, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Terrick:—Garnagh;—Neatown;—Marriages lineanaday;—Ramelton;—Ballibay;—Ballimore (Ireland.) (Chairman and Secretary);—Colyer (two Petitions);—Letterhenny;—Balleboragh;—Cookstown (three Petitions);—Balliffna;—Balligoomadd;—Ballymaney;—Gillgooley;—Badog;—Orritor;—Dunsanney;—Lockpatrick;—Omol;—Aughauclog;—Coag;—Castleconsfield;—Muggafell;—Londonderry (three Petitions);—Drogherton;—Gledenrno (two Petitions);—Davvak;—Salterlan;—Clough;—Servia;—Comber;—Balliballifer;—Dunfanaghy;—and, Lecumpher; praying the House to pass a Bill for declaring valid to all intents and purposes all Marriages heretofore solemnized, or hereafter to be solemnized, by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, between parties not within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and who have the consent of parents or guardians, and provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agreeably to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Half a far;—Colne (Lancaster) Factories (Chairman);—Rochdale (Chairman);—Bury (Lancaster) (Chairman);—Tong;—Darwen Iron and Steel Founders;—Cromer;—South Shields;—Richmanworth (two Petitions);—Little Bolton—Great Bolton;—and, Bolton (nine Petitions);—praying the House to insert a clause in the
the Factories (No. 2) Bill, to prohibit all females and young persons under twenty-one years of age from being worked in any mills or Factories more than ten hours a day for five days in the week, and eight hours on the Saturday, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Southill:—Batley (two Petitions); and, Batley Carr; praying the House to expunge from the Factories (No. 2) Bill, the thirtieth clause, regulating the time of children's work;—were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Mill-Owners and Occupiers in the parish of Halifax, in the county of York, praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the Archdeaconry of Durham:—Deannery of Amounderness;—Caterham; —and, Cardigan; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 1, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the Rural Deanery of Godstone:—Londonderry;—Tandridge;—Blitchingley;—Deanery of Hunsley;—and, and Deanery of Powick; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a See at Macclesfield, by other means, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Saint Asaph and Bangor Dioceses.

Petitions of Parishioners of Saint Michael and All Angels, Coundon;—and, Saint Michael and All Angels, Great Newton;—and, Saint Michael the Archangel, Ecclesall Bierlow;—and, Saint Michael and Saint John, Great Houghton;—and, Saint Michael and Saint John, Audley End; praying the House to take special notice of the necessity of protection for the inhabitants of the above places, from the encroachments of sheep grazing on open commons; were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Derby:—County of Oxford (two Petitions);—Hants (two Petitions);—Berks;—Norfolk;—Herts;—Suffolk (two Petitions);—Lincoln;—and, Gloucester; praying the House to repeal the Stamp Duty on policies of insurance against damage by Hail Storms, so far as agricultural produce is concerned, thereby placing it on the same footing as in the case of loss by fire, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thorneycroft reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 29th and 30th 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.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Derby, praying the House to pass a law rendering it obligatory that the public should, instead of payment in money, use stamps or stamped paper for the Postage on all letters sent to any part of the United Kingdom, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Agriculturalists of Llanfair-ar-y-bryn, in the county of Carmarthen, praying that the Lime Toll Exemption (Wales) Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Lime Toll Exemption (Wales) Bill.

A Petition of Parishioners of Saint Michael Caernad, in the county of Brecon, praying that a Bill for establishing Local Courts for the decision of small causes may speedily pass into a law, with such provisions as may render its operation as beneficial to the principality of Wales as to the other parts of the kingdom, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Steenwoc;—Deanery of Fairford;—Ecclesiastical Courts Bill;—and, Deanery of Cirencester; praying that the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of John George Shuttleworth, now residing at Prior Park, near Bath, praying the House, that in case a Select Committee should be appointed to inquire into and report upon the Atmospheric Railway system, it may be made an instruction to the Committee to examine the Petitioner, touching the correctness of the allegations in his Petition on the subject of Hydraulic Propulsion, in order that the subject of new Railway traction shall be properly laid before the public, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Viscount Adare reported from the Committee on Maryport the Maryport and Carlisle Railway Bill; and to and Carlisle Railway Bill, whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had considered the said Petitions; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Six Edward Colbrooke reported from the Cont.-Leeds and committee on the Leeds and Bradford Railway (re-Bradford committed) Bill; That they had made one other Amendment thereunto.

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

Petitions from Saint Andrews;—Kirkcaldy;—and, Prisons Earlsferry;—praying that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Owners and Occupiers of property Brighton,Leeves in and near the town of Tonbridge;—and, Inhabitants of Tonbridge Wells;—praying that the Brighton, South-Eastern and Hastings Railway Bill may pass into law, and be printed.

Petitions of Members of the Enfield Coal Club; praying the House to withdraw every kind of public support or stamped paper for the Postage on Coals, not to consent to impose, for the purpose of Metropolitan Improvements, any additional tax on Coals received into the port of London, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Owners of property at the correctness of the allegations in his Petition on the Committee to examine the Petitioner, touching the correctness of the allegations in his Petition on the subject of Hydraulic Propulsion, in order that the subject of new Railway traction shall be properly laid before the public, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Vicar, Churchwardens and other Inhabitants of the parish of Staunton, praying the College House to withdraw every kind of public support from the College of Maynooth, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Inhabitants of Uxbridge;—Coal-fac- tors, and others of the port of London;—and, Members of the Essex Club;—praying the House not to consent to impose, for the purpose of Metropolitan Improvements, any additional tax on Coals received into the port of London, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Truste of the Harbour of Monmouth, praying that in case a Select Committee should be appointed to inquire into and report upon the correctness of the allegations in his Petition on the subject of Hydraulic Propulsion, in order that the subject of new Railway traction shall be properly laid before the public, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Parish of Waterstock, in the county of Oxford, stating that, notwithstanding the fortieth clause, and by the practice of the Church, it is required that every person, on institution to any ecclesiastical
siastical living whatsoever, shall take the oath therein mentioned, and by a statute passed in the 12th year of the reign of Queen Anne, further enforcing the said oath, many of the clergy continue to procure preferment for themselves by buying ecclesiastical livings; and praying the House to take the subject into consideration, and devise such remedy therein as may seem best to accord with justice to the general body of the clergy, and in godly wisdom to the honour and interests of the whole Church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Board of Guardians of the Honiton Union, in the county of Devon, praying that the peremptory order issued by the Poor Law Commissioners, which prohibits out-door relief to the able-bodied poor, may be withdrawn, and that boards of Guardians be thereby empowered to administer just and necessary relief to the able-bodied poor, when in a state of destitution, at their own houses, instead of obliging them to seek relief in the Union houses; that the House will, on no account whatever, allow illegitimate children to be excluded from the supervision of the Union authorities, and repeal all Acts enforcing removals under pauper settlement; also, that all house property may be rated to the occupier as at present, but under pauper settlement; and allowing the annual allowance of provisions supplied to the inmates in the county of Somerset, complaining of the small allowance of provisions supplied to the inmates in that Gaol, and ordering the House to take the subject of the Infliction of Capital Punishment for Change of Religion:—And, of the Correspondence between Her Majesty's Consul at Tunis and the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, regarding a change of Religion:—And, of the Correspondence between Her Majesty's Ambassador at Constantinople, on the subject of the Infliction of Capital Punishment for Change of Religion:—And, of the Correspondence between Her Majesty's Consul at Tunis and the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, regarding the Trial of a Maltese Subject of Her Majesty by the Ottoman Courts.

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 the Amount of Stamp Duty received for Marine Insurances, in each year from 1820 to 1843, both inclusive; stating the several Rates of Duty in each year, and the Amount of Duty for each Rate, as far as the same can be distinguished.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Bills of Lading Return of the Amount of Stamp Duty received for Bills of Lading in each of the last Ten years, stating the Rate of Duty in each year.

A Petition of Burgesses of the Borough of Ilchester, in the county of Somerset, praying that the Corporation of that Borough may be abolished, and that the House will be pleased to appoint Trustees for the due and faithful application of the corporate and charitable funds of the town of Ilchester, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petition of Her Majesty's liege subjects, P. W. Wilson, for Debt in Her Majesty's Gaol at Wilton, in the county of Somerset, complaining of the small allowance of provisions supplied to the inmates in that Gaol, and praying for relief, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
A Petition of the Moderator and Clerk of the Presbytery of Kincardine, in Elys, in connection with the United Succession Church of Scotland, praying the House to abolish, with certain limitations, all religious tests in the Universities and other public schools of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Minister, Ruling Elders and other Members of the Congregation of Great James-street, Londonderry, in connection with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, praying the House not to sanction any measure which goes to change the law of religious trusts held by persons dissenting from the Church of England, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Magistrates of the county of Glamorgan, residing at or near Swansea, praying the House to abolish, with certain limitations, all religious tests, in the Universities and other public schools of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor, Justices, Council and Inhabitants of the borough of Sandwich, in Kent, praying that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law, and that its provisions may be extended to all debts amounting to 20L, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Attornies practising in the borough and parish of Halifax, in the West Riding of the county of York, praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Resolved, That this House will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Monday next. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Factories (No. 2.) 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 " it is the Opinion of this House, that no interference " with the power of adult labourers in Factories to " make contracts respecting the hours for which " they shall be employed, be sanctioned by this " House," 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;

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And the Question being put; The House divided: The Yeas to the old Lobby; The Noses to the new Lobby. Tellers for the [ Sir Thomas Fremantle, Yea; Mr. Henry Forster; ] 282. Tellers for the [ Mr. Roebuck, Noes; Mr. Ward; ] 76.

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. Greene reported, That the Committee had made further 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.

Prisons Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Prisons (Scotland) Bill; Vol. 99.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee. The Order of the day being read, for the Com- mittee on the Parishes (Scotland) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Roman Catholic Church, Grants and Conveyances (Ireland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next. The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto. Ordered, That the Report be now received. Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed. Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday the 13th day of this instant May. The Order of the day being read, for taking into County Courts further consideration the Report on the County Courts Bill; Ordered, That the Report be taken into further consideration upon Monday the 13th day of this instant May. The Order of the day being read, for the Com- mittee on the Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 13th day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee. The Order of the day being read, for the second Small Debts reading of the Small Debts Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 13th day of this instant May. The Order of the day being read, for the Com- mittee on the Metropolitan Buildings Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee. The Order of the day being read, for the Com- mittee on the Damage by Fire (Metropolis) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee. The Order of the day being read, for taking into Supply further consideration the Sixth of the Resolutions [23 April] which, upon the 22d day of April last, were reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolu- tion was then postponed; Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Monday next. The Order of the day being read, for taking into Supply further consideration the Fifth and the Sixteenth of [10 April] the Resolutions which, upon the 16th day of April last, were reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolutions were then postponed; Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Monday next. The Order of the day being read, for the Com- mittee of Ways and Means; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee. The Order of the day being read, for the Com-Supply. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Supply; Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee. Mr. Greene reported from the Committee to whom Stamp Duties, it was referred to consider the Act 53 Geo. 3, c. 184, for repealing the Stamp Duties on Deeds, Law Proceedings and other written or printed Instru-
struments, and the Duties on Fire Insurances and on Legacies and Successions to Personal Estate, upon Intestacies, now payable in Great Britain, and for granting other Duties in lieu thereof; also, under the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 23, to reduce the Stamp Duties on Advertisements, and on certain Sea Insurances, to repeal the Stamp Duties on Pamphlets and on Receipts for Sums under Five Pounds, and to exempt Insurances on Farming Stock from Stamp Duties; and also, the Act 5 & 6 Vic. c. 82, to assimilate the Stamp Duties in Great Britain and Ireland, and to make regulations for collecting and managing the same, until the Tenth day of October One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, a Resolution; which was read, as followeth:—

Resolved, That the Stamp Duties now payable in Great Britain and Ireland respectively, under or by virtue of the several Acts, 53 Geo. 3, c. 184, 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 28, and 5 and 6 Vic. c. 82, for and in respect of the several instruments, matters and things hereinafter mentioned and specified, shall severally cease and determine and things hereinafter mentioned and specified, shall severally cease and determine and the said respective, duties, as aforesaid, shall exceed the rate of fifty shillings per centum, on the sum insured, if the whole sum insured shall not exceed 100l., and also for any fractional part of 100l. whereby any such Insurance as aforesaid shall be made for any certain term or period of time, the following rates or sums for every 100l., and also for any fractional part of 100l. whereby the same shall consist:—

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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. Greene, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring it in.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Exchequer Bills into a Committee upon the Exchequer Bills; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill smoking Prohibi-
Ordered, That Mr. Cardwell be added to the Select Committee on New Zealand.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on the Poor Relief (Ireland) Acts be nominated upon Monday next.

Edinburgh Agreement Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend an Act of the first and second years of Her present Majesty for securing the Debt due by the City of Edinburgh to the Public: And that Sir George Clerk and the Lord Advocate do prepare, and bring it in.

New Zealand.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on New Zealand have leave to sit this day, notwithstanding the adjournment of the House.

Edinburgh Agreement Bill.

Sir George Clerk presented a Bill to amend an Act of the first and second years of Her present Majesty for securing the Debt due by the City of Edinburgh to the Public; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Poor Law.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Poor Law, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

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

Luna, 6° die Maii;  
Anno 7° Victoriae Regni, 1844.

Prayers.

Sugar, &c.

M R. Law, from the Treasury, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Orders, —A Return of the Imports into the United Kingdom of Sugar, Molasses, Rum, Coffee and Cocoa, from the West Indies and British Guiana, distinguishing each Colony, for the years 1831 to 1843, both inclusive, and distinguishing each year.

A Return of the Importation of Oil Cakes into the different Ports of Great Britain, for the year ending the 5th day of January 1844, and for the Two previous years.

Watch Cases, &c.

Return to an Order, dated the 25th day of March last, for Returns of the Number of Gold and Silver Watch Cases respectively, which have been annually stamped at the several Goldsmiths' Halls of London, Birmingham, and Chester, from the year 1829 to 1843, inclusive:—And, of the Number of Foreign Watches annually entered at the Custom House, with the Amount of Duty annually paid thereon, during the last Ten years (so far as relates to Foreign Watches) —And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Bicknell, from the Register Office of the Court of Chancery, was called in; and at the bar presented, —Further Return to an Order, dated the 24th day of April last, for Returns of the Number of Causes set down and remaining for hearing before each of the Judges of the Court of Chancery, on the 11th day of January in each of the years 1839, 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843; and also, of the Number of Bills in Chancery filed in each of those years, stating the Courts in which they have been marked to be heard —And then he withdrew.

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

Salford Improvement (No. 2.) Bill.

Mr. Keble reported from the Committee on the Salford Improvement (No. 2.) Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred:—That they had heard counsel in support of one of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; and 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Brotherton reported from the Committee on Caban's Naturalization Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of land in the parish of Wyington St. Mary Magdalen, in the county of Norfolk, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill, was presented, and read:

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

The North Wales Mineral Railway Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Mr. Liddell reported from the Committee on the Manchester Improvement Bill; and to whom a Petition against the said Bill was referred; That no person appeared in support of the said Petition; and 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 be re-committed to the former Committee.

A Petition of the Manchester and Leeds Railway Company, praying that the Kingston-upon-Hull Bill (Dock Bill), may pass into a law, was presented, and read ; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Petition the Report on the Portland Harbour Bill; and the Harbour Bill, Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Petition the Report on the Wells Lighting and Improvement Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Petition the Report on the Holmskite Inclusion Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The Manchester Stipendiary Magistrate Bill was Manchester Stipendiary read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of the Right Honourable William Bache, Fisheryon Ward, praying that he may be heard, by his Bill, counsel or agent, against certain parts of the New Fisheries Bill, was presented, and read:

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Brighton and Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.  

Ordered,
Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the Election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Abingdon, in the room of Thomas Duffield, Esquire, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chiltham Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough and Bovenham, in the County of Buckingham.

Corporate Law.

Petitions from Walsham-le-Willows to Stoirmarke (two Petitions); Hyperstone-Westhorpe; Wetherden-Thorndon; Stowupland; Old Newton; Mendlesham; Houghton; Harleston; Shelland and Onehove; Gipping-Finchingham; Great Finborough and Little Finborough; Creeling Saint Peter's; Cotton; Boston; Combs; Bucholl; Clare; and, County of Peebles; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Prisons.

Petitions from the County of Edinburgh (Present Moderator of the Kirk Session); Loughprichland; Dowpatrick; Bullywatson; Belfast; Carrickmanacle; Cremore; Ballimoney; Bredalbane (Moderator of the Presbytery); Perth (Moderator of the Presbytery); Brecbic; Crockmore; Biggar and Peebles (Moderator of the Presbytery); Peebles (Moderator of the Presbytery); Kingstown; and, William Gibson and others; praying the House to pass a law declaring that all Marriages solemnized by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland shall be good and valid to all intents and purposes, provided they shall have been solemnized and registered according to the published regulations of the Presbyterian Church, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Buildings Working-men of Edinburgh, held in the Congregate Regulation (Edinburgh) Chapel, praying the House to pass a law for the future regulation of Buildings in the city of Edinburgh, which may conduce to the health and convenience of the Inhabitants, to confer on Commissioners power to enforce the construction and maintenance of Sewers, and levy the necessary rates therefor, to facilitate the means of obtaining an abundant supply of water, and distributing it liberally and cheaply to the humblest dwellings; to enact regulations for the preservation of health in that city, and to remove the duties on Soap, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of St. Austell, and Free Labour its vicinity, praying the House to pass a law which shall admit the produce of Free Labour of all kinds, in foreign countries, into the British markets, on the same terms as the produce of British possessions and plantations, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the thereunder-signed Officers to County Courts the Sheriff of Bedfordshire, praying that in case Bill, the County Courts Bill should pass into a law, the House will either cause the Petitioners to receive compensation for the loss which they may necessarily sustain, or appoint the Petitioners to such offices in the newly-formed Courts, as their previous duties have enabled them competently to fill, or afford them other relief, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Area Poor Law glesey Union, in the county of Anglesey, praying the House to enact a law relieving the Petitioners from the payment of fees unnecessarily large in amount, and confiding to them the power of fixing the remuneration to be given to medical officers under the Poor Law Amendment Act, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

A Petition of Attorneys and Solicitors practising Exclusively in the city of York, praying that the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill, Courts Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Liverpool Fire the Report on the Liverpool Fire Prevention Bill; Prevention Bill, and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.
Ordered, That the Committee on the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bradford Branch) Bill, be re-
vived:—And that they have leave to sit, and proceed, to-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from the Lancaster and Preston Junction Railway, at Lancaster, to or near to the City of Carlisle. And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Amendments be now read;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "now read," in order to add the words "referred to a Select Committee, to report thereupon to the House," 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 "referred to a Select Committee to report thereupon" be added, instead thereof:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put; Ordered, That the said Amendments be referred to a Select Committee to report thereupon to the House:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. Estcourt, Mr. William Miles, Mr. Strutt, Sir William Heathcote, Mr. Ansonby, Sir John Yard, Bulwer, Mr. William Pittou, Mr. Pendavenes, Mr. Ord, Sir Robert Ferguson and Mr. Cuningham Bruce. Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Mr. Marshall reported from the Committee on the Chester and Hayle Railway Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill, and several Reports made to the Lords of the Treasury and the House of Commons, were referred; that they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Petition of the Moderator of the Free Synod of Perth, praying that the Parishes (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Montrose, Burgesses, Guild Brethren, Electors and Non-electors, stating that the treasurer of the said burgh is at the time compelling a number of peaceable industrious persons, who may hereafter enter into the married state, who may hereafter enter into the married state, who may hereafter enter into the married state, to pay entry dues, well knowing that they can never make up the amount which will be hereafter payable in consequence of the said ordinance, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty of the city of London, praying for the extension of the Act of Union between Great Britain and Ireland, it is especially provided, that in regulating the taxes in each country by which their respective proportions shall be levied, no article in Ireland shall be made liable from 1st January 1801 to any new or additional duty, by which the whole amount of duty payable thereon would exceed the amount which will be hereafter payable in England on the like article; that the Petitioners beg respectfully to refer the House to the enactments imposing duties on licenses for the sale of tea, wine, spirits and beer in England and Ireland respectively, from the year 1800 to 1825; that the Petitioners beg respectfully to refer the House to the enactments imposing duties on licenses for the sale of such articles in Ireland than in England has been in violation of the Act of Union; and that by a moderate estimate, the excess of duty thus imponed on the Irish traders, in violation of the Act of Union, anterior to the year 1825, amounts to 3,700,000l; and that the House, in pursuance of the declaration already referred to, to cause inquiry to be made, and justice to be done, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
Petitions from Wrexham:—And, Radnor:—Praying that the North Wales Mineral Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Quantity of Wool annually imported from each Foreign Country since the year 1825, specifying separately that imported from the Colonial Possessions of Great Britain and that from Foreign Countries:—Of the Quantity in each year which paid respectively the Duties of One Penny, and a Half-penny per Pound, distinguishing the Countries from which imported:—Of the Quantity of British Wool exported from the United Kingdom in each year of the same period, distinguishing to what Countries, the Duty on such, and the Duty paid each year:—And, of the Quantity of Woollen Manufactures exported annually each year for the same period, classifying the same, and separating that exported to the Colonial Possessions of Great Britain from that exported to Foreign Countries in each year:—Similar Return as to the export of Woollen Yarn:—Returns of the Average Freight paid per Pound upon Wool from the Australian Colonies:—And, of the Prices of British Wool from the year 1825 to 1844, distinguishing Long Wool from Short.

Petitions from Bradford (York) and Halifax:—Praying that the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bradford Branch) Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Barnard Gregory, a Prisoner in Her Majesty's Gaol at Newgate, complaining of his having been placed under the rules and discipline of the prison, the same as if he had been of the class of the most atrocious criminal offenders; and praying that the House will be pleased to take his case into their humane consideration, and obtain for him such immediate relief as will obviate the fatal effects of his imprisonment, which are anticipated by himself, his family and his medical advisers, and also, that he may be allowed, by himself or counsel, to appear and be heard at the bar of the House in support of the allegations and statements in his Petition, and against restrictions being longer enforced against him; and that persons hereafter convicted of libel may not (like the Petitioner) suffer the same and the like prison discipline and privations as persons convicted of criminal offences, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Senior and Mr. Suffolk:

Mr. Speaker, The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act Respecting the letting on Lease to the Eastern Counties Railway Company of the Railways and Works of the Northern and Eastern Railway Company, and to give effect to certain Arrangements entered into by the said Companies, and to amend and enlarge some of the Provisions of the Acts relating to the first-named Company, without any Amendment:—And also, The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for establishing a Market in the Town of Glossop, in the County of Derby, with Amendments:—To which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for enabling the Manchester and Birmingham Railway Company to vary the Line of their Branch Railway to Macclesfield, and to make another Branch therefrom, and for amending the former Acts relating to the said Company, with Amendments:—To which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act Rodbard's to enable Mary Bean, Widow, and her Issue, and Edward Whitely, Esquire, and Charlotte, his Wife, and the Issue of the said Charlotte Whitely respectively, to take the Surname and use the Arms of Rodbard; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Rodbard's Name Bill was read the first time; Rodbard's Name Bill was read a second time.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider the Act 3 and 4 and Charter, Will 4, c. 98, for giving to the Corporation of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, certain Privileges for a limited period under certain conditions, and also, the several other Acts relating to the Charter of the Bank of England, and Advances by them to the Government, and also to Banks and Banking Partnerships.

(In the Committee.)

1. Motion made, and Question proposed, That it is expedient to continue to the Bank of England, for a time to be limited, certain of the Privileges now by law vested in that Corporation, subject to such conditions as may be provided by any Act to be passed for that purpose: To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene 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 the 29th day of this instant May, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Factories Bill (No. 2.) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clauses No. 22 and No. 23, amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 24 (Prosecution for compensation by an Inspector).

Amendment proposed: At the end of the Clause, to add the words, "Provided always, That such machinery shall not have been properly secured, and guarded as required by this Act."

Question, That those words be there added—put, and Not Agreed.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses No. 25 and No. 26, agreed to.

Clauses No. 27 and No. 28, amended, and agreed to.

Clause No. 29 (Children may be employed in Factories at eight years of age).

Several Amendments made.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill; The Committee divided: Tellers for the yeas, Mr. Henry Baring; Mr. Fox Maide: 137.

Tellers for the noes, Mr. Henry Baring; Mr. John Fielden; Mr. Fox Maide: 40.

Clause No. 30 (Time of children's work). Several Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed: At the end of the Clause to add the words "Provided always, That if on any local or other causes, it shall be proved, after full investigation by the Inspector, that great inconvenience will arise in carrying out the system of working by relays in woollen Factories moved by water-power in country districts, it shall be lawful for one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, upon the Report of such Inspector, to issue a licence in such form as the Secretary of..."
CLAUSES, N° 73, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 72, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 71 to N° 67, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 68 to N° 70, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 54 to N° 56, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 46 to N° 48, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 49 and N° 50, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 45, Power of distraining goods in Factory where the occupier is convicted.

Another Amendment proposed, in P. 14. l. s.: To leave out from "unless" to "by" in order to insert the words "in cases where water-power is " employed, and where such deviation shall be inti- mated to and sanctioned," instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion made and Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill;

The Committee divided:

 Tellers for the [Sir Thomas Fremantle],

 Yes,

 [Mr. Henry Baring]: 161.

 Tellers for the [Mr. Husen],

 Noes, [Viscount Ebrington]: 22.

CLAUSES, N° 33 to N° 35, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 36 (Additional regulations as to meal times).

Several Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in P. 14. l. s.: To leave out from " unless" to "by" in order to insert the words " in cases where water-power is " employed, and where such deviation shall be inti- mated to and sanctioned," instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion made and Question put, That the Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 37 (Additional regulations as to holidays).

Several Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed, in P. 14. l. s.: To leave out from " unless" to "by" in order to insert the words " in cases where water-power is " employed, and where such deviation shall be inti- mated to and sanctioned," instead thereof.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

CLAUSES, N° 38 to N° 44, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 45 (Power of distraining goods in Factory where the occupier is convicted).

An Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in P. 18. l. s.: After " goods and chattels," to insert " the pro- " perty of such occupier."

Question proposed, That those words be there in- serted:

The Committee divided:

 Tellers for the [Lord John Manners],

 Yes, [Mr. Stafford O'Brien]: 26.

 Tellers for the [Sir Thomas Fremantle],

 Noes, [Mr. Henry Baring]: 115.

CLAUSE, N° 46 to N° 48, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 49 and N° 50, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 51, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 52, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 53, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 54 to N° 67, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 68 to N° 70, agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 71 and N° 72, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 73, agreed to.

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SCHEDULES amended, and agreed to.

Preamble read, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning:

Martis, 7° die Maii, 1844:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly.

Ordered, That Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Customs a Committee to consider the Act 5 and 6 Vic. c. 47, Duties, to amend the Laws relating to the Customs.

(In the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That in lieu and instead of the Duties of Customs now payable in respect of the Articles enumerated in the annexed Schedule, upon their Importation into the United Kingdom, there shall be raised, levied, collected and paid, the Rates of Duty specified in the said Schedule; viz.

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2. Resolved, That the said Duties shall be subject to the additional Duty of £ 5 per centum on the Amounts thereof respectively imposed by the Acts 3 Vic. c. 17, and 5 and 6 Vic. c. 47, except with regard to Cordials and Liquours which shall be subject to the Duty of Four-pence per Gallon, also imposed by the Acts aforesaid.

3. Resolved, That the Duties now chargeable upon Flasks in which Olive Oil is imported, be repealed.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into supply further consideration the Sixth of the Resolutions (24 April) which upon the 22nd day of April last, were reported from the Committee of Supply; and which Resolution was then postponed:

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration this day.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into supply further consideration the Fifth and the Sixteenth of (18 April) the Resolutions which, upon the 10th day of April last,
last, were reported from the Committee of Supply; and which Resolutions were then postponed; Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration this day.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; 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, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Exchequer Bills

Mr. Greene reported the Exchequer Bills Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to. Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed; and read the third time this day.

Edinburgh Agreement Bill.

The Edinburgh Agreement Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Glass Duties Bill.

The Order made upon the 2d day of this instant May, That leave be given to bring in a Bill, pursuant to the Resolution which, upon the same day, was reported from the Committee to whom it was referred, to consider the Act 1 & 2 Vic. c. 44, to consolidate and amend the Laws for collecting and securing the Duties of Excise on Glass, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Gentlemen appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill, pursuant to the Resolution which, upon the 2d day of May last, was reported from the Committee to whom it was referred to consider the Act 45 Geo. 3, e. 30, for granting to his Majesty several additional Duties of Excise in Great Britain; and also the Act 6 Geo. 4, c. 37, to provide for the future assimilation of the Duties of Excise upon Sweets or Made Wines, upon Mead or Methegin, upon Vinegar, and upon Cyder and Perry in Great Britain and Ireland, and to continue the Duty of Excise on Sweets or Made Wines in Great Britain until the fifth day of January One thousand eight hundred and Twenty-six; That they do make provision thereunto, and for the Establishment of Fraudulent Companies; and for conferring on such Companies certain Privileges of Corporate Bodies, subject to the Payment of certain Fees, and on certain Conditions and Regulations; and for preventing the Establishment of Fraudulent Companies; and for the Regulation of Joint Stock Companies; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

Mr. Gladstone presented a Bill for facilitating and improving the Remedies at Law in Equity, in reference to Joint Stock Companies, the Members, Directors and other Officers thereof, whether inter se or otherwise: And for winding up the Affairs of Companies unable to meet their Pecuniary Engagements: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 20th day of this instant May; and to be printed.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, by Her Majesty's Command, A Copy of the Tables, showing the Offenders, Number of Criminal Offenders in England and Wales, in the year 1843.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented,—Return to Revising an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 5th day of March last, for a Return of Appeals from the Courts of the Revising Barristers to the Court of Common Pleas, pursuant to Act 6 and 7 Vic. c. 18;—1. Counties;—1. Name of County or Division of County; Place where the Court of Revision was held; Names of several Appellants and Respondents; Decision of Court of Appeal, whether for Appellant or Respondent (the several cases to have each a Number attached for the purpose of Reference);—2. A General Statement of the point of the Appeal in each case, and of the Decision of the Court on each such point, the cases being classified according to their subject-matter or point (that is, if the same subject-matter or point forms the subject of Appeal in several different cases, these cases are to be classed together, and referred to according to the numbers they bear in the foregoing List);—II. Cities and Boroughs;—1. Same as I. mutatis mutandis;—2. Same as I. 2. mutatis mutandis;—III. Returns of all Orders of Council and of Orders in Council respecting the Payment of the Costs of any Appeals, or of any part of such Costs; and the Amount of the Costs of any Appeal, so far as the same can be made out.

A Petition of William Wilcocke, of Edinburgh, Merchant, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Edinburgh, Leith and Granton Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

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

Martis, 7° die Maii:

Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae 1844.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Campbell, from the Court of Directors of the East India Company, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Orders,—A Copy of a Letter from Lord Lake to Maharajah Dowlat Rao Scindia, dated the 18th day of July 1805.

Copies of Letter from Lord Lake to Dowlat Rao Scindia, Scindia, June 4th, 1805; Letters of Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to Orders,—A Copy of a Letter from Lord Lake to Maharajah Dowlat Rao Scindia, dated the 15th day of June 1805; Letters from Mr. Jenkins to Lord Lake, June 17th and June 20th 1805; Lord Wellesley to Lord Lake, June 21st 1805; Lord Lake to Dowlat Rao Scindia, July 19th, 1805; Lord Wellesley to Dowlat Rao Scindia, July 25th, 1805; Mr. Jenkins to Colonel Malcolm, August 16th and September 15th, 1805;
The House proceeded to take into consideration

**Railway Bill.**

The House proceeded to take into consideration the **Railway Bill.**

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill be now read a second 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 new Lobby;

The Noes to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Sir Edward Colebrooke,] [Mr. Charles Wood;]

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Mackintosh,] [Mr. Lascelles;]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

The Yeas to the new Lobby;

The Noes to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Thomas Duncombe,] [Sir Andrew Leith Hay;]

Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Beckett,] [Mr. Richard Hodgson;]

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

**Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill, be now read a second time:**

The said Amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

**Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.**

The House proceeded to take into consideration

**Blackburn Railway Bill.**

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the evidence of Captain Henry Mangles Denham, n.s., was essential to enable them to establish their case before the Committee, and it having been proved to the satisfaction of the Committee, that the attendance of the said person could not be obtained without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed by the Committee to apply to the House to order the said Captain Henry Mangles Denham to attend and give evidence before them.

**Ordered, That Captain Henry Mangles Denham do attend the Committee on the Birkenhead Docks Bill, To-morrow.**

The House proceeded to take into consideration

**Leeds New Gas Bill.**

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Leeds New Gas Bill; and the Bill, Amendments were read, and agreed to.

**Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.**

Mr. Rice reported from the Committee on the Birkenhead Docks Bill, That one of the Parties Docks Bill, opposing the Bill had stated to the Committee, that the evidence of Captain Henry Mangles Denham, n.s., was essential to enable them to establish their case before the Committee, and it having been proved to the satisfaction of the Committee, that the attendance of the said person could not be obtained without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed by the Committee to apply to the House to order the said Captain Henry Mangles Denham to attend and give evidence before them.

**Ordered, That Captain Henry Mangles Denham do attend the Committee on the Birkenhead Docks Bill, To-morrow.**

The House proceeded to take into consideration

**Salisbury Railway Bill.**

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Salisbury Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

**Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.**

The House proceeded to take into consideration

**Northern and Eastern Railway Bill.**

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Northern and Eastern Railway Bill (Newport Deviations) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

**Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.**

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A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Senior and Message from Mr. Lynch:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for maintaining a Railway from the Manchester and Leeds Railway to Hoywood, and for amending the Acts relating to the Manchester and Leeds Railway Bill, without Amendment: And also, the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for consolidating the Construction of the Yarmouth and Norwich Railway, and to authorize the Construction of certain New Works in connection therewith, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

And also, the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend and enlarge some of the Provisions of the Act authorizing the Construction of the Yarmouth and Norwich Railway, and to authorize the Construction of certain New Works in connection therewith, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

And then the Messengers withdrew.

Sir Robert Peel presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Correspondence with the Bank of England. No. 246.

The ingrossed Bill for raising a Sum by Exchequer Bills for the Service of the year One thousand (£1,407,400), eight hundred and Forty-four, was, according to Bill, ordered, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for raising the Sum of Eighteen millions four hundred and seven thousand three hundred pounds, by Exchequer Bills, for the service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four.

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

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Spirit--Poor Law tlegate, in the union of Greentham, in the county of Lincoln, praying the House not to allow any clause Bill, to be introduced into the Poor Law Amendment Bill, to exempt Union Workhouses from the payment of parochial rates, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, Lord Ellenboro—That there be laid before this House, Copies of all rough Correspondence between the Court of Directors of the East India Company and Her Majesty's Government, respecting the Reval of Lord Ellenborough, the Governor-General of India;
Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the operation of the Laws of Mortmain, and of the Restrictions which limit the power of making Gifts and Bequests for Charitable and Religious Uses.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to facilitate the Collection of County Rates, and to relieve High Constables from Attendance at Quarter Sessions in certain Cases: And that Sir William Heathcote, Mr. Pendarves and Mr. Pakington do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Manns Sutton reported the Factories (No. 2.) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

A Clause was offered (Appeal). And the said Clause was brought up, and twice read; and agreed to, to be made part of the Bill. Then Amendments were made to the Bill. Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed; and read the third time upon Friday next.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported from the Committee to whom it was referred to consider the Acts 3 and 6 Vic. c. 47, to amend the Laws relating to the Customs, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That in lieu and instead of the Duties of Customs now payable in respect of the Articles enumerated in the annexed Schedule, upon their Importation into the United Kingdom, there shall be raised, levied, collected and paid, the Rates of Duty specified in the said Schedule; viz.

- Almendillo Seed, the cwt. - £. 2. 6.
- Lard Oil, for every 100 lb. value - 3.
- Myrobolan Berries, the ton - 1.
- Vegetable Waxes, the cwt. - 2.
- Colchicum Seed, the cwt. - 1.
- Kernels of Walnuts and Kernels of Peach Stones, commonly used for expressing Oil, therewith, the ton - 1.
- Cotton Seed, commonly used for expressing Oil, therewith, the quarter - 1.
- Prussiate of Pot Ash, the lb. - 2.
- Tallow Greaves, the ton - 5.
- Scour Steel, the ton - 5.
- Gallile Powder, the ton - 5.

2. Resolved, That the said Duties shall be subject to the additional Duty of 5. 3 per centum on the amounts thereof respectively imposed by the Acts 3 Vic. c. 17, and 5 and 6 Vic. c. 47, except with regard to Cordials and Liqueurs which shall be subject to the Duty of Four-pence per gallon, also imposed by the Acts aforesaid.

3. Resolved, That the Duties now chargeable upon Flasks in which Olive Oil is imported, be repealed.

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. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring it in.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Sixth of the Resolutions, which were presented on the 23d day of April last, were reported from the Committee of Supply; and which Resolution was then postponed; Vol. 99.

Ordered, That the said Resolution be taken into further consideration upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Fifth and the Sixteenth of the Resolutions, which, upon the 16th day of April last, were reported from the Committee of Supply; and which Resolutions were then postponed; Ordered, That the said Resolutions be taken into further consideration upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- Edinburgh Agreement Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Vinegar and Glass Duties Bill was, accord-Vinegar and Glass Duties Bill.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Persons in each County in Ireland not qualified to vote at the Election of Members to serve in Parliament, whose Tenements are valued at £.30 and upwards, under the Poor Law.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Maryport and Carlisle Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill to reduce the Stamp Duties on Sea Insurances and on certain Agreements, and also on certain Instruments for appointing Proxies: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Sir William Heathcote presented a Bill to facili-Tying High Constables from Attendance at Quarter Sessions, in certain Cases: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

A Petition of the Chairman and Secretary of the National Temperance Society, praying the House to adopt such measures as will put a stop to Drunkenness, and especially to introduce into the various Railway Bills now before Parliament, a clause or clauses similar to those in the Coal-whippers Act, requiring the payment to each individual separately of the exact sum due to him, and prohibiting the settlement of wages in houses dealing in intoxicating liquors, or after the hour of six o'clock in the evening in summer, and five o'clock in winter, was presen-ted, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of John Keyes, of Crosby-ross, New-Damage by Fireington, in the county of Surrey, taking notice of (Metropolis) the Damage by Fire (Metropolis) (No. 2.) Bill; and stating that the Petitioner has for the last four years devoted his time, and at a considerable ex-pense, in investigating and collecting considerable important and material evidence exemplifying the present imperfect and injurious systems, in all their ramifications, connected with Fires, and the frequent sacrifice of human life in the Metropolis and sub-urban districts; and praying that he may be ex-amined on the merits of his plan, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Sugar, &c, Sugar, &c, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Oil Cakes, Oil Cakes, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

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Ordered, That the Return relative to Revising Barristers, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Copy of the Report of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for Ireland, for the year 1844, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Poor Law, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Mercurii, 8° die Maii:

Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

The House met; and being counted by Mr. Speaker, it appeared that Forty Members were not present; yet it being four of the clock, Mr. Speaker took the Chair, and again counted the House; and Forty Members not being present:—The House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till To-morrow.

Jovis, 9° die Maii:

Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Law, from the Treasury, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Orders—A Return showing the Number of Informations that have been filed by the Attorney General on the part of the Crown against Parties or Persons for alleged Frauds against the Revenue in the Customs Department, in the years 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843:—And, Secondly, Return (as above) of the Number of Actions set down for Trial, also the Number of Actions as above which have been already tried, with the Number of Verdicts which have been obtained against Parties or Persons, with the Number of Verdicts for the Defendants; also, the Date at which the first of the above Trials was commenced; also, the Gross Amount of the Penalties incurred and Penalties recovered; and also the Amount in Fees of the Bills of Costs, and all other Charges incurred in each of such Prosecutions.

Further Return to an Order dated the 5th day of March last, for a Return of the Number of Persons convicted before Magistrates for Smuggling or being concerned in the Smuggling of Tobacco in the United Kingdom, distinguishing England, Ireland and Scotland, between the 1st day of January 1842 and the 1st day of January 1843, naming the Places where each Conviction occurred; distinguishing those Cases heard by Magistrates, where the Weight has been over Six pounds, and stating the Weight in both Cases; and also specifying whether the Tobacco seized was manufactured or not manufactured; and also stating the Amount of Fine or Imprisonment imposed in each Case, and whether the Party paid the Fine, and the Imprisonment; also, the Cost of maintaining the Prisoners in Gaol:—And the like Return between the 1st day of January 1843 and the 1st day of January 1844 (so far as relates to the Excise Department).

Further Return to an Order dated the 12th day of March last, for a Return of the Pounds Weight of Tobacco seized and condemned in England, Scotland and Ireland respectively, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844:—distinguishing the unmanufactured, manufactured Stalks and Cigars (so far as relates to the Excise Department).

Accounts of all Wheat delivered from the Warehouse or Vessel, Duty free, under the Act 6 & 7 Vic. c. 92, from the passing of that Act to the 24th day of February 1844 inclusive; distinguishing the Place and Dates of Delivery:—Of all Flour and Biscuit substituted for Wheat, delivered as above described; distinguishing the Quality of the Flour and Biscuit so substituted, and when and where deposited:—Of the Delivery of all Flour and Biscuit so substituted, showing when and where delivered,(and, in the case of Flour, for what purpose or Home Consumption,) the Quantity remaining in Warehouse, and where deposited:—Of all Forfeitures under the Act:—Of the disposal of the Articles forfeited:—And, of all Fines levied under the Act.

Further Return to an Order dated the 22nd day Costs. of February last, for Returns of the Quantity of Coals exported from the several Ports of Newcasttle, Sunderland and Stockton, in each of the years 1842 and 1843; distinguishing the Coals shipped to British Possessions from those shipped to Foreign Parts:—And, of the Total Quantity of Coals exported from the United Kingdom to Foreign Parts in each Quarter of the Years, from 1828 to 1843 inclusive; distinguishing Ronad Coals from Small, with the Amount of Duty paid in each Quarter.

Return to an Order dated the 11th day of March Sweets or last, for Returns of all Sweets or Made Wines imported from Scotland and Ireland into England, under the Provisions of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 72, stating the Port or Place imported from, and the Port or Place imported into, from the 6th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844, both Dates inclusive; stating the Denomination, Sort or Kind of all such Sweets or Made Wines and Sweetened Compounded Spirits so imported, and the Amount per Gallon of Duty charged and paid upon all the above-mentioned Articles so imported:—Of all Seizures that have been made by the Excise and Customs on any such Sweets or Made Wines, and Sweetened Compounded Spirits so imported, and the Reason of such Seizures:—Of all Sweets or Made Wines and Sweetened Compounded Spirits seized in Ireland, being brought from Scotland into England, contrary to the Provisions of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 72, since the passing of the said Act to the present period:—Stating how all Seizures of the above-mentioned Sweets or Made Wines and Sweetened Compounded Spirits, within the Period of the Dates specified, have been dealt with, if any, and what Amount of Penalty has been enforced against the Parties from whom any such Seizures have been made:—And, of the Quantity, stating the Denomination, Sort or Kind, of all such Sweets or Made Wines and Sweetened Compounded Spirits, remaining in Bond on the 5th day of January 1844, and the Amount of Duty levied thereon.

Copies of Memorials from the Inhabitants of Kingstown to the Treasury, relating to Encroachments on the Harbour of Kingstown by the Dublin and Kingstown Railway Company, with Minutes thereon, presented since date of last Return in 1819:—Of Treasury Minutes and Correspondence with Board of Works relative to Kingstown Harbour:—And, of all Reports of the Board of Works acting as Commissioners of Kingstown Harbour:—Of Memorials and Correspondence of the Railway Company and their Secretary with the Board of Works, the Treasury or Commissioners of Kingstown Harbour, relating to Encroachments on same, or to the Construction of the Atmospheric Railway, since date of last Returns:—Of Instructions to Mr. Walker, Civil Engineer, or Abstract of Documents relating to the Architectural Plan for the Atmospheric Railway of Kingstown Harbour:—And, of the Report and Evidence taken by Mr. Walker, and the Minutes or Orders therein, with Copies of Memorials or Correspondence up to the 10th day of April 1844, from date of last Returns:—And then he withdrew.

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

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Mr. Ledger, from the Warden and Assistants of Dover Harbour, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Account of the Receipt and Application of the Moneys received by the Warden and Assistants of the Harbour of Dover, in the County of Kent, from the 6th day of October 1842 to the 16th day of October 1843.—And then he withdrew.

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

Ordered, That the Committee on the Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2.); and, the Harwich Railway and Pier Bills, have leave to sit this day till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Mr. Tnocred reported from the Committee on the Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills; and that the Committee had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Wells Harbour and Quay Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills; and the Harwich and Brighton Railway Bills, from which they had received several objections, and had referred; That they had heard counsel in favour of the said Bills, and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to the former Committee, for the purpose of amending the clauses authorizing the levying rates and duties.

The Newport Dock Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Mr. Labouchere reported from the Committee on the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne, and Manchester Railway; and, the Ashton, Stalybridge and Liverpool Junction Railway Bills (competing Lines), and to whom several Petitions against the said Bills were referred; That they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had considered other of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the said Bills; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to each of the present applications; and that they had examined the allegations contained in the preamble of the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Bill, and that they had examined the same by striking out so much thereof as related to a Colliery Branch, which the Committee did not think necessary, and that they had found the preamble, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and that they had examined the allegations of the Ashton, Stalybridge and Liverpool Junction Railway Bills, and found the same 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.

Mr. Rice Trevel reported from the Committee on the Whitehaven and Maryport Railway Bill; and to whom a Petition against the said Bill was referred; That no person appeared in support of the said Petition, and that they had heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

An ingrossed Bill for lighting, paring, cleansing, Walling, Widening and improving the Streets of the Town of and Improving the Parish of Wells, in the County of Norfolk, for re-ent Bill, moving and preventing Nuisances therein, and for making new Streets or Roadways, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration European the Report on the European Life Assurance and Life Assurance Annuity Company Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

An ingrossed Bill for extending and amending Leeds New Gas some of the Powers and Provisions of the Act re-Bill. lating to the Leeds New Gas Company, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put,—Leeds and posed, That the ingrossed Bill for making a Railway from Leeds to Bradford, with a Branch to the North Midland Railway, be now read the third time; The Amendments following were proposed to be made to the Question: viz. 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 put, That the word “now” stand part of the Question;

The House divided:

The Yeas to the old Lobby;

The Noes to the new Lobby.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Richard Hodgson: 73. Tellers for the Noes, Mr. John Collett: 21.

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 Mr. Beckett do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of Ship-owners resident in North Kingston-upon-Shields, within the Port of Newcastle, taking notice Hull Dock Bills, of the Kingston-upon-Hull Dock Bills; and praying the House to cause the Kingston-upon-Hull Dock Rates to be equitably assimilated to the charges made for similar accommodation in other ports, before any additional powers are granted to the Hull Dock Company, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

The House being informed, that Lord Ward did not intend to prosecute his Petition against the New Bill.

Fisheries Bill;

Ordered, That the Order made upon Monday last, for referring the Petition of the Right Honourable William Baron Ward to the Committee on the said Bill, be discharged.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie upon the Table.

An ingrossed Bill to enable the Globe Insurance Company to alter and amend some of the Provisions Company Bill, of their Deed of Settlement, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered,
Ordered, That Mr. Alderman Thompson do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the London Gas Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

British Iron Company Bill.

Viscount Bernard reported from the Committee on the British Iron Company Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred: That they had heard counsel in support of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; and that they had examined the allegations contained in the Preamble of the Bill, and had amended the same by striking out the words "a" and "fifty" in the third paragraph, to make the allegation conformable to the facts of the case, which had changed since the introduction of the Bill in February last; and that they had found the Preamble, as amended, to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments therein.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

South Eastern Railway Bill.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of lands in the parishes of Brenchley, East Peckham, Capel, Yalding, Hinton, Nettlested, Tenterden, Wateringbury, East Farleigh, West Farleigh and Burning, in the county of Kent, praying that the South Eastern Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

South Eastern and Hastings Railway Bill.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Rolenden, and its vicinity, in the county of Kent, praying that the South Eastern and Hastings Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Manchester and Birmingham Railway (Middleton and Poynton Branch) (No. 2) Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for enabling the Manchester and Birmingham Railway Company to vary the Line of their Branch Railway to Macclesfield, and to make another Branch therefrom, and for amending the former Acts relating to the said Company; and which were read, as follow:

Pr. 19. 1. 10. Leave out "Earl" and insert "Viscount."

Pr. 19. 1. 26. Leave out "Earl" and insert "Viscount."

Pr. 19. 1. 31. Leave out "Earl" and insert "Viscount."

Pr. 19. 1. 37. Leave out "Earl" and insert "Viscount."

Pr. 40. 1. ult. After "same" insert Clause (A).

Clause (A). And be it Enacted, That nothing in this or the said recited Act contained, shall be held to exempt the Railway by such Acts authorized to be made, from the provisions of an Act passed in the first and second years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act to provide for the Conveyance of the Mails by Railway."

A Petition of Commissioners for the Drainage of the Middle Level at Marshland Smeath and Marshland Fen, in the county of Norfolk, praying that the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Yarmouth the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend and enlarge some of the Town of Yarmouth in the County of Norfolk, praying that the Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Pr. 46. 1. 8. After "them" insert "for or concerning any services to be performed or expenses to be incurred at the terminus, or any station of either of the said Railways, in respect of the traffic which may have passed, or be intended to pass on either of such Railways, and,"

Pr. 58. 1. 18. Leave out from "mentioned" to "and," in Pr. 60. 1. 21.

Pr. 61. 1. 27. After "Parliament" insert Clauses (B.) and (C.).

Clause (B.). And be it Enacted, That nothing in this or the said recited Acts contained, shall be held to exempt the Railway by such Acts authorized to be made, from the provisions of an Act passed in the first and second years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act to provide for the Conveyance of the Mails by Railway."

Clause (C.). Saving always, to the Queen's most excellent Majesty, Her heirs and successors, the rights, titles and interests, as Her Majesty, Her heirs or successors might have had or enjoyed, in case this Act had not been passed, as parcel or in respect of Her Majesty's manor and borough of Macclesfield, in the said county of Chester, or in respect of any other manors, messuages, lands, tenements or hereditaments belonging to Her Majesty, in right of Her Crown, in, through, over or under which the said intended Railway or the approaches thereto, or works connected therewith shall be made or formed."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Wilson Patten do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

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A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of lands in the parishes of Brenchley, East Peckham, Capel, Yalding, Hinton, Nettlested, Tenterden, Wateringbury, East Farleigh, West Farleigh and Burning, in the county of Kent, praying that the South Eastern Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Pr. 10. 1. ult. After "embankment" insert "machines" provided that the said Company shall.

Pr. 20. 1. 28. After "rights" insert "claimed " to be."

Pr. 20. 1. 29. After "not" insert "as."


Clause (A.). And be it Enacted, That nothing in this or the said recited Act contained, shall be held to exempt the Railway by such Acts authorized to be made, from the provisions of an Act passed in the first and second years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act to provide for the Conveyance of the Mails by Railway."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Wodehouse do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

An ingrossed Bill to alter and amend an Act of Parliament for the better Protection of Property in the Borough of Liverpool from Fire, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Sir Howard Douglas do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of Commissioners for the Drainage of Middle Level Marshland Smeath and Marshland Fen, in the county of Norfolk, praying that the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Glos-
An ingrossed Bill for inclosing Lands in the Haltonbridge Township of Haltonbridge, in the Parish of Haltwhistle, in the County of Northumberland, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Richard Hodgson do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of the London Dock Company, praying Metropolitan Board the Metropolitan Buildings Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was read, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Monaghan; Drombane; Ballinaboy; Money; Ardee; Drogheda; Ballymena; (Ireland). James Horan; Favoory; Sligo; Dromara; Cappagh Cross; Dromballongy; Leocharron; Letrim; Aberfoyle; Corby; Seafinfield; Droome (two Petitions); Ballylinney; Monragh; Cloudagh; Portaferry; Bangor; Newtownards; Drumgooland; Rathfriland (two Petitions); Castlederg; Belfast (two Petitions); Myrose; Upper Clonmacnoise; Gilett Kirk; and, Glasney; praying the House to introduce, without delay, into Parliament a Bill to declare valid to all intents and purposes all Marriages hereafter solemnized or hereafter to be solemnized by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, it being parties not within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and who have the consent of parents or guardians, and provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agreeably to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Allen and Miltown; Saint Mary's; Registration (Westmore); Materins; Moortown and Keel; of Doctors; nekedan; Moncon; Ballynagrogh; Ballinrobe; Ireland Bill. Kilfoole and Golden; Dunleer; Kilmeathkilen; Togham; Anneside; Kildesdan; Longford Town; Saint Canice; Kilcomingsegue; Killicronske; Clerihan; Athlone; Dublin; Greensch (Chairman); and, Manchester (Chairman); praying the Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Seafraun Welden; and, Essex (two Bill Storm Petitions); praying the House to repeal the Stamp Insurances. Duty on policies of Insurance against damage by Hail Storms, so far as agricultural produce is concerned, thereby placing it on the same footing as in the case of loss by fire, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Belchamp Saint Paul; Tillybary; Aron; Ashen; Ovington; Birdwood; and, Toppenfield and Great Yeldham; praying that the crime of Arson may be punished with death as formerly, and suggesting that any person found guilty of that offence shall be executed in the parish in which he committed the offence, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Great and Little Maynewth Yeldham, in the county of Essex, praying that in College. quary may be forthwith made into the character of the doctrines, discipline and practice of the Romish College at Maynooth, and that no grants of money may be made in aid of the said College, at least until a sufficient investigation shall have taken place, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Peter Ingram, Surgeon, Manning Medical trees, a legally-qualified Practitioner of Medicine, Professor, Surgery and Surgery for the United Kingdom, having Boards of Examiners in London, Edinburgh and Dublin, to grant Medical Degrees under uniform regulations, and
and that all those who have received degrees and licenses from any of the legally constituted licensing and graduating bodies, shall after the formation of one Faculty of Medicine and Surgery for the United Kingdom, be empowered to act as legally-qualified Medical Practitioners in any part of the British empire, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Owners of houses and cottages, in the borough of Salford, in the county of Lancaster, praying that the House will not introduce into the said Bill any clauses to the effect of rating the owners of small tenements to the poor rate, in lieu of the occupiers, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the county of Durham, praying the House to pass a Bill to rescind the law that enacts that Hawkers pay for a License 8l. per year if they use a horse, and 1l. if they have no horse, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the county of Nor- folk, praying that the Act 54 Geo. 3, c. 141, "to alter an Act made in the fifty-second year of his present Majesty, as relates to the Duties payable in respect of killing of Game," may be explained, or so altered that persons not actually using any dog, gun, net or other engine, but assisting in the taking or killing of any Game, or any woodcock, snipe, quail, landrail or coney, in the company or presence and for the use of any other person who shall have duly obtained his certificate in his own right, according to the directions of the said first-mentioned Act, and who shall not act therein by virtue of any delegation or appointment, shall be exempt from stamp-duty and penalty, notwithstanding there may be used on the occasion any dog, gun, net or other engine of a person not then present, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Officers to the Sheriff of Warwick- shire, and Bailiffs of the County Court, praying that in pursuance of the County Courts Bill should pass into a law, the House will either cause the Petitioners to receive compensation for the loss which they must necessarily sustain, or appoint them to such offices in the newly-formed Courts as their previous duties may have enabled them competently to fill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Attornies and Solicitors residing in the city of York, praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Birmingham— and, Plymouth; praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Lady of the Manor of Holme, who under the provisions of the new Corn Law, and in pursuance of the Act for abolishing certain Offices of the High Court of Chancery in England, and to take into consideration the several orders made thereon, and to inquire into the fees imposed upon the suitors of the said Court, in pursuance of the powers of the said Act, and into the state and several charges affecting the several funds of the said Court, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Provost, Magistrates and Town Council of the Royal Burgh of Bonnethorpe, praying that the Edinburgh, Leith and Granton Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Parochial Schoolmasters of the Schoolmasters Presbytery of Aberthaw, county of Glamorgan, praying that the powers of the Act of the Scottish Parliament, for securing the Protestant Religion and Presbyterian Church Government, and to preserve inviolate the existing salutary connection between the Ecclesiastical and Education Institutions of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Petitions from Flaxby— Houghton— Bar- corn Laws.
A Petition of the Board of Guardians of the Limerick Union, praying the House to take into their immediate consideration the destitute condition of the poor in the city of Limerick, and submitting the propriety, at the earliest period possible, of making provision for the medical relief of the city poor, for enforcing the widening, cleansing of the streets, and other sanitary arrangements, the propriety of establishing Government Dock-yards at Limerick, for the encouragement of a better system of agriculture, for an impact upon absenteeism, and the construction of Railways in Ireland, as suggested by the Railway Commissioners, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie on the Table.

A Petition of the Corporation of Limerick, complaining of the want of employment of the poor in that city, and seeing that a line of Railway is in contemplation between Dublin and Cashel, they implore the House to suspend the Standing Order when the Bill comes before them, and to give every facility to its speedily passing into law, and that the House will adopt measures to carry out the improvements in the city of Limerick as originally planned, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie on the Table.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee to whom the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from the Lancaster and Preston Junction Railway, at Lancaster, to or near to the City of Carlisle, were referred, that they had agreed to the following Report:

Your Committee are of Opinion, That the House ought to agree to the Amendments made in Pr. 157. Is. 23. 27. 34. and ult. Pr. 158. Is. 9. and 10. Pr. 159. l. 10. Pr. 163. ls. 13. 21. and ult. Pr. 179. l. 22. Pr. 181. l. 5. Pr. 184. l. penult. Pr. 204. l. 26. Pr. 272. l. 9. Pr. 266. l. ult. Pr. 287. l. 35.

Your Committee are of Opinion, That the House ought not to agree to Clause (A.), for enabling "the proprietor of the lands adjoining the highway " between Lowther Bridge and Clifton Cross to " erect a gate and gate-keeper's house at the western extremity of " the village of Clifton, in the county of Westmor- " land and the town of Penrith, in the county of " Cumberland, it shall be lawful for the proprietor " of the lands adjoining the highway between Low- " ther Bridge and Clifton Cross to erect a gate and " gate-keeper's house at the western extremity of " Lowther Bridge, and another gate across the said " highway at Clifton Cross aforesaid."

Pr. 163. l. 21. Leave out " thereupon" and insert " thereunder."

Pr. 163. l. ult. Leave out from " thereof" to " and" in Pr. 184. l. 11. Pr. 175. l. 36. After " behalf" insert Clauses (C.) and (D.)

Pr. 184. l. penult. After " highway" insert " ex-" cluding the street called the Town Hall Street at " Bolton-le-Sands ; No. 189 in Hesket-in-the-Forest " and No. 194 in Kendal ; No. 209 in Croxley, Rowcaworth : No. 52 in Pen- " rith ; No. 189 in Basket-in-the-Forest ; and No. " 181 in Saint Cuthbert Carlisle ; Be it therefore " Enacted, That the said Company may make the " Railway across the said above-mentioned " highways on a level at or near the points herein- " before mentioned."

Pr. 179. l. 22. After " be " insert " and the said " Company."

Pr. 181. l. 5. After " roads," insert " provided " also, that if at any time after the construction of " the said Railway the average available width of " any such road shall be increased beyond the " width of such bridge for a distance of half a " mile on each side thereof, then and in such case " the Company shall be bound at their own expense " to increase the width of the said bridge to such " extent as they may be required by the trustees or " surveyors of such road, not exceeding the maxi- " mum width hereinbefore prescribed for bridges " over or under the Railway, provided they can then " obtain land for the purpose, and that the owners " and occupiers of such land consent thereto."

Pr. 184. l. penult. After " highway" insert " ex-" cept for the traffic caused by the making of the " Railway."
of Kilkenny, praying the House to take into consideration the subject of the Irish Fisheries, and, by the abolution of illegal weirs, to put an end to the anarchy and disorder, the poverty and starvation of which the Petitioners consider they are the baneeful source, not only to Petitioners but to many thousand others of Her Majesty's loyal and respectable subjects, was presented, and read ; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Spitalfields — and, Long Sound Masters and (Chairman); praying that the Masters and Servants, Servants Bill. Bill may not pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Belfast, Union with the county of Antrim, praying for the repeal of Ireland, the Legislative Union between Great Britain and Ireland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Midland Rail- the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, ins- ways Consolid- tituted, An Act to consolidate the North Midland, Midland Counties and Birmingham and Derby Junc- tion Railways; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 16. l. 31. Leave out “ money.”
Pr. 44. l. 11. After “ that” insert “ subject to
the priority of the said mortgages granted before “ the passing of this Act.”
Pr. 44. l. 31. After “ Enacted” insert “ That, “ subject as aforesaid.”
Pr. 71. l. 23. Leave out “ either.”
Pr. 71. l. 24. Leave out “ or treasurer.”
Pr. 89. l. 14. After “ shares” insert “ except the proprietors of shares given in lieu of shares in “ the Birmingham and Derby Junction Railway “ Company.”
Pr. 89. l. 19. After “ shares” insert “ nor until “ the proprietors of shares given in lieu of shares in “ the Birmingham and Derby Junction Railway “ shall have received the same amount (subject to “ a like deduction or postponement, after the rate “ of Twenty-seven shillings and sixpence for each “ share of One hundred pounds by the year, as is “ hereinafter provided for.”
Pr. 119. l. 33. After “ land” insert “ except such superfluous land as may be purchased under “ the powers of this Act, which land shall be sold “ within Five years after the acquisition thereof by “ the Company.”
Pr. 193. l. 20. Leave out “ and.”
Pr. 181. l. 21. After “ completed” insert “ and “ maintained.”
Pr. 184. l. 12. Leave out “ Railway” and “ insert “ Railways.”
Pr. 184. l. 15. Leave out “ and,” and in the “ same line, after “ completed,” insert “ and main- “ tained.”

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

Ordered, That Mr. Brotherton do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Committee ap- pointed to draw up Reasons, to be referred to the Lords and Carlisle Railway Bill. pointed to draw up Reasons, to be referred to the Lords and Carlisle Railway Bill.
A Petition of the Southampton Dock Company, Southampton praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Southampton Improvement Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Sir James Graham reported to the House, That Answer to their several Addresses of the 23d, 24th, and 30th of April, last, and the 1st and 3d days of this instant May, (that Her Majesty would be graciously pleased to give directions that the Papers therein mentioned might be laid before this House), had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had commanded him to acquaint this House, that She will give directions accordingly.

Mr. George William Hope presented, pursuant to several Addresses to Her Majesty,—A Petition of the Southampton Dock Company, Southampton praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Southampton Improvement Bill, was presented, and read.

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A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Senior and Mr. Lynch:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for raising the Sum of Eighteen millions four hundred and seven thousand three hundred pounds, by Exchequer Bills, for the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four, without Amendment:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Kilkenny Toll. A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of an Opinion and Advice given by Mr. Pennefather, the present Chief Justice of the Court of Queen's Bench in Ireland, on the 28th day of February 1820, in a case of Toll, namely, "Penbrooke versus Kingmills," in which the Corporation of Kilkenny was interested, the original of which is in the possession of the present Mayor and Corporation of the City of Kilkenny:—It passed in the Negative.

Tumppike Acts Continuance (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue certain Acts for regulating Turnpike-roads in Ireland: And that Lord Eliot and Mr. Attorney General for Ireland do prepare, and bring it in.

Unlawful Oaths (Ireland) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Act 2 and 3 Vic. c. 74, to extend and render more effectual for Five years, an Act passed in the fourth year of his late Majesty George the Fourth, to amend an Act passed in the fiftieth year of his Majesty George the Third, for preventing the administering and taking unlawful Oaths in Ireland, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue the said Act: And that Lord Eliot and Mr. Attorney General for Ireland do prepare, and bring it in.

Assaults (Ireland) Bill.

The House was moved, That the Act 2 and 3 Vic. c. 77, for the better Prevention and Punishment of Assaults in Ireland for Five years, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue the said Act: And that Lord Eliot and Mr. Attorney General for Ireland do prepare, and bring it in.

Public Petitions.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Select Committee on Public Petitions, That they do not record any Petition on which the name of the Member presenting it is not written.

Savings Banks Bill.

The Savings Banks Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday the 23d day of this instant May.

Supply [16 April]

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Fifth and the Sixteenth of the Resolutions which, upon the 14th day of April last, were reported from the Committee of Supply; and which Resolutions were then postponed; and the same were again read; and are as follow:

5. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Fifty-nine thousand three hundred and fifty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Two Houses of Parliament, and Allowances to Retired Officers of the Two Houses, to the 31st day of March 1845.

6. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Fifty-four thousand three hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioners for carrying into execution the Act for the Amendment of the Laws relating to the Poor in England and Wales, and the Act for the Relief of the Destitute Poor in Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take supply into further consideration the Sixth of the Resolutions [24 April] which, upon the 22d day of April last, were reported from the Committee of Supply, and which Resolution was then postponed; and the same was again read; and is as followeth:

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Vinegar and Glass Duties Bill, the House, according to Order, proceeded to take Supply into further consideration the Seventh of the Resolutions, which then were read and rejected, and agreed to by Order.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time.

The Stamp Duties Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee Bill, of the whole House, for Monday next.

Lord Eliot presented a Bill to continue certain Tumppike Acts for regulating Turnpike-roads in Ireland; Continuance And the same was read the first time; and ordered (Ireland) Bill. to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

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Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Bankruptcy Statement of the Amount transferred and paid out as Dividends, Amount paid by Orders of Court, and of the Judges, and Balance standing to the credit of Basil Montagu, Esquire, Accountant in Bankruptcy, on the 1st day of January 1842, 1843 and 1844, pursuant to the Act 5 and 6 Will. 4, c. 29 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 106, of Session 1841).

Ordered,
Veneris, 10° die Maii;

Anno 7° Victoriae Regni, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Commissioners, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order,—A Return of the Names, Addresses, Professions and Occupations of the several Auditors appointed under the Poor Law Amendment Act; together with the dates of their respective Appointments:—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Swainborne, from the Commissioners of Westminster Bridge, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order,—Returns of the Amount of Money expended upon Westminster Bridge for Repairs, Alterations, Professional and other Services, from the 5th day of April 1810 till the 5th day of April 1838:—Of the Sums of Money already expended, or now due, in respect of the Repairs and Alterations of Westminster Bridge since the 5th day of April 1838;—specifying separately the Cost of the Works and Services relative to the Elongation of the Piers, with a view to the widening of the Superstructure, and of the Works lately executed in lightening the Superstructure and filling up the bed of the River, in consequence of the recent sinking of the Foundations:—Of the Sums of Money required to defray the probable Cost of the further Works and Services required in repairing, altering and widening Westminster Bridge since the 5th day of April 1838;—And then he withdrew.

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

A Message, 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, do desire the immediate attendance of this Honourable House in the House of Commons, 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 Vol. 49. 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 Public and Private Bills therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Bills:—Which Bills are as follows:

An Act for raising the Sum of Eighteen Millions Exchequer Bills four hundred and seven thousand three hundred (£18,703,000) pounds, by Exchequer Bills, for the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four:

An Act to amend the Law relating to International Copyright:

An Act to extend until the First day of January next ensuing the Enforcements Bill.

An Act on the 1st of the month ending on the 5th day of April 1838, and ending on the 5th day of April 1839.

An Act to enable the Eastern Counties Railway Eastern Counties Railway Company to make a Railway from the Northern Railway at Newport, by Cambridge, Peterborough to Ely, and from thence eastward to Brandon and Extension Biom.

An Act for making a Railway from Norwich to Brandon, with a Branch to Thetford:

An Act for making a Railway from the London Guildford and South Western Railway to Guildford, in the County of Surrey.

An Act to enable the Eastern Counties Railway Eastern Counties Railway Company to make a Railway from the Northern Railway at Newport, by Cambridge, Peterborough to Ely, and from thence eastward to Brandon and Extension Biom.

An Act for enabling the Manchester and Birminham Railway Company to vary the Line of their Birmingham and Manchester Branch Railway, to Macclesfield, and to make an- other Branch therefrom, and for amending the former Acts relating to the said Company;

An Act to consolidate the North Midland, Midland Counties and Birmingham and Derby Junction Railways:

An Act to alter and extend the Provisions of an Severn Act for improving the Navigation of the River Severn Bill.

An Act to amend the Powers and Provisions of the Beverley Act of the first year of King William the Fourth, gration Bill, for making the River and making and maintaining a navigable Cut from the said River into the said Dyke:

An Act for enabling the Company of Proprietors of the Birmingham Canal Navigations to borrow a Canal Navigation further Sum of Money, and to extend and alter some of the Provisions of the said Acts:—An Act to renew an Act passed in the third year Edinburgh of the reign of Her present Majesty, for abolishing Cattle Market Bill, and to certain Petty and Market Customs in the City of Edinburgh, and granting other Duties in lieu thereof:

An Act for granting

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An Act for establishing a Market in the Town of Glossop, in the County of Derby: An Act directed for the Liquidation of the Debt owing by the Charity Workhouse of the City of Edinburgh, for regulating the Assessment for Relief of the Poor of the said City, and for other Purposes relating thereto: An Act for more effectually lighting with Gas the Borough and Parish of Rochdale, in the County of Lancaster: An Act to amend and enlarge the Provisions of two several Acts for lighting with Gas the Town of Liverpool, and certain Places adjacent thereto: An Act for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against the Durham County Coal Company, and for other Purposes: An Act to enable the Rector, Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Bow Brickhill, in the County of Buckingham, to sell certain Parcels of Land in the said Parish, which were allotted to them under the award of the Commissioners, made in pursuance of the Bow Brickhill and Fenny Stratford Inclosure Act, passed in the thirtieth year of King George the Third: An Act for inclosing Lands in the Parish of Brandes Burton, in the County of York: An Act for naturalizing Samuel Schuster: An Act for naturalizing Dame Susan Victoria Regain, Widow of Sir James Nugent, Baronet, deceased: An Act for naturalizing Antonio Lascardi: An Act for naturalizing Michael Spartali: 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 Lancaster, in the room of the Honourable Richard Botte Willbraham, deceased. Sir John Mordaunt reported from the Committee on the South Devon Railway Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred: That they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

An ingrossed Bill to enable the Northern and Eastern Railway Company to make certain Deviations in the Line of their Railway, between Bishops Stortford and Newport, and to alter and amend the Acts relating to the said Railway, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Ordered, That the Committee on the Manchester Improvement (re-committed) Bill have leave to make their Report forthwith.

Ordered, That the Report on the Manchester Improvement (re-committed) Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Mr. Mark Philips reported from the Committee on the Manchester Improvement (re-committed) Bill; That they had made other Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Liverpool Docks Bill be read again, and be printed.

Ordered, That the Liverpool Docks Bill be re-committed to the former Committee, for the purpose of considering the Amendment to the Liverpool Docks, and of amending the Bill as regards the Clause relating to the Land Tax and Poor's Rate.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit, and proceed, upon Monday next.

A Petition of Joseph Talwin Forster, of Upper Swansea Thomas-street, in the city of London, Merchant, praying that he may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Swansea Harbour Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That the Petition of Richard Ruxton Coventry Improvement Preston, for enlarging the time for the Committee on the Coventry Improvement and Cemetery Bill to make their Report, which was presented yesterday, be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Petitions of Edward Lewis Richards, Esquire:—Taff Vale Railway Bill, and, William Davies, of Morthyr Tydfil, in the county of Glamorgan, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Taff Vale Railway Bill,—were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Petitions of Thomas Frederick Cole, an Owner of Ventnor property, and Rate-payer of that part of the parish of Newchurch, in the Isle of Wight, called Ventnor; and also a Trustee in possession of the estates of Charles Popham Bill; Esquire, Lord of the Manor of Bonchurch; and, Owners of property and Rate-payers of that part of the parish of Newchurch, in the Isle of Wight, called Ventnor; praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Ventnor Improvement Bill,—were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

A Petition of Members of a Joint Stock Company Gangs Fishery for carrying on the Fishery in the Gaspe District, and Coal Mining in the Gulf of Saint Lawrence, and Coal Mining in the said district, in the province or colony of Canada, for leave to present a Petition for leave to bring in a Bill for the establishment and Incorporation of the said Company, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

An ingrossed Bill for making a Railway from the Blackburn and Town of Blackburn to the North Union Railway, in the Township of Farrington, all in the County of Lancaster, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Ordered, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for making a Railway from the Town of Blackburn to the North Union Railway, in the Township of Farrington, near Preston, all in the County of Lancaster.

Ordered, That Mr. Wilson Patten do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the Epsom and London and South Western Railway, praying that the said Railway, or any part thereof, may be extended to the said Place, was presented and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered, That the Liverpool Docks Bill be re-committed to the former Committee, for the purpose of considering the Amendment to the Liverpool Docks, and of amending the Bill as regards the Clause relating to the Land Tax and Poor's Rate. Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit, and proceed, upon Monday next.
according to the proposed deviation line, in lieu of and as a substitute for the original line described on the plans which have been deposited, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Mariners and General Life Assurance Company 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 thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the York United Gas (No. 2.) 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 thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Richard Henry Beaumont, of Whitby Hall, in the parish of Kirkheaton, in the county of York, Esquire; praying that he may be heard, by his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Saint Asaph and Bangor Diocesans.

Petitions from Pexley; Eastnor; Evesbatch; Little Marcle and Musley; Ledbury; Credington; Gunion Prone; Deanery of Warwicks; Rural Deanery of Witionally; Bridport; Kidderminster; Deanery of Drochtest; County of Huntingdon; Deanery of Middlemich; Deanery of Evescomb; Archdencourt of Bath; and, Bers, Deanery of Lockhead; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and, at the same time, that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a See at Manchester, by other means; were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Local Courts.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Newport, Pembroke, and the vicinity, praying that a Bill for establishing Local Courts in small causes may speedily pass into law, with such provisions as may render its operation as beneficial to the Principality of Wales as to the other parts of the kingdom, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions (Twenty-second Report.)

Mr. Thornely reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; that they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 6th and 7th days of the present Session; and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of George Vandegut Drury, of Shot-Sale of Beer over Park, in the county of Oxford, praying for the repeal of the Sale of Beer Act; was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from: Ballymena; Brookvale; Belp; Marriages fast; Clonhrib; Castleblaney; Mosside; Ireland; Cloonmel; Portmore; Dunboe (two Petitions); Hillborough (two); Aboseil; Muncaster; Woroughhead; praying the House to introduce without delay into Parliament, a Bill to declare valid to all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages heretofore solemnized or hereafter to be solemnized by Presbyterian Ministers in Ireland, between parties not within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and who have the consent of parents or guardians, and provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agreeably to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Churchwarden, Overseers and Poor Law Rate-payers of the parish of Rose, in the county of Billand.

Hereford, praying the House not to allow any clause to be introduced into the Poor Law Amendment Bill for exempting union workhouses from parochial rates, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the County of Renfrew; War-Everning; Mottram-in-Londendale; Bolton; Bradford (York) (two Petitions); Ashton-under-Lyne, Dukinfield and Mossley; Keighley; Stalybridge; Stockport; Oulden; Manchester and other places (Chairman); and, Hawick; praying the House not to interfere with the Act now in force for regulating the hours of labour of persons employed in Factories, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Morley; Hudgersfield; Bury (Lancaster) (Chairman); Saint George, Hanover-square (Chairman); Horwich; Osmond: Openshaw; Ashton; Stockport; Oldham; North Devon; Hyde; Pulley; Bolton-le-Moors (Chairman); Charlton (Chairman); Desbury; and, Dundee (Chairman); praying the House to limit the hours of labour of persons employed in Factories to ten in the day, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Kilroon and Templemore; and, Education Rathowney; praying the House to adopt measures (Ireland) for extending Scriptural Education in Ireland, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Rate-payers of the hamlets of Lye Poor's Rates, and Wollescote, in the parish of Oldswinford, in the county of Worcester, stating that the parish of Oldswinford consists of several hamlets which have for a long time paid one common Poor's Rate for o o 4 the
the support of the poor of the said parish; that in the year 1842 certain parties living in the wealthiest hamlets of the parish did cause the aforesaid parish to be divided, so that now each hamlet is ordered to pay exclusively for the support of its own poor, or by which arrangement the wealthy inhabitants of the parish are relieved from the onerous burden of Poor's Rates which they bore in common with the Petitioners, and the Petitioners on the contrary are quite overwhelmed with the burden thus thrown exclusively upon them; and praying the House to take into consideration the circumstances mentioned in their Petition, and the circumstances of all other hamlets who are or may hereafter in the like situation, and to make such enactments concerning Poor's Rates, as that parishes long united under one common rate shall not be broken up into hamlets separately supporting their own poor, or at any rate so to enact, that no hamlet or parish shall be overwhelmed as the Petitioners are with the burden of Poor's Rates, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Officers to the Sheriff of Dorsetshire, praying that in case the County Courts Bill should pass into a law, the Petitioners may receive compensation for the loss which they must necessarily sustain, or be appointed to such offices in the County Court as their duties may have enabled them competently to fill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Manchester and its vicinity, praying the House to appoint a Commission to inquire into all matters relating to the statute, revenues, trusts, privileges and to the general condition as regards education, learning and religion of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge and their Colleges, especially with regard to all matters mentioned in their Petition, with full power to enable such Commission efficiently to perform its important services, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of a Member of the Bath Church of England Lay Association, praying that investigation may be made into the acknowledged standards of public instruction taught at Maynooth College, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee on the Stratford (Eastern Counties) and Thames Junction Railway Bill of last Session, be referred to the Committee on the Bill of the present Session.

A Petition of Journeymen Coopers of London, praying the House to abolish all duty on raw material used in Coopers' work, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Merchants, Warehousemen, Brokers, Traders and Residents of and in the vicinity of the ward of Bishopsgate, in the city of London, praying the House to adopt measures for redeeming and extinguishing the Tolls upon Waterloo, Southwark and Vauxhall Bridges, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Messrs. Burrell, Kilgour and Parson, of No. 12, Parliament-street, in the parish of Saint Margaret's, Westminster, Solicitors, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House in respect to the Petition for additional provision in the Epsom and South Western Railway Bill, for making a deviation in the line of Railway contemplated in the said Bill, had not been complied with, and praying that they may be heard, by themselves, or their agents, against the same, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Petitions from the county of Suffolk, and western Half Stores part of the county of Kent; and, county of Bedford; Insurances.

A Petition of the Clerk of the Presbytery of Loch-Uaine, having for their object the abolition of the religious tests now required to be taken by the professors of the Scottish Universities, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Clergy, Churchwardens and Inhabitants of the deanery of Dunster and archdeaconry of Taunton, for the western division of Somerset, taking notice of the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill; and praying, that the House will preserve the court of the archdeaconry of Taunton as a place for the probate and registry of wills, by placing the same in the schedule of preserved archdeaconries, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the minister, ruling Elders and other Dissenters' Members of the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church of Lecampoh, in the county of Derry, in connection with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, praying the House to reject any measure which goes to change the law of religious trusts, and sanction the usurpation and perversion of trust property held by persons dissenting from the Church of England, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the Rural Deanery of Lodsworth; Manchester and, Rural Deanery of Westoe; praying the Bishopric of Kendal, praying the House immediately to adopt the proposal of Her Majesty's Ministers, and repeal the Wool Duty, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Manufacturers of the borough of Wool to take speedy measures to extend to the town of Manchester the benefit of immediate episcopal care, by founding a See in that vast and desolate population, without withdrawing from any existing Bishop the undivided care of a resident Bishop, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Manufacturers of the county of Kent; and, county of Bedford; Insurances.

A Petition ofthe Rural Deanery of Lodsworth; Manchester and, Rural Deanery of Westoe; praying the Bishopric, praying the House to repeal the Stamp Duty on policies of Insurance against damage by Hail Storms, so far as agricultural produce is concerned, thereby placing it on the same footing as in the case of loss by fire, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Yeoell, in the county of Somerset, praying the House to pass a law for the establishing of local courts for the more cheap, easy and speedy recovery of Small Debts, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
Mr. Estcourt reported, That having been with the Lords to desire a Conference on the subject-matter of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill, intituled, "An Act for making a Railway from the Lancaster and Preston Junction Railway, at Lancaster, to or near to the city of Carlisle," the Lords do agree to a Conference, and appoint the same, at five o'clock this day, in the Committee Room No. 2.

The time being come for the Conference with the Lords, upon the subject-matter of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill, intituled, "An Act for making a Railway from the Lancaster and Preston Junction Railway, at Lancaster, to or near to the city of Carlisle;"

Ordered, That the Committee who were appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, for disagreeing to the Amendment to which this House hath disagreed, do manage the Conference:—And the names of Mr. Strutt, Mr. Sotheron, Lord Francis Egerton, Lord Granville Somerset, Mr. John Round, Mr. Wilson Patten, Mr. Hodgson Hinde, Mr. Brotherton, Mr. Richard Hodgson, Mr. Bernal, Mr. Parker, Mr. Trotter, Mr. Brumston, Mr. Gally Knight and Mr. Bicham ESCott, were added to them.

Then the names of the Managers were called over, and they went to the Conference; and being returned;

Mr. Estcourt reported, That the Managers had been at the Conference, which was managed on the part of the Duke of Richmond; and that they had delivered the Reasons for disagreeing to the said Amendment, and had left the Bill and Amendments, with their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the ingrossed Bill for regulating, maintaining and improving the Port of Padstow, in the County of Cornwall, and the navigable Parts of the River Camel or Allen, in the same County; and And a Motion being made, That the Bill be now read the third time:

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.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Sir Charles LEMON do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of Stint-masters of the burgh of FALBIRK, praying that the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, requesting that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House, a Copy of the First Report of the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships, on the Progress of the Building of the Houses of Parliament: And that Mr. Baring WALK do carry the said Message.

Ordered, That the Return of Persons convicted for Smuggling, which was presented yesterday, be referred to the Select Committee on Tobacco Trade.

Ordered, That the Return of Persons convicted and condemned in 1848, which was presented yesterday, be referred to the said Select Committee.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Pupils admitted to the Hibberian Military School, Phoenix Park, Dublin, since the 1st day of January 1840; distinguishing the Ages of the Children, and their Religious seperately, at the period of Admission; and also, the Religion of their Parents, so far as the same may be known or can be ascertained:—Copies of any Correspondence between the Officers of the said School and any Person relating to the Change of Religion of Two Boys, named EDWARD and William CASKIN, Pupils in the said School, within the last Six months:—And, a Statement, showing the Ages of any other Pupils of the said Establishment who may have changed their Religions in the last Four years.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Senior and Message from Mr. Lynch:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment; viz.

A Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting the LEEDS Lords and SELBY Railway in the York and North Midland Railway Company, and for enabling that Company to raise a further Sum of Money to complete the Purchase of such Railway:

A Bill, intituled, An Act for enabling the Northern Northern Coal Mining Company to raise Money for paying off existing Debts of the Company: And an Amendment to the same, at five o'clock this day, in the Committee Room No. 2.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from Rampside and BAR, Railway Bill, row to Dalton Lindale and Kirkby Ireleth, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, to be called The Furness Railway, with an Amendment; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for granting certain Powers to the New British Iron Company, with an Amendment; to which Amendment the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from the said South Eastern Railway, near Ashford, to the City of Canterbury, and the Towns of Ramsgate and Margate, and to join the said South Eastern Railway, near Ashford, to the City of Canterbury, with the Canterbury and Whitstable Railway, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for extending to the City of Canterbury, and the Towns of Ramsgate and Margate, and to the Canterbury and Whitstable Railway, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for extending to Ireland the Provisions not already in force there, of an Act of the late King William the Fourth, intituled, "An Act for limiting the Actions and Suits relating to the Real Property, and for simplifying the Remedies for trying the Right thereto, and to explain and amend the said Act;" to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act Limitation for abolishing the Offences of Forestalling, granting and Engrossing, and for repealing certain Statutes passed in restraint of Trade; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act Limitation to explain and amend an Act of the last Session of Parliament, intituled, "An Act for extending to Ireland the Provisions not already in force there, of an Act of the third and fourth years of the reign of the late King William the Fourth, intituled, 'An Act for the Limitation of Actions and Suits relating to the Real Property, and for simplifying the Remedies for trying the Right thereto, and to explain and amend the said Act;'" to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act Limitation for enabling George Edwards and Walter Colbourn, Estate Bills, the Committee of the Estates of William Beckett Neaschell, a person of unsound Mind, to make Conveyances for carrying into execution an Agreement for
for the Partition or Division of the Real Estates of William Orme, deceased, pursuant to an Order of the High Court of Chancery; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

The Dissenters' Chapels Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

The ingrossed Bill to amend the Laws relating to Labour in Factories, was, according to Order, read the third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, by way of Rider: (And be it Enacted, That from and after the First day of October in the present year, no young person shall be employed in any Factory more than Eleven hours in any one day, or more than Sixty-four hours in any one week; and that from and after the First day of October One thousand eight hundred and Forty-seven, no young person shall be employed in any Factory more than Ten hours in any one day, or more than Fifty-eight hours in any one week; and that any person who shall be convicted of employing a young person for any longer time than is in and by this Clause permitted, shall for every such offence be adjudged to pay a penalty of not less than

—and not more than

And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be now read a second time;—And a Debate arising thereupon;

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

Subbati, 11° die Maii, 1844:

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Poor Law Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee of the whole House for Monday, the 20th day of this instant May.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Chester and Holyhead Railway, which was presented upon the 26th day of this instant May, be printed.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Wheat, Wreth, &c., which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Coals, Coals, Cinders and Culm, which were presented upon the 18th day of April last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Coals, Coals, which were presented upon the 16th day of April last, and yesterday, be printed.

Ordered,

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Roman Catholic Clergy, Grants and Conveyances (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time Bill, upon Friday the 24th day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Metropolitan Buildings Bill;

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 Damage by Fire on the Metropolis (No. 2.) (Metropolitan) Bill;

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

The Customs Duties Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Mr. Greene reported the Edinburgh Agreement Edinburgh Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on the Roman Catholic Clergy, Grants and Conveyances (Ireland) Bill;

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

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee of the Customs Duties, to whom it was referred to consider the Act 5 and 6 Vict. c. 47, to amend the Customs Duties; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be printed; and read the third time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Savings Banks, a Statement of the Amount of the separate Surplus Fund, not being Interest, belonging to the Trustees of Savings Banks, in the hands of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, up to the present time.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Coffee. Accounts of the Quantity of Coffee imported into the United Kingdom in the years 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843; specifying the Countries from which it came:—Of the Quantity of Coffee of each description entered for Home Consumption in the years 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843; showing the Rate of Duty, together with the Amount derived therefrom in each year respectively:—And, of the Stock of Coffee in the United Kingdom, of each description in Bond, on the 31st day of December 1843; distinguishing the Countries from whence imported.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Coals, Coals, Cinders and Culm, which was presented upon the 25th day of this instant May, be printed.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Wheat, Wreth, &c., which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Coals, Coals, Cinders and Culm, which were presented upon the 18th day of April last, be printed.
Ordered, That the Paper relative to Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Orderd, That the Paper relative to Jamaica bill, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till one of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Luna, 13° die Maii;
Anno, 7° Victoriae Regni, 1844.

PRAYERS.

CHARLES Robert Scott Murray, Esquire, Member for the County of Buckingham, having embraced the Roman Catholic Religion, took and subscribed the Oath required to be taken and subscribed by Roman Catholics.

Ordered, That the Committee on the South Eastern Railway Bill have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Mr. Wright, from the Metropolitan Roads Office, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—The Eighteenth Report of the Commissioners of the Metropolitan Roads, north of the Thames:—And then he withdrew.

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

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 Launceston, in the room of the Right honourable Sir Henry Hardinge, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Governor General of India.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Salford Improvement (No. 2.) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on Molan's Naturalization Bill; that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Ness Fisheries 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Pulteney Town Harbour and Improvement 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on Figge's Naturalization Bill; that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Nottingham (West Croft Canal) Improvement (No. 2.) Bill; that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; that the Committee had made the inquiries directed Vol. 99.

by the Order of the House on the 1st day of this instant May; and had ascertained that there were no Provisions introduced into the Bill inconsistent with the Notices given in compliance with the Standing Orders; and that they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the West Croft (Nottingham) Inclosure (No. 2.) Bill; that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; that the additions made by this Bill to the Bill which was first introduced are strictly within the Notices given in compliance with the Standing Orders for Bills of the First Class, but the Committee feeling that the enactment contained in such additions to the first Bill ought not to be introduced without due notice to the town, and to all parties, whose interests could be affected, called for evidence, which was adduced to the satisfaction of the Committee, that such notices had been given; and that they had gone through the Bill, and made verbal Amendments thereunto; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Stratford (Eastern Counties) and Thames Junction Railway Bill be revived:—And that they have leave to sit, and proceed, upon Thursday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Manchester Police Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, to whom the Petition of Messrs. Burchell and Co., complaining of non-compliance with the Standing Orders in the case of the Petition for additional provision in the Epsom and South Western Railway Bill, was referred; that the Standing Orders relative to Bills of the Second Class had not been complied with, in respect of the additional provision for which application is made, but it was proved to the Committee, that in the Notices originally published, all the parishes which would be affected by the proposed deviation were enumerated.

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

Sir John Trollope reported from the Committee on the Southampton Improvement Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; that they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Henry Smith and Son, and others, Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill; praying that the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

Mr. Bellow reported from the Committee on the Eastern Union Railway Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; that they had heard counsel in support of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; that they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills; and that the Committee had examined the allegations of the Bill.
of the Bill, and found the same 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.

Mr. Parker reported from the Committee on the Garnkirk, Glasgow and Coatbridge Railway Bill (competing Line); and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred. That they had heard counsel in support of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; that they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills; and that the Committee 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, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the British Iron Company Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

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

Petitions of Trustees acting in execution of Two several Acts for diverting, improving and maintaining the Roads between the Towns of Birsa and Huddersfield, in the West Riding of the County of York;—Huddersfield Canal Company;—Owners of lands, tenements, hereditaments and premises through or over which the Branch Railways from Cooper Bridge to Huddersfield, both in the West Riding of the County of York, is intended to be made;—Edward Brooke, of Sheepridge, in the county of York, Esquire;—Stansfield Rowson;—Joseph Brook and Wylaham Carlson Mudden, Clerk;—Thomas Thornsfield, of Riddlesworth, in the county of Norfolk, Esquire;—Merchants, Manufacturers and other Inhabitants of the town and neighbourhood of Huddersfield; and, the Honourable Isabella Ramsden, of Buckden, in the county of York, Widow, the Mother, and natural Guardian of Sir John William Ramsden, Baronet, an Infant;—praying that they may be heard, along with other counsel in favour of the Bill; and the Petitioners, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

An ingrossed Bill for incorporating the London Gas Light Company, was read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Thomas Duncombe do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Speaker laid on the Table,—An Abstract of County Rates, the Accounts of the latest Valuation of every Parish, Township or Place upon which the County Rates have been had, in the respective Counties of England and Wales, stating the year in which such Valuation was taken; allowing also the rates of valuation of each Hundred and County (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 577, of Session 1832), which were presented upon the 15th day of April last.

Ordered, That the said Abstract be printed.

Petitions of Officers to the Sheriff of the county Courts of Lancashire;—and, Officers to the Sheriff of Shropshire;—praying that in case the County Courts Bill should pass into a law, the House will either cause the Petitioners to receive compensation for the loss they must necessarily sustain, or appoint the Petitioners to such offices in the newly- formed courts as their previous duties may have enabled them competently to fill,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the Deaneys of Tavengure, &c. — Saint Asaph Abergron;—Horley;—Deaneys of Brackley;—Nerquis;—Gowngarfield;—Deaneys of Had posted,—Lanfranc_iconiam, &c.—and, Deaneys of Tongwyn;—praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a See at Manchester, by other means,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of Saint Nicholas-street Dissenters' Protestant Dissenting Chapel, situate in the town of Lancaster, and others, praying that the Dissenters' Chapels Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Waterford;—Donegore (two Petitions);—Caintreeagh;—Belfast;—Naenagh;—Greenvale;—Rathfriland;—and, Presbyterian of Elgin and Aboyne;—praying the House to introduce, without delay, into Parliament, a Bill to declare valid to all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages heretofore solemnized, or hereafter to be solemnized, by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, between parties not within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and who have the consent of parents or guardians, and provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agreeably to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Bedford;—and, Great Torrington; Small Debts, praying the House to pass a Bill, without delay, for the cheap and speedy recovery of Small Debts in England and Wales, having regard to the due protection both of debtor and creditor,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Rodbert's Name Bill was read a second time; Rodbert's Name Bill.
Petitions of the Moderator and Clerk of the Presbytery of Auchterarder;—and, Clerk of the Presbytery of Annan;—praying the House to exert the evils which are pretended to exist under the laws relating to religious tests in the Universities and Schools of Scotland would inevitably produce,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Moderator and Clerk of the Presbytery of Auchterarder, praying the House to adopt measures for ameliorating the condition of the Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Chairman and Secretary of the Manchester Association for the Patronage of the Fine Arts;—Wood Carvers, Gilders and Frame Makers of London and its vicinity;—Members of the Birmingham Society of Artists;—and, Members of the managing Committee of the Royal Birmingham and Midland Counties Art Union (two Petitions);—praying the House to give their sanction to any measure which may be brought before them for the legalisation of Art Unions, as shall be worked from no motive of private emolument, and with the view of promoting national Fine Arts, the improvement of manufactures and the extension of Esquihar commerce,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from York Union (Chairman);—and, Preston Union (Lancaster) (Vice Chairman);—praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Officers and Members of the Twelfth Park and Liverpool Building Society, in the borough of Liverpool, praying the House not to introduce clauses into the said Bill, to the effect that owners of certain tenements shall be rated to the relief of the poor instead of the occupiers, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Petitions from the Borough of Liverpool, praying the House not to make any further reduction in the hours of labour of young persons employed in Factories, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Operative Bleachers employed in the Bleaching Works in the parish of Abbey Parley, praying the House to extend the provisions of the said Bill to the bleaching works of Scotland, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Clifton reported from the Committee on the Sidmouth and Sidswath and Collington Road Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had heard the Parties in support of several of the said Petitions; and had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments therein.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Sugar, a Return of the Quantity of Sugar imported severally in the years 1841, 1842 and 1843, distinguishing the Countries from whence imported.

Sir George Clerk accordingly presented the said Return.

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

Mr. Baring Wall reported, That he had carried Houses of Parliament.

Ordered, That the said Bill do pass.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Lord Eliot, 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 Mr. Richard Price do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Motion being made, That the ingrossed Bill for Farrington enclosing Lands in the Manors or Lordships of and Crommelin, Farrington and Cambellina, in the Parish of Knibworth, the County of Northampton, be now read the third time; Lord Eliot, 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.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Richard Price do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Motion being made, That the ingrossed Bill for including Lands in the Parish of Bledlow and Longleigh, Longleigh, in the County of Buckingham, be now read the third time; Lord Eliot, by Her Majesty's Command, acc—
quainted 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 Mr. Richard Price do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Corn Laws.

Petitions from Bahaecell;—Burlington;—North Care and South Care;—County of York (three Petitions);—Goodmsham, &c.;—Pocklington;—Pudsey;—North Care with Dronron and Ever thromp;—Barmby-on-the-Moor;—Eastrington;—Hemmingbrough;—Braggsholme-with-Woodall;—Cotness;—Bubwith;—Yokfork;—Laxton (York);—Battholome;—Blacktoft;—Saltmarsh;—Bellesize;—Ashto;—Fogorther;—Spaldington;—Hotham;—Scobly;—Walthorpe;—Briaght;—Neasholme and Brind, Wresle and Loft;—Shelton;—Faucile;—Latham;—Ellerton Priory;—Heather;—Wetherthorpe;—Wilt;—Portington and Cescbith;—Asby;—Knedibington;—Breamfeet;—and, Wretham and Belby; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ecclesiastical Courts Bill.

A Petition of Attorneys and Solicitors residing in the borough of Reading, in the county of Berks, praying that the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Court of Chancery.

A Petition of Solicitors of Her Majesty's High Court of Chancery practising in the city of Bristol, praying the House to inquire into the claims made before the Lord Chancellor in pursuance of the Act for abolishing certain Offices of the High Court of Chancery in England, and to take under their consideration the several Orders made thereon, and to inquire into the fees imposed upon the suitors of the said court, in pursuance of the powers of the said Act, and into the state and several charges affecting the several funds of the suitors of the said court, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Customs Duties.

The House was moved, That the Act 3 and 4 Vic. c. 60, for regulating the Trade of the Isle of Man, might be read; and the same being read, Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the said Act.

Ordered, That the Order of the day for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed upon Friday last, That the ingrossed Clause (And which was offered to be added upon the third reading of the Factories Bill) by way of Rider, be now read a second time; And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Martis, 14° die Maii, 1844.

And the Question being put; The House divided:

The Yeas to the new Lobby; The Noes to the old Lobby.

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So it passed in the Negative.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, by way of Rider (And whereas, in order to avoid the expense and trouble caused to children and young persons by reason of the surgeons' certificates hereinafter required for the occupier of any Factory (after having given fourteen days' previous notice, in writing, of his intention in that respect, to the Inspector, or Sub-inspector of the district in which such Factory is situated), to employ the children and young persons in his Factory, for the time and in the manner by this Act prescribed for children and young persons respectively, although such children and young persons shall not have obtained the surgical certificates hereinafter required for children and young persons 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:—It passed in the Negative.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in Pr. 61. l. 19., by inserting after the word "imprisonment," the words "or where the penalty awarded shall be more than three pounds."

And the Question being put, That those words be there inserted;

The House divided:

The Yeas to the old Lobby; The Noes to the new Lobby.

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Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill do pass;

The House divided:

The Yeas to the old Lobby; The Noes to the new Lobby.

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So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be referred to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Order of the day be read, for the Committee on the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into Count Courts further consideration the Report on the County Bill, Courts Bill;

Ordered, That the Report be taken into further consideration upon Friday next.
The Order of the day being read, the Committee on the Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Small Debts Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Gold and Silver Wares Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Vinegar and Glass Duties Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order resolved itself into a Committee upon the Stamp Duties Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereof.

Ordered, That the Report be now received. Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly. 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.

The Turnpike Acts Continuance (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

The Unlawful Oaths (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

The Assaults (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Prisons (Scotland) Bill; 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 Parishes (Scotland) Bill; 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 Customs Duties Bill; Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means; Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee, to whom it was referred, to consider the Act 8 and 9 Vict. c. 47, to amend the Laws relating to the Customs; Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The ingrossed Bill to amend an Act of the first and second years of Her present Majesty for securing the Debt due by the City of Edinburgh to the Vol. 19.

Public, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed Houses of to inquire into the present state of the Building of Parliament, the New Houses of Parliament, and to report thereon to the House.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill West India for giving additional Powers to the Commissioners Bill, for the Relief of certain of Her Majesty's Colonies and Plantations in the West Indies: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented,—Return to an Order of the day being read, for the return of the actual Amount of the Revenue of the Irish Church, whether derived from Tithe, Rent-charge, Glebe-lands, or Lands in the possession of the Bishops, Prelates or other Dignitaries; the Return to include Ministers' Money and Easter Offerings.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to Petition Sessions, several Addresses to Her Majesty.—Further Returns to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 27th day of April in the last Session of Parliament, for a Return from the Clerk of the Petty Sessions in England and Wales of the Amount of Fees received by him during each of the last three years, ending the 31st day of December 1842; also, a Return for each of the same years of the Number of Convictions; specifying, in each case, separately, the Amount of the Fine or Penalty, and also the Amount of the Costs, and, if paid, to what purpose the Fine or Penalty was applied; if not paid, the Time of Imprisonment awarded, and the Expense of sending the Offender to Prison;—And, a Return from the Keeper of each Gaol and House of Correction in England and Wales of the Number of Persons committed on Conviction by any Justice or Justices during each of the three last years, ending on the 31st day of December 1842, for non-payment of any Fine, Penalty and Costs; stating, in each case, separately, the Amount of such Fine or Penalty, as also the Amount of the Costs; also, the Time each Party so committed remained in custody, and whether the Fine or Penalty and Costs were paid.

Returns of the Amount collected in the Isle of Isle of Man, by the authority of the Act 44 Geo. 3, c. 145, s. 1, for Harbour Dues in each year, from the year 1833 to 1843, under the several heads stated by the Schedule of that Act;—Of the Expenditure of the Amounts so received, under the various heads to which appropriated, and of the balance in hand, of the said Funds, on the 1st day of January 1844;—Of the Commissioners now qualified, and who execute the said Act;—And, of the Amount of Fines levied under its authority.

A Return of all Crown Presentations to Parishes Church of in Scotland which have been vacant since the &ndash;&nbsp;st St. of 1843, specifying in each case the cause of Vacancy, the Name of the Minister appointed, and the Parish from which he may have been translocated.

A Statement of the Regulations now in force &ndash;&nbsp;Advocates, to the admission of Advocates in the Ecclesiastical and Admiralty Courts of Doctors' Commons, and in the Provincial Court of York; and the present Number of Advocates in those Courts.

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

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill West India for giving additional Powers to the Commissioners Bill, for the Relief of certain of Her Majesty's Colonies and Plantations in the West Indies: And the same No. 271, was
was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Poor Law. No. 272.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Poor Law, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

Westminster Bridge. No. 207.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Westminster Bridge, which were presented upon Friday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Annual Accounts relative to Bankruptcy, which were presented upon the 20th day of February last, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till Two of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martiis, 14° die Maii;

Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Kilmarnock, &c. 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 Burghs of Kilmarnock, Renfrew, Dumbarton, Rutherglen and Port Glasgow, in the room of Alexander Johnston, Esquire, deceased.

A Petition of Members of the Committee of the General Association of Proprietors of Steam Shipping formed for the purpose of protecting the interests of Owners of Steam Vessels, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the London and South Western Railway (No. 1) Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Harbour and Dock near to Hartlepool, in the county of Durham; and the same were agreed to, as followeth

Pr. 148. l. 4. After "Act" insert Clause (B.)

Clause (B.) "And whereas the effect of using sluicing powers for the purpose of keeping open the entrance to the said intended Harbour, might be to interfere prejudicially with the entrance to the present outer Harbour of Hartlepool; Be it therefore Enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Hartlepool West Harbour and Dock Company, their successors or assigns, to use any means to clean, scour or keep open the entrance to the said intended Harbour, by sluicing into the bay of Hartlepool aforesaid."

Pr. 147. l. ult. After the first "of" insert "some person to be named by."

Pr. 148. l. 7. After the first " the" insert "west side of the."

Pr. 148. l. 13. After "of" insert "the person so to be named by."

Pr. 148. l. 16. Leave out "the construction of" and insert "constructing."

Pr. 148. l. 19. Leave out " arise " and insert " be done."

Pr. 148. l. 20. Leave out " or part."

Pr. 145. l. 21. After "present " insert "outer."

Pr. 145. l. 25. After "thereof " insert "or other."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to

Ordered, That Lord Harry Vane 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 Mariniers and the Report on the Mariners and General Life Assurance Company Bill; and the Amendments were Company Bill, and read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Brighton and the Report on the Brighton and Chichester Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration New British and the Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for granting certain Powers to the New British Iron Company; and the same was read, as followeth

Pr. 10. 1. 18. After "that" insert "if the execution of the Plan be done."

Pr. 11. 1. 18. After "that" insert "if the execution hereinbefore mentioned shall have been ineffectual to recover such satisfaction as aforesaid."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Cripps 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 York United and the Report on the York United Gas (No. 2.) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Kent Union the Report on the York United Gas (No. 2.) Bill, and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Petitions of the Commissioners for the Superintendence and Management of the Harbour and Docks of Leith, and, Provost, Magistrates and Town Council of Kirkcaldy; praying that the Edinburgh, Leith and Granton Railway Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Lakeheath and Bredon Drainage Bill was Lakeheath and Bredon Drainage Bill read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

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An ingrossed Bill for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against the European Life Insurance and Annuity Company Bill, and for granting certain Powers thereto, was read the third time. 

Resolved, That the Bill do pass. 

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Manchester Improvement Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to. 

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed. 

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Chester and Holyhead Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to. 

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed. 

A Petition of Attornies-at-Law, resident in the city of Peterborough, stating that considerable outlay being required before the Petitioners are enabled to practise, and their being subjected to an annual tax of eight pounds in the exercise of their profession, occasions in them much surprise when they find in section 75, of the County Courts Bill, that, except by leave of the judge, they will not be entitled to argue any question as advocates for others in the courts to be established by the said Bill; and praying for a removal of the restriction pointed out in the said section, and also that a moiety of the costs and expenses allowed to attorneys in actions under twenty pounds, now hear by writ of trial before the Sheriff, be paid to attorneys in the County Courts, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 

A Petition of Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor and other Inhabitants of the parish of Epsom, in the county of Surrey, stating that they have not to insert in the Poor Law Amendment Bill a clause exempting Union Workhouses and other buildings for the reception and employment of the poor from the payment of parochial rates and charges, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 

A Petition of Land-owners, and others, in the parish of Belchamp Otten, in the county of Essex, stating that they believe the late alteration in the punishment for the crime of Arson has not tended to check that crime, but rather to increase it; and praying that the power to punish capitally may be restored to the Court of Justice, where the case are aggravated, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 

A Petition of Captain Dickenson, of the Royal Naval Club, London, Captain in Her Majesty's Navy, stating his services in recovering treasure to the amount of 157,000L, sunk in his Majesty's 

Ship "Thetis," on the 5th day of December 1830, complaining of the inadequate remuneration granted to him for those services, and praying that the House will so remodel the national Universities, that they may be open to all classes of Her Majesty's subjects, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 

Petitions from Deptford; Toxteth; Broughton; Dissenters' - Kilmore; Bagnor (Down); Ballygibbert; Chapels Bill, and, Chobert; praying that the Dissenters' Chapels Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 

Petitions from Derby; Presbytery of Wigton (Moderator); Stonykirk (Chairman); Shenquam; Manchester; Bolton; Cork; Presbytery of Headington and Danbury (Moderator and Clerk); Presbytery of Arbroath (Moderator); Presbytery of Dolkeith (Moderator); Free Synod of Merv and Tiviotdale (Moderator and Clerk); Provincial Synod of Ross (Moderator and Clerk); Provincial Synod of Moray (Moderator); Presbytery of Lochcarron (Moderator and Clerk); Presbytery of Kintyre (Moderator); Cookstown; Lockgilphhead; Presbytery of Fodona (Moderator); Breckin; Presbytery of Bredalbane (Moderator); Presbytery of North Kintyre; Glascow; praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 

A Petition of Thomas Swinburne, stating that Universities Protestant Dissenters are placed under grievous educational disabilities, excluding them from the honours of Cambridge University, and altogether shutting them out from the University of Oxford; and praying that they may no longer lie under their present disabilities, but that the House will so remodel the national Universities, that they may be open to all classes of Her Majesty's subjects, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 

Petitions from Heep; Elton and Tottington; - County Court Reform Bill; Bedfello and Pillingston; and, Barnby and other (County Palaces); praying that the County Court (County Palate of Lancaster) Bill may not pass into a law, and, County and that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law, Courts Bill. were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 

A Petition of Painters, Sculptors, Architects and Art Unions. Engravers residing in and about the Metropolis, praying the House to grant such protection or exemption as will enable Art Unions constituted solely for the advancement of art and not for the emolument of the projector, to proceed in the same beneficial course for art, artists and the public, which has been permitted from their formation up to the present time, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from Rampsde and Barrow to Dalton Lindale and Kirkby Ireth, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, to be called The Furness Railway; and the same was read, as followeth: 

Pr. 163. 1, ult. After "level" insert "Provided always, That if the said Company shall use locomotive engines, no trains shall proceed along that portion of the Railway lying within one hundred dired yards on either side of the said last-menioned road from Dalton to Newton, if crossed on a level, at a greater rate of speed than six miles an hour, and if the said Company shall offend in this respect, they shall forfeit the sum of Five pounds for every offence." 

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

Ordered, That Mr. Wilson Patten do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the South Eastern Railway Company to make a Railway from the said South Eastern Railway, near Ashford, to the City of Canterbury, and the Towns of Ramsgate and Margate, and to join the Canterbury and Whitstable Railway; and the same were read, as follows:

Pr. 3. l. 6. After "Chartham" insert "as." 

Pr. 3. l. 14. Leave out "plans" and insert "plan."

Pr. 5. l. 21. After "matters" insert "to be affected by this Act," and situate or arising.


CLAUSE (A.) "And be it Enacted, That in all cases where the verdict of a jury, summoned as by the said recited Acts or this Act or either of them directed, shall be given for the same, or a greater sum than shall have been previously offered by the said Company for the purchase of any property or taken by them for the purposes of this Act, or as compensation for any damage or loss which may happen or arise in the execution of any of the powers thereof, all the costs of such inquiry shall be borne by the said Company; but if the verdict of the jury be given for a less sum than the sum previously offered by the Company, one half of the costs shall be defrayed by the owner of the lands and the other half by the Company, and such costs shall be settled by the Sheriff and shall include all reasonable costs, charges and expenses incurred in summoning, impanelling and returning the jury, taking the inquiry, the attendance of witnesses, the employment of counsel, recording the verdict and judgment thereon, and otherwise incidental to such inquiry, and with respect to any such costs payable by the Company if within Seven days after demand such costs be not paid to the party entitled to receive the same, the same shall be recoverable by distress, and on application to any Justice he shall give his warrant accordingly, and with respect to any such costs payable by the owner of the lands or of any interest therein, in respect of which the inquiry shall take place, the same may be deducted out of any money awarded by the jury to be paid to such owner for so much money advanced for his use, and the payment of the remainder of such money shall be a good payment and satisfaction of the whole thereof."

Pr. 13. l. 38. After "tax" insert Clause (B.), and also insert Clause (C.).

CLAUSE (B.) "AND with respect to the crossing of roads by the said Railway hereby authorized to be made; BE it Enacted, That if the line of such Railway cross any turnpike-road or public carriage-way (except as hereinafter otherwise provided, either such turnpike-road or public carriage-way shall be carried over the Railway, or the Railway shall be carried over such road at the expense of the Company, and with the ascent or descent by this Act in that behalf provided, and such bridge and other necessary works connected therewith shall be executed at the expense of the Company."

Pr. 13. l. 111. Leave out from "that" to "the" in Pr. 14. l. 1, and insert "it shall be lawful for."

Pr. 14. l. 3. Leave out "from carrying" and insert "from carrying."

Pr. 14. l. 9. Leave out "any" and insert "the several," and in the same line leave out "highway" and insert "highways or roads hereinafter specifically referred to."

Pr. 14. l. 9. After "adopted" insert "that it is to say in the parish of Wye, a road numbered 91 on the plan deposed as hereinbefore mentioned; in the parish of Godmersham the roads numbered 86 respectively on the said plan, 41, 49 and 277; in the parish of Chilsham, the roads numbered on the said plan respectively 70 and 111; in the parish of Chartham, the roads numbered on the said plan respectively 9, 104, 149 and 20; in the parish of Thumington, the road numbered 20, and in the parish of Horndean, the road numbered 19 on the said plan; in the parish of Saint Dunstan Canterbury, the road numbered 46, and in the parish of Saint Stephen's Canterbury, the road numbered 16 on the said plan; in the parish of Sturry, the roads numbered respectively 1, 33 and 39, and in the parish of Westbere, the road numbered 46 on the said plan; in the parish of Minster, the roads numbered respectively 70° and 114, and in the parish of Saint Lawrence, the roads numbered respectively 16, 29, 49°, 50° and 93 on the said plan, and in the parish of Saint Peter, the road numbered 12°, and in the parish of Saint John, the road numbered 39 on the said plan."

Pr. 14. l. 11. Leave out "a certain" and insert "the said highway numbered 40, or the parish of Saint Dunstan Canterbury aforesaid, be the."

Pr. 14. l. 17. After "Canterbury" insert "and also the said highway numbered 91 in the parish of Wye, at a spot immediately adjoining to a station proposed to be erected for the convenience of the inhabitants of the said parish."

Pr. 14. l. 18. After "that" insert "the said stations shall be made by the said Company, and that."

Pr. 14. l. 22. After "same" insert "or the said highway numbered 91, as aforesaid."

Pr. 10. l. 32. After "road" insert Clause (C.).

CLAUSE (C.) "AND whereas the said Railway is proposed to cross the said Canterbury and Whitstable Turnpike-road near to the national schools of Canterbury: BE it Enacted, That if the trustees of the said schools shall, at any time within One year from the opening of the Railway or previously thereto, require the said Company to purchase the house and appurtenances thereto in which the said schools are held, the said Company shall and they are hereby required to purchase the same, and if any difference shall arise as to the value thereof, the same shall be settled as other cases of disputed compensation are required to be settled under the recited Acts and this Act."

Pr. 33. l. 10. After "same" insert Clause (D.).

CLAUSE (D.) "And be it Enacted, That nothing in the parish of Godmersham the roads contained in the said recited Acts contained shall be held to exempt the Railway by the said recited Acts and this Act authorized to be made, from the provisions of an Act passed in the first and second years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act to provide for the Conveyance of the Mails by Railway."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Brodshort 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 Report on the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Ashton-under-Lyne Manchester Railway Bill; and the Amendments thereto were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The Forestalling, &c., Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. No. 274.
Mr. MacKintosh presented a Bill to prohibit the nuisance of smoke from furnaces or manufactories: and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 22d day of this instant May; and to be printed.

A Petition of John Beatham, of Preston, in the county palatine of Lancaster, stating that a few years since there died at Lancaster two Roman Catholic maiden ladies of the name of Beatham, to whom the Petitioner was a near relative and next of kin; that the survivor died intestate, having, as it was alleged, made a deed of gift of all her property, to which her confessor, now the Roman Catholic Bishop of Lancaster, was appointed trustee; that it has lately come to the knowledge of the Petitioner, that this deed of gift was only made as a blind to deceive the relatives of the deceased, but that a paper writing, called by Roman Catholics a spiritual will, was made with the knowledge of, and acted upon by the said Roman Catholic Bishop of Lancaster, and that the said Bishop has applied the greater portion of the said property, to a considerable amount, to his sole use and benefit; and praying the House to call upon the said confessor to restore to the Petitioner that property which he has acquired, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas Billington, of Chipping, in the county of Lancaster, stating that the Petitioner has heard that it is in contemplation to move the House to pass a law legalizing the bequeathing money for masses; that the Petitioner is of opinion that such a law would greatly increase an evil already too common, by which various persons are persuaded to deprive their heirs of property, under the idea of procuring prayers; and praying the House to take into consideration the system of will-making adopted by the Roman Church, by which the greatest frauds are perpetrated, and the deepest injuries inflicted on surviving relatives; that the House will be pleased rather to restrain than legalize the practice of obtaining bequests for prayers for the dead; and not to pass any law which shall lodge the patronage of the temporalities of glebe and land for the inferior clergy and the rightful control of lay trustees, in the hands of these Romish priests, lest the same should be used to destroy the fair independence of the spiritual government of the pastor, lest the same.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Richmond, Kew, Small Debts. Kingston and parishes adjoining, in the county of Surrey, praying the House to pass some measure to enable the Petitioners to recover their Small Debts at a moderate expense, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Preston, praying the House not to sanction the efforts now making in various quarters for procuring the abolition of the existing law regarding the subscription of religious standards by professors in the Scottish Universities, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Moderator of the Presbytery of Universities Aberystwyth, in the county of Inverness, praying the House not to sanction the efforts now making in various quarters for procuring the abolition of the existing law regarding the subscription of religious standards by professors in the Scottish Universities, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Ashton, Stalybridge and Liverpool Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be read, and ordered to be printed.
ments, be ingrossed:—And a Debate arising thereupon;—
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till
Thursday next.

Whitburn and Maryport Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration
the Report on the Whitburn and Maryport Rail-
way Bill.

And a Motion being made, and the Question
being proposed, That the Amendments made by
the Committee to the Bill be now read a second
time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;
Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till
Thursday next.

Savings Banks,

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented, pur-
suant to Order,—A Statement of the Amount of the
separate Surplus Fund, not bearing Interest, be-
longing to the Trustees of Savings Banks, in the
hands of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the
National Debt, were read, as follow;
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the
Table.

Standing Orders;

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee
on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which
were read, as follows:

Coventry Improvement and Cemetery Bill.

1. Resolved, That in the case of the Coventry
Improvement and Cemetery Petition for further
time, to present the Bill, the Sessional Order be
dispensed with;—That the Parties have leave to
report their Bill on or before the 7th day of June.

2. Resolved, That in the case of the Gaspé Fish-
ery and Coal Mining Company Petition for leave to
present a Petition for a Bill, the Sessional Order
be dispensed with;—That the Parties have leave to
present a Petition accordingly.

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

Universal Suffrage, &c.

Petitions of Inhabitants of Leeds;—and, Chair-
man of the Leicester Complete Suffrage Association;
praying the House to pass a law for the extension of
the elective franchise to every male above twenty
years of age, to limit the duration of Parliament to
a period not exceeding one year, to enact that all
votes for Members of Parliament shall be given by
a period not exceeding one year, to enact that all
of the elective franchise to every male above twenty
praying the House to pass a law for the extension
man of the Leicester Complete Suffrage Association;
be dispensed with;—That the Parties have leave to
lie upon the Table.

Elective Franchise.

Petitions from Huddersfield;—Toxtont;—Tower
Hamlets;—and, Southwark;—praying the House to
extend the Parliamentary Suffrage, and make such
other provisions as may be necessary for securing a
full, fair and free representation of the people in Par-
liament,—were presented, and read; and
ordered to lie upon the Table.

Parliamentary Suffrage.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put,
That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend the
Parliamentary Suffrage, and to secure the Repre-
sentation of the People;

The House divided:
The Yeas to the new Lobby;
The Noes to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the
Mr. Sherrin Crawford, Yeas, 
Yeo, 
Mr. Boruing: 
31.

Tellers for the
Sir Thomas Freemantle, Noes, 
Mr. Henry Baring: 
97.

So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put,
That a Select Committee be appointed, to inquire
into the Orders for Compensation made by the Lord
Chancellor to the persons filling the Offices of Clerk
of the Emrollments, Comptrollers of the Hamper,
Riding Clerk, Six Clerks, Sworn Clerks, Waiting
Clerks and Agent or Record Keeper in the Court of
Chancery, under the Act 5 and 6 Vic. c. 109;
and to inquire into the nature, duties and enrol-
ments of those Offices before the passing of that Act,
and their right to Compensation (and if any, to what
amount) during their life, and for seven years after
the death of such person; and to inquire into the
nature, duties and enrolments of that Act, and the
Monies charged on the Suitors' Fee Fund in
Chancery, for passing that Act; and also to
inquire into the Taxation of Suitors in Courts of
Law and Equity, and the application of Monies
raised thereby, and the propriety of continuing the
same;

The House divided:
The Yeas to the new Lobby;
The Noes to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the
Mr. Watson
Yea, 
Mr. Jerens, 
So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was made, and the Question being pro-
posed, That Sir Denham Norreys be one of the
(Ireland) Acts.

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 appointment of the Select Com-
mittee, to inquire into the operation of the Laws
for the Relief of the Destitute Poor of Ireland,
be read, in order to its being discharged," 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;

March, 15th die Maii, 1844: And the Question being put;

The House divided:
The Yeas to the new Lobby;
The Noes to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the
Sir Denham Norreys, Yeas, 
Mr. More O'Ferrall: 
10.

Tellers for the
Sir Thomas Freemantle, Noes, 
Mr. Young: 
42.

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That the words
"the Order for the Appointment of the Select Com-
mittee, to inquire into the operation of the Laws
for the Relief of the Destitute Poor of Ireland,
be read, in order to its being discharged," be
added instead thereof:—It was resolved in the
Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put:
Ordered, That the Committee to inquire into the operation of the Laws
for the Relief of the Destitute Poor of Ireland,
was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed, Clerk of the
Crown to inquire into the Duties and Emoluments of the Clerk of the
Crown in Chancery.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Sums paid on account of Commissions
appointed under the Acts 5 and 6 Will. 4, c. 67, and 2 and 3 Vic. c. 61, for the Improvement of the River Shannon, distinguishing the Amount
and periods of Payment for Salaries and Expenses of each Commission, from what quarter issued, and
Orderd, That a Select Committee be appointed, to inquire whether the present Townland Valuation of Ireland made by the Commissioner of Valuation under the Act 1 and 2 Vic. c. 92, can be made available for the imposition of Poor Rate and other Local Rates in that Country; and also, whether it be not desirable to alter the principle on which the Townland Valuation is now constructed.

The House was moved, That the Order made yesterday, That a Select Committee be appointed, to inquire into the present state of the Building of the New Houses of Parliament, and to report thereon to the House, might be read; and the same being read:
A Committee was nominated of Mr. Baring Wall, the Earl of Lincoln, Viscount Palmerston, Mr. Warburton, Viscount Duncan, Mr. Wyse, the Earl of Shelburne, Mr. Greene, Lord Granville Somerset, Mr. Estcourt, Lord Harry Vane, Sir Robert Harry Inglis, Sir George Clerk, Mr. Pendarves and Mr. Estcourt, with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Orderd, That Five be the Quorum.

Orderd, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Detached Parts of Counties Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 22d day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The County Rates, &c., Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday the 31st day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Customs Duties Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee, to consider the Act 5 and 6 Vic. c. 47, to amend the Laws relating to the Customs:

(1) Resolved, That, in lieu and instead of the Duties of Customs now payable in respect of the Articles enumerated in the annexed Schedule, upon their Importation into the United Kingdom, there shall be raised, levied, collected and paid, the Rates of Duty specified in the said Schedule.

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Plums preserved in sugar, the lb. | 4 d. |

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, that the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Orderd, That the Report be received this day.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Commons Committee upon the Commons Inclusion Bill this Inclusion Bill, the 5th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. More O'Ferrall reported from the Committee Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2), and Harwich铁路

and the Harwich Railway and Pier Bills; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bills were referred; that they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bills; That they had examined the allegations contained in the preamble of both of the said Bills, but that the same had not been proved to their satisfaction.

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

The Earl of Lincoln presented, pursuant to an Act of Parliament, ordered the 15th day of June in the last Session of Parliament,—Returns of the Total Quantity of Land in the New Forest, whether inclosed or otherwise, in 1787; distinguishing under the respective Bills, the whole extent of Open and Commonable Land within the Forest;—II. The several portions then under inclosure for the growth of Timber;—III. The whole extent of Land occupied as Encroachments upon the Waste;—IV. The several Frehold portions belonging to the Crown, and their Appropriation at that period; and V. The whole extent of Frehold Land the Property of Individuals;—Of the Quarters, Situations and Boundaries of the several Portions of Commonable Land inclosed from time to time since 1787, for the Growth of Timber, showing the Dates of the respective Inclusions, whether they have been subsequently thrown open, and if so, when thrown open;—Of the Total Quantity of Commonable Land either sold or granted in exchange since the passing of the Act q 3 and
Improvement in Salford, Poor Law Commissioners, Croydon Railway, and London and Croydon Railway Companies.

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

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, by Her Majesty's Command, a Report of the Tenth Annual Return of the Poor Law Commissioners, with Appendices.

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

Ordered, That the Return relative to Sweets or Made Wines, which was presented upon Thursday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Eighteenth Report of the Commissioners of the Metropolis Turnpike-roads, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Sugar, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

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Ordered, That the Paper relative to Advocates, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till one of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

**Mercurii, 15° die Maii;**

**Anno 7° Victoræ Reginae, 1844.**

**PRAYERS.**

A Bill for opening certain Streets and otherwise improving the Town of Salford, and for amending an Act passed in the eleventh year of the reign of his Majesty King George the Fourth, for better cleansing and improving the said Town of Salford, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, was read the third time.

And Amendments being proposed to be made to the Bill;

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

A Petition of the London and Croydon Railway Company, for leave to present a Petition for leave to bring in a Bill for granting power to the London and Croydon and South Eastern Railway Companies to enter into mutual arrangements for laying down rails and apparatus, on the atmospheric principle, from London to Croydon, by the side of or adjoining to the present line of the London and Croydon Railway, and of the Railway thereto connected, near the Bricklayers' Arms, in the Old Kent-road, and for altering the provisions of certain Acts relating to the said Companies, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered, That the time for all Committees on Turnpike-road Turnpike Roads and Bills to make their Reports, be extended till Friday the 21st day of June next.

A Petition of the Reverend John Pearce, of North Wales, &c., in the county of Denbigh, and Richard Mineral Railway Company, of the city of Chester, Esquire, carrying on Coal and Iron-works under the firm of "The South Sea Company," in the townships of Brynabo and Broughston, in the parish of Wrexham, in the county of Denbigh, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the North Wales Mineral Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing Frederick Figge, was read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Bramston do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

An ingrossed Bill to facilitate the Settlement of British Iron Affairs, as read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

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

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for naturalizing Henry Victor Malan, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Edwards' Petitions for Private Bills; that in the case of this Bill, Edwards' Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Kilmore and Clonoff—Ballymac—Registration den and Killorgin—Bruff Grange and Meaunon; of Denbigh, "The South Sea Company," in the townships of Brynabo and Broughston, in the parish of Wrexham, in the county of Denbigh, and Richard Mineral Railway Company, of the city of Chester, Esquire, carrying on Coal and Iron-works under the firm of "The South Sea Company," in the townships of Brynabo and Broughston, in the parish of Wrexham, in the county of Denbigh, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the North Wales Mineral Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

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A Petition of Members of the Congregation of Universities of Protestant Dissenters worshipping in Ramsden-street Oxford and Cambridge, stating that the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge are not, in the opinion of the Petitioners, so conducted, as the interests and wants of the union and the equitable rights of individuals demand; that among other defects consequent upon their present regulations, the subscription to a religious test, in conjunction with literary and scientific instruction, seems especially injurious and unjustifiable; and praying the House to address the Crown for the appointment of a Commission of Inquiry into the said Universities, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Gladstone reported from the Select Committee appointed to consider whether any and what new Provisions ought to be introduced into such Railway Bills as may come before this House during the present or future Sessions, for the Advantage of the Public and the Improvement of the Railway System, and likewise to consider whether any and what Changes ought to be made in the Standing Orders relating to Railways, and to report their Opinion thereon to the House; and who were empowered to report their Opinion from time to time to the House; and who were instructed to consider of any Arrangements advantageous to the Public with regard to existing Railway Companies generally, to which, in the Opinion of the Committee, Parliament might justly give its Sanction; that they had further examined into the matters to them referred, and had agreed to a Resolution relating to the Amendment of the Standing Orders of the House with regard to Railway Bills, and to the Construction of the Works of Railways.

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

Ordered, That the Petition of Captain Dickinson, Ship "Thetis," relative to the Ship "Thetis," which was presented yesterday, be printed.

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.

Jovis, 16° die Maii.

Anno 7° Victoriae Regni, 1844.

PRAYERS.

R. Low, from the Treasury, was called in; Smuggling, &c., and at the bar presented, pursuant to Orders,

An Account of the Law and other Expenses which have been incurred in the Proceedings against Persons charged with Smuggling, and with Fraud in the Customs, during the years 1842 and 1843, in the United Kingdom; distinguishing each Country, and the Amount of Duties and of Penalties respectively received, and the Amount received by Compromises in that period.

A Return of the Number of Ships annually mortgaged, wholly or in part, in the several Ports of England; London, Liverpool, Newcastle, Sunderland and Hull; specifying the Number at each Port, from the 3th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844.

Mr. Law, also presented,—Return to an Address for a Fund to Her Majesty, dated the 16th day of April last, for a Return of the Fee Fund in the Department of the Poor Relief (Ireland) Act.
Improvement Bill have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Vendor Improvement Bill have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

An ingrossed Bill for making a Railway from the Shoreham Branch of the London and Brighton Railways, to Chichester, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Earl of March do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions of the Foreman of the Grand Jury of the North Riding of the county of York, and for granting certain Powers by or against the Mariners and General Life Assurance Company, and for granting certain Powers to the said Company.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against the Mariners and General Life Assurance Company, and for granting certain Powers to the said Company.

Ordered, That Mr. William Collett do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Edwards' Estate Bill was read a second time; Edwards' and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Hyde Land. Hyde Landings Place Bill; That they had examined the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the time for the Committee on the Arr Bridge and Wyre Dock, &c., Bill to make their Report be enlarged till Tuesday the 18th day of June next.

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Ordered, That the time for the Committee on the Ashton, Stalybridge, and Wythenshawe Junction Railway Bill to make their Report be enlarged till Tuesday the 18th day of June next.
Ordered, That the Petition of Share-holders in the Taff Vale Railway Company, praying that the Taff Vale Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Manchester Police Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

A Petition of Clergy of the Rural Deanery of the Manchester parishes of Tonge Moor, Buxgrove, Orvington, East Lacock, and Bishops, praying the House to extend to the town of Manchester the benefits of immediate episcopal care, by founding in that vast and destitute population, without withdrawing from any existing diocese the undivided care of a resident Bishop, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Lynn:—Members of the religious Dissenters' sect usually called English Presbyterians, but who Chapels Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to print the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee on the Dock and Railway Bill, of Birkenhead Docks Bill, at the expense of the Parties, from the Committee Clerks' Copy, if they think fit.

A Petition of the Company of Proprietors of the Monkland and Monkland Canal, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Monkland Railways (No. 2.) Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of the Company of Undertakers of the Grand Canal;—and, the Barrow Navigation Company, in Ireland; taking notice of the Petitions praying that the time for complying with the Standing Orders of the House may, in favour of the proposed Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland), be extended, and that the House will sanction and pass the Bill this Session; and praying that the same may not be granted, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Derwent Union, in the West Riding of the county of York, praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, by confiding to Boards of Guardians the power of fixing the measure of remuneration to be given to Medical Officers of Unions, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Bank of Ireland, the doctrines of Unitarianism,—Newport (Isle of Wight) (two Petitions); —and, Birkenhead Union, in the West Riding of the county of York, praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, by confiding to Boards of Guardians the power of fixing the measure of remuneration to be given to Medical Officers of Unions, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

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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 from the Governor of New South Wales, transmitting Reports of the Legislative Council relative to the Monetary Depression in the Colony, and the Petition of the distressed Mechanics and Labourers.

Resolved, 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, Returns of the Amounts of Gold Coin and Gold Bullion respectively, held by the Bank of England, at the Monthly Periods to which the Average Amounts of Bullion directed to be published by the Act 4 and 5 Vic. c. 50, have been made up, from the passing of the said Act to the present time, with the Price at which the Bullion has been received at the Bank:—And, of the Weight and Value of the Gold Bullion sent by the Bank to the Mint to be coined, since the passing of the Act 4 and 5 Vic. c. 50, and the average length of time which has elapsed from the sending the several Parcels of Bullion to the Mint, to their being returned in Coin.

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 Extract of any Communication from the Governor General of India, in reply to Lord Stanley’s Despatch relative to the projected Governor of Sierra Leone, for the Removal of the Distress in the Colony.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Resolved, That the Duties now chargeable upon the Importation of Sheep and Lambs Wool, and upon Wool of the Alpaca and the Llama Tribe, and upon Goats’ Wool or Hair, and upon the Exportation of Woollens and Skins, and of Manufactures or pretended Manufactures slightly wrought up, so as that the same may be reduced to and made use of as Wool again, and upon Mattresses or Beds stuffed with combed Wool or Wool fit for combing or carding, be repealed.

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Resolved, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Customs Duties Bill, That they have Power to make provision therein pursuant to the said Resolutions.

The House was moved, That the Order made Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, was referred to consider the Act 4 and 5 Vic. c. 47, to amend the Laws relating to the Customs now payable in respect of the Articles enumerated in the annexed Schedule, upon their Importation into the United Kingdom, there shall be raised, levied, collected and paid, the Rates of Duty specified in the said Schedule.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve Customs Duties itself into a Committee upon the Customs Duties Bill, Bill.

Ordered, That the Report from the Committee to Customs upon which it was referred to consider the Act 4 and 5 Duties, Vic. c. 47, to amend the Laws relating to the Customs, be now received.

Mr. Greene accordingly reported several Resolutions; and the same were, as follow:

1. Resolved, That in lieu and instead of the Duties of Customs now payable in respect of the Articles enumerated in the annexed Schedule, there shall be raised, levied, collected and paid, the Rates of Duty specified in the said Schedule.

2. Resolved, That the said Duties shall be subject to the additional Duty of £.5 per centum on the Amounts thereof respectively imposed by the Acts 3 Vic. c. 17, and 5 and 6 Vic. c. 47, except with regard to Cordials and Liqueurs which shall be subject to the Duty of Four-pence per Gallon, also imposed by the Acts aforesaid.

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Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of all Me-choos, or any Shorthand Writer or Writers, for Notes taken of the Proceedings in the Court of Queen's Bench, Dublin, previous to and during or since the Trial of the Queen v. O'Connell and others:—And, of allモンタ王子的 Coupe particularly, if any Notes taken of the Proceedings at Conciliation Hall, between the 1st day of August 1843 and the present time.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of a Report from Her Majesty's Commissioners, for inquiring into the Administration and Practical Operation of the Poor Laws in Scotland.

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

Mr. Sidney Herbert presented, pursuant to Order,—A Return of all Officers who have been wounded in the Naval Service during the last War, specifying the Nature of their Wounds, and whether they receive Pensions or not, and the Amount of the Pensions and Gratuities.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That it is the recommendation of this House, that previously to the preparation of the Estimates for the year 1845—46, a Plan of Retirement should be devised, with a view to render the Naval Service efficient, and of rewarding old and meritorious Officers;

The House divided:
The Yeas to the new Lobby;
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The West India Relief, &c. Bill was, according West India Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

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

Order'd, That an Abstract of the Return relative to Savings Banks.

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Ordered, That the Return relative to the New New Forest, which was presented upon Tuesday last, be printed.

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Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Houses of Parliament, which was presented upon Tuesday last, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Veneris, 17. die Maii;

PRAYERS

The Earl of Arundel and Surrey reported from the Committee on the Sheffield United Gas Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That no person appeared in support of the said Petitions; and 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

The Westminster and Lambeth Suspension Bridge Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Petitions of Inhabitants of Saint Margaret and Saint Mildred, Westminster;-inhabitants of the houses and premises in the neighbourhood of the proposed new Bridge from Church-street, Lambeth, to Westminster, and others (two Petitions);-and, Owners of property in the neighbourhood of the proposed Bridge from Church-street, Lambeth, to Westminster; praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Vanneck Bridge Company, praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Marriages (Ireland.)

Petitions from Banagher—Kilmacrenan—Original Secession Church in Scotland (Moderator and Clerk);-Yester—Stonebridge—Glennavon—Crieve—Drum—Clontibret—Smithborough—Monaghan—General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland (Moderator and Clerks);-Dungiven—Ballygawley—and, Whiteabbey; praying the House to introduce, without delay, into Parliament, a Bill to declare valid to all intents and purposes in law all Marriages heretofore solemnized or hereafter to be solemnized by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, between parties not within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and who have the consent of parents or guardians, and provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agreeably to the published laws of Ireland; were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Disputes

Chapels Bill.


Petitions from Oakham—Leamington Priors—Fairford—Sandford—Jewin Crescent, London—Wesleyan Ministers of the London District—Southampton—Castlehaven—Baring and Stromness—Portpatrick—Moffat—New Lanark—Edward Dillon—Churchwey—Yeo—Morpeth (Minister and Deacon);-Bridgenorth—Grenmount—Worcester (two Petitions)—South Shields—Ferry-Hall; Hermitage, London—Belfast; to Westminster, and others (two Petitions) —Praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Churchwarden of the township of Crosneate, in or near the city of Durham, praying the House not to allow the introduction of a clause into the said Bill for exempting union workhouses from the payment of parochial rates, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Board of Guardians of the Warwich Poor Law Union, in the county of Warwick; praying the House to introduce a clause into the said Bill for rating owners of small tenements to the poor rate in lieu of occupiers, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Four Petitions from Liverpool, praying the House not to introduce into the said Bill any clause for rating owners of small tenements to the poor rate in lieu of occupiers, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Ventnor Improvement Bill have leave to sit this day till five o'clock, during the sitting of the House.

Petitions from Airldre—And, Culross; praying that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
Resolutions—The House addressed Her Majesty through the Lord Granville Somerset, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainting Her that they have considered the Petition of the Bishop of Salford, praying for the establishment of a Bishopric at Manchester, and do now resolve that the Bill be read a third time, and that it be referred to a Select Committee on that subject.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

The Order made upon Monday last, That the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act, in the case of Sardinia, be re-committed to a Select Committee on that subject, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act.

An ingrossed Bill for the Improvement of the Town of Manchester, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Mark Philips do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Liverpool and Western Railway (Ireland) Bills, have leave to present a Petition for a Bill, the Sessional Order, 25th November, 1840, was read, and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

A Petition of Nobility, Gentry, and Inhabitants of the town and neighbourhood of Portarlington, which was in former days an asylum to the Protestants banished from France at the revocation of the edict of Nantes, praying the House to address Her Majesty, praying Her to interfere with the King of Sardinia on behalf of his poor subjects the Walloons, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parishes of Church, Manchester, praying Salford, Old Salford, and Little Salford, in Bishopric, the county of Gloucester, praying the House to adopt measures for the immediate establishment of a Bishopric at Manchester, without interfering with the ancient Bishoprics of Wales, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Harriet, Lenton, Blankinopp;—Ecclesiastical and, Solicitors of Motion Macnab;—praying that the Bill for the establishment of the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of land, in Hall Stornoway the county of St. Comon, praying the House to repeal the stamp duty on policies of Insurance against damage by Hall Storms, so far as agricultural produce is concerned, thereby placing it on the same footing as in the case of loss by fire, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Wood-sawyers of Bury, in Lancashire, praying the House to impose a tax upon saw-mill cut Wood, thereby placing them in a position that machinery may not be able to exterminate hand-sawing, the trade by which they live, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Bill for the opening of the roads from Sidmouth and Collumpton to the Sea, and the Report of the Sidmouth and Collumpton Road Bill, as ordered, was read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

The Order made upon Monday last, That the Petition of the-Development of the Pultney Town Harbour and Improvement Bill, be referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act.

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Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief), that the Committee had reported their Minutes of Evidence, and that they had been laid upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time, and that it be referred to a Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

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Order ought to be dispensed with; that the Parties be permitted to present a Petition accordingly.

2. Resolved, That in the case of the London and Croydon Railway Petition for leave to present a Petition for a Bill, the Sessional Order 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.

Cauterby Pavement Bill.

Mr. Ward reported from the Committee on the Cauterby Pavement Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had heard counsel in support of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; and 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland.)

Petitions of the Grand Jury of the county of the city of Dublin, assembled at April Quarter Sessions 1844;—Grand Jury of the city of Kilkeny, assembled at the Spring Assizes 1844;—and, Inhabitants of Thomastown, and its vicinity, in the county of Kilkeny;—praying the House to permit the immediate prosecution of the proposed line of Railway between Dublin and Cashel, connecting the southern and western parts of the kingdom, by suspending the Standing Orders of the House respecting Private Bills in favour of this work,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Coventry Waterworks Bill.

An ingrossed Bill for better supplying with Water the Parishes of Saint Michael, the Holy Trinity, and Saint John the Baptist, in the City of Coventry and the County of Warwick, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Ellice do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desir their concurrence.

Saint Asaph and Bangor Dioceses.

Petitions from the Deanery of Winchester;—Southampton;—and, Archdeaconry of the East Riding of the county of York; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a See at Manchester, by other means,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Rating of Tonsments.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Lancaster Union, in the counties of Cornwall and Devon, praying that so much of the Act 49 Geo. 3, c. 12, as transfers the payment of rates from occupiers to owners of divided houses, be adopted in the case of cottages and small tenements, the rent of which is five pounds and under, or that such occupier at or under such rental, paying the poor's rates, be empowered to make deductions of such payments from their rents, and of the value of goods and chattels distrained for such payment, and of costs attendant on the process, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mary Farley.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the Colonnade, and its vicinity, in Drumbridge-square, prayer the House to address Her Majesty to use Her royal prerogative of mercy towards Mary Farley, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Corn Laws.

Petitions from the County of Westmoreland;—Langwath;—and, Great Grimsby; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Great Bradley;—and, Pontingford;—complaining that the late alteration in the punishment of Arson has not tended to check that crime, but that it has a contrary effect; and praying that all convictions for that crime may be laid before Her Majesty's Privy Council for their decision, whether or not the full penalty of death should not be carried into effect, where the destruction of property is large, or the intention of the party so offending is clearly proved, and suggesting that such persons should be executed in the parish where the offence is committed,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Petition from Great Bradley and Pontingford;—and, that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the Deanery of Winchcomb;—A Petition of Inhabitants of Ashton-under-Lyne, and Tullyniskin;—Kilclief; Killard;—Dronzore;—Drumcree;—Drogheda;—Kilmackinish;—Templeport;—Longwood;—Clonmel;—Kilkenny;—Corney;—Kilkishen;—Dunford;—Upper Money;—A Petition of Inhabitants of Ashton-under-Lyne, Maynooth in the county of Lancaster, praying the House to College. withdrai every kind of public support from the College of Maynooth, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Kilmore;—Bunratty and Carrigera;—Mayo (City);—
Ardsheal;—Ballaghy;—Cappoquin;—Bunratty;—
Saint Patrick's East;—Killeenane and Moyglass;—
Annaghmore;—Ballindore;—Rosanellis;— Tulloghlin and Killechen;—Castletown Roche;—Kilfiffy;—Stradbally;—Rohercon;—
Athy;—Killeanne;—Tidyassett;—Holopatrick;—
Dromine;—Downeygin;—Styragy;—Monskilton;—
Nenagh;—Crossroad Harbour;—Croon;—
Motionleys;—Kilmazoe;—Kilferry;—Moyholuge and Kilmainham Wood;—Grenagh;—Saint Munckin's;—Clonen;—Desertereaght; and,—South
eompany (Chairman);—proposing that the Registration of
Electors (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law,
were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the
Table.

Ordered, 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 Charges incurred for the mainte-
nance of Prisoners confined for Debt on Civil Pro-
cesses in the several Gaols and Prisons in Counties,
Boroughs and Towns in England and Wales, in the
years 1842 and 1843:—And, a similar Return for
Prisoners for Offences against the Revenue in 1842
and 1843.

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 this House will, at the rising of Adjourn-
ment, this day, adjourn till Monday next.

A Petition of Secretaries of the Baptist Union of
Great Britain and Ireland, a body representing
more than nine hundred churches of the Baptist
Denomination in the United Kingdom, stating that
a sum of more than 1,600l. is annually voted by the
House for the relief of necessitous Protestant Dis-
senting Ministers in England and Wales; that the
petitioners hold the principle that the State
ought not to supply aid of any kind to religion
in any form, are constrained to regard this grant as
an improper application of the public money; that
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body interested in the distribution, and consequently
implicated in the reception of the Parliamentary
grant, they feel themselves especially warranted
and called upon to declare their objection to it; and
praying that the said proposed grant may henceforth
be discontinued, was presented, and read; and or-
dered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a
Petitionary at Milbank in the years 1842 and 1843,
with the period of their Confinement therein; also,
the Number removed to Lunatic Asylums.

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Report from the Gaol at Devizes, of the state of
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Gaol was heated by artificial means; also, their state
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Prison has been discontinued.

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A Petition from the Hulks or other Places of Confinement;
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Coffee.

A Petition of Merchants of the city of London, praying that the proposed reduction of duty on Foreign Coffee may not take effect for at least twelve months from the time of the passing of the Act for that purpose, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Custom Duties Bill. No. 290.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Customs Duties Bill.

Instruction to the Committee. That they have power to make Provision in the Bill in accordance with the Resolutions of the Committee on Customs Duties, reported on the 16th day of May last.

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed.

Clauses, No. 1 to No. 3, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, No. 4, agreed to.

Clause, No. 5, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, No. 6, agreed to.

Clause, No. 7, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, No. 8 and No. 9, agreed to.

Clause, No. 10, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses No. 11 and No. 12, agreed to.

Table of New Duties 1844:

Duties on several Articles proposed, and agreed to.

New Table of Duties proposed:

Duty on Coffee of and from foreign countries, the lb. "sixpence." Whereupon it was proposed, that instead of "sixpence" the said duty should be "fourpence."

Question put, That the duty on Coffee of and from foreign countries be, the lb. "fourpence."

Duties proposed in Schedule, the lb. "sixpence."

Duty on Cocoa, agreed to.

Coffee of and from foreign countries.

Duty proposed in Schedule, the lb. "sixpence."

Question, That those words and Duties stand part of the Schedule; put, and Negatived.

Duties on other Articles agreed to.

Clauses added.

Preamble read, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly; and Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly.

The Committee divided;

Tellers for the Yeas: Mr. Ewart: 28.

Mr. Ricardo: 79.

Tellers for the Noes: Sir George Clerk: Mr. Pringle: 79.

Coffee of and from foreign countries, the lb. "sixpence."

Duties on several other Articles agreed to.

"Oranges and Lemon Peel preserved in Salt and Water, for every 1001. value

"Oranges and Lemons cut and preserved in Salt and Water, for every 1001. value

Question, That those words and Duties stand part of the Table of Duties——put, and Negatived.

Duties on other Articles agreed to.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses amended.

Preamble read, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly; and the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration upon Monday next; and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly; and the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration upon Monday next; and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com.

Damage by Fire Committee on the Damage by Fire (Metropolis) (No. 2) (Metropolis) Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com.

Ecclesiastical Committee on the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into County Courts further consideration the Report on the County Bill.

Courts Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be taken into further consideration upon Monday the 3d day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com.

Superior Courts Committee on the Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 3d day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Small Debts reading of the Small Debts Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 3d day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com.

Vinegar and Glass Duties Bill.

Ordered, That this House will, upon Friday the 31st day of this instant May, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Stamp Duties Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed.

Clauses, No. 1 to No. 10, agreed to.

Schedule: First and second paragraphs agreed to.

Third paragraph,—"And where the same shall exceed the rate of twenty shillings per centum, and shall not exceed the rate of thirty shillings per centum on the sum assured, one shilling—"

Amendment proposed: To leave out the words, "and shall not exceed the rate of thirty shillings per centum—"

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Schedule; put, and Negatived.

The Committee divided:

Tellers for the Yeas: Mr. Pringle: 69.

Tellers for the Noes: Sir George Clerk: Mr. Forster: 22.

Third paragraph agreed to.

Remaining paragraphs agreed to Schedule agreed to.

Preamble read, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Turnpike Acts Continuance (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Unlawful Oaths (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Unlawful Oaths (Ireland) Bill;

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

Assaults (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Assaults (Ireland) Bill;

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

Prisons (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Prisons (Scotland) Bill;

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

Parishes (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Parishes (Scotland) Bill;

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

Manchester Police Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Manchester Police Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday 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.

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.

Customs Duties (Isle of Man.)

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee to whom it was referred to consider the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 60, for regulating the Trade of the Isle of Man, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That, in lieu and instead of the Duties of Customs now payable in respect to Articles enumerated in the Table of Duties of Customs payable on Goods, Wares and Merchandize imported into the Isle of Man, per 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 60, there shall be raised, levied, collected and paid, the Rates of Duty specified in the following Schedule:

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2. Resolved, That the Schedule of Licensed Goods in the said Act enumerating certain sorts of Goods that shall be imported into the Isle of Man, &c., be repealed, and in lieu thereof the following Articles only shall be so restricted:

- Spirits; etc.,
  - Foreign Brandy, gallons | 1,000 |
  - Foreign Geneva, gallons | 1,000 |
  - From the United Kingdom, or from any place from which the same might be imported into the United Kingdom, for consumption therein | 10,000 |
  - Rum, of the British Plantations, gallons | 50,000 |
  - Tobacco, lbs. | 55,000 |
  - Segars, lbs. | 5,000 |
  - Liquors, gallons | 20 |
  - Rum de Cologne, gallons | 50 |

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. Greene, Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Manners Sutton do prepare, and bring it in.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the West India Relief Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill; and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed, to consider the objects, results and present position of Art Unions, how far they are affected by existing Laws, and what are the most expedient and practicable means to place them on a safe and permanent basis, and to render them most subservient to the improvement and facilitation of Art through the different classes of the community, and to report thereon to the House.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill Alien Bill; to amend the Laws relating to Aliens; And that Mr. Hutt and Dr. Stock do prepare, and bring it in.

Resolved, That, after Monday, the 3d day of June next, Orders of the Day shall have precedence of House.

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

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Returns relative to Imprisonment for Debt, which were presented upon the 15th and 22nd days of April last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Smuggling, &c., which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Ships mortgage, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Private Banks, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Navy, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Fee Fund (Treasury, &c.), which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House having continued to sit till one of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Luna, 20° die Maii ;

Anno 7° Victoria Regina, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Buckingham 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 Buckingham, in the room of Sir Thomas Francis Bremstall, Baronet, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the Office of Her Majesty's Secretary at War.

Liverpool Docks Bill.

Ordered, That Major Bereford report from the Committee on the Liverpool Docks Bill, re-committed, for the purpose of considering the system of cleansing the Liverpool Docks, and of amending the Bill as regards the Clause relating to the Land Tax and Poor's Rate; that they had made Amendments to the Bill accordingly.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That leave be given to print the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Committee, from the Committee Clerk's Copy, at the expense of the Parties, if they think fit.

Harwich Railway and Pier; and Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2) Bills.

A Petition of the Chairmen of the Directors or Committees of Management, appointed by the Promoters of two several Railways to connect the Eastern Counties Railway with the Port of Harwich, praying that the Harwich Railway and Pier; and, the Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2) Bills may be re-committed to the former Committee, with instructions to such Committee to consider the expediency of consolidating the same and amalgamating the Companies promoting the same respectively, with power to carry jointly into effect the undertaking thereby contemplated in the manner agreed on between the said Companies, or in such other manner as, in the opinion of such Committee, would be beneficial to the public, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Petition be printed.

Harrington and Knaresborough Railway Bill.

Sir Edmund Filmer reported from the Committee on the Harrington and Knaresborough Railway Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; that they had heard counsel in support of one of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; that 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 to be printed.

Mr. Bramston reported from the Committee on the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; that they had heard counsel in support of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; that they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Bramston reported from the Committee on the Edinburgh, Leith and Granton Railway Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; that they had considered the said Petitions, and had heard counsel in support of the said Petition; that they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Mr. Darby reported from the Committee on the Rother Levels Rother Levels Drainage 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

An ingrossed Bill for making a Railway from the Whitchurch Town and Port of Whitchurch to the Town and Port of Maryport, in the County of Cumberland, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Mr. Bonnerman reported from the Committee on the Manchester and Leeds Railway (Bridgeford Branch) Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; that they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; that 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.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Manchester Police Bill;
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Ordered, That the time for the Committee on the Rochdale Improvement Bill to make their Report be enlarged till Tuesday the 18th day of June next.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Rochdale Improvement Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; that they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; that they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Cem Celyn and Blaina Iron Company 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Sturt reported from the Committee on the Stratford (Eastern Counties) and Thames Junction Railway Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; that they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; that they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

An ingrossed Bill to enable the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Company to make Two Branch Railways, and to alter and enlarge the Powers of the said Company, was read the third time; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding on the third reading of the said Bill be adjourned till Monday the 3d day of June next.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Epsom and South Western Railway; and Epsom and Epson Railway Bills, have leave to sit this day till five o'clock, during the sitting of the House.

Mr. Ainsworth reported from the Committee on the Southampton Marsh Improvement Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; that they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions; and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; and 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Hythe Landing Places Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

An ingrossed Bill for making a Railway from the Manchester and Leeds Railway to the Towns of Ashton-under-Lyne and Stalybridge, was read the third time; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the said Bill be adjourned till Monday the 5th day of June next.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Nottingham (West Craft Canal) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. John Henry Vivian reported from the Committee on the Swansea Harbour Bill; and a Petition against the said Bill was referred; that no person appeared in support of the said Petition; and 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Grand Jury of the county of Great Southern Dublin; and, Grand Jury of the county of Cork and Western Railway; and assembled at the Spring Assizes, 1841; praying the House to set aside the Standing Orders so far as to enable the intended line of Railway from Dublin to Cashel, thereby connecting the southern and western parts of Ireland, to be commenced if possible this ensuing summer,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Southampton Improvement Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House was moved, That the Standing Order be resolved, That previous to the presentation of a Petition for a Bill, a Sum equal to one-tenth part of the Amount subscribed shall be deposited with the Court of Chancery in England, if the work is intended to be done in England, or with the Court of Chancery in Scotland if such work is intended to be done in Scotland, and with the Court of Chancery in Ireland if such work is intended to be done in Ireland; and that not less than three-fourths in number of the Subscribers shall pay up their Shares of such Deposit, might be read; and the same being read,

Ordered, That the said Standing Order be repealed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That previous to the presentation of a Petition for a Railway Bill, a Sum equal to one-twentieth part of the Amount subscribed shall be deposited with the Court of Chancery in England, if the Railway is intended to be made in England, or with the Court of Chancery in Scotland if such Railway is intended to be made in Scotland, and with the Court of Chancery in Ireland if such Railway is intended to be made in Ireland;—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.

Then the original Question being put;

Resolved, That previous to the presentation of a Petition for a Railway Bill, a Sum equal to one-twentieth part of the Amount subscribed shall be deposited with the Court of Chancery in England, if the Railway is intended to be made in England, or with the Court of Chancery in Scotland if such Railway is intended to be made in Scotland, and with the Court of Chancery in Ireland if such Railway is intended to be made in Ireland.

Ordered, That the said Resolution be a Standing Order of this House.

Viscount Howick reported from the Committee on the Epson and Epsom Railway Bills; That the said Bills

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been instructed by the Committee to move the House for an Order for the attendance of Robert Stevenson, Civil Engineer, whose evidence was proved to be essential to enable the Promoters of the South Western and Epsom Line to rebut the case of the competing Line, and which could not be obtained without the intervention of the House.

Ordered, That Robert Stevenson do attend the Committee on the Epsom and South Western Railway; and, Croydon and Epsom Railway Bills Tomorrow.

A Petition of the several Persons whose names are thereinunto subscribed, praying that provision may be made in the North Wales Mineral Railway Bill for making a deviation, removing the said Railway to a greater distance from the residence of the Marquis of Westminster, called Eaton Hall, in the county of Chester, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Two Petitions of Persons whose names are thereinunto subscribed, praying for a Return of the Charges incurred upon account of the Canadas, in respect of the Army, Navy, Ordnance and Commissariat, in each of the years 1835 to 1843 inclusive, and the Amounts granted by Parliament, from the year 1837 to the year 1843 inclusive, in consequence of the Insurrection in Canada.

Sir George Clerk presented, by Her Majesty’s Command,—A Copy of the Second Annual Report of the Commissioners on Drainage in Ireland, of their Proceedings under the Act 5 and 6 Vic. c. 89.

Sir George Clerk also presented, pursuant to Orders,—A Return of the Charges incurred upon account of the Canadas, in respect of the Army, Navy, Ordnance and Commissariat, in each of the years 1835 to 1843 inclusive, and the Amounts granted by Parliament, from the year 1837 to the year 1843 inclusive, in consequence of the Insurrection in Canada.

A Return showing the Name, Rank and Date of Appointment, from the earliest to the present time, of the Postmasters General in England, Ireland and Scotland, respectively.

A Return showing the Number of Claims in which Orders have been received by the Board of Taxes for discharging the Property Tax, under each separate Schedule of the Property Tax, paid in every county of the United Kingdom in each year, since the year 1825, which paid respectively the Duties of One Penny and a Half-penny per Pound, distinguishing the Countries from which the Duty has been repaid; the Amount of Duty repaid; the Amount of Duty paid each year; and, of the Quantity of Woolen Manufactures exported annually each year for the same Period, classifying the same, and separating that exported to the Colonial Possessions of Great Britain from that exported to Foreign Countries in each year.—And, a similar Return as to the export of Woollen Yarn.

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Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Navy. Return of the Sailing Qualities of Her Majesty’s Ships “Queen,” “Formidable,” “Vernon,” “Eurydice” and “Spartan”; and of the different Trials of sailing between those Ships; specifying the State of the Sea, Wind, Weather and Period of Time each Trial occupied.—And, a Copy of the Weekly Account of Her Majesty’s Ships, by Mr. Solly, on behalf of the Danish Claimants.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Literary and Scientific Institutions, under the Act 6 and 7 Vic. c. 36, for Certificates of Exemption from Parochial Rates by Literary and Scientific Institutions; stating the Name and Localities of each Society, and whether the Certificates were granted or refused, and specifying the grounds of Refusal in each Case.

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed Gaming. to inquire into the existing Statutes against Gaming of every kind; to ascertain to what extent these Statutes are evaded, and to consider whether any and what Amendments should be made in such Statutes; and to report their Opinion thereupon to the House, have power to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Navy. Return of the Sailing Qualities of Her Majesty’s Ships “Queen,” “Formidable,” “Vernon,” “Eurydice” and “Spartan,” on the 5th day of April and the 5th day of October during the years 1842, 1843 and 1844.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Literary and Scientific Institutions, under the Act 6 and 7 Vic. c. 36, for Certificates of Exemption from Parochial Rates by Literary and Scientific Institutions; stating the Name and Localities of each Society, and whether the Certificates were granted or refused, and specifying the grounds of Refusal in each Case.

Ordered, That the said 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 Sir Robert Peel by Mr. Solly, on behalf of the Danish Claimants, dated 27th July 1843.

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, Property Tax. Returns showing the Number of Amount of Duty collected under each separate Schedule of the Property Tax Act, for the year ended the 5th day of April 1843:—And, showing the Number of Claims of Exemption under the Property Tax Act, received at the Tax Office, up to this day; the Return on which the Duty has been repaid; the Amount of Duty repaid; the Number of Claims in which Orders have been issued by the Board of Taxes for discharging the Property.
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A Petition of Inhabitants of London and Westminster, praying for the repeal of the Act of the fifty-ninth year of his late Majesty King George the Third (1819), so that the price of gold may be allowed to rise in exchange against Bank Notes to its true market value, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Inhabitants of the parish of Saint Asaph, Buckbrige, Fleet-street, London; and, Chairman of the Society for the Emancipation of Industry; praying that the proposed resolutions for the renewal of the Bank of England Charter may not receive the sanction of the House, and that the House will set free the industry of Great Britain, for a reconsideration of the Currency question, and the repeal of the law of 1819, which fixes the price of Gold, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 98, for giving to the Corporation of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England certain Privileges, for a limited period, under certain Conditions; and also, the several other Acts relating to the Charter of the Bank of England, and Advances by them to the Government, and also to Banks and Banking Partnerships.

(In the Committees.)

1. Question again proposed, That it is expedient to continue to the Bank of England, for a time to be limited, certain of the privileges now by law vested in that Corporation, subject to such conditions as may be provided by any Act to be passed for that purpose; Question put, and agreed to.

2. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide by Law that the Bank of England should henceforth be divided into two separate departments; one exclusively confined to the Issue and Circulation of Notes, the other to the conduct of Banking Business.

3. Resolved, That it is expedient to limit the amount of Securities upon which it shall henceforth be lawful for the Bank of England to issue Promissory Notes payable to bearer on demand, and that such amount shall only be increased under certain conditions to be prescribed by Law.

4. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide by Law, that a weekly publication should be made by the Bank of England of the state both of the Circulation and of the Banking Departments.

5. Resolved, That it is expedient to repeal the Law which subjects the Notes of the Bank of England to the payment of Composition for Stamp Duty.

6. Resolved, That, in consideration of the Privileges to be continued to the Bank of England, the rate of fixed annual payment to be made by the Bank to the Public shall be 180,000 per annum, and shall be defrayed by deducting the said sum from the sum now by Law payable to the Bank for the management of the Public Debt.

7. Resolved, That, in the event of any increase of the Securities upon which it shall be lawful for the Bank to issue such Promissory Notes as aforesaid, the said annual payment shall be made by the Bank to the Public over and above the said fixed payment of £180,000, equal in amount to the net profit derived from the Promissory Notes issued on such additional Securities.

8. Resolved, That it is expedient to prohibit by Law the issue of Promissory Notes payable to bearer on demand by any Bank not issuing such Notes on the 6th day of May 1844, or by any Bank thereafter to be established in any part of the United Kingdom.

9. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide by Law, that such Banks in England and Wales as on
the 6th day of May 1844 issued Promissory Notes, payable to bearer on demand, shall continue to issue such Notes, subject to such conditions and to such limitations as to the amount of issue as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.

10. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide by Law for the weekly publication of the amount of Promissory Notes, payable to bearer on demand, circulated by any Bank authorized to issue such Notes.

11. Resolved, That it is expedient to make provision by Law with regard to Joint Stock Banking Companies.

Resolutions to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Mortis, 21° die Mai, 1844:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

A Message from the Lords.

Globe Insurance Company Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Globe Insurance Company to alter and amend some of the Provisions of their Deed of Settlement, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize, in certain cases, the service of Process issuing out of Her Majesty's Courts of Common Law at Westminster, or Persons resident out of the Jurisdiction of the said Courts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize, in certain cases, the service of Process issuing out of Her Majesty's Courts of Common Law in Ireland, on Persons resident out of the Jurisdiction of the said Courts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to rectify a Mistake as to the Proceedings on the Eastern Counties Railway Validity Bill ;

Mr. Greene accordingly reported the Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into Customs Duties further consideration the Report on the Customs Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be taken into further consideration this day.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Registration reading of the Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 10th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Dissenters' reading of the Dissenters' Chapels Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday the 31st day of this instant May.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Poor Law Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Municipal Law and in Equity Bill.

Ordered, That this House will, upon Monday the 10th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Gold and Silver Wares Bill.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Parishes (Scotland) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday the 6th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Means; Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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.

West India Paving Board, &c., Bill.

The ingrossed Bill for giving additional Powers to the Commissioners for the Relief of certain of Her Majesty's Colonies and Plantations in the West Indies, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Order, That the Bill pass.

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

Poublin Paving Court of Burgesses, Westminster

Returns of the Number and Locality of Schools in Scotland to which aid has been granted by the Acts 29 Geo. 2, c. 25, and 31 Geo. 2, c. 17, as well as of all other Monies received, in pursuance of the said Acts, by the Court of Burgesses, Westminster, during each of the last seven years, ending on the 31st day of December 1843; the yearly Application of such Fines, Amercements and Monies, stating how much has been paid to the Overseers of any Parish, naming is, as well as the yearly Amount, and nature of the Charges and Expenses of the Court of Burgesses in carrying the said Acts into execution.

Return to an Order, dated the 2d day of April last, for a Return from the Records of the Public (Ireland) Record Office, Custom House Buildings, showing the Nature and Extent of the Lay Tithes formerly belonging to the Monastery of Knockmoy, alias Cailes Victorie, alias The Mountain of Victory, in the County of Galway; in what manner and upon what condition same were vested in the Crown, and by whom and under what conditions same may have been held from the Crown, from the earliest period to the year 1707; and to whom said Tithes would have belonged, if same were not so vested in the Crown, subsequent to the Restoration of Charles the Second.

Copies of the Instrument appointing the present Union of Archbishop of Armagh; and of any Orders or Acts Armagh, sec. of Privy Council in Ireland for disuniting the Parishes forming the Union of Armagh; —and, of any Memorials or Letters which may have been addressed to the Irish Government on the subject of the Separation of the Union of Parishes forming the Archdeaconry of Armagh; and of the Answers thereto:

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Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to Poor Relief the directions of an Act of Parliament,—A Copy of (Ireland) Act.

A General Order issued by the Poor Law Commissioners, relative to the Appointment of Auditors of Union Accounts in Ireland, dated 13th day of May 1844.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant Chichester to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ Writ' for the electing of a Citizen to serve in this present Parliament for the City of Chichester, in the room of Arthur Lennox, Esquire, commonly called Lord Arthur 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 of Ireland.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon Mortmain the 7th day of this instant May, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the operation of the Laws of Mortmain, and of the Restrictions which limit the power of making Gifts and Bequests for Charitable and Religious use, might be read; and the same being read;

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Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon Townsend Tuesday last, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire whether the present Townsend Valuation of Ireland, made by the Commissioner of Valuation under the Act 1 and 2 Vic. c. 52, can be made available for the imposition of Poor Rate and other Local Rates in that Country; and also, whether the same be desirable to alter the principle on which the Townsend Valuation is now constructed, might be read; and the same being read;

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Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to prohibit the holding of Vestries in Churches: And that Mr. Stafford O'Brien and Mr. Beckett Denison do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend an Act of the last Session to consolidate and amend the Laws for the Regulation of Charitable Loan Societies in Ireland: And that Lord Eliot and Mr. Attorney General for Ireland do prepare, and bring it in.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee upon the Detached Parts of Counties Bill, upon Wednesday next, was read, and discharged.
Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Nicholl presented a Bill to remove Doubts as to the Power of appointing, convening and confirming the Sentences of Courts Martial in the East Indies: And that Mr. Nicholl, Mr. Bingham Baring and Mr. Emerson Teemont do prepare, and bring it in.

Lord Eliot presented a Bill to amend an Act of the last Session, to consolidate and amend the Laws for the Regulation of Charitable Loan Societies in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

Mr. Stafford O'Brien presented a Bill to prohibit the holding of Vestries in Churches: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 3d day of June next; and to be printed.

The Marquess of Ailsa's Estate Bill was read the first time; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after one of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

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Prayers.

Mr. Du Bois, Treasurer to the Metropolitan Commissioners in Lunacy, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Account of all Monies received for Licenses by the Clerk and Treasurer of the Metropolitan Commissioners in Lunacy; and of all Monies received and paid out of the Consolidated Fund to the said Clerk, from the 1st August 1842 to the 1st August 1843; specifying the several Heads of Expenditure:—And then he withdrew.
Ordered, That the said Account do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Keans, from the Court of Bankruptcy, was Bankruptcy, called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order.—A Statement of the Amount transferred and paid out as Dividends, Amount paid by Orders of Court, and of the Judges, and Balance standing to the credit of Basil Montagnes, Esquire, Accountant in Bankruptcy, on the 1st day of January 1843, 1843 and 1844, pursuant to Act 5 and 6 Will. 4, c. 29, (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 106, of Session 1841):—And then he withdrew.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Secondment Improvement Bill have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

An ingrossed Bill for making and maintaining a Sidmouth and Turnpike-road from Sidmouth to Colyton, and Colyton Road Bill, also to or near to Hele Mill, in the Parish of Bradninch, all in the County of Devon, was read the third time.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass.
Ordered, That Mr. Dixett do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions from Kilkeeney;—and, Clonmel; praying Great Southern Railway to permit the immediate prosecution of the proposed line of Railway between Dublin and Cashel, connecting the southern and western parts of Ireland, by suspending the Standing Orders of the House respecting Private Bills in favour of that great national work,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Eastern Union Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The Eastern Counties Railway Validity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.
Resolved, That this House will, immediately, re-solve itself into the said Committee:—That a House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene 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; and the Amendment following was made to the Bill; viz.

Clause (A.) "And be it Enacted, That this Act "shall be deemed and taken to be a public Act, "and shall be judicially taken notice of as such by "all judges, justices and others."
Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendment, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Estcourt do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which Amendment this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration South Eastern Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.
Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Friday next.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for maintaining the Pier and Harbour of Newquay, in the County of Cornwall, and to make certain Railways or Tram Roads in connexion therewith; and the same was read, as follows;

Pr. 164. l. 35. After "Stroud" insert Clause (A.)

CLAUSE (A.). "Provided always, and be it Declared and Enacted, That nothing contained in this Act, or in the hereinbefore-recited Act, shall extend or be construed to extend to alienate, de- vest, lessen, prejudice or derogate from any estate, right, title, interest, franchise, prerogative, jurisdic- tion or authority of, or appertaining to the Queen's Most excellent Majesty, Her heirs or successors, in right of Her Crown, or otherwise."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Royle do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the South Devon Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for dividing, allotting and inclosing Parts of the said Lands, and other Lands in the bridge; and for draining and embanking certain Parts of the said Lands, and other Lands in the said hamlet, and in other Parishes in the said Isle and County; and the same were read, as follows:

Pr. 1. l. 20. Leave out "Townsend's." and insert "Townsend's."

Pr. 8. l. 37. Leave out "enclosed" and insert "inclosed."

Pr. 11. l. 28. Leave out "make." and insert "for the purposes of the said inclosure."

Pr. 12. l. 4. Leave out "agreed to be." and insert "of the said lands to be inclosed."

Pr. 13. l. 13. After "clerks" insert "or one of them."

Pr. 18. l. 13. Leave out "or" and insert "and."

Pr. 43. l. 21. After "trust" insert "of the charity called Townsend's Charity."

Pr. 44. l. 7. After "fields" insert "commons."

Pr. 57. l. 36. After "parties" insert "counties (A.) and (B.)

CLAUSE (A.). "And be it Enacted, That when any person shall, under the provisions herein contained, have taken possession of any land given in exchange or allotted in respect of any land subject to a rent-charge as aforesaid, cause a Schedule on parchment to be made, as well of the lands to be given in exchange or allotted, as of the lands in respect of which such lands shall be so given or allotted, and the said Schedule shall state the quantity in statute measure of such first-mentioned lands, and also the true or estimated quantity in statute measure of the said other lands, and shall set forth the names and description of the several proprietors of the said last-mentioned lands, and shall refer by a number set against the description of such first-mentioned lands to a map or plan to be drawn on paper or parchment and annexed to the Schedule, and the same number shall be marked on the representation of such lands in the said map or plan, and the said Commissioner shall sign the said Schedule and map or plan, and send the same to the office of the Tithe Commissioners for England and Wales, and if the said Tithe Commissioners shall approve of the exchanges and allotments therein appearing, they shall testify such their approval by affixing their seal to the Schedule and map or plan, and shall add thereunto the date of such approval, and copies of the said Schedule and map or plan shall within two months from the date of such approval be made, sealed and deposited at such places and in such manner as are and is appointed and directed by the said Act for the Commutation of Tithes, and the said several Acts for altering or amending the same, in the case of confirmed instruments of apportionment therein mentioned,"

Pr. 58. l. 5. Leave out from "clerks" to "for" in l. 5.

Pr. 58. l. 6. After "trouble" insert "intended to be covered by such allowances."

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Pr. 155. l. 11. After "level" insert "or the Governor, Bailiffs and Conservators of the said Company."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Eliot York 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 Bill, intituled, An Act for authorizing the Sale of the Durham Junction Railway Company, and for connecting the said last-mentioned Railway with the Great Northern Railway; and the Amendments were read and agreed to.

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Pr. 23. l. 36. After "bridges" insert "Provided always, That it shall not be lawful to construct such
"such bridge until the whole of the Railway shall be completed."  

Pr. 36. 1. 28. After "repealed" insert Clauses (A.) and (B.).

CLAUSE (A.) "And whereas by the said thirdly recited Act or this Act as aforesaid is Enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Justices to order any offender so convicted or if such warrant shall have been issued and upon the return thereof such insufficiency as aforesaid shall be made to appear to the Justices, then such Justices shall by warrant cause such offender to be committed to gaol, there to remain without bail for any term not exceeding Three months, unless such penalty or forfeiture and costs be sooner paid and satisfied: And whereas it is expedient, that the said provision should be repealed; Be it therefore Enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Justices to order any offender convicted under the authority of the said recited Act or this Act, to be detained and kept in safe custody until return can be conveniently made to the warrant of distress to be issued for levying such penalty or forfeiture and costs, unless the offender give sufficient security, by way of recognizance or otherwise, to the satisfaction of the Justices, for his appearance before them on the day appointed for such return, such day not being more than eight days from the time of taking such security; but if, before issuing such warrant of distress, it shall appear to the Justices, by the admission of the offender or otherwise, that no sufficient distress can be had wherein to levy such penalty or forfeiture and costs, unless they think fit, refrain from issuing such warrant of distress; and in such case, or if such warrant shall have been issued and upon the return thereof such insufficiency as aforesaid shall be made to appear to the Justices, then such Justices shall by warrant cause such offender to be committed to gaol, there to remain without bail for any term not exceeding Three months, unless such penalty or forfeiture and costs be sooner paid and satisfied.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Hodgson Hinde do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The ingrossed Bill for the good Government and Police Regulation of the Borough of Manchester, Police Bill, was, according to Order, read the third time. Several of the Clauses being offered to be added, by way of Riders; and Amendments being proposed to be made to the Bill; Ordered, that the said Clauses and Amendments be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the said Bill be adjourned till Thursday next.
sum of 8,650l., with interest thereon, to the Lords of the Treasury, which installments the Board feels that, under present circumstances, it is out of their power to enforce the payment of, from a large proportion of the ratepayers, who, with the poor rates to support the establishment; and praying the House to relieve the ratepayers of that debt they are totally unable to discharge, without encountering the risk of a forcible resistance to the payment of the rates; and to order, and to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Distillers at Ballyshannon, Spirits, etc, in the county of Donegal, praying for the repeal of the Corn Laws.

A Petition of Traders of the town of Ballyshannon, Skirts, etc, in the county of Donegal, praying for the repeal of the Poor Relief Acts.

A Petition of the Board of Guardians of the Kilkenny Union, stating that in the year 1840, that board was directed to borrow from the Exchequer, under 30 separate Acts of Parliament, sums of money, for the purpose of building a workhouse in that union; and that, in addition to the sum borrowed, the Board has incurred the responsibility of paying, by twenty annual installments, the principal Vol. 99.

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Petitions from Connemelon; — and, Hanley and Shelton (Chairman); praying that the Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Andrew Van Sandam, of King-street, Andrew Van Sandam, at present in the city of London, Attorney-at-Law, Solicitor of the High Court of Chancery and a Solicitor of Bankruptcy, complaining of having been committed to prison for having published a criticism on a certain charge of the Chief Judge of the Court of Review, as for a contempt of the said court, and of having been mulcted of large sums of money in the shape of costs, charges and expenses; and praying that he may be at liberty to adduce proof in support of his charges, and to institute inquiry with reference to the matters contained in his Petition, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Leicester; — and, Hanley and Shelton, Thomas Cooper, Thomas Cooper, (Chairman); praying that the House will be pleased to take measures for securing to Thomas Cooper a commutation of his sentence of two years' imprisonment, by avowing to the Crown, with the assent of Her Majesty to release him forthwith; — were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Roman Catholics, Inhabitants of State Trial Airdrie and its vicinity, complaining of the pro-(Ireland)ceedings on the State Trial in Ireland, in regard to the rejection and omission of names from the special jury panel; and praying the House to adopt measures for preventing the recurrence thereof, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Journeymen Tailors of Aberdine Tailors' Trade, praying the House to grant a Committee of Inquiry into the several allegations contained in their Petition, with a view to the better regulation of their trade, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Municipal Burgesses of Dublin, praying the House to restore to the several Corporations, as now constituted in (Ireland), the several rights, privileges and immunities which of right heretofore belonged to Corporations, and among others the right of appointing Sheriffs for the city of Dublin, and to amend the Acts 3 and 4 Vic. c. 93, in the several matters referred to in their Petition, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Moderator of the Free Synod of Parishes of Caithness and Sutherland, praying that the Parishes (Scotland) Bill rishes (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Rector, Churchwardens, Overseers and other Inhabitants of the parish of Saint George's-the-East, in the county of Middlesex, deprecating the public exposure of articles for sale on the Lord's Day, whether in shops or markets or otherwise; and praying that the House will be pleased to adopt such measures as shall efficiently carry out the principles of existing laws on this subject, by enabling the magistrates to inflict such penalties as may be found sufficient to deter those offenders with whom other considerations are found to be of no avail, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman and Honorary Secretaries of the Belfast Society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, praying the House to enact laws for
for the suppression of all private Slaughter-houses and the substitution of public ones in different localities outside all large towns, and that they should be open to public inspection at all times, and under the control of the police, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Free Labour Produce.

A Petition of the Chairman and Honorary Secretaries of the Belfast Anti-Slavery Society, praying the House to adopt fiscal regulations in favour of the produce of Free Labour, and more especially to pass a law which shall admit the produce of Free Labour of all kinds, in foreign countries into the British market, on the same terms as the produce of British possessions and plantations, and not to adopt any fiscal regulations affording facilities for introducing into the British market the produce of Slave Labour, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Shipwrights, Producers.

A Petition of Shipwrights, Joiners, Blacksmiths, Rope and Sail-makers, Block and Spar-makers, and all others connected directly or indirectly with the maritime interests of Dundee and Scotland in general, complaining of the distressed state of their trade; suggesting that permanent naval yards and permanent officers for the efficient execution of the duties thereof, be established in the ports of Tay, Firth and Clyde, and other ports on the coast of Scotland, to interpose for the establishment of Royal Dock-yards in Scotland, where vessels of war may be built and repaired on a scale commensurate with its commercial importance, and the amount of revenue rendered the Imperial Exchequer by that part of the United Kingdom, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

William Wright.

A Petition of William Wright, a Prisoner in the House of Correction at Nethers Knauford, in the county of Chester, stating that he was tried at a special commission held at Chester, in the month of October 1842, for being in a procession of many thousand people, and taking a loaf of bread from the Stockport Union Workhouse, and was sentenced to two years' imprisonment, to be kept to hard labour; stating circumstances in extenuation of his case, and praying for mitigation of his sentence, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ecclesiastical Courts Bill.

A Petition of Attornies and Solicitors practising in Pickering, Thornton and Kirby Moorside, in the county of York, praying that the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Manchester Bishops.

A Petition of Clergy of the Rural Deanery containing the parishes of Leominster, Arundel, Farington, South Stoke, North Stoke, Poling, Burpham, Clapham, Rustington and Littlehampton, praying the House to take speedy measures to extend to the town of Manchester the benefits of immediate episcopal care, by founding a See in that vast and destitute population, without withdrawing from any existing diocese the undivided care of a resident Bishop, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Rating of Tenements.

Petitions from Penzance Union; and, Saint Columb Major Union; praying that owners of small Tenements may be rated to the poor's rate in lieu of the occupiers, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Railways.

The House proceeded to take into consideration that part of the Message from the Lords, of Friday last, wherein their Lordships request that this House will be pleased to communicate to their Lordships, Copies of any Reports made this Session by the Select Committee appointed by this House on Railways.

Ordered, That printed Copies of the said Reports to be communicated to the Lords, as desired by their Lordships: And that Mr. Green do deliver the same.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented Schoolmasters to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased (Scotland.) to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Return of the Parochial Schoolmasters in Scotland who have retired, or have been removed from their Situations, in consequence of their Secession from the Established Church, subsequent to the month of May 1843.

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, Poor Law a Return of the Names of Unions in Ireland in (Ireland.) which the Provisions of the Act 6 and 7 Vic. c. 93, in respect of Poor Patients, have been acted on; specifying, 1st, the cases in which the Poor Law Commissioners have sanctioned the Appropriation of a Part of the Workhouse for an Hospital; 2d, the building of a House; 3, the hiring of a House for that purpose.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented State Trial to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased (Ireland. that specially, there be laid before this House, Copies of all Affidavits and Pleadings filed in the Cause of the Queen v. Daniel O'Connell, and others, in the Queen's Bench, in Ireland, from the 10th day of October to the 1st day of December 1843; and also, from the 1st day of April 1844 to the time when this Return shall be complied with; together with Copies of all Endorsements (if any) made thereon.

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 the Return relative to Canada, Canada, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Arrears, Tithes &c., of Tithes in Ireland, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Wool, Wool, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Patent Medicines, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Assist Asinile Towns, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Schools Schools (Scotland), which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Union Union of Armagh, &c., which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Poor Poor Relief (Ireland) Act, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Petitions from Mary-le-bone: Birmingham: — Anatomy Act. Huddersfield: Brixhouse: Dewsbury: Wakefield: Mistfield: London: and, Barnsley: praying that a Committee may be appointed to institute an impartial, searching and open inquiry into the operation of the Anatomy Act, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Russell and Message from Sir George Rose:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for regulating, maintaining and improving the Harbour Bill,
Port of Padstow, in the county of Cornwall, and the navigable Parts of the River Camel or Allen, in the same County, without any Amendment: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Bill, intituled, An Act to rec- 

tify a Mistake as to the Proceedings on the Eastern Counties Railway Bill, and the Eastern Counties 

Railway (Brandon and Peterborough Extension) 

Bill, without any Amendment: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An 

Act for extending and amending some of the Powers 

and Provisions of the Act relating to the Leeds New 

Gas Company, with an Amendment; to which 

Amendment the Lords desire the concurrence of this 

House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act 

to authorizing a new Entail to be made of those 

Parts of the Lands and Estate of Blythwood, which 

lie in the County of Lanark, and for enabling Ar- 

chibald Campbell, Esquire, of Mistley, in the County 

of Essex, deceased, as devised by his Will, 

for laying out the Monies to arise by such Sale; 

to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this 

House: And then the Messengers withdrew.

Notice being taken, That Forty Members were 

not present; the House was told by Mr. Speaker 

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ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Act to authorize the Sale of the Fee Simple of the Estates 

of Francis Hale Rigby, of Mistley, in the County 

of Essex, Esquire, deceased, as devised by his Will, 

expressed; to which the Lords desire the concur- 

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The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act 

to authorise and declare the Feoffment of the Estate 

of certain Parts thereof, and for other Purposes therein 

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Petitions from Kendal Union;— and, Totness Poor Law.

Fourteen Petitions from Liverpool, praying the Poor Law 

House not to sanction the introduction into the Amendment 

Petition from Wakefield; — and, Kendalworth; Dissenters' 

praying that the Dissenters' Chapels Bill may pass Chapels Bill 

into a law,—were presented, and read; and 

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A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the parish of 

Birmingham, praying the House not to introduce 

any clause into the said Bill, granting or per- 

mitting or sanctioning any power to the Poor Law 

Commissioners, enabling them to add any union 

or district to the parish of Birmingham, or to dis- 

solve the said corporation, or in any way, either 

by general rules or particular orders, to interfere 

therein. — were also presented, and read; and 

ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Kendal 

Union, in the county of Westmorland, praying for 

alteration of the said Bill in regard to the Bas- 

tardy clauses, was also presented, and read; and 

ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Kendal Union; — and, Totness Poor Law 

Union; praying for alteration of the Poor Law 

Amendment Act, by confiding to boards of guardians 

the power of fixing the measure of remuneration 

to be given to medical officers of unions, — were 

presented, and read; and referred to the Select Com- 

mittee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical 

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Globe Insurance Company Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Globe Insurance Company to alter and amend some of the Provisions of their Deed of Settlement; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 7. 1. 26. Leave out from “wheras” to the second “the” in l. 80.

Pr. 7. 1. 31. Leave out “therefore.”

Pr. 8. 1. 1. Leave out from “settlement” to “may” in l. 2, and insert “as hereinafter mentioned.”

Pr. 9. 1. 3. Leave out from “thereof” to “is” in l. 8, and insert “so as.”

Pr. 10. 1. 2. After “an” insert “and also to authorize and empower the directors to carry on the business of the said Company, and to issue policies of insurance by agents to be appointed by the directors for that purpose from time to time at any place or places.”

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

Ordered, That Mr. Darby do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Marriages (Ireland.)

Petitions from Necton Crommelina;—Belfast (two Petitions)—Galway;—Cullibachey;—Templepatrick;—Curra;—Carrownag;—Ballymena;—and, Moira; praying the House to introduce, without delay, into Parliament, a Bill to declare valid, for all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages heretofore solemnized, or hereafter to be solemnized, by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, between parties not within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and who have the consent of parents or guardians, and provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agreeably to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the mode of administering Medical Relief to the Sick Poor, under the provisions of the Poor Law Amendment Act, and to report their Opinion thereupon, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, have Power to report from time to time.

Mr. Warburton reported from the said Select Committee, and to whom the Petition of Thomas King was referred; That they had considered the allegations of the said Petition, containing a complaint against the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, and the Bank had also examined Sir John Walsham, one of the Assistant Commissioners, in answer to the said complaint, whose Evidence, together with the said Petition, they had agreed to report to the House.

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

Campbell's Estate Bill.

Campbell's Estate Bill was read the first time; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Attornies and Solicitors of the borough of Liverpool, praying that the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ecclesiastical Courts Bill.

A Petition of Journeymen Coopers of Liverpool, praying the House to abolish all duty on raw materials used in Coopers' work, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Coopers' Trade.

A Petition of the President of the American Chamber of Commerce of Liverpool, praying the House to adopt measures for restoring to the Port of Liverpool the benefit of the system formerly enjoyed, under which the remuneration of the Landing

VoL. 99.

Officers of the Customs was made dependent in part on their diligence and activity in the discharge of their duty, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Auction Duty paid upon Foreign Wool; distinguishing the Duty of Half per centum and the Duty of Five per centum, for the years 1842 and 1843.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for authorizing Her Majesty to carry into immediate Execution, by Orders in Council, any Treaties for the Suppression of the Slave Trade; And that Sir George Clerk and Mr. Young do prepare, and bring it in.

A Petition of the Chairman of Magistrates and Cess-payers of the barony of Maryborough West, in the Queen's County, assembled at Special Sessions, praying the House to compel all the footpaths along the Dublin and Limerick Road to be repaired out of the tolls collected on that road, and if the present Dublin and Limerick Road Act does not provide that such be the case, that a clause to this effect may be inserted in any renewal of the Act, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Forestalling, &c., Bill be now Forestalling, read a second time;—The Bill was accordingly read &c., Bill, a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday the 3d day of June next.

Ordered, That the Church Temporalities (Ireland) Church Compositions (Ireland) Bill be read a second time upon Friday next.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 5th day of June next, resolve itself into a Committee of Coroner's Bills, and shall be defrayed by deducting the said sum from
from the same now by Law payable to the Bank for the management of the Public Debt.

7. Resolved, That, in the event of any increase of the Securities upon which it shall be lawful for the Bank to issue such Promissory Notes as aforesaid, a further annual payment shall be made by the Bank to the Public over and above the said fixed payment of £180,000, equal in amount to the net profit derived from the Promissory Notes issued on such additional Securities.

8. Resolved, That it is expedient to prohibit by Law the issue of Promissory Notes payable to bearer on demand by any Bank not issuing such Notes on the 6th day of May 1844, or by any Bank thereafter to be established in any part of the United Kingdom.

9. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide by Law, that such Banks in England and Wales as on the 6th day of May 1844 issued Promissory Notes payable to bearer on demand, shall continue to issue such Notes, subject to such conditions and to such limitations as to the amount of issue as may be provided for by any Act to be passed for that purpose.

10. Resolved, That it is expedient to provide by Law for the weekly publication of the amount of Promissory Notes payable to bearer on demand, circulated by any Bank authorized to issue such Notes.

11. Resolved, That it is expedient to make provision by Law with regard to Joint Stock Banking Companies.

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

Ordered, That a Bill or Bills be brought in upon the said Resolutions: And that Mr. Greene, Sir Robert Peel and Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer do prepare, and bring in.

Customs Duties Bill.

Ordered, That the Report on the Customs Duties Bill be now taken into further consideration:—The House accordingly proceeded to take the Report into further consideration; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

A Clause was offered (Duty on Vinegar, &c., to be charged according to its strength): And the said Clause was brought up, and twice read; and agreed to, to be made part of the Bill.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

Stamp Duties Bill.

Ordered, That the Report on the Stamp Duties Bill be received To-morrow.

Turnpike Acts Continuance (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the ingrossed Bill to continue certain Acts for regulating Turnpike-roads in Ireland, be now read the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to continue until the Thirty-first day of July One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, and to end of the then Session of Parliament, certain Acts for regulating Turnpike-roads in Ireland.

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

Assaults (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Report on the Assaults (Ireland) Bill be received To-morrow.

Courts Martial (East Indies) Bill.

Ordered, That the Courts Martial (East Indies) 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.

Court of Arches Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Court of Arches Bill be now read a second time;

Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned till Wednesday the 26th day of June next.

An Act to vest the Leeds and Selby Railway Bill into the Railway Bill, and enlarge some of the Provisions of the Acts relating to the said Companies, and to give effect to certain Arrangements entered into by the said Companies, and to amend and enlarge some of the Provisions of the Acts relating to the first-named Company:

An Act for vesting the Leeds and Selby Railway and the York and North Midland Railway Companies, and for enabling that Company to raise a further Bill:

An Act to enable the South Eastern Railway Company to make a Railway from the said South Eastern Railway Company to the Eastern Counties Railway Company, and to join the Eastern Counties Railway with the York and North Midland Railway Company:

An Act for making a Railway from Rampsdale Furness and Barrow to Dalton Lindsey and Kirby Ire, Railway Bill, and the County Palatine of Lancaster, to be called "The Furness Railway":
An Act for enabling the Ponteg and South Shields Railway Company to widen a Part of their Railway, and to make a Branch therefrom, and for other Purposes:  
An Act for authorizing the Sale of the Durham Junction Railway to the Newcastle and Darlington Junction Railway Company, and for enabling the said Company to make a Station at Gateshead, with a Bridge and Approaches to connect the said last-mentioned Railway with the Town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and for other Purposes:  
An Act to amend an Act for maintaining the Pier and Harbour of Newquay, in the County of Cornwall, and to make certain Tram Roads in connection therewith:  
An Act for regulating, maintaining, and improving the Port of Padstow, in the County of Cornwall, and the navigable Parts of the River Camel or Allen, in the same County:  
An Act for making a Harbour and Dock near to Hartlepool, in the County of Cleveland:  
An Act for dividing, allotting and inclosing Lands in the Hamlet of Thelford, in the Parish of Streetham, in the Isle of Ely and County of Cambridge, and for draining and embanking certain Parts of the said Lands, and other Lands in the said Hamlet, and in other Parishes in the said Isle and County:  
An Act for enabling the Northern Coal Mining Company to raise Money for paying off existing Debts of the Company:  
An Act for granting certain Powers to “The British Iron Company”:  
An Act for naturalizing Fredericke Figg:  
An Act for naturalizing Henry Victor Malan:  
Mr. Sharp, from Goldsmiths’ Hall, London, was called in; and at the bar presented,—Further Return to an Order, dated the 25th day of March last, for Returns of the Number of Gold and Silver Watch Cases respectively, which have been annually stamped at the several Goldsmiths’ Halls of London, Birmingham and Chester, from the year 1829 to 1849, inclusive,—And, of the Number of Foreign Watches annually entered at the Custom House, with the Amount of Duty annually paid thereon, during the last ten years (so far as relates to Goldsmiths’ Hall, London):—And then he withdrew.  
Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.  
Ordered, That the Committee on the Birkenhead Docks Bill have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.  
Ordered, That the Committee on the Kingston-upon-Hull Bills have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.  
Sir John Yarde Buller reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That the said Committee, for the end of the Petition for additional provision in the North Wales Mineral Railway Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with.  
Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.  
Sir John Yarde Buller reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Marquess of Ailesbury’s Estate Bill, no standing Orders were applicable.  
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A Motion being made, That the ingrossed Bill for making a Railway from Exeter to Plymouth, to be called “The South Devon Railway,” be now read the third time;  
Lord Granville Somerset, 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;  
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The Bill was read the third time.  
Resolved, That the Bill do pass.  
Ordered, That Mr. Gill do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.  
Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Pulteney Town Harbour and Improvement (re-committed) Bill; That they had made other Amendments thereunto.  
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.  
Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Wells Harbour Docks Bill; That they had examined the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.  
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.  
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Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.  
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Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.  
Ordered, That all Railway Bills which, under Railway Bills. Standing Order No. 123, stand for consideration upon Tuesday next, be taken into consideration upon Thursday next.  
Ordered, That Colonel Rushbrooke and Mr. Wad Preston and dighton be added to the Committee on the Preston Wyre Dock, &c., Bill.  
Ordered, That the Committee on the said Bill have leave to sit, this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.  

The House proceeded to take into consideration Lords New Gas the Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, ins acts tuated, An Act for extending and amending some of the Powers and Provisions of the Act relating to the Leeds New Gas Company; and the same was read, as follows:  
Pr. 29. l. 29. After "York" insert Clause (A).  
Clause (A). "And be it Enacted, That nothing in this Act or in the said recited Act contained shall extend to abridge, alter, prejudice or take away any of the rights, privileges, powers or any "thorities or belonging to or vested in the under-"takers of the navigation of the Rivers Aire "and Calder, in the said county of York; and that it "shall not be lawful for the Company to carry "or lay any main or pipe into or through any land "or ground which, or the surface whereof, now is "occupied or used by the said undertakers as or "for the third time; Lord Granville Somerset, by Her Majesty’s Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, Vol. 29, 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.  
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Harwich Railway and Pier; and, Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2.) Bills.

Petitions of the Mayor, Aldermen and Town Council of the borough of Harwich:—Inhabitants of the borough of Harwich, Aldermen, and Common Council of the borough of Colchester;—Eastern Counties Railway Company;—and, Inhabitants of the borough of Colchester: praying that the Harwich Railway and Pier; and, Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2.) Bills may be re-committed to the former Committee, with instructions to such Committee to consider the expediency of consolidating the same and amalgamating the Companies, and of sanctioning the construction of a line of Railway between Colchester and Harwich, and a Pier at Harwich,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Harwich Railway and Pier; and, Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2.) Bills.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Harwich Railway and Pier; and, Colchester and Harwich Railway (No. 2.) Bills, be re-committed to the former Committee:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Birkenhead Docks Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Committee on the Birkenhead Docks Bill have leave to make their Report To-morrow;—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Brighton, Lewes, and Hastings Railway Bill.

Ordered, That the time for the Committee on the Brighton, Lewes and Hastings Railway Bill to make their Report, be enlarged till Monday the 10th day of June next.

Standing Orders.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, as follows:

Resolved, That in the case of the Amendments on the third reading of the Manchester Police Bill, the said Amendments are of such a nature as may be adopted by the House, at that stage, if it shall think fit, upon inserting in Clause (B.) 3., after "a borough" the words "out of the borough fund."

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Manchester Police Bill.

The Order of the day being read for resuming the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the ingrossed Bill for the good Government and Police Regulation of the Borough of Manchester:—The House resumed the said further Proceeding. And a recurred Clause was offered (Clerk of the Peace to be paid by Salary instead of Fees): And the said Clause was brought up, and thrice read; and agreed to, to be made part of the Bill, by way of Rider.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered (Justice's Clerk to be paid by Salary instead of Fees): And the said Clause was brought up, and thrice read, and amended; and agreed to, to be made part of the Bill, by way of Rider.

Another ingrossed Clause was offered (Council not to sell, &c., without the approbation of the Treasury): And the said Clause was brought up, and thrice read; and agreed to, to be made part of the Bill, by way of Rider.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Mark Phillips do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of the Vauxhall Bridge Company, Westminster praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Westminster and Lambeth Suspension Bridge Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

An ingrossed Bill for paving, lighting, cleansing Southampton and otherwise improving the Town of Southampton, and for removing and preventing Nuisances and Annoyances therein, was read the third time.

And Amendments being proposed to be made to this Bill,

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

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the said Bill be adjourned till Tomorrow.

A Petition of Subscribers to or Owners, Lessors Great Southern or Occupiers of lands and grounds affected by the Monkland Railways (No. 2.) Bill, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Monkland Railways (No. 2.) Bill,—were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Petitions of John Hamilton Colt, Esquire, of Monland Garthervie;—and, Garvikirk and Glasgow Railway Company; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Monland Railways (No. 2.) Bill,—were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

An ingrossed Bill for making a Landing-place at Hythe Land- or near Hythe, in the Parish of Fawley and Extm's, &c. Bill, parochial Places adjoining thereto, in the County of Southampton, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Sir William Heathcote do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Sir George Clerk presented, pursuant to an Ad-Scribendum to Her Majesty,—A Return, showing, in co- lumns, 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, exclusive of Recorders of Cities and Towns:—A similar Return for Ireland:—And, a similar Return for Scotland, exclusive of Town Clerks and Assessors.

Sir George Clerk also presented,—Returns to a Property Tax. Order dated the 20th day of this instant May, for No. 314.

Returns showing the net Amount of Duty collected under each separate Schedule of the Property Tax Act, for the year ended the 5th day of April 1843:—And, showing the Number of Claims of Exemption
tion under the Property Tax Act, received at the Tax Office, up to this day; the Number on which the Duty has been repaid; the Amount of Duty repaid; the Number of Claims in which Orders have been issued by the Board of Taxes for discharging the Property of the Claimants from Asses-

sments; and the Number of Claims now remain-
ing in the Tax Office for Examinations and Inquiry.

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

New Zealand.

Mr. George William Hope presented,—Further Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 10th day of August 1842, for a Statement of the Total Re-

venues and Expenditure of the Colony of New Zea-

land, in each year since its Establishment, showing, the several Sums received from Taxes, Duties, Sales of Land, and other sources of Revenue in the Co-

lony, from the Treasury of New South Wales, from Bills drawn on the British Treasury or from any other source, showing also the Stores or Supplies received from the Colony of New South Wales, or elsewhere, and the Value thereof:—Also, an Ab-

stract, under the principal heads of Expenditure, together with the Total Amount of Income, and of Expenditure in each year, in the Colony of New Zea-

land:—Also, a Statement of the Authority under which the Income was raised, and the Expenditure made:—Also, for what periods the Accounts of Receipts and Expenditure have been audited:—And also, a Return of the Amount of Customs Duties, and of Revenue from any other and what source collected at each Port in that Colony.

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

Murder

(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, Statements of the Counties in Scotland, from 1836 to 1842 inclusive, in which none of those sentenced to death for Murder were executed; stating, for each County and year, the Number of Persons sentenced to death for Murder whose Sentences were commuted, the Number of Persons committed for Murder, during the same year, and likewise in the following year:—Also, the Total Numbers for all the years collectively, and the increase or decrease per cent. on the Commitments in the years following the Executions.

The House was moved, That the Order made Corporal Pu-

nishment, &c, upon the 4th day of March 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, Abstracts of the Number of Men belonging to the Royal Marines who, since the 1st day of January 1839 to the 31st day of December 1842 have suffered Corporal Punishment, or Imprisonment; showing the nature of Offences, in classes, for which such Punishment has been awarded, and the Number in each class; and showing the greatest Number and the smallest Number of Lashes, also the longest and shortest Period of Confinement awarded as Punishment to each Person, and the average Period of Confinement for each Class of Offence:—And, of the Number of Soldiers belonging to the Royal Artillery in Great Britain and Ireland who, between the 1st day of January 1839 and the 31st day of December 1842, have suffered Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment; showing the nature of the Offences, in classes, for which such Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been awarded, and the Number in each class; and showing also the greatest and the smallest Number of Lashes, also the longest and shortest Period of Confinement awarded as Punishment to each Person, and the average Period for each Class of Offences:—Returns of the Number of Soldiers belonging to Regiments and Depôts in Great Britain and Ireland, who, since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered either Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment; and, whenever either Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been inflicted on the same person more than once, specifying how often it has been so inflicted; with Abstract of the Number of Soldiers belonging to Regiments in the Colonies and Possessions of Great Britain, who, in each year since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered Corporal Punishments and Imprisonments; showing the nature of the Offences, in classes, for which such Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been awarded, and the Numbers in each class; stating also the greatest Number and the lowest Number of Lashes inflicted on any Person for each period of Confinement awarded as Punishment; and, the greatest and shortest period of Confinement awarded as Punishment, and the average period of Confinement for each class in each year:—Of the Number of Soldiers belonging to the Royal Marines who, since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment, and whether either Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been inflicted on the same Person more than once, specifying how often it has been so inflicted; and distinguishing Numbers in Regiments in the Colonies and Possessions of Her Majesty from Regiments in Depôts in Great Britain and Ireland:—And, of the Number of Corporal Punishments inflicted in the Royal Navy, in each of the years 1839 and 1840 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 242, of Session 1841), might be read; and the same being read;—Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Murder

(Ireland.)

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Statements of the Counties in Ireland, from 1836 to 1842 inclusive, in which none of those sentenced to death for Murder were executed; stating, for each County and year, the Number of Persons sentenced to death for Murder whose Sentences were commuted; the Number of Persons committed for Murder during the same year, and likewise in the following year:—Also, the Total Numbers for all the years collectively, and the increase or decrease per cent. on the Commitments in the years following the Executions.

Resolved, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, Abstracts of the Number of Men belonging to the Royal Marines, who, since the 1st day of January 1839 to the 31st day of December 1842, have suffered Corporal Punishment, or Imprisonment; showing the nature of Offences, in classes, for which such Punishment has been awarded, and the Number in each class; and showing the greatest Number and the smallest Number of Lashes, also the longest and shortest Period of Confinement awarded as Punishment to each Person, and the average Period of Confinement for each Class of Offence:—And, of the Number of Soldiers belonging to the Royal Artillery in Great Britain and Ireland who, between the 1st day of January 1839 and the 31st day of December 1842, have suffered Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment; showing the nature of the Offences, in classes, for which such Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been awarded, and the Number in each class; and showing also the greatest and the smallest Number of Lashes, also the longest and shortest Period of Confinement awarded as Punishment to each Person, and the average Period for each Class of Offences:—Returns of the Number of Soldiers belonging to Regiments and Depôts in Great Britain and Ireland, who, since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered either Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment; and, whenever either Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been inflicted on the same person more than once, specifying how often it has been so inflicted; with Abstract of the Number of Soldiers belonging to Regiments in the Colonies and Possessions of Great Britain, who, in each year since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered Corporal Punishments and Imprisonments; showing the nature of the Offences, in classes, for which such Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been awarded, and the Numbers in each class; stating also the greatest Number and the lowest Number of Lashes inflicted on any Person for each period of Confinement awarded as Punishment; and, the greatest and shortest period of Confinement awarded as Punishment, and the average period of Confinement for each class in each year:—Of the Number of Soldiers belonging to the Royal Marines who, since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment, and whether either Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been inflicted on the same Person more than once, specifying how often it has been so inflicted; and distinguishing Numbers in Regiments in the Colonies and Possessions of Her Majesty from Regiments in Depôts in Great Britain and Ireland:—And, of the Number of Corporal Punishments inflicted in the Royal Navy, in each of the years 1839 and 1840 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 242, of Session 1841), might be read; and the same being read;—Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.
average period of Confinement for each class of Offence:—And, of the Number of Soldiers belonging to Regiments in Great Britain and Ireland, who, between the 1st day of January 1839 and the 31st day of December 1843, have suffered Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment; showing the nature of the Offences, in classes, for which such Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been awarded, and the Number in each class; and showing also the greatest and the smallest Number of Lashes, also the longest and shortest period of Confinement awarded for Punishment, and the average period for each class of Offences:—Returns of the Number of Soldiers, belonging to Regiments and Depots in Great Britain, who, since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered either Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment; and, whenever either Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been inflicted on the same Person more than once, specifying how often it has been so inflicted; with Abstract of the Number of Soldiers belonging to Regiments in the Colonies and Possessions of Great Britain, who, in each year since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered Corporal Punishments and Imprisonments, showing the nature of the Offences, in classes, for which such Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been awarded, and the Numbers in each class; stating also the greatest and the lowest Number of Lashes inflicted on any Person in each year, also the longest and the shortest period of Confinement awarded as Punishment, and the average period of Confinement for each class in each year:—Of the Number of Soldiers who, since the 1st day of January 1839, have suffered Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment, and whether either Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment has been inflicted on the same Person more than once, specifying how often it has been so inflicted; and distinguishing Numbers in Regiments in the Colonies and Possessions of Her Majesty from Regiments in Depots in Great Britain and Ireland:—And, of the Corporal Punishments and Imprisonments in the Colonies and Possessions of Her Majesty more than once, specifying how often it has been so inflicted; with Abstract of the Number of Persons confined in each Gaol in Ireland, for detecting those convicted; And, of the Number of Servicemen prosecuted for Offences in Ireland, against the Laws for the Suppression of Illicit Distillation, in each Quarter of the years ending respectively the 5th day of April 1843 and 1844, distinguishing those convicted:—And, of the Number of Persons confined in each Gaol in Ireland, for Offences against the Laws for the Suppression of Illicit Distillation, on the 5th day of January, the 5th day of March, and the 5th day of April 1844 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 337, of Session 1843).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Lunatics.

A Return, from the 8th day of January 1839 to the present time, of the Number of Lunatics against whom Commissions of Lunacy are now in force, and 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 the Maintenance of those individually have less than £100, per annum; a similar Return, and distinguishing in like manner, of those who have more than £400, and less than £600, per annum; a similar Return, and distinguishing in like manner, of those who have more than £600, and less than £1,000, per annum; with the Amount of their Income:—And, a Return of the Amounts of percentage paid in each year, between the 5th day of January 1839 and the 8th day of January 1844, showing the Increase or Decrease :Of the Payments made thereout in each of those years, under the Provisions of the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 36.

The ingrossed Bill to amend the Laws relating Custom Duties to the Customs, was, according to Order, read the Bill, third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass. Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence. A Motion was made, and the Question being put, Peereage, &c., That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to give directions that, whenever Her Majesty shall grant the honour of the Peerage, or Baronetage, or Knighthood or Order, for eminent Public Services, and the Fees shall be charged thereon;—It passed in the Negative.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Leeds, praying the House to take no measures for securing to conscientious dissenters from the ecclesiastical establishment of the country, access to the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, and the full enjoyment of all the advantages held forth to studious youth in those seats of learning, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 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, 2 4 die Maii ;

Anno 7 Victoriae Regine, 1844. PRAYERS.

M R. Owen Stanley, reported from the Committee on the Taff Vale Railway Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred. That they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several
several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

South Eastern Railway Bill.

The ingrossed Bill to enable the South Eastern Railway Company to complete and maintain a Branch Railway and Approach to the Harbour of Folkestone, and to construct other Works in connection with the said Harbour; and also to effect certain Alterations and Extensions of the Works of the Maidstone Branch of the said South Eastern Railway, and to amend the Acts relating to the said Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Swansea Harbour Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Swansea Harbour Bill; and the Amendments were agreed to and ingrossed.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Swansea Improvement Bill.

An ingrossed Bill for uniting the Sheffield Gas Light Companies, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. John Henry Vivian do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland.)

Petitions of Land-holders of the city and county of Dublin and county of Kildare; and, Simon Bolivar, Esquire, Chairman of the Directors of the Company of Undertakers of the Grand Canal; praying that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the Petition for the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill, may not be suspended, were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of John Wood, Secretary to the Society for the Improvement of the Condition of the Labouring Classes, for leave to present a Petition for leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating the said Society, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

A Petition of Gentry, Clergy and other Inhabitants of the town of Wrexham, and its vicinity, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the North Wales Mineral Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Ordered, That the time for the Committee on the Epsom and South Western Railway; and, Croydon and Epsom Railway Bills, to make their Report, be enlarged till Monday the 2d day of June next.

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Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill.

Ordered, That the time for the Committee on the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill to make their Report, be enlarged till Monday the 10th day of June next.

Eirkeshill Docks Bill.

Ordered, That the time for the Committee on the Birkenhead Docks Bill to make their Report, be enlarged till Tuesday the 11th day of June next.

Manchester Royal Infirmary, &c., Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Manchester Royal Infirmary, &c., Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Ordered, That the time for the Committee on the Delabole and Rock Railway Bill, to make their Report, be enlarged till Monday the 3d day of June next.

A Petition of the London and Croydon Railway Company, for leave to present a Petition for leave to bring in a Bill for making a new line of Railway from London to Croydon; on the same principle, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Manchester Royal Infirmary, &c., Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Petitions from Capel-y-ffroes and Ystrad; Wolvehampton; — Soman; — Morstonhamstead; — Hyde; — Newry; — Lutton and Fleet; — Kendal; — Chester; — Liverpool; — Runcorn; — Liverpool; — Ir; — Thomas Prime; praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Cogley-Groes and Ystrad; Wolverhampton; — Soman; — Morstonhamstead; — Hyde; — Newry; — Lutton and Fleet; — Kendal; — Chester; — Liverpool; — Runcorn; — Liverpool; — Ir; — Thomas Prime; praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thrope reported from the Select Committee Public Petitions on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 20th and 21st days of June last.
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.

Huddersfield

Branch Railway Bill.

The Order made upon the 26th day of February last, for referring the Bill to the Committee of Selection, was read; and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Schoolmasters

(Scotland.)

Petitions of the Moderator of the Presbytery of Forfar—Moderator of the Presbytery of Stirling; praying the House to adopt measures for ameliorating the condition of the Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Hall Storms

Insurances.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of land, in the county of Bedford, praying the House to repeal the Stamp Duty on policies of Insurance against damage by Hall Storms, so far as agricultural produce is concerned, thereby placing it on the same footing as in the case of loss by fire, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law

Amendment Bill.

Petitions from Birmingham (Chairman)—and, Leede; praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Churchwardens and Overseers, Inhabitants and Rate-payers of the parish of Milton-next-Sittingbourne, in the county of Kent, praying that no clause may be inserted in the said Bill extending union workhouses from the payment of parochial rates and other parish charges, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law.

Petitions from Redruth Union;—Gatemead Union—Andover Union—Bridgewater Union—and, Shipley Union; praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, by confiding to boards of guardians the power of fixing the measure of remuneration to be given to medical officers of unions were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

A Petition of Rate-payers and Inhabitants of the township of Weston, in the county of Lancaster, praying that an Act for the reformation of the said Act, and the restoration of the Act for the Relief of the Poor, of the 43d of Elizabeth, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Saint Asaph

and Bangor

Dioceses.

Petitions from Whitworth and Byersgreen;—Ryton—Welch Pool;—and, Wrexham; praying for reformation of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a See at Manchester, by other means, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Local Courts.

Petitions from Wrexham;—Llandovery; and, Montgomery; praying that a Bill for establishing Local Courts for the decision of small causes may speedily pass into a law, such provisions as may render its operation as beneficial to the principality of Wales as to the other parts of the kingdom, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

County Courts

Bill.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town and neighbourhood of Wednesfield, praying that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Two Petitions of Officers to the Sheriff of Kent, praying that in case the said Bill should pass into a law, a clause may be inserted to enable the Lords of the Administering Court to award compensation in such cases as may be deemed proper, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Two Petitions from Bolton, praying that the County Court Bill (County Palatine of Lancaster) Bill may not pass into a law; and that the Courts Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and, County Courts Bill, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Caslogan Williams, suggesting a Working plan for medical assistance to the Working Classes, by acting on the principle of mutual assurance; and praying for its consideration, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Gentry, Clergy and other inhabitants of Absentees of the town and county of the town of Galway, suggesting that an effectual remedy to check the growing evil of Absenteesism in Ireland, would be a heavy tax, a tax adequate in some measure to compensate for the evils which it occasions, thereby proving the inconvenience of the House in the maxim that property has its duties as well as its rights; and praying the attention of the House to the remedy suggested, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Magistrates and Town Council of Priests of the royal borough of Dundee, praying that the Priests (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Red-Bathing Union in the county of Cornwall, praying that so much of the Act of 69 Geo. 3. c. 12, as transfers the payment of rates from occupiers to owners of divided houses, be adopted in the case of cottages and small tenements, the rest of which is five pounds and under, or that such occupiers, at or under such rental, paying the poor rates, be empowered to make deductions of such payments from their rents, and of the value of goods and chattels detained for such payment, and of costs and interest on the process, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Board of Guardians of the Ardee Poor Law Union, praying the (Ireland) Act House to relieve the Board of Guardians from the payment of the original building loan for their workhouse, in the disbursement of which the Guardians had no control, and thus enable the Board to carry out the intention of the Legislature, without involving the union in debt, or harassing the rate-payers already too much burdened, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses Art Unions of the borough of Limerick, in Council assembled, stating that the Petitioners have heard, with deep concern, that the law officers of the Crown have lately given it as their opinion that the societies existing in Great Britain, denominated Art Unions, are illegal; and praying that the House will be pleased to grant such protection or exemption as will enable Art Unions, constituted solely for the advancement of Art, and not for the emolument of the existing Art-Union, to proceed in the same beneficinal course for Art, Artists and the Public, which has been permitted up to the present time, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Monaghan;—Fahan;—Vinecash;—Marriages—Goughagery;—Glenarm;—Ballyhennan;—As. (Ireland); trim (two Petitions);—Maherogall;—Kilhele;—Drom;—
Coal Mines.

Railways.

Act.

Sale of Beer

Inclosure Bill.

Corn Laws.

joyed previously to the formation of Railways, was presented, and read; in the inland carriage of goods as they are conveyed by Railway, praying the House to secure to them the right of the men, Common Carriers, and others, residing at Liverpool, and interested in the conveyance of goods to and from Liverpool, and praying that the House to secure to them the right of stopping, searching and securing the goods in the train for the purpose of preventing any violation of the laws for the suppression of Vice.

Petition in the neighbourhood of Nottingham, praying that they may be placed on the same footing with the retail beer-sellers residing in and near the metropolis, in regard to closing their houses during certain hours on Sunday, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Merchants, Manufacturers, Tradesmen, Common Carriers, and others, residing at Liverpool, and interested in the conveyance of goods by Railway, praying the House to secure to them the public the same benefit of a free competition of goods as they enjoyed previously to the formation of Railways, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Railways.

Eugene Cahill.

A Petition of Eugene Cahill, of Ballindine, in the county of Mayo, stating that the Petitioner is the nephew of Peter Morgan, whose death was announced by the Secretary at War in 1810 or 1811 to Petitioner's deceased uncle Thomas Morgan, of Longhlea, in the county of Roscommon; that his application to the War Office was not attended to, in consequence of the said Thomas Morgan not being able to state the rank the said Peter Morgan held in his Majesty's service; and praying that the House will compel the present Secretary at War to state why the name and property of the said Peter Morgan, which was on record on their books in 1810 or 1811, is not referred to at present, as the Petitioner has complied as to the legality of his claim with the rules laid down by the government of the War Office, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Corn Laws.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of land, and others, within the town of Shefleyne, and its neighbourhood, praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of the Committee appointed at a public meeting of the Inhabitants of South Shields, and neighbourhood, to investigate the causes of accidents in Coal Mines, praying the House to take the statements of their Petition into consideration, as a searching investigation, if possible, by a commission of inquiry, into the statements and allegations submitted to the House, or that, convinced of the imperfect, unsystematic and dangerous state of British Mines, the House will be pleased to adopt speedy and efficient legislative measures to remedy their defects, and to economise the mineral resources of the country, and protect the miner from the perpetually recurring accidents of his dangerous occupation, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Secretary to the Labourers' Friend Society, Exeter Hall, London, praying the House to provide for poor and industrious labourers, by the introduction of a clause in the Commons Enclosure Bill, to the effect that, where the parish or district to be inclosed, shall have a large population, and a small common or waste to be divided, there shall be set apart, in trustees, not less than five acres, nor more than ten out of every hundred acres to be inclosed, of all lands capable of cultivation which shall be in such parish or district, and in cases where the population shall be small, and the common or waste large, not less than one nor more than three acres out of every hundred, set out on the allotment system, and for the perpetual use of the poor industrious labourers of such parish or district where the lands lie, as tenants thereof, and at reasonable rents for the same, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of land, and others, residing at Liverpool, and interested in the conveyance of goods by Railway, praying the House to secure to them the right of stopping, searching and securing the goods in the train for the purpose of preventing any violation of the laws for the suppression of Vice.

Petition from Bandon, and Cork; praying Education to the House to adopt legislative means for extending Scriptural Education in Ireland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Operative Wood-sawyers of North Woodwick; and, Chairman of a Meeting of Operative Wood-sawyers in Aberdeen; praying the House to impose a tax on steam sawing, or upon Wood sawn by steam, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Moderator of the Presbytery of Universities Lorn, in the county of Argyll, praying the House to prevent the repeal of the Act which binds professors in the Scottish Universities to subscribe the standards of the church previous to their entering the ministry, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Commons Enclosure Bill.

ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. Hutt presented a Bill to amend the Laws Aliens Bill relating to Aliens: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 5th day of June next; and to be printed. No. 329.

A Petition of Robert Lundy, Ironmonger, of the Tobacco Trade town and county of Kingston-upon-Hull, complaining of being inadequately paid for attending as a witness before the Select Committee on Tobacco and Salt duties, praying for consideration of this case, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Bank of England, on the 1st day of November 1845; distinguishing Gold from Silver and Bullion from Coin; also, of the Quantity and Amount of Bank of England Notes; distinguishing the Number of each description of Notes in Circulation dated prior to the
the 1st day of November 1839.—And, of the various Sums which the Bank of England has divided as Bonuses to the Proprietors for Bank Notes lost and destroyed, and the dates of said Bonuses; also, specifying whether, and when, the same were excluded from their Returns of Notes in circulation; also, specifying the Amount of Notes now outstanding which the Directors of the Bank estimate as lost.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns showing the Annual Value of real Property in each Parish of each County in England and Wales assessed to the Property and Income Tax for the year ended April 1843, including together that on Land, Mines, Quarries, Fisheries, Manorial and other Profits, assessed with landed Property, Dwelling Houses and other Buildings, and all other Property, as Canals, Railways, and the Improvement of the Railway system, and the valuation of real Property in each Parish in Scotland and the Total Annual Value thereof assessed to the Property Tax for the year ended April 1843; also, showing the Total Value of Tribes assessed in each Parish to the Property Tax for the said year, so far as the same can be distinguished. Also, showing the Quota of Land Tax assessed in each Parish for the year 1798 under the Act 35 Geo. 3. c. 5.—Showing the Annual Value of real Property in each Parish in each County in Scotland assessed to the Property and Income Tax for the year ending April 1843, including together that on Land, Mines, Quarries, &c., and the Total Annual Value thereof assessed to the Property Tax for the said year; And, of the Valuation of real Property in each Parish in Scotland on which the Land Tax is assessed, in sterling money, stating the rate per £100 sterling at which such Tax is assessed on the valued Rental of each County.

Sir George Clerk accordingly presented the said Returns.

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

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 of the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships in Session 1843, on the Progress of the Building of the Houses of Parliament: And that the Earl of Lincoln do carry the said Message.

Sir George Clerk presented a Bill to regulate the issue of Bank Notes, and for giving to the Governor of the Bank of England certain Privileges for a limited period: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be printed a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Sir James Graham presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of Report of the Commission for inquiring into the execution of the Contracts for certain Union Workhouses in Ireland.

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

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to consider whether any and what new Provisions ought to be introduced into such Railway Bills as may come before this House during the present or future Sessions, for the advantage of the Public and the improvement of the Railway system, and likewise to consider whether any and what changes ought to be made in the Standing Orders relating to Railways, and to report their Opinion thereon to the House; and who were empowered to report their Opinion from time to time to the House; and who were instructed to consider of any arrangements and advices relating to the Public with regard to existing Railway Companies generally, which, in the opinion of the Committee, Parliament might justly give its sanction, have power to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them. Mr. Gladstone reported from the said Select Committee; That they had further examined into the matters to them referred, and had agreed to a Report and Resolutions, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them, and an Appendix and Index; and the Resolutions of the Committee were read accordingly.

1. That the Resolutions, Nos. 11, 12, and 13, relative to the conveyance of Third-class Passengers, recommended in the Third Report of the Committee with regard to New Railways, be extended to all existing Railway Companies which by any Act or Acts passed in the course of the present or any future Session shall obtain an extension or amendment of the powers conferred by their previous Acts.

2. That the Resolutions 14 and 15 in the said Third Report, relative to the conveyance of the Military and Mails, be in like manner extended to the said Companies.

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

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to an Address to Her Majesty,—Copies of the Memorials sent from Inhabitants of Regent-street and other Places to the Commissioners of Woods and Forests, against the further use of Wood for paving the Streets:—A Return of the Number of Pupils admitted to Hibernia Military School, Phoenix Park, Dublin, during the 1st day of November 1839: And, of any Returns of Notes in circulation; also, specifying the Amount of Notes now outstanding which the Directors of the Bank estimate as lost.

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A Return of the Number of Pupils admitted to Hibernia the Hibernian Military School, Phoenix Park, Dublin, since the 1st day of January 1840; distinguishing the Ages of the Chilbion, and their religions respectively at the period of Admission; and also, the Religion of their Parents, so far as the same may be known or can be ascertained:—Copies of any Correspondence between the Officers of the said Establishment, and any person or persons, relative to the change of Religion of two Boys, named Edward and William Cashin, Pupils in the said School, within the last six Months:—And, a Statement showing the Ages of the said Boys at the time.
time of changing their Religion; also, of the Ages of any other Pupils of the said Establishment who may have changed their Religions within the last four years.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Returns relative to the Ecclesiastical Commission (Ireland), be printed.

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

Barley. Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account showing the Quantities of Foreign Barley imported into the Principal Ports of Great Britain, the Countries from whence imported, with the Quantities entered for Home Consumption, and the Amount of Duty received thereon: Also, the Average Prices in each week of the present year.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Operative Shoemakers, Tanners and Curriers, Papiers, who, with their Families, have been forced to seek Relief in England and Wales annually, from the 5th day of January 1840 to the 5th day of January 1844.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Joint Stock Banks which have been established under the Provisions of the Act 7 Geo. 4, c. 49; stating the period when and the place where established, and likewise the dates at which any such Banks, once established, had ceased to exist.

The House was moved, That the Report made upon the Stamp Duties, be received after the Orders of the day.

A Committee was nominated of Mr. Wyse, Viscount Palmerston, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Duncombe, Mr. Baring Wall, Viscount Adare, Mr. Hayter, Mr. Plumptre, Mr. Thomas Adare, Mr. Liddell, Mr. Ridley Colborne, Mr. William Adare, Mr. Viscount Ewart, Mr. M'Geehy, with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Resolved, That Five be the Quorum.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 4th day of June next, resolve itself into a Committee upon the Stamp Duties Bill.

Resolved, That the Report on the Stamp Duties Bill be received after the Orders of the day.

Resolved, That the Report on the Assails (Ireland) Bill be received after the Orders of the day.

Resolved, That this House will, after the Orders of the day, resolve itself into a Committee upon the Courts Martial (East Indies) Bill.

Resolved, That the Slave Trade Treaties Bill be read a second time after the Orders of the day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Supply.

(In the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighteen Thousand eight hundred and ninety-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Indian Department in Canada, to the 31st day of March 1843.

2. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighteen Thousand eight hundred and ninety-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Adjournment.

3. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eleven Thousand two hundred and eighty-two pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Colonial Land and Emigration Board, &c.

4. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Forty Thirteen pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Colonies, &c.

5. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twelve Noir Educa-

6. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirty-Thousand five thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Expenses incurred for the Support of the Slaves, to the 31st day of March 1845.

7. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty-Thousand four thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Expenses incurred for the Support of the Slaves, to the 31st day of March 1845.

8. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One Thousand one hundred and seven thousand and three hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Consular Establishment Abroad, to the 31st day of March 1845.

9. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty Ministers at thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses connected with the Establishment of the National Vaccine Institution, for the year 1844.

10. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighty One Thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the Vaccine Institution, to the 31st day of March 1845.

11. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Six Thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Vaccine Institution, to the 31st day of March 1845.

12. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One Thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Vaccine Institution, to the 31st day of March 1845.

13. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Three Hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Vaccine Institution, to the 31st day of March 1845.

14. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twelve Thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Vaccine Institution, to the 31st day of March 1845.
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British Ambassador's House at Constantinople, to the 31st day of March 1844.

32. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Fifty Steam Com-

munication to India.

33. Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, Millida and

not exceeding Sixteen thousand and six hundred

Pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, in the

year 1844, the Expenses incurred in Canada for Militia and Volunteers.

The Committee divided:

Tellers for the Yeas:

Mr. Young.  ...  73.

Mr. Corry.  ...  7.

Tellers for the Noes:

Mr. Hume.  ...  73.

Mr. William Williams.  ...  7.

34. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Four University of

thousand five hundred and eighty-eight pounds, be

London, granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the University of London, to the 31st day of March 1845.

35. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Seven Scotch

three thousand and eighty pounds, be Universities.


37. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Three Royal Irish

hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to,

academy, defraying the Expense of the Royal Irish Academy, to the 31st day of March 1845.

38. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two Royal Dublin

thousand eight hundred and fifty pounds, be granted to

Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of

the Royal Dublin Society, to the 31st day of March 1845.

39. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two Royal Belfast

thousand and one hundred pounds, be granted to

Academy, towards defraying the Expense of the Institution.

40. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Forty British

six thousand and thirty pounds, be granted to her Museum.

41. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Three Royal Irish

hundred and fifty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to

enable the Trustees of the British Museum to purchase certain Collections, and to defray Expenses incurred in procuring Antiques for that Museum.

42. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One National

thousand and five hundred pounds, be granted to

Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the National Gallery, to the 31st day of March 1845.

43. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two thousand and

three hundred and thirty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Museum of Economic Geology, to the 31st day of March 1845.

44. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Seven Magnetic

Observatories at Toronto, Saint Helenas, Cape of Good Hope and Van Diemen's Land; also, for Observations and Services carrying on under the direction of the Astronomer Royal, and other Scientific Works and Publications, to the 31st day of March 1845.

45. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One Monument.

thousand and five hundred pounds, be granted to

Her Majesty, towards defraying, in the year 1844, the Cost of the Monuments to be erected to the Memory

16. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two thousand one hundred and fifty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty to pay, to the 31st day of March 1845.

17. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Six thousand seven hundred and sixty-seven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Foundling Hospital, Dublin, to the 31st day of March 1845.

18. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirteen thousand four hundred and twenty-nine pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the House of Industry, Dublin, to the 31st day of March 1845.

19. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One thousand and five hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of the Female Orphan House, Dublin, to the 31st day of March 1845.

20. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two thousand and five hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

21. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of the Lying-in Hospital, Dublin, to the 31st day of March 1845.

22. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One thousand and five hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of Doctor Stevens' Hospital, Dublin, to the 31st day of March 1845.

23. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Three thousand pounds, 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 1845.

24. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Five hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of the Hospital for Incurables, to the 31st day of March 1845.

25. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Seven hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests in Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845.

26. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirty-five thousand six hundred and thirty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of Non-conforming, Seceding and Protestant Dissenting Ministers in Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845.

27. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Seven thousand three hundred and forty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay, to the 31st day of March 1845, Charitable Allowances charged on the Cordknatum Fund, and other Allowances and Bounties in Ireland.

28. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Five thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Townland Survey of Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845.

29. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioners for the Improvement of the River Shannon, to the 31st day of March 1845.

30. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One thousand three hundred and thirty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, in the year 1844, the Expenses of Works and Repairs to the British Ambassador's House at Paris.

31. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Ten thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of rebuilding the British Ambassador's House at Constantinople, to the 31st day of March 1845.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Damage by Fire Act, a Committee upon the Damage by Fire (Metropolitan) Bill (No. 2) and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly.

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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- mitted to the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill;

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

The Charitable Loan Societies (Ireland) Bill was, Charitable according to Order, read a second time; and com- mitted to a Committee of the whole House, for (Ireland) Bill. Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Church reading of the Church Temporalities (Ireland) Bill; Temporalities 

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- Ways and mitte of Ways and Means;

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

Mr. Greene reported the Stamp Duties Bill; and Stamp Duties the Amendments were read, and agreed to. 

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Thursday next.

Mr. Greene reported the Assaulnts (Ireland) Bill; Assaulnts and the Amendments were read, and agreed to. 

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Thurs- day next.

The House, according to the Order made this Courts Martial day, resolved itself into a Committee upon the [East Indies] Bill. 

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

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The Slave Trade Treaties Bill was, according to Slave Trade Order made this day, read a second time; and com- mitted to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

The House was moved, That the Act 5 and 6 Vic. New South Wales, No. 65, and the Slave Trade and Abuses in England, was, according to Order, read the third time; and Amend- ments were made to the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

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Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to explain the said Act: And that Mr. George William Hope and Lord Stanley do prepare, and bring it in.

The House was moved, That the Act 9 Geo. 4, c. 59, for the Preservation of the Salmon Fisheries in Scotland, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the said Act: And that Mr. Home Drummond and Mr. Lock do prepare, and bring it in.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the administration of the Law for the relief of the Poor in Unions formed under the Act 22 Geo. 3, c. 83 (Gilbert's Act), and to report to the House their Opinion, whether it is expedient that the said Unions should be dissolvd:—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 Saturday morning;

Sabbath, 25th die Maii, 1844:

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the Administration and Operation of the Law for the Relief of the Poor in Unions formed under the Act 22 Geo. 3, c. 83 (Gilbert's Act), and to report to the House their Opinion, whether it is expedient that the said Unions should be maintained.

New South Wales, &c., Government Bill.

No. 322.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented a Bill to explain an Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, for the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Salam Fisheries (Scotland) Bill.

No. 323.

Mr. Home Drummond presented a Bill to amend an Act of the ninth year of King George the Fourth, for the Preservation of the Salmon Fisheries in Scotland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 7th day of June next; and to be printed.

Customs Duties (Isle of Man) Bill.

No. 324.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented a Bill to amend the Laws relating to the Customs in the Isle of Man: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Poor Law.

A Petition of Clergy of the several parishes comprised in the Linkeard Union, in the county of Cornwall, praying the House to define by legislative enactment the powers of the Poor Law Commissioners, in the matter of appointing chaplains to union workhouses, so that they may be enabled to order and enforce the appointment of a chaplain with an adequate salary in the Linkeard and all other union workhouses, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Lunacy. No. 325.

Bankruptcy. No. 326.

Court of Arches, &c. No. 327.

New Zealand. No. 328.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Lunacy, which was presented upon Tuesday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Bankruptcy, which was presented upon Tuesday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to the Court of Arches, &c., which were presented upon Wednesday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to New Zealand, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Thursday next.

Jovis, 30° die Maii;

Anno 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

Prayers.

M. R. Crafer, from the Treasury, was called in; Process Servers, &c., being bar presented, pursuant to Orders in Ireland.

—A Return, in detail, of the manner in which the Sum of £.2,255. paid by the Excise in Ireland, in the year 1843, under the Title of Salaries to Process Servers, was expended; stating the Name of each Person, the Amount paid to each, the Place of Residence, and also the Occupation of such Person, if he has any other; distinguishing the Number of Process Servers, and the Aggregate Amount paid to them in each County; stating also, by what authority these Payments were made, by what Officer or Department the Process Servers are appointed, and whether the Amount is repaid to the Excise, and if so, by what Department paid.

Returns of the manner in which the Sum of Excise £.1,259. was expended for Fortifications by the Excise Department in Ireland, in the years 1842 and 1843, by the Act 43 Geo. 3, c. 55; stating for what Places the Expenditure was made, and the Person to whom paid:—Of the manner in which £.6,114. paid by the Excise Department in England for Corn Returns, was expended; stating the Name and Place of Residence, and the Amount paid to each Person, according to the Acts 40 Geo. 3, c. 60, and 5 Vic., Sess. 2, c. 14, by the Excise:—Of the manner in which £.9,897. was expended by the Excise in England, under the head of Pensions; stating the Name of each Person, the Amount paid to each, and by what authority the Pension was paid:—And, of the manner in which £.20,996., paid by the Excise Department in Scotland, in the years 1842 and 1846, under the Act 40 Geo. 3, c. 11, to such Persons as were on the White List; was expended; stating, in detail, under the several heads, the Amount paid, and the Number of Persons receiving Salaries under £.50. a year, and the Name, Place of Residence and Amount of Salary and Allowances of every Person receiving more than £.50 per year:—And, an Account of the manner in which £.98,121. stertling was expended by the Excise Department in Ireland, in Payment for Traders in Irish-grown Tobacco, in the years 1834 and 1835, under the Act 2 Will. 4, c. 30; stating the Name of each Person to whom Payment was made, the Amount paid to each Person, and the Number of Acres of Tobacco Cultivated in consequence made to each; stating also the Burony or Parish in which situated, and the Principle on which, and the Orders by which that Compensation was made.

Account of all Sums paid into the Stamp Office Fire Insurance, for Duty, by each Insurance Office in Great Britain and Ireland, on Insurance from 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 1842; distinguishing the Amount of Allowance made to each Office for collecting the same, in the Country, London, Edinburgh and Dublin respectively, with the Dates of such Payments:—And, of the Sums expended by each Office on Farming Stock, exempt from Duty, 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 1842; distinguishing the Amount of Allowance made to each Office in the Country, London, Edinburgh and Dublin respectively, (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 312, of Session 1843.)
A Return of the Aggregate Amount of Stamp Duty received for Marine Insurances, in each year from 1920 to 1943, both inclusive; stating the several Rates of Duty in each year, and the Amount of Duty for each Rate, as far as the same can be distinguished.

A Return of the Amount of Stamp Duty received for Bills of Lading in each of the last Ten years, stating the Rate of Duty in each year.

A Table Return of the Quantities of Wheat, Flour, Meal, Barley, Oats, Potatoes, Cattle, Sheep, and Pigs imported in each year, ending the 5th day of January, from 1832 to 1844, into the Isle of Man; exhibiting also the Average Price of the several Species of Corn by the London Gazette, and the Average Duties payable thereon;—And, a Tabular Return, for the same years, of the same Articles exported from the Isle of Man.

Accounts of the Quantity of Coffee imported into the United Kingdom, in the years 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843; specifying the Countries from which it came:—Of the Quantity of Coffee of each Description entered for Home Consumption in the years 1840, 1841, 1842, 1843; showing the Rate of Duty, together with the Amount derived therefrom, in each year respectively:—And, of the Stock of Coffee in the United Kingdom, of each Description, in Bond, on the 31st day of December 1843; distinguishing the Countries from whence imported.

An Account of the Quantity of Cured Provisions of all kinds imported into the United Kingdom from Foreign Countries and from the Colonies, from the 5th day of July 1843 to the latest period to which same can be made up; specifying the different kinds, the Countries whence sent, the Quantities entered for Home Consumption, and the Amount of Duty paid on same respectively; also, the Quantities of each kind re-exported, and whether taken for the use of the Ship or for Merchandize, and the Place to which same were exported.

A Return of the Quantity of Lard imported into the United Kingdom from Foreign Countries, and from the Colonies, during the year ending the 31st day of January 1844; specifying the Country whence sent, the Quantity retained for Home Consumption, and the Amount of Duty paid on same; also, of the Quantities of Lard, and made Established; and, of the Use of the Ship or for Merchandize, and the Place to which sent.

An Account, showing the Quantities of Foreign Barley, Meal, Barley, Oats, the Principal Ports of Great Britain, the Countries from whence imported, with the Quantities entered for Home Consumption, and the Amount of Duty received thereon:—Also, the Average Price of the said Articles, together with the Amount derived therefrom.

Mr. Crafer also presented, pursuant to an Address to Her Majesty,—Copy of all Memorials and Petitions addressed to the Treasury and to the Board of Works, in the county of Stafford, praying that the Birkenhead Docks Bill may not pass through the Bill, and were ordered to be printed.

Mr. Greene also presented, pursuant to a Petition of Samuel Kenrick, of Handsworth parish of Old Monkland, and county of Lanark; John Railways at Gartsherrie, in the county of Lanark; John Wilson, of Dudmaston;—James Merry, Coal and Iron Master at Cambre in the county of Lanark, John Wilson, Coal and Iron Master at Summerlee, Preston and Wyre Dock, &c.; and, William Holdsworth, Iron and Coal Master, at Coltace, in the county of Lanark;—Merchants, Traders and Inhabitants in the town and neighbourhood of Coatbridge, in the parish of Old Monkland, and William Dixson, of Govan Colliery, in the county of Lanark, Esquire; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, relative to the said Parts of the said Act, and be printed.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

An ingrossed Bill to amend an Act for altering Swansea Harbours improvement Bill, was read the third time.

An ingrossed Bill to amend an Act for altering Swansea Harbour Bill, and amending several Acts for the Improvement of the Harbour of Swansea, in the County of Glamorgan, was read the third time.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Greene also reported from the Committee on the North Wales Mineral Railway Bill;—copy of the Memorials and Petitions addressed to the Treasury and to the Board of Works, in the county of Stafford, praying that the Birkenhead Docks Bill may not pass through the Bill, and were ordered to be printed.

Mr. Thosely reported from the Committee on the Bideford Docks Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred;—That they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour...
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Ventnor Improvement Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Petitions from James Henry Dixon, Esquire; — Dissenters' Comber; — Liverpool; — Stockton-on-Tees; — and, Chapels Bill.

Great Yarmouth: praying that the Dissenters' Chapels Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Oxford Market; — Soho (Middlesex); — Reading; — Brompton; — London (two Petitions); -- Camberwell; — Cockfosters; — Aldershot; — Bognor; — Kempton; — Weymouth; — Weymouth (two Petitions); — Plymouth; — Travancore; — Holyhead; — Derry; — Ballymoney; — The Earl of Berkeley; — Newtown; — Ballymena; — Donaghadee; — Newcastle; — Newry; — Cumbrae; — Ardglass; — Armagh; — Newtownards; — Newtown; — Monaghan; — Cavan; — Castlederry; — Omagh; — Newtownhamilton; — Castlederg; — Castlederg; — Ballymena; — Castle Bellingham; — Penrith; — Penrith; — Lancaster; — Kendal; — Carlisle; — Newcastle; — Spitalfields; — Castlefin; — Clifton Campville; — Portadown; — Creggan; — Creggan; — Bellaghy; — Crear; — Inch; — Gortin; — Templepatrick; — Arbroath; — Saltash; — Newnham; — Cumberland; — Arran; — Argyll; — Epsom Railway; — and, Epsom and South Western Railway Bills.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Stratford (Eastern Counties) and Thames Junction Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Croydon and Epsom Railway; and, Epsom and South Western Railway Bills.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Edinburgh, Leith and Granton Railway Bill.

An ingrossed Bill to enlarge the Powers granted in the Act passed in the second Session of the fifth year of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act for aningrossed Bill to enlarge the Powers granted in the Act passed in the second Session of the fifth year of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act for ingrossed Bill to enlarge the Powers granted in the Act passed in the second Session of the fifth year of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act for

Ordered, That Mr. Forbes Mackenzie do make the Report from the Committee on the Croydon and Epsom Railway; and, Epsom and South Western Railway Bills.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Slanannan Junction Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Edinburgh, Leith and Granton Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Slanmann Junction Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill.

An ingrossed Bill to enlarge the Powers granted by an Act passed in the second Session of the fifth year of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act for ingrossed Bill to enlarge the Powers granted by an Act passed in the second Session of the fifth year of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act for

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time; and the Petitioner heard, in favour of the Petitioner, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the Petition.

The Act passed in the second Session of the fifth year of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act for ingrossed Bill to enlarge the Powers granted by an Act passed in the second Session of the fifth year of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act for

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time; and the Petitioner heard, in favour of the Petitioner, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the Petition.

Ordered, That the Report on the Liverpool Docks Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Petitions from the London and South Western Railway to be ingrossed.

The Report on the Liverpool Docks Bill; and the Petitions were read, and agreed to.

It passed in the Negative.

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Amendment

Poor Law

and Bangor

Saint Asaph

Paisley General

Dalton;—Drayton West;—Drayton East;—
Easington;—Eldorado and Penethorpe;—Eaton;—
Eynaston;—Erceton;—Ewarton;—Gringley-on-the-Hill;—
Great and Heaton;—Greasby;—
Hathersage;—Hucknall Torhard;—Hullaborton and
North Levernton;—Kerton;—Lenton;—
Lepton Beswick;—Longdworth;—Lipshy and Pappenwick
and Liberty of Neestead;—Laxton-with-Moorhouse;—
Levar;—Mansfield;—Markham East;—Mark
hamClinton;—Mattersey;—Misterton;—Norton;—
Ollerton;—Onton;—Ordsall;—Rempton;—
Ropewall and Durham;—Rofford;—Rofford East and West;—
Eastwood;—Shepley;—Sootholme and
Waltersfield;—Streley;—Stretton;—Ashfield-in-As
field and Hucknall;—Southam;—
Storton and Littleborough;—Sutton-cum-Lound;—Streypur
and Odcoats;—Tronell;—Tinton;—Teversal;—Tor
worth and Besskill;—Tronefield;—Tuxford;—
Scrooby;—Walkingham;—Walshby;—Wheatley
North and South;—Workop;—Nuttall;—Wallar
ton;—Mansfield Woodhouse;—Wellow and Rof
ford;—Inverness County;—and, Presbyte; praying
the House to resist the efforts now making by
the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration
whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws,
were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon
the Table.

Bill

Poor Law Amendment

Petitions from Fylde Union;—and, Sunderland
Union; praying that the Poor Law Amendment
Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,
were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon
the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Board of
Guardians of the parish of Saint Luke, Chelsea, in
the county of Middlesex, stating that the Poor Law
Commissioners have refused to institute an inquiry
into a grievance laid before them by the Petitioner,
on behalf of a poor man, late an inmate of the
Kensington Union Workhouse, who, in a state of
extreme and dangerous sickness was removed from
Kensington Union Workhouse, who, in a state of
inflammation of the lungs; and praying that a
clause may be inserted in the said Bill, prohibiting
the removal, and the removal to take place not exceed
three hours after the granting and delivery of
such evidence as her experience may suggest before
the Committee recently appointed to inquire into
and amend the law affecting Art-Unions, was also
presented, and read; and referred to the Select
Committee on Art-Unions.

A Petition of James Moton, praying for a free
emigration

passage for himself and his two daughters, now re
siding with him, to Hobart Town, was presented,
and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Merchants, Traders, Workmen and Waterloo, &c.

Residents of and in the vicinity of the Ward of Far

Bridges, rington Within, in the city of London, praying the House to adopt measures for redeeming and exting
guishing the Tolls upon Waterloo, Southwark and
Vauxhall Bridges, was presented, and read; and
ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town of New New Zealand.
Plymouth, in the district of New Plymouth or Tor
ranui, in the island of New Ulster and colony of
New Zealand, praying the House to impose a tax
upon absentee proprietors of land within the town
and district aforesaid, and that the proceeds of such
tax may be appropriated to the formation of a safe
and commodious harbour at the mouth of the Han
toki, in the town of New Plymouth, and to the
construction of roads, bridges and other public
works in the town and district aforesaid, was pre
sented, and read; and referred to the Select
Committee on New Zealand.

Petitions from Seaforde;—Ballymena;—Bandon;—Marriages
in the county of Cork;—and, Castlereagh;
Belfast;—Churchtown;—The Lusk, Green;
donaddy;—and, Cautenpasson; praying the House
to introduce, without delay, into Parliament a Bill
to declare valid, to all intents and purposes in law, all
Marriages heretofore solemnized, or hereafter to
be solemnized, by Presbyterian ministers, in which
between parties not within the prohibited degrees of
cousinship or affinity, and who have the consent
of parents or guardians, and provided that all such
Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agree
ably to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian
Church, were presented, and read; and ordered to
lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the city of Dublin
Bank of Ireland

and its vicinity, praying the House to refuse a re
newal of the Bank of Ireland Charter, and to pass
an Act extending the banking privileges guaranteed
by the Act 6 Geo. 4, c. 42, to the city of Dublin
and the circle of fifty Irish miles around it, with
such amendments as to the House shall seem meet,
was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon
the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Llan
County Courts
dyssil, in the county of Montgomery, and of Llan
mercwig, in the same county, praying that the County
Courts Bill may pass into a law, was presented,
and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from James Kinene, m. d.; — Corn-
Product

Noted Senior Medical Association (President, Secretary and
Treasurer); — William Harvey Kings; —
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Abraham

Ithingleworth;—

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A Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from the Town of Blackburn to the North Union Railway, in the Township of Farringdon, near Preston, all in the County of Lancaster: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Eastern Companies Railway Act to enable the Eastern Counties Railway Company to make a Railway from the Northern and Eastern Railway, at Newport, by Cambridge, to Extenders Bill, Ely, and from thence wastord to Brandon, and

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An American Loyalists. Act to enable the Northern and Eastern Railway Company to make certain Deviations in the Line of their Railways, between Bishop's Stortford and Newport, and to alter and amend the Acts relating to the said Railway, with an Amendment; to which Amendment the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Marget and Carlisle Railway, and for making certain Extensions of the same, with an Amendment; to which Amendment the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

And the Question being put, That this House will, American Loy- alists. upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee, to consider of the following Address to Her Majesty; that is, to be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to take into consideration the Claim made by John Hopton Russell Chichester, of Lincoln's-Inn, Esquire, as Sole Executor of Robert William Powell, an uncompensated American Lo- yalist, deceased; and that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to advance to such Claimant the Amount of the Balance due to the Estate of the said Robert William Powell, for losses incurred in consequence of his adherence to his allegiance, and ascertained by the Commissioners appointed for that purpose; and to assure Her Majesty that this House will make good the same:—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide an Appeal in Criminal Cases: And that Mr. Kelly and Mr. Godson do prepare, and bring it in.

The House was moved, That the Order made Poor Relief upon Friday last, That a Select Committee be ap- pointed to inquire into the Administration and Ope- ration of the Law for the Relief of the Poor in Unions formed under the Act 22 Geo. 3, c. 83 (Gil- bert's Act), and to report to the House their Opinion, whether it is expedient that the said Unions should be maintained, might be read; and the same being read,

A Committee was nominated of Mr. Barnaby, Captain Pechell, Mr. Thomas Duncombe, Sir Robert Hero, Mr. Colyer, Sir William Heathcote, Mr. Beckett Denison, Mr. Wrightson, Viscount Barring- ton, Mr. Commissioners Watton, Mr. Strutts, Mr. Marsham, Mr. Labouchere, Mr. Wakley and Mr. Procter, with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed Union Work- houses to consider the Report of the Commission for in- quiry into the Execution of the Contracts for certain Union Workhouses in Ireland, and to report their Opinion and Observations thereupon to the House.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Voluntary Establishment of County Asylums, Persons Bill for the Relief of Destitute Prisoners on their discharge.
Supply; The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report from the Committee of Supply, and A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Report be now brought up; And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Friday morning; 

**Veneris, 31° die Maii, 1844:**

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Greene accordingly reported several Resolutions; and the same were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eleven thousand three hundred and fifty-three pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Indian Department in Canada, to the 31st day of March 1845.

2. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighteen thousand eight hundred and sixty-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Colonial Land and Emigration Board, &c., for which no permanent provision has been made by Parliament.

3. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eleven thousand two hundred and eighty-two pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses connected with Emigration from this Country, to the 31st day of March 1845.

4. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Forty-nine thousand and seven hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Colonial Land and Emigration Board, and other Expenses connected with Emigration from this Country, to the 31st day of March 1845.

5. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twelve thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray such Expenses as Her Majesty may incur, in the year 1844, in aiding the Local Legislatures in providing for the religious and moral Instruction of the Emancipated Negro Population.

6. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirty-five thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Superannuation Allowances and Compensations to Persons formerly employed in the Public Offices, or in the Public Service, to the 31st day of March 1845.

7. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty-four thousand four hundred and eighty-nine pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Consular Establishment Abroad, to the 31st day of March 1845.

8. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Six thousand and two hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to grant Relief, to the 31st day of March 1845, to Toulonese and Corsican Emigrants, Vol. 90.

9. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty-four hundred and forty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses connected with the Establishment of the British North American Provinces, to the 31st day of March 1844.

10. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighteen thousand eight hundred and fifty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the National Vaccine Institution, for the year 1844.

11. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Three thousand four hundred and forty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Vaccine Establishment (North America), to the 31st day of March 1845.

12. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One thousand eight hundred and fifty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Medical Vaccine Institution, for the year 1844.

13. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighteen thousand and one hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for the payment of theSubsistence of the Polish Refugees, and Allowances to distressed Spaniards, to the 31st day of March 1845.

14. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twelve thousand nine hundred and seventy-nine pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of the Refuge for the Destitute, for the year 1844.

15. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Four thousand two hundred and seventy-six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay, to the 31st day of March 1845, sundry Allowances formerly defrayed from the Civil List, to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Foundling Hospital, Dublin, to the 31st day of March 1845.

16. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two thousand and forty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay, to the 31st day of March 1845, Charities, Bequests and other Charges in Scotland, formerly defrayed from the Hereditary Revenue.

17. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Six thousand and seven hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Foundling Hospital, Dublin, to the 31st day of March 1845.

18. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twelve thousand and three hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Foundling Hospital, Dublin, to the 31st day of March 1845.

19. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Foundling Hospital, Dublin, to the 31st day of March 1845.

20. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two thousand and forty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Foundling Hospital, Dublin, to the 31st day of March 1845.

21. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twelve thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Dublin House of Industry, Dublin, to the 31st day of March 1845.

22. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Royal Asylum for Destitute Children, for the year 1844.

23. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Five thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Doctor Stevens' Hospital, Dublin, to the 31st day of March 1845.

24. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Six thousand and seven hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Dublin Dispensary, to the 31st day of March 1845.

25. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirteen thousand and one hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Stipendiary Justices, to the 31st day of March 1845.

26. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Thirty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

27. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

28. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Six thousand and seven hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

29. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two thousand and forty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

30. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twelve thousand and four hundred and twenty-nine pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

31. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty thousand and twenty-nine pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

32. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eight thousand and one hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

33. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Four thousand and forty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

34. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

35. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

36. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty thousand and forty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

37. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twelve thousand and four hundred and twenty-nine pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

38. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eight thousand and one hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

39. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Four thousand and forty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

40. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

41. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Six thousand and two hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.

42. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twelve thousand and four hundred and twenty-nine pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Westmoreland Lock Hospital, to the 31st day of March 1845.
1845, Charitable Allowances charged on the Cordatum Fund, and other Allowances and Bounties in Ireland.

29. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Five thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Townland Survey (Ireland),

Shannon Navigation.

30. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One thousand three hundred and thirty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Expenses of the Commissioners for the Improvement of the Shannon, to the 31st day of March 1845.

British Ambassador's House at Paris.

31. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Six thousand three hundred and eighty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Building of the British Ambassador’s House at Paris, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Steam Communication to India.

32. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expenses of building the British Ambassador’s House at Constantinople, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Militia and Volunteers (Canada).

33. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Sixteen thousand and six hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, in the year 1844, the Expenses incurred in Canada for Militia and Volunteers.

University of London.

34. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Forty thousand five hundred and eighty-eight pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the University of London, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Scottish Universities.

35. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Twenty thousand three hundred and eighty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay, in the year 1845, to the 31st day of March 1845, Grants to Scottish Universities, formerly defrayed from the Hereditary Revenues of the Crown.

Royal Irish Academy.

36. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Three thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of the Royal Irish Academy, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Royal Hibernian Academy.

37. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Three thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of the Royal Hibernian Academy, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Royal Dublin Society.

38. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Five thousand five hundred and eighty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of the Royal Dublin Society, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Royal Belfast Academical Institution.

39. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two thousand and one hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Expense of the Royal Belfast Academical Institution, to the 31st day of March 1845.

British Museum.

40. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Forty-six thousand and thirty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of New Buildings and Fittings at the British Museum, to the 31st day of March 1845.

National Gallery.

41. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Three thousand two hundred and forty-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the National Gallery, to the 31st day of March 1845.

Museum of Economic Geology.

42. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One thousand and five hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Museum of Economic Geology, to the 31st day of March 1845.

43. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two thousand and three hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the Museum of Economic Geology, to the 31st day of March 1845.

44. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to secure, for the use of the Royal Geographical Society, the services of an Observer at the Cape of Good Hope and Van Diemen's Land, and for Observations and Services carrying on under the direction of the Astronomer Royal, and other Scientific Works and Publications, to the 31st day of March 1845.

45. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying, in the year 1844, the cost of the Monuments to be erected to the Memory of Sir Sydney Smith, Lord Ernouth and Lord De Saunarez.

46. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Five thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, on account of the Agricultural Museum at Dublin, in the year 1844.

47. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two thousand five hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying, in the year 1844, the Expenses of erecting Conservatories and other Buildings in the Botanic Garden in Dublin.

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

The ingrossed Bill to reduce the Stamp Duties on Sea Insurances, and on certain Agreements, and Bill, also, on certain Instruments for appointing Proxies, was, according to Order, read the third time; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to reduce the Stamp Duties on Policies of Sea Insurance, and on certain other Instruments, and to repeal the Duties on certain Bonds, and the Law requiring Public Notaries in Ireland to deliver Accounts of Bills and Notes noted by them.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-Charitable Loan Societies (Ireland) Bill; and also on certain Instruments, and to repeal the Duties on certain Bonds, and the Law requiring Public Notaries in Ireland to deliver Accounts of Bills and Notes noted by them.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Slave Trade a Committee upon the Slave Trade Treaties Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The New South Wales, &c., Government Bill New South was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Customs Duties (Isle of Man) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday the 21st day of June next.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, and had agreed to a Report thereupon.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Pulteney Town Harbour and Improvement Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The Marquess of Ailsa's Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of the Colne Iron Company, and of Monkland and Clyde Coal Mines (No. 5.) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time; and committed.

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

The Order for reading a second time, upon Wednesday next, the Aliens Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 12th day of June next.

The Limitation of Actions (Ireland) Bill 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 before one of the clock on Monday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 31° die Maii ;
Anno 7° Victorivm Reginæ, 1844.

P R A Y E R S.

Sir John Yarde Buller reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Petition for the Gaspé Fishery and Coal Mining Company Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with.

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

Sir John Yarde Buller reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of Campbell's Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir John Yarde Buller reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of Righty's Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Forbes Mackenzie reported from the Committee on the Epson and South Western Railway Bill, and the Amendments, inserted in the said Bills, and had found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Mr. Forbes Mackenzie further reported from the Committee; That in the case of the Croydon and Epson Railway Bill, they had examined into the several matters required by the Standing Orders to be inquired into by Committees on Railway Bills, and had agreed to a Report thereupon.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Pulteney Town Harbour and Improvement Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The Marquess of Ailsa's Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of the Colne Iron Company, and of Monkland and Clyde Coal Mining Company (No. 5.) Bill.
Petitions from the County of Montgomery:—Exeter;—Kilkinson;—Linford;—Bucknell;—Wood-fordsworth, Nickerleigh and Powderham;—Poughill and Stockleigh English;—Gittisham;—Colebrook;—Sheldon;—Exminster;—Clout Saint Mary and Clout Saint George;—Colaton Raleigh;—Ven Ottery;—Hutford;—Plimbroke;—Nether Acre, Rewe and Upnor;—Eston;—Ipswicchi.

Petitions from the county of Essex, praying that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Hunsruck, in the county of Essex, praying that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Magistrates, Clergymen, Gentlemen, Merchants, Farmers and Traders of Kings-town, in the county of Dublin, praying the House to extend to Ireland the provisions of the Bill for the more easy Recovery of Small Debts in England and Wales, by summons before a justice of the peace, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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

A Petition of the Board of Guardians of the Belper Union, in the county of Derby, praying that in the Poor Law Amendment Bill the House will afford relief against Bastardy entirely apart from and totally unconnected with the administration of the Poor Law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of land in the county of Oxford, praying the House to repeal the stamp duties on policies of Insurance against damage by Hail Storms, so far as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas Pickering, of Blackburn, Roman Catholic, in the county of Lancaster, praying the House to devise means, by legislative enactment or otherwise, for the restoration of the second daily Mail to and from Cork, to ply and be governed by the time of the arrival in Cork in the morning, and despatch from Cork in the morning, of the Dublin Mail, so that the Petitioners may have the benefit of the poor shall be taken and computed as so much in rent, as such receipts shall respectively express to have been received, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the consolidated district of New Saint Asaph castle Emlyn;—and, Trookeyware; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Hawdon;—and, Wickhambrook; Arnot, stating that the late alteration in the punishment of Arson does not tend to check that crime, but that it has a contrary effect; and praying that some more severe punishment than that now existing may be substituted in its stead, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of James Willison, of Londonhall-Bank of Eng-street, in the city of London, praying the House to land Charter, to pass into law the measures proposed by the First Minister of the Crown as regards Banking and the Bank of England Charter, and also to pass a law imposing an expert duty of 1s. per oz. on gold and 1s. per oz. on silver, whether as bullion, coin or manufactured, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas Riley Perry, Chemist and Blasphemist, Druggist, Market-street, Leicester, praying the House to abrogate all laws interfering with the freedom of opinion, and all enactments or regulations relating to Blasphemy, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas Paterson, a Prisoner in the Gaol of Perth, stating that he was sentenced in the High Court of Justiciary at Edinburgh, in November 1843, to fifteen months' imprisonment for the alleged offence of Blasphemy; and praying the House to advise Her Majesty to abrogate all laws infringing the right of private judgment, and at once to order his release or at least ameliorate his punishment, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Scholl;—and, Youghal; praying Education the House to devise means for extending Scriptural (Ireland.) Education in Ireland, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Protestant Inhabitants of the town and vicinity of Maynooth rough of Youghal and its vicinity, praying the College-House to withdraw every kind of public support from the College of Maynooth, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas Sturgis, of Kings-cote, Commons House, praying that the Commons Inclosure Bill Inclosure Bill, may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town and vicinity of Bandon and of Cork, in the county of Cork, praying the House to devise means, by legislative enactment or otherwise, for the restoration of the second daily Mail to and from Cork, to ply and be governed by the time of the arrival in Cork in the afternoon, and despatch from Cork in the morning, of the Dublin Mail, so that the Petitioners may have the benefit of the poor shall be taken and computed as so much in rent, as such receipts shall respectively express to have been received, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
of the arrangements for acceleration, ordered to take place on and from the twelfth April One thousand eight hundred and forty-four, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Prisons (Scotland) Bill.

A Petition of the Provost, Magistrates and Town Council of the burgh of Cramond, praying that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Bill.

A Petition of the Council of the borough of Belfast, praying that the Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill.

A Petition of the Council of the borough of Belfast, praying that a Clause may be introduced into the Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill, making the Parliamentary Boundary as extensive as the Municipal one in the three boroughs named in Schedule (A) of the Municipal Act in which the Parliamentary line is the least comprehensive, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Danish Claims.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Bridlington Quay and the neighbourhood, stating that the House on the 24th of May 1838 and on the 18th June 1839, decided that the Claims for losses of ships and cargoes by the Danes in 1807 should be examined and adjudicated; and in the year 1841 addressed Her Majesty, assuring Her Majesty that the House would make good the amount of loss as established in the Report of the Commissioners appointed to adjudicate the same; and praying that the House will, under the favourable circumstances of the Revenue, redeem the pledge then and so given to Her Majesty, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Spirit Trade (Ireland).

A Petition of Wholesale and Retail Spirit Dealers of Belfast, in the county of Antrim, praying the House to modify and amend the laws relating to the Retail Spirit Trade in Ireland, so as to place those who have capital invested in it in the same condition as those who have capital invested in it in England, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Universities of Oxford and Cambridge.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Weymouth, praying the House to institute a searching inquiry into the present condition of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, with the view to making them more efficient instruments for the promotion of education and the encouragement of learning among all classes of the nation, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

London Orphan Asylum.

A Petition of Members of the Board of Managers of the London Orphan Asylum, for leave to present a Petition for leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating the Members of the said Asylum, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

County Rates, &c., bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the County Rates, &c., Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

India Wheat.

A Petition of Members of the Agricultural and Horticultural Society of India, praying the House to take into consideration the justice and expediency of allowing the admission into the ports of Great Britain of Wheat from that country, on the same terms as have already been conceded to Wheat from Canada, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the House, according to Order, resolve itself into the said Committee. No. 331.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com. Supply, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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

The ingrossed Bill to remove Doubts as to the Courts Martial Power of appointing, convening and confirming the (East Indies) Bills.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

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

The Limitation of Actions (Ireland) Bill, was, Limitation accordingly to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Sir George Clerk reported the Slave Trade Treaties Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Vinegar and Glass Duties Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir George Clerk reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Sir George Clerk reported the Bill accordingly. 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.

Petitions of Solicitors practising in Brighton;—Ecclesiastical Provost and Fellows of Etton College; —and, War, Courts Bill, den and Scholars, Clerks of Saint Mary, Winton, College, near Winton; praying that the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the President and Honorary Secretary of the Manchester Law Association, praying that no proviso may be introduced into the said Bill, restraining solicitors and attorneys from participating in the profits of proctors, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Ecclesiastical Courts 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 "be an Instruction to the Committee on the Bill, that they have power to make provision therein for the abolition of all Ecclesiastical Courts, and for the transfer of the jurisdiction of those Courts to Civil Tribunals," 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 old Lobby;
The Noes to the new Lobby.
Tellers for the [Mr. Henry Baring, Yeas, 115.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Young, Noes, 70.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question being put, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

The House divided:

The Yeas to the old Lobby;
The Noes to the new Lobby.
Tellers for the [Mr. Young, Yeas, 62.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Pringle, Noes, 25.]

So it was resolved in the Affirmative:—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Bill read 1st, to be read 2nd; paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed.

Clause No. 1. (Repeal of former Acts, and the jurisdiction of the Ecclesiastical Courts, in respect of defamation, and of any disturbance, by words or otherwise, in any building other than a Church or Chapel, from time to time, to be abolished)—

Amendment proposed, in F. 3. L. 12. After "defamation," to insert "schism, heresy, blasphemy, sodomy, incest, adultery, fornication, drunkenness or other evil-living, and of slinging or laying violent hands on another, in any church or church-yard, and of maliciously striking any person with, or drawing any weapon in any church or church-yard, to the intent to strike another with the same, and of brawling;"

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided:

Tellers for the [Sir George Grey, Yeas, 40.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Jervis, Noes, 62.]

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 13. After "any" to insert "Church or Chapel, or in any;"

Question put, That those words be there inserted;

The Committee divided:

Tellers for the [Sir George Grey, Yeas, 61.]
Tellers for the [Mr. Jervis, Noes, 109.]

Another Amendment proposed, in l. 14. After "Chapel!" to insert "and in respect of Church Rates;"

Question put, That those words be there inserted;
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Rother Levels Drainage Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Southampton Marsh Improvement Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Stipendiary Justices (Colonies), which was presented upon the 15th and 16th Clauses of the said Act:—Returns of the Number of Fever Patients relieved under the 15th Clause of the said Act, and of the Number relieved under the 16th Clause, up to the 1st day of March 1844:—And, of the Number of Houses hired for the Reception of Poor Persons in Fever, under the 16th Clause of the said Act, and the Names of the Unions in which they have been hired.

A Return of the Names of Unions in Ireland in Poor Law which the Provisions of the Act 6 and 7 Vic. c. 92, (Ireland,) in respect of Poor Patients, has been acted on; specifying, 1st, the cases in which the Poor Law Commissioners have sanctioned the Appropriation of a Part of the Workhouse for an Hospital; 2d, the building of a House; 3d, the hiring of a House for that purpose:—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Long reported from the Committee on the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill; and to whom Petitions against the said Bill were referred; and who, by Instruction of the House of the 29th day of March last, were empowered to insert additional provisions therein, upon condition that such additional provisions do not give compulsory powers to take land; That they had heard counsel in support of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; and that they had made such additional provisions, and had inserted the requisite condition, pursuant to the said Instruction; and that they had amended the Preamble of the Bill accordingly; and that the Committee had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that they have gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report on the Wells Harbour Wells Harbour and Quay Bill be taken into consideration upon 2d and 3d Bill. Thursday next.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Northern and the Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, in Eastern Railways, An Act to enable the Northern and Eastern Railway Company to make certain Deviations in the Bill, and to alter and amend the Acts relating to the said Railway; and the same was read, as followeth:

Ordered, That Mr. Bramston do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

An ingrossed Bill for making a Junction Railway from the Eastern Counties Railway, at Stratford, (Eastern Counties Railway) and in the County of Essex, to the River Thames, with a Branch Railway therefrom; and for constructing a Pier in the River Thames, was read the third time, Bill Resolved.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

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

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the said Bill be further adjourned till To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Ashton, Stalybridge and Liverpool Junction Railway Bill;

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the said Bill be further adjourned till To-morrow.
third reading of the said Bill be further adjourned till To-morrow.

An ingrossed Bill for making a Railway to connect the Edinburgh and Glasgow and Slamannan Railways, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Mary Bean, Widow, and her Issue, and Edward Whitley, Esquire, and Charlotte, his Wife, and the Issue of the said Charlotte Whitley respectively, to take the Surname and use the Arms of Rodbard, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Acland do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Mr. Pusey reported from the Committee on the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill, That the Parties opposing the Bill had stated to the Committee, that it was essential, in order to enable them to establish their case before the Committee, that Mr. Samuel Wells, the Registrar of the Bedford Level Corporation, should attend the Committee forthwith, and bring with him the Minute Book, the Order Book and Poll Book of the said Corporation; and also the Books showing the several Owners of one hundred acres of Adventurers’ Land.

Mr. Pusey further reported, That it having been proved, to the satisfaction of the Committee, that the Parties had used the best means in their power to procure the attendance of the aforesaid person as a witness, but that the same could not be procured without the intervention of the House, he had been instructed by the Committee to apply to the House, to order the said Samuel Wells to attend and give evidence before them, and to produce the aforesaid Documents.

Ordered, That Mr. Samuel Wells, the Registrar of the Bedford Level Corporation, do attend the Committee on the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill To-morrow, and bring with him the Minute Book, the Order Book and Poll Book of the said Corporation, and also the Books showing the several Owners of one hundred acres of Adventurers’ Land.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Birkenhead Docks Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Wick Tree Roads Bill; That they had examined the negotiations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Macroom;—and, Kilmacnamoge;—Education praying the House to devise means for extending (Ireland) scriptural Education in Ireland, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Bath;—Fordingbridge;—Row—Dissenters’ land’s Castle;—Swanseas; (six Petitions);—Walling:—Chapels Bill.

From Edward’s Estate Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of lands situate in the Middle Level of the Fens, being part of the Great Bedford Level, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Wick Tree Roads Bill; That they had examined the negotiations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.
the British and Foreign Unitarian Association;—
Finsbury;—Members of the Sunday School Asso-
iation;—Bishopsgate;—Linton-in-Craven;—Au-
trum;—Strabane;—Ballymena;—Rotherham;—
Canterbury;—Dudley;—Paisley;—Sandown;—
Derby;—Newcastle-upon-Tyne;—Burnley;—
Bromley and Broomhook;—Darum;—and, Mid-

dleton; praying that the said Bill may pass into a
law,—were also presented, and read; and ordered to
lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Marsh Gibbon;—Silverstone;—
Greaten Regis;—Edgfort;—Christchurch, Sopley
and Holandenhurst;—Twyford (Bucks);—Winsor;
—Hillenhurst;—Worcester;—Wingrave;—Tingrith;
—Foscott;—Beaconhampton;—Graevecott;
—Leckhammet;—Emsere;—Akeley;—Steple Claydon;
—Preston Bissett;—Biddlesden;—Addington (Bucks);—
Thurborough;—Cheriton;—Cloteswold;—Hil-
lesden;—Stone (Bucks);—Barton Harthorns;
—Lillingstone Deyrill;—Shalstone;—Whaddon
(Bucks);—Hockley;—Aynhoe;—Boineorth;—
Hullum;—Greaten;—Lego Weston and West-
ton;—Hinton-on-the-Hedge;—Althorpe;—Broac-
ley;—Powyspery;—Chacomb;—Middleton
(Northampton);—Tentford;—Collingtree;—Crosten;
—Worwell;—Fiddington;—Elygon;—Ickford;
—Letchworth;—Passenhanger;—Stoke Brewer;
—Blakesley;—Whittlebridge;—Wicken;
—Woppenham;—Culworth;—Subgrace;—Alderton;
—Cold Higham;—Easton Newton;—Shulman;
—Chingford;—Plumpton;—Newbottle;—
Broddam;—Mealford;—Harwell;—Quinton;
—Greens Norton;—King's Sutton;—Pattishall;
—Potterperry and Yardley Gobion;—Thorpe Mande-
villo;—and, Coventry with Furfro;—praying the
House to resist the efforts now making by the Ant-
Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever
may be made in the existing Corn Laws,—were
presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the
Table.

A Petition of Protestants and Catholics residing in
the neighbourhood of Chipping, in the county of
Lancaster, stating that from numerous instances of
recent date in various parts of the kingdom, the
Petitioners are persuaded that the existing laws relative
to the transfer of real and personal property into the hands of the Roman Catholic Priesthood are insufficient to protect the property of families; and praying the House to take into consideration the laws on the subjects of gifts and bequests for ecclesiastical purposes, with a view to the passing of a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Manlake, East of the Trent;—Thurns in Arwood;—Wingford;
There-undersigned Clergymen and others;—Reigate;
—Deeney of Whitechurch (Dorset);—Archdeaconry of Leures;—Archdeaconry of Carginan and Deane of
Llangdock West;—Archdeaconry of Coventry;—
Banister;—and, Deputy of Blackheath; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7
Will. 3, c.77, as relates to the union of the Sees of
Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time that speedy and strenuous efforts may be made for the establishment of a See at Manchester, by other means,—were presented, and read; and or-
dered to lie upon the Table.

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said Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Company, or "through any land which either of those Com-
panies have constructed, or have power to con-""struct, under their respective Acts of Parliament to pur-
chase."
Pr. 12.1. 8. After "completed" insert Clause (A.) Clause (A.). And be it Enacted, That nothing "in this Act contained shall be held to exempt the "Railway by this and the recited Acts authorized "to be made from the provisions of an Act passed "in the first and second years of the reign of Her "present Majesty, intituled, "An Act to provide for "the conveyance of the Mails by Railway."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Duncombe do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Mr. Cripps reported from the Committee on the South Eastern and Hastings Railway Bill; and, the Brighton, Lewes and Hastings Railway Bills (competing Lines); and to whom several Petitions against the said Bills were referred; that the Committee had negatived the allegations of the Bill; That they had heard counsel in support of the Petitions against the second mentioned Bill; and had also heard counsel in favour thereof; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

A Motion being made, That the ingrossed Bill for enabling the Trustees of the Liverpool Docks to construct additional Wet Docks and other Works, and to raise a further Sum of Money, and for amending and extending the Acts relating to the Docks and Harbour of Liverpool, be now read the third time;

Lords Granville Somerset, 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 shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

An ingrossed Bill for better paving, lighting, cleansing and otherwise improving part of the Parish of Newchurch, in the Isle of Wight, called Ventnor, and for establishing a Market therein, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Sir William Heathcote do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Petitions from Orrell; Hindley; and, Southport; praying that the County Court (County Palatine of Lancaster) Bill may not pass into a law; and that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Colliers of the counties of Northumberland and Durham, stating that the differences between the Masters and the Petitioners are very many and of various kinds, that the ventilation in several of the Pits is bad and defective, and that by the system under which they have hitherto worked, and which the masters now seek to perpetuate, they are not paid for the actual amount of their labour, and have requested their masters that their wages may be ascertained by weight and not by measure, as has been established by an Act with regard to London, and that they may be paid for all they actually haul; and submitting that the present duty of Coal on the export of Coals has been used by the masters as a reason for reducing the wages of the hewers; and praying that the House will be pleased to repeal the law imposing such duty; and also that the House will be pleased to devise measures for the purpose of preventing the Petitioners in the exercise of their industry, and to prevent the recurrence of the grievances under which they are suffering, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Petition be printed.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the boroughs of Newcastle-upon-Tyne and Gateshead, praying that the Smoke Prohibition Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Manufacturers resident in or carrying on business in the borough of Tynemouth and its neighbourhood, praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Herlot Union, Rating of in the county of Cornwall, praying that so much of the rates from occupiers to owners of divided houses, be adopted in the case of cottages and small tenements, the rent of which is five pounds and under, as that such occupiers at or under such rental, paying the poor rates, be empowered to make deductions of such payments from their rents, and of the value of goods and chattels distrained for such payment, and of costs attendant on the process, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Clergy of the Archdeaconry of Lewes parochial and Diocese of Chichester;—and, Beneficed Tithe-Assessments owners and Owners of Rent-charge in the county of Sussex; praying the House to restore to them that equal mode of rating which existed before the passing of the Parochial Assessments Act, either by repealing the Act or by exempting so much of the rent-charge from liability to be rated, as may be secure to the owner of an equal and proportionate assessment to the poor rate,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from New Spring Field;—and, Glass-Arrestment gow; praying the House to declare and enact that wages in Scotland are not and shall not be arrestable, and that the practice of arresting Wages, that has arisen and prevailed in Scotland, shall cease and determine,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Members of the Society of Irish Art-Unions, Artists and Amateurs of Dublin;—and, Members of the New Society of Painters in Water Colours; praying the House to place Art-Union Societies, established exclusively for the promotion of the Fine Arts, on a sound and permanent basis,—were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Art-Unions.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the borough of Saint Blasphemy, Mary-le-bone, praying the House to abrogate all laws interfering with freedom of opinion, and all enactments or regulations relative to Blasphemy, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions

South Eastern and Hastings Railway Bill.

Liverpool Docks Bill.
Petitions from Cadder and Kirkintilloch—Wilsontown, Morningside and Coltness Railway Company;—and, Wishaw and Coltness Railway Company;—praying that the Montkeuk Railways (No. 2) Bill may pass into a law.—were presented, and read; and ordered to 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 shall be laid before this House, Copies or Extracts of any further Correspondence relative to the Emigration of Indian Labourers into the Mauritius, in continuation of the Papers presented to Parliament, by Her Majesty's Command, on the 5th day of March 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.

Mr. George William Hope presented, pursuant to an Address to Her Majesty,—Copy of the Memorial addressed by the Agent of Jamaica to Her Majesty's Government, relative to the Reduction of the Duties on Foreign Sugar and Coffee, unaccompanied by any Reduction of the Duties on those Articles the growth of British Possessions.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Savings Banks Bill:

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

A Petition of Sugar Refiners of London, praying the House to pass a law to reduce the differential duty upon Sugar the produce of the British Possessions, and that such law may be applicable to all Sugar of this description now in the bonded warehouses, and all that may arrive previous to, as well as after the passing of the Act, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Chairman of the associated West India Planters and Merchants in Liverpool;—and, Members of the West India Association of Dublin; praying the House not to reduce the duty on Foreign Sugar; but that if it be reduced, the duty upon Sugar the produce of the British Possessions be reduced also,—were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Merchants, Manufacturers and other Inhabitants of the borough of Leeds, praying the House to abolish all differential duties on Sugar, and to reduce the duty to the lowest amount that the necessities of the Public Service will allow, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Planters, Merchants and others interested in the British West India Colonies;—and, Chairman of a Meeting of West India Planters, Merchants and others residing in the city of Bristol, and its neighbourhood; praying the House not to sanction a reduction of duties on Foreign Sugar, Coffee and Cocoa, without a simultaneous reduction of the duties on tropical produce of British Plantation growth,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee of Ways and Means.

(1) Motion made, and Question proposed, That, Sugar Duties, towards raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the several Duties now payable on Sugar be further continued, for a time to be limited, save and except that from and after the 10th day of November next, there shall be charged on Brown, Muscovado or Clayed, not being refined Sugar, certified to be the growth of China, Java or Molucca, or of any other Foreign Country, the Sugar of which Her Majesty in Council shall have declared to be admissible, as not being the produce of Slave labour.

The hundred weight
£ 1. 1s.
Together with an additional Duty of £ 5. per centum on the afore-mentioned Rate.

Whereupon, Motion made, and Question put, That, towards raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty, instead of the Duties of Customs now payable on Sugar, there shall be charged on Brown or Muscovado Sugar, the Produce of any Foreign Country, the Sum of Thirty-four shillings the hundred weight;"—

The Committee divided:

Tellers for the f Mr. Tufnell
Tellers for the Mr. Young,
Noes, Mr. Henry Baring : 197.
Original Question put, and agreed to.

2. Resolved, That from and after the 10th day of November next, Her Majesty be authorized, by Order in Council, to give effect to the provisions of any Treaty now in force, which binds Her Majesty to admit Sugar the Produce of a Foreign Country, at the same Duties as are imposed on Sugar the Produce of the most favoured Nation.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. Greene 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 taking into County Courts further consideration the Report on the County Bill.

Orderd, That the Report be taken into further consideration upon Monday the 17th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Small Debts reading of the Small Debts Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Court Superior Courts mittee on the Unlawful Oaths (Ireland) Bill; (Common Law) Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 17th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Small Debts Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of this instant June.

The Order of the day being read, for the Court mittee on the Unlawful Oaths (Ireland) Bill; (Common Law)
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 17th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Vestries in Churches Bill was, according to Vestries in Order, read a second time; and committed to a Churches Bill Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Forestalling, &c., Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene 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 Thursday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the County Rates, &c., Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly.

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 of Supply.

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 Limitation of Actions (Ireland) Bill.

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

The ingrossed Bill for authorizing Her Majesty to carry into immediate execution, by Orders in Council, any Treaties for the Suppression of the Slave Trade, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 14th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Greene reported the New South Wales, &c., Government Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Thursday next.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon Thursday last, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the Report of the Commission for inquiring into the execution of the Contracts for certain Union Workhouses in Ireland, and to report their Opinion and Observations thereupon to the House, might be read; and the same being read;

A. Committee was nominated of Sir Edward Knatchbull, Mr. Lock, Lord Elliot, Mr. Ord, Sir Robert Ferguson, Mr. Vesey, Sir Henry Winston Barron, Mr. Shaw, Lord Courtenay, Mr. French, Mr. Bellew, Mr. More O'Ferrall, Lord Cloud Hamilton, and Mr. Burton, with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ordered, That Mr. Liddell and Mr. Hayter be discharged from any further attendance on the Select Committee on Art-Unions.

Ordered, That Mr. Mackintosh and Sir William Okey be added to the Committee.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the appointment of Chaplains in Lunatic Asylums, County Infirmaries and Fever Hospitals in Ireland: And that Mr. Stafford O'Brien and Mr. Smythe do prepare, and bring in it.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number and Names of Parties to all Informations and Indictments for Misdemeanors preferred in the Court of Queen's Bench, or removed thither by Certiorari or otherwise, and tried since the 1st day of January 1824, and of the Verdicts and Judgments thereon; and of all Motions therein for a new Trial, or that a Verdict be entered for one or more Defendant or Defendants, or that Judgment be arrested; and of substance of the Rules pronounced upon such Motions; and where a new Trial has been ordered, of the further Proceedings thereon.

Mr. Stafford O'Brien presented a Bill for the appointment of Chaplains in Lunatic Asylums, County Infirmaries and Fever Hospitals in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday the 17th day of this instant June; and to be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

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PRAYERS.

M. R. Campbell, from the Court of Directors of East India, the East India Company, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copies of Acts passed by the Governor General of India in Council, on the 12th of April 1841, (Nos. 1 to 31):—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Poor Law Commissioners, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order,—Copies of Correspondence which passed between Mr. J. B. Ryder, the Chairman of the Chelsea Board of Guardians, and the Poor Law Commissioners, in July and August last, relating to the removal of Henry Osman, a Pauper, from the Kensington Union Workhouse to the Chelsea Workhouse, during the time that he was in a dying state:—And then he withdrew.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Ireland, to make out Writs, a new Writ for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Enniskillen, in the room of the Honourable Arthur Henry Cole, 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, Dacorum and Brenchley, in the county of Buckingham.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Taff Vale Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Lakenheath and Brandon Drainage Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Lakenheath and Brandon Drainage Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Edinburgh, Leith and Granton Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

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The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the Ashton, Stalybridge, and Liverpool Junction Railway Bill:—The House resumed the said further Proceeding.

And several Clauses being offered to be added to the Bill;

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

Campbell’s Estate Bill was read a second time; Campbell’s and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

An ingrossed Bill to amend Three Acts for more effectually draining and preserving certain Marsh Lands or Low Grounds in the Counties of Kent and Sussex, draining into the River Rother and Channel of Appledore, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Petitions from Woolwich;—Stamford;—Oxford;

Chapels Bill.

Lambourn;—Houghton (two Petitions);—Chapels Bill.

Ashington;—Upper Chelsea;—Lowermosto;—

Harwich;—Chairman of the Committee of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland;—

Manchester (eleven Petitions);—Chester (two Petitions);—Charlton Kings;—Dillbrook;—Golden Valley;—Withington (two Petitions);—North Leach;—Hawling;—Alerton;—Gretton;—Nigg;—

Polmont;—Free Presbytery of Stirling (Moderator);—Members of the Free Presbytery of Innerness;—Perth (two Petitions);—Free Church Synod of Angus and Mearns (Moderator and Clerk);—

Creetown;—General Assembly of the Free Church of Scotland (Moderator);—Presbytery of the Free Church of Orkney (Moderator);—Members of the Free Presbytery of Alford;—Mostrose (three Petitions);—Montfichet;—Kilmuir Easter;—Portmack;—Balnacushall;—Belford;—Abingdon;—

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by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, between parties not within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and who have the consent of parents or guardians, and provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agreeably to the published laws of 1811 and 1812, the Irish Presbyterian Church were, presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Magistrates, Clergymen, Gentlemen, Small Debtors, Merchants, Farmers, and Traders of Newtown Bill, Hamilton and vicinity, in the county of Armagh, praying the House to extend to Ireland the provisions of the Small Debts Bill, with such alterations and amendment, if any, as the circumstances of the case may require, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Newtown-upon-Trent; Notting-Corn Law ham; Coleshill; Little Luddenham; Clifton; Marston Trussell; Orton; Wedderburn; Creswell; Newton; Sudborough; Burton Latimer; Markton; Great Weldon; Loddlington; Old; Egton; Brough; Bassetlaw; St. I. Childers; Rushton; Godlington; Gretton; Midbeck; Rowell; Haellbeck; Harwood; Dingley; Cranford Saint John; Tuyewell; Thorpe Maler; Walgrave; Hathering; Feshenham; Tenbury; Redditch; Upton Warren; East's other places; Welgrave; Martin Hussingtree; Ruscomb; Bredley; Rock; Pencam; Kyre Magna and Kyre Parva; Bechtor; Abberley; Stockley and Bishopay; Cleeve; Shrewby on-Tere; Acton Beauchamp; Hillehampton; Sapey Pitchard; Shelsley; Kings and Shelley Walsh; Shelsley Beauchamp; Stockton; Shipston-on-Stour; Knighton-upon-Terne; Martin; Lindfield; Great and Little Witney; Church; Amerham and Kelham; Balderston; Barby; Cauntown; Beathorpe and Knappthorpe; Codlington; North Collingham; South Collingham; Caltham and Shelton; Crowlewy; Elston; Farndon; Haxton; Holme and other places; North Muskmeh and Batby; South Muskmeh and Little Carlton; Steinston and other places; East Stowe and Thorpe; Sperron and Stithorpe; Beathorpe and Girton; Bridgwell, Torney and Wigsley; Carlton-on-Trent; Fledborough and Woodocates; Harby; Knossell and other places; Norwell and Norwell Woodhouse; Seyby; Southwell; Southwell and Spelton; Sutton-on-Trent; Weston; Aslockton; East Bridford; West Bridford; Dronington Sudney; Car Colston; Chipleton; Cottesbrooke; Eaton; Elston; Fincham; Grange-cum-Sutton; Hinckworth; Hinckling; Glemsham and Holme Peterstone; Kinicutton; Knotton; Langar; Croton; Anthorpe; Radcliffe-on-Trent; Serenole; Scarrington; Stercoton; Thoroton; Tothby; Tullerton; Whetton; Burton; Clifton; Costock; Gotham; Keyworth; East Leake; West Leake; Normanton-on-Sor; Normanton-on-the-Wolds; Pheasey; Rempton; Ruddington; Stanford; Stanston-on-the-Wolds; Sutton Barringdon; Thrumpton; Wideporp; Wilford; Willoughby; Wyhall; Woolbro; Storde Bardonhill; Sneyton; Loncham; Gunthorpe; Gonalston and Hoeningham; Grelling; Egerton; Colling; Calvert; Burton Joyce; Wibbourn; Yoxton; Southwell; Thurlston and Gullington; Fisherton and other places; Bilsby and Morton; Orton; Maplebeck; Kirklington and Lockerton; Holman and Edingley; County of Deron (two Petitions); Exeter; Bred Hendre and Millslade; Beaford; Beverley and Soson; Littleham and Coombe; Chester Fitzpaine; Bridford; Offield and Wiltoworthy; Ottilia; Luppit; Duxfield; Mustary; Otterton.

Marriages (Irish.)

church: Robin Hood's Bay: Pickledelesbath;
Alcester; Sutton-in-Ashfield: Inverness;
Bethal Green; Brewood; Newtonsbutler;
Belfast; Terbury; Worcester; Southport and Churchtown:
Hill Hall; Brierley Hill; Desborough; Doncaster;
Tadcaster; Wathfield; Queniborough;
Chesterfield (two Petitions); Newtonhamilton;
(Bh) Belper; Whitby; Glossop;
Clyndy; Whalley; Peakfield; Long Sutton;
Ptychell; Clare (Armagh); Dunford;
Patricroft; Charlton-cum-Hardy; Wattlefield;
Ayrohill; Edgbaston; Mountnorris; Marthall;
Drumbanagher; Lowdall; Clifton and other places;
Kildwick; Addingham; Aberford; Rotherham;
Keady; Clark's Bridge; Usher's Mill;
King's Mills; Tassagh; Cladymore;
Becben; Mountnorris; Lismore; Caledon;
Benburb; Royal; Lodge; Coshall;
Tollerton Whatton; Barton and Spytford; Sutton-on-Trent; Weston; Aslockton; East Bridford; West Bridford; Dronington Sudney; Car Colston; Chipleton; Cottesbrooke; Eaton; Elston; Fincham; Grange-cum-Sutton; Hinckworth; Hinckling; Glemsham and Holme Peterstone; Kinicutton; Knotton; Langar; Croton; Anthorpe; Radcliffe-on-Trent; Serenole; Scarrington; Stercoton; Thoroton; Tothby; Tullerton; Whetton; Burton; Clifton; Costock; Gotham; Keyworth; East Leake; West Leake; Normanton-on-Sor; Normanton-on-the-Wolds; Pheasey; Rempton; Ruddington; Stanford; Stanston-on-the-Wolds; Sutton Barringdon; Thrumpton; Wideporp; Wilford; Willoughby; Wyhall; Woolbro; Storde Bardonhill; Sneyton; Loncham; Gunthorpe; Gonalston and Hoeningham; Grelling; Egerton; Colling; Calvert; Burton Joyce; Wibbourn; Yoxton; Southwell; Thurlston and Gullington; Fisherton and other places; Bilsby and Morton; Orton; Maplebeck; Kirklington and Lockerton; Holman and Edingley; County of Deron (two Petitions); Exeter; Bred Hendre and Millslade; Beaford; Beverley and Soson; Littleham and Coombe; Chester Fitzpaine; Bridford; Offield and Wiltoworthy; Ottilia; Luppit; Duxfield; Mustary; Otterton;
Otterton.—East Budleigh.—Bickton.—and, Templeton and Stoodley; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thorneley reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented from the 22d to the 31st day of May last, both inclusive; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

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

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish and neighbourhood of Llangefni, in the county of Anglesey, praying that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law, and that a knowledge of the Welsh language may be required on the part of the Judges who may be selected to decide small causes in the Principality of Wales, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Officers to the Sheriff of Worcestershire, praying that in case the said Bill should pass into a law, the House will cause the Petitioners to receive compensation for the loss which they must necessarily sustain or appoint the Petitioners to such offices in the newly-formed Courts as their previous duties may have enabled them competently to fill, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Brecknock Union, in the county of Brecknock, praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, by conferring on Boards of Guardians the power of fixing the measure of remuneration to be given to the Medical Officers of Unions, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

A Petition of Practitioners of Medicine and Surgery, being Medical Officers of the Reigate Union, taking notice of the new regulations issued by the Poor Law Commissioners for the appointment and remuneration of Medical Officers; and praying the House to take such steps as may secure the best advice and medicines for the poor in sickness, throughout the kingdom, was also presented, and read; and referred to the said Select Committee.

A Petition of Thomas Haywood, of Wimhurst, in the county of Sussex, Clerk, one of the Trustees of the late Archdeacon of Lewes, of Herstmonceaux, in the 14th of the reign of King George the Fourth, in the Mineral Railway Bill; was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee to whom the said Petition is committed.

A Petition of the Venerable Julius Charles Hare, North Wales Archdeacon of Lleyn, of Harthmansecon, in the Mineral Railway Act.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, in favour of the Bill, by his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the North Wales Mineral Railway Bill, was presented, and read.

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A Petition of Simon Foot, Esquire, of the city of Great Southern Dublin, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Act, had not been complied with; and that the Petitioners for the said Railway may not be allowed to proceed with their Bill in the present Session of Parliament, and that he may be heard before the Committee to whom the said Petition is referred, by his agents, in support of the allegations set forth in his Petition, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Managers of the National Charter Association, residing in the boroughs of Southwa Cath and Lambeth, praying that the House will address Her Majesty for a free pardon for Daniel O'Connell and others, and will cause an inquiry to be made into the evils and grievances that afflict all portions of the kingdom, with a view to their redress, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the royal burgh of Forfar, praying the House immediately to pass a Trade Law abolishing at once and for ever the exclusive privileges enjoyed by the Guilds and Incorporated Trades in the royal burghs of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the royal burgh of Incorporation Forfar, praying the House to relieve the Board of Guardians from the payment of the instalments chargeable upon the union for the advances made by the Government towards building the workhouse, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman and Clerk of the Poor Relief Board of Guardians of the Roscrea Union, praying (Ireland) Act.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.
A Petition of the Rural Dean and Clergy of the
Rural Deanery of Hawarden, praying the House to
repeal so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as
relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and
Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to
lie upon the Table.

A Petition of David John Wilson, of Belvoir, in
the county of Claren, praying the House to cause
such alterations to be made in the law as will tend
to reduce the price of Window Glass, was presented,
and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Directors of the National Security
Savings Bank at W'ich, praying that the Savings
Bank Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,
and that the House will be pleased to exempt Scot-
land from its operation, was presented, and read;
and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Saint
Michael Camden, in the county of Bremen, praying
that the Commons Inclosure Bill may not pass into
a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie
upon the Table.

A Petition of Henry Pearson, of the Middle
Temple, Esquire, Barrister-at-Law, praying the
House forthwith to carry into effect the principles
mentioned in the Report in 1839 of the Select Com-
mmittee of the House on Church Leaseholds, and
that the House will take early measures to enfranchise
that property, with a due consideration of the in-
terests of the lessees, as well as of the Church, was
presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the
Table.

A Petition of the Moderator and Clerk of the
Free Protesting Synod of Dumfries, praying that
the Parishes (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a
law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie
upon the Table.

A Petition of Attornies and Solicitors residing and
practising at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, praying that the
Ecclesiastical Courts Bill may not pass into a law,
but that the House will be pleased to pass a Bill for
carrying into effect the recommendations of the
Real Property Commissioners, as to wills of personal
estate and the administration of intestate's effects
and for constituting the present diocesan and pro-
vincial registries, register offices of the Court of
Chancery, until other register offices shall be esta-
blished there, was presented, and read; and ordered to
lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of land in
the county of Oxford, praying the House to repeal
the Stamp Duty on Policies of Insurance against
damage by Hall Storms, so far as agricultural pro-
duce is concerned, thereby putting it on the same
footing as in the case of loss by fire, was presented,
and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of James Birch, of the city of Dublin,
praying the House to take some immediate step to
discontinue any persons employed in the public
service from holding official situations in Joint Stock
Companies, or undertaking the management of com-
mercial establishments, was presented, and read;
and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Thee-undersigned Persons,
praying that the Roman Catholic Clergy, Grants
and Conveyances (Ireland) Bill, may not pass into
a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read;
and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Stockton-upon-Tees:—Coal-owners
of the River Wear;—Newcastle-upon-Tyne;—and,
Hartley and Blyth; praying the House to repeal
the duty on the export of Coals,—were presented,
and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Grahamtown:—Paisley (six Peti-
tions) Barrhead;—and, Neilston; praying that the
Petition General Gas Bill may not pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie
upon the Table.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee
Standing on Standing Orders; several Resolutions;
which Orders;
were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That in the case of the Amendments
Southampton Improvement Bill proposed on the third reading of the Southampton
Improvement Bill, the said Amendments are of such
a nature as may be adopted by the House at that
stage, if it shall think fit.

2. Resolved, That in the case of the North Wales
Mineral Railway, this House is not to proceed with the
Bill.

3. Resolved, That in the case of the Gaspé Fishery
Company, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with; that the Parties
Company.

4. Resolved, That in the case of the Labouring
Classes Improvement Society, for leave to present a Petition for a Bill, the Sessional Order
 ought not to be dispensed with.

5. Resolved, That in the case of the London London
Orphan Asylum, for leave to present a Petition
for the Sessional Order ought not to be dispensed with.

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

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect Gaspé Fishery
of the Petition for the Gaspé Fishery and Coal-Mining
Company Bill, which was this day made from
to present a Petition for a Bill, the Sessional Order
might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill
to confirm and extend the Provisions of an Act of
the provincial Parliament of Canada, passed in the
seventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, for
incorporating the Gaspé Fishery and Coal Mining
Company; and that Viscount Ingestre and Sir
Howard Douglas do prepare, and bring it in.

The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Smoke Prohi-
Committee upon the Smoke Prohibition Bill, To-
morrow, was read, and discharged.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 12th day of this instant June, resolve itself into
the said Committee.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented Oaths, &c.
to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased
give directions that there be laid before this
House, Copies of all Oaths, Declaration or Sub-
scriptions required from the Judges, Advocates,
Proctors and all Officers, upon their Admission; and
of all Oaths, whether customary or special, which
are taken or may be taken by Advocates and Proc-
tors in the performance of their Duties, in all the
Provincial and Diocesan Ecclesiastical Courts, and
in the High Court of Admiralty; with a Statement
of the authority by which every Oath, Declaration
or Subscription 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.

Resolved, 4th June. A. 1844.
Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions, and that there be laid before this House a Return of the date of Incorporations of all Gilbert Unions, whether dissolved or not.

Ordered, That the address be presented to Her Majesty, for enabling the Yorkshire and Midland Railway Company to make a Railway from York to Scarborough, with a Branch to Pickering, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for enabling the York and North Midland Railway Bill, to which the Lords have agreed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday, the 26th day of this instant June.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Evidence taken by Mr. Austin in the cases of Post mortem Examination of Paupers who died in Workhouses belonging to the Dudley Union; together with his Report, and the Proceedings of the Poor Law Commissioners thereon.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Lott Tole Exemption (Wales) Bill, was read, and discharged.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize the Pur- Chase of the Parish of Whalley, all in the County Palatine of Lancaster, to be called the Manchester, Bury and Rossendale Railway, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Baptist, in the City of Coventry and the County of Warwick, with an Amendment; to which Amendment the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

The Lords do not insist upon the Amendment made by their Lordships to the Lancaster and Carlisle Railway Bill, to which this House hath dis- agreed:

The Lords request that this House will be pleased Gaming. to communicate to their Lordships, a Copy of the Report made by the Select Committee of this House appointed in the present Session of Parliament, to inquire into the existing Statutes agen to what extent these Statutes are evaded; and to consider whether any and what Amendments should be made in such Stu-

A Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Laws relating to amending an Act passed in the eleventh year of the reign of his Majesty King George the Third, for repealing the Duties on Policies of Sea Insurance, and on certain other Instruments, and to repeal the Duties on certain Bonds, and the Law requiring Public Notaries in Ireland to deliver Accounts of Bills and Notes noted by them:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to reduce the Stamp Duties; together with the Minutes of Evidence before the said Committee, and the Appendix and Index thereto:

Resolved, That the House will send an Answer to the last part of the said Message by Messengers of their own.

And the Messengers were again called in; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith: And then they again withdrew.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to Or- Police Reward ders,—Returns of the Police Reward Fund in Ire- land, constituted by the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 13, (Ireland.)

Mr. Speaker, the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Laws relating to the Crown in Chancery:

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to remove Doubts as to the Power of appointing, convening and confirming the Statutes; together with the Minutes of Evidence before the said Committee, and the Appendix and Index thereto:

And that Sir Thomas Wilde do carry the said Message.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize the Pur- Chase of the Crown in Chancery:

The Lords have agreed to the several Bills follow- ing, without Amendment; viz.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for Labor in Factories:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to reduce the Stamp Duties on Policies of Sea Insurance, and on certain other Instruments, and to repeal the Duties on certain Bonds, and the Law requiring Public Notaries in Ireland to deliver Accounts of Bills and Notes noted by them:

A Bill, intituled, An Act for giving additional Powers to the Commissioners for the Relief of certain of Her Majesty's Colonies and Plantations in the West Indies:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Laws relating to Labour in Factories:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to amend an Act of the first and second years of Her present Majesty, for securing the Debt due by the City of Edinburgh to the Public:

A Bill, intituled, An Act for redeeming Lands in the Manors or Lordships of Arrington and Cwm- gilla, in the Parish of Knighthost, in the County of Radnor:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize the Pur- chase of Moss' Ferry by the Commissioners for the Improvement of Birkenhead, Claughton-cum- Grange and Part of Otton, in the County of Chester, and for amending the Acts relating to the said Commissioners:

A Bill, intituled, An Act for opening certain Streets, and otherwise improving the Town of Sal- ford, by amending an Act passed in the eleventh year of the reign of his Majesty King George the Fourth, for better cleansing and improving the said Town of Salford, in the County Palatine of Lancas-

A List of the Names of all Persons qualified to serve as Jurors in the Northern Division of the County Tipperary, as returned by the Collectors of Jury Cess to the Clerk of the Peace, submitted by him to the Magistrates at Special Sessions, agreeably to the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 91, commencing Spring Assizes 1839, and ending Spring Assizes 1844.—Also, a Return for the same period, of the Long Panel of the above County, from which Petty Juries are selected.

Bank of Ireland Branches.

Returns of the Number of Applications made to the Bank of Ireland for the Establishment of a Branch, stating, in a tabular form, the Date of the Application, the Name of the Towns making the Application or Applications, if more than one, and the Decision come to in each case by the Directors:—And, stating, in a tabular form, the Number of Branches that have been established, the Name of the Towns in which they were established, the Dates of their Establishment, and whether any and which of them have been, and, if so, when discontinued.

Pentonville Prison.

Returns of the Number of Prisoners transferred to the Pentonville Prison from other Gaols, with the Medical Report of the state of their health at that period :—Of the Number of Prisoners refused to be admitted into the Pentonville Prison, from the state of their Health, in the years 1842 and 1843 :—And, of the Prisoners removed from the Pentonville Prison to the Halks or other Places of Confinement; also, the Number removed to Lunatic Asylums.

Penitentiary (Millbank.)

A Return of the Number of Prisoners removed to the Penitentiary at Millbank in the years 1842 and 1843, with the period of their Confinement therein; also, the Number removed to Lunatic Asylums.

Literary and Scientific Institutions.

Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of May last, for a Return of all Applications to the certifying Barrister, under the Act 6 and 7 Vic. c. 36, for Certificates of Exemption from Parochial Rates by Literary and Scientific Institutions; stating the Name and Locality of each Society, and whether the Certificates were granted or refused, and specifying the grounds of refusal in each case.

Ecclesiastical Courts.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented.—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 5th day of February last, for a Return of the Names of all Judges, Deputy Judges, Registrars and Deputy Registrars, with their Salaries, Fees and Emoluments (distinguishing the Gross and Net Receipts); and the Total Amount of the Salaries, Fees and Emoluments of all Officers in all Courts having the right to grant Probates of Wills and Letters of Administration in England and Wales in 1843 :—Also, a Return of the Names of all Persons having a reversionary interest in any Office or Place in such Courts:—Also, similar Returns for Ireland:—Also, a Return of the Names, Salaries, Fees and Emoluments for 1843, of all Judges, Registrars, Deputy Registrars, Clerks of Seat, Deputy Clerks of Seat, Clerks, Apparitors, Sealers, Record Keepers, Auditors, and other Officers and Servants (distinguishing the Gross and Net Receipts) in the following Courts of the Archbishops of Canterbury, viz. Archbishops of Canterbury, Prerogative, Vice-Prerogative, Ecclesiastical, Archbishops; Also, a Statement of the Gross Receipts in the Prerogative Court of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the Expenditure thereon.

Matrimonial Suits.

Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 5th day of February last, for a Return of the Number of Matrimonial Suits instituted in each Metropolis and Diocesan Court in England, Wales and Ireland in 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843; also, similar Return from Courts having Consistorial Jurisdiction in Scotland in 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843; also, Number of Matrimonial Suits in Judicial Commissions of Privy Council or House of Lords, on Appeal, in 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843; also, Return of Number of Divorce Acts passed by the Legislature in 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843; also, the average Expense of such Suits, in 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843, as far as the same can be stated by the Officers before whom the said Cases were called and tried, on the said 3d day of May, and the Name or Names of the Advocate Depute or Deputies, Assistant
Assistant or Assistants, who appeared or acted as Public Prosecutor in the aforesaid Case:—And, of any Entry or Entries in the Records of Assizes, or in the Records of the Court of Justiciary, or Books of Adjournal, referrible to the said Case:—And, a Return of the Number of Civil Cases which were intimated or put down for Trial with a Jury at the time the aforesaid Assizes were held in Glasgow, but which were not then tried, with the reason why they were not tried; also, the Names of the Parties to each Cause, and the date of its commencement, and the Name of the Court in which it was originally instituted.

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 the Petition of the Agricultural and Horticultural Society of India, relative to Indian Wheat, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

Ordered, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the present state of Westminster Bridge, and into the expediency of continuing the present Expenditure thereon, or of erecting a new Bridge on or near the site thereof, and also into the amount of the Bridge Estates, and the Liabilities thereon:—And a Committee was appointed of Sir Robert Harry Inglis, the Earl of Lincoln, Lord John Russell, Sir Howard Douglas, Lord Robert Grosvenor, Lord Granville Somerset, Mr. Wyse, Mr. Anstruther, Mr. Hume, Sir Charles Burrell, Mr. Ireland Blackburne, Mr. McGeechey, Viscount Adare, Mr. M'Intosh and Mr. Leader, with Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to adjourn from place to place.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee of Ways and Means, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That, towards raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the several Duties now payable on Sugar be further continued for a time to be limited, save and except that from and after the 10th day of November next, there shall be charged on Brown, Muscovado or Clayed, not being refined Sugar, certified to be the growth of China, Java or Moluccas, or of any other Foreign Country the Sugar of which Her Majesty in Council shall have declared to be admissible, as not being the Produce of Slave Labour,

The hundred weight, — — £1.14.

Together with an additional Duty of £.6. per centum on the aforesaid rate.

2. Resolved, That from and after the 10th day of November next, Her Majesty be authorized, by Order in Council, to give effect to the provisions of any Treaty now in force, which binds Her Majesty to admit Sugar, the Produce of a Foreign Country, at the same Duties as are imposed on Sugar the produce of the most favoured nation.

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. Greene, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring in.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts of Common Law Process Bill.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second Church reading of the Church Temporarities (Ireland) Bill ;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time on Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Charitable Loan Societies (Ireland) Bill ;

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 Vinegar and Glass Duties Bill ;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Limitation of Actions (Ireland) Bill ;

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

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 columns (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 131, of Session 1843), by the Queen's and Lord Treasurer's Remembrancer of the Court of Exchequer in Scotland, of all County Accounts lodged in the Exchequer for the year ending with the term of Whitsunday 1844, as required by the Act 2 and 3 Vic. c. 69, s. 5; showing, 1. the Whole Amount levied for being applied to the ordinary purposes of the Rogue Money Assessment; 2. For the support of a Rural Police, where any are ; 3. the Payments made to Procurator Fiscals officiating before the Sheriff and Justices of the Peace respectively, and distinguishing between these; 4. the Payments made to Sheriff and Justice of Peace Clerks respectively; 5. the Payments made to Clerks of Supply; and showing, in separate columns, the Sums paid as Salaries from Sums paid as Fees:—Also, the Sum Total under each of the above heads of Expenditure in each County 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.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a College of Copy of the New Charter granted to the Royal Surgeons, College of Surgeons of London:—And, a Return of the Persons who have received Appointments, pursuant to the said Charter, to any Office or Station in the said College; together with the Medical Office or Station, if any, previously held by the several Persons so appointed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill Sugar Duties for granting to Her Majesty certain Duties on Sugar Bill.

No. 345. imported into the United Kingdom for the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and ordered to be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Poor Law Poor Law (Ireland), which was presented yesterday, be printed.

No. 346. Ordered, That the Return relative to Poor Law Poor Law (Ireland), which was presented yesterday, be printed.

No. 347.
PRAYERS.

Mercurii, 5° die Junii ;
Anno 7° Victorie Regine, 1844.


Returns of the Quantity of Bullion in the Bank of England on the 1st day of November 1843; distinguishing Gold from Silver, and Bullion from Coin; also, of the Quantity and Amount of Bank of England Notes; distinguishing the Number of each description of Notes in Circulation dated prior to the 1st day of November 1839; And, of the various Bills which the Bank of England has directed to be published, specifying the Amount of Notes now outstanding, which the Directors of the Bank estimate as lost;—And then he withdrew.

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

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for enabling George Edwards and Walter Colbourn, the Committee of the Estate of William Beckett Neashell, a Person of unsound mind, to make Conveyances for carrying into execution an Agreement for the Partition or Division of the Real Estates of William Orme, deceased, pursuant to an Order of the High Court of Chancery, was read the third time;

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Committee on the North Wales Mineral Railway Bill be revived; And that they have leave to sit, and proceed, upon Friday next.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill be compounded.

Petitions of the Right Honourable the Earl of Great Southern and Western Railway; Sir John Kingston James, Baronet, and William Edington, Esquire;—and, There-under signed Land-holders; complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Great Southern and Western Railway Bill, had not been complied with; and praying, that the Standing Orders may not be dispensed with; and that the Petitioners for the said Bill may not be allowed to proceed with their Bill in the present Session; and that the Petitioners may be heard before the Committee to which the said Petition for the Bill is referred, by their agents, in support of the allegations set forth in their Petitions, were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Petitions from Stroud Union; and, West Derby Poor Law Union; praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, by confiding to Boards of Guardians the power of fixing the measure of remuneration to be given to medical officers of unions, were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

A Petition of Rate-payers and other Inhabitants of the parish of Birmingham, praying the House to introduce a Clause into the Poor Law Amendment Act, exempting the parish of Birmingham, and all parishes having local Acts, from the operation of the Bill, was ordered to be read, and presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Rugby;—Frankingham (two Petitions);—Stenton Aspall;—Lowestoft;—Beckingham;—Minton;—Southampton;—Scoulton;

Middle Level;—Middleton Teasdale;—Brompton (Middlesex);—Brampton (Cumberland);—Grange Chapel (Durham);—Castleton;—Chelmsford;—Gloucester;—Redditch;—Wonder;

Gaspé Fishery and Coal Mining Company Bill.

Mr. Kemble presented a Bill to confirm and extend the Provisions of an Act of the Provincial Parliament of Canada, passed in the seventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, for incorporating the Gaspé Fishery and Cool Mining Company; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

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Petitions from Stroud Union; and, West Derby Poor Law Union; praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, by confiding to Boards of Guardians the power of fixing the measure of remuneration to be given to medical officers of unions, were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

A Petition of Rate-payers and other Inhabitants of the parish of Birmingham, praying the House to introduce a Clause into the Poor Law Amendment Act, exempting the parish of Birmingham, and all parishes having local Acts, from the operation of the Bill, was ordered to be read, and presented; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Rugby;—Frankingham (two Petitions);—Stenton Aspall;—Lowestoft;—Beckingham;—Minton;—Southampton;—Scoulton;—Middleton Teasdale;—Brompton (Middlesex);—Brampton (Cumberland);—Grange Chapel (Durham);—Castleton;—Chelmsford;—Gloucester;—Redditch;—Wonder;—Wells;—Lincoln’s-Inn Fields;—Llandlochernen;—Charlbury;—Portford;—Wexford;—Aber;—Alness;—Lambeth;—Pendock;—Battersea;—Stratford;—Harley;—Know;—Louth (Lincoln);—Borde-

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Com-

munity and Company of Cons-

Mr. Kemble presented a Bill to confirm and ex-

Gaspé Fishery and Coal Mining Company Bill.

Mr. Kemble presented a Bill to confirm and extend the Provisions of an Act of the Provincial Parliament of Canada, passed in the seventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, for incorporating the Gaspé Fishery and Cool Mining Company; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.
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Petitions from Wroughton—Florence, Nettie, and Corn Laws.

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Pecham,—Jesuit-street Chapel,—Spital-square.

Humphrey,—Trewary,—Biblicworth, Leaves.

Monsfield,—Cerove,—Pauchley,—Longford.

Kensingtom,—Ildingtom,—Lans Carter,—Sauetm-an-

Ashfield,—Aberdeen (two Petitions);—Cheltenham.

A Petition of Shipwrights, Joiners, Blacksmiths, Shipwrights,

and all others connected directly or indirectly with the maritime interests of Leinster and Scotland, to get a continuance of the advantages heretofore derived from them, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Art-Unions.

A Petition of the Royal Dublin Society, praying Art-Unions, that the Royal Dublin Art Union, and other Societies similarly situated, may be exempted from the penal operation of existing laws, or be otherwise protected in their proceedings, as to secure to the public a continuance of the advantages hitherto derived from them, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Minister, Elders and Congregations of the Free Trinity Church, Aberdeen, praying (Ireland) the House to pass a law, declaring that all Marriages solemnized by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland shall be null and void.
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Return in 1826, ordered to be printed 13th February 1837), showing the Total Gross Amount of Fees, Allowances or Perquisites paid to and received by each Justice of Peace Clerk and his Deputies, in each of the different Counties and Stewartries, and Districts of or in part in each County and Stewartry of Scotland respectively; and showing the Gross Amount and Net Amount as above, specifying whether the same are received by the Principal Clerk or Deputy Clerk, with the Names of each of these Parties, and the Place of their Official Residence; also stating what Table or Scale of Fees or Rates of Charges are followed with regard to Criminal Business, as above:—Also, showing, in columns, the whole Amount charged against the County Rogue Money, or other Public County Fund (specifying the same) for Criminal and General Business, distinguishing the Amount for each of these Branches, and showing whether Salaries or Fees are in use, in whole or in part in each Department:—Stating whether any Register be kept of the Fines imposed by Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said Counties and Stewartries and Districts thereof respectively; and if so, stating the Gross Amount of such Fines as were imposed and recovered respectively, for the three years preceding the 1st day of May 1844, distinguishing the Amount in each year.

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.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Marriage and Divorce Bill.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the County Court (County Palatine of Lancaster) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 19th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the County Court (County Palatine of Lancaster) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Wednesday the 19th day of this instant June.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Commons Inclusion Bill; Commons Inclusion Bill.

and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday the 19th day of this instant June.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the County Coroners Bill; County Coroners Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause, N° 6, agreed to.

Clause, N° 7, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, N° 8 to N° 10, agreed to.

Clause, N° 11, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, N° 12 to N° 25, agreed to.

Clause, N° 26, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, N° 27 to N° 29, agreed to.

Clauses added.

Preamble read, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr.
Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Green reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Wednesday next.

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.

Ordered, That Mr. Nicholl be discharged from any further attendance on the Select Committee on Mortmain.

Ordered, That Mr. Cripps be added to the Committee.

Ordered, That the Copy of Acts passed by the Governor General of India in Council, on 10 January 1842, which was presented upon the 2d day of April last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Copy of the Index to the Acts of the Supreme Government of India, for the year 1841, which was presented upon the 2d day of April last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Poor Law, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Bank of Ireland Branches, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Pentonville Prison, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

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Ordered, That an Abstract of the Return relative to Ecclesiastical Courts, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

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Ordered, That an Abstract of the Return relative to Matrimonial Suits, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 6° die Junii ;

Anno 7° Victoriae Regine, 1844.

PRAYERS.

PETITIONS of the Boroughreeve, Constables and Burgesses of the town of Salford; and Board of Surveyors of the Highways for the township of Salford; praying that the Pendleton, &c., Roads Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Message, 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, do 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 Vol. 99.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, introduced, An Act for making a Railway from the Manchester and Bolton Railway, in the Parish of Eccles, to the Parish of Walsall, all in the County Palatine of Lancaster, to be called the Manchester, Bury and Rossendale Railway; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 4. l. 5. After "capital" insert "or which shall be apportioned to the said Company of Proprietors under the provisions of this Act."

Pr. 30. l. 22. and 23. Leave out from "share-holders" to "in," in l. 34.

Pr. 31. l. 3. Leave out from "who" to "shall," in l. 5.

Pr. 33. l. 4. After "lands" insert "or if such shares holder be a corporation, under their common seal."

Pr. 36. l. 29. Leave out from "companies" to "and," in l. 30, and insert "shall be at the time adverse."

Pr. 159. l. 21. Leave out "on" and insert "in."

Pr. 161. l. 20. After "disposed" insert "of."

Pr. 174. l. 13. Leave out "of" and insert "and."

Pr. 318. l. 19. After "if," insert "a" and a certain other road, numbered 192, in the township of Tottington Lower Eld."

Pr. 191. l. 19. Leave out "other," and in the same line, after "Railway" insert "except such as are heretofore mentioned as intended to be crossed on a level."

Pr. 292. l. 28. Leave out the first "the," and in the same line leave out from "lands" to "in," in l. 29.

Pr. 292. l. 30. After "Rail-life" insert "which were comprised in, or devised or appointed by the wills of the Right Honourable Thomas, late Earl of Wilton, and the Right Honourable Edmonde, Countess of Wilton, or one of such wills, or which have been settled or assured to the uses of such wills, or one of them."

Pr. 292. l. ult. After the first "the" insert "last-mentioned," and in the same line leave out from "lands" to "of," in Pr. 293. l. 2.

Pr. 293. l. 7. After the first "the" insert "said last mentioned," and in the same line leave out from "lands" to "as," in l. 8.

Pr. 293. l. 13. Leave out from "the" to "owner," in l. 14.

Pr. 293. l. 15. Leave out "his" and insert "that."

Pr. 293. l. 16. After "said" insert "last-mentioned," and in the same line leave out from "lands" to the first "or" in l. 17.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Walker do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution, which was read, Orders, as followeth:

Resolved, That in the case of the Lords' Amendments to the Eastern Counties Railway (Brandon and Peterborough Extension) Bill, the Amendments are of such a nature as may be agreed to by the Extension Bill House, if it shall think fit.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

An ingrossed Bill for making a Railway from the Croydon and London and Croydon Railway, at Croydon, to Epsom, Epsom Railway was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Evelyn Denison do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration York and the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, introduced, An Act for enabling the York Midland Railway Company to make a Railway from York to Scarborough, with a Branch to Pickering; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 5. l. 6. After "for" insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A.) "Provided always, and be it Enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall enable the Company to construct any part of their Railway or works, or to enter upon or take any land for the purposes thereof in the township of Clifton aforesaid, without the previous consent in writing of all and every the owners and occupiers of the said township required for the said Railway and works."

Pr. 95. l. 34. After "aforesaid" insert Clauses (B.) and (C.)

Clause (B.) "Whereas it is intended to carry the said Railway over the River Ouse by a bridge, and be enacted, That such parts of the bridge to be erected by the Company over the said River Ouse as will affect the navigation, shall be constructed so as to leave, between each of the piers comprised in such bridge, an uninterrupted waterway of not less than thirty feet in width, and the towing-path under the said bridge shall not be less than six feet wide, and the soft or under side of the bridge over such towing-path shall not be less than ten feet in height from the surface of the ground, and the soft or under side of the said intended bridge over the river shall not be of a less height than the centre arch of the present bridge over the said River at York, and whilst erecting or repairing the said intended bridge, the Company shall not diminish the width of the River or impede the navigation thereof more than is necessary consistently with the due construction of the said intended bridge."

Clause (C.) "Provided always, and be it Enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall authorize the Company to interfere in any jurisdiction of the said city of York are entitled to over the said River, by any charter, grant or otherwise, or to defeat, lessen or prejudice any of the rights, privileges, powers or authorities given to or vested in the Trustees or Commissioners authorized by or acting under an Act of Parliament passed in the thirteenth year of the reign of his Majesty King..."
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"King George the First, intituled, "An Act for improving the Navigation of the River Ouse, in the County of York," and another Act of Parliament passed in the fifth year of the reign of His Majesty King George the Second, for rendering more effectual the said Act passed in the third year of the reign of His Majesty King George the First or either of them; but that the same Acts shall continue in full force, and shall not be carried into execution in such and the like manner, to all intents and purposes, as if this Act had not been passed, save only and except so as not in any manner to prevent, hinder or prejudice the due execution of this Act, or of all or any of the powers and authorities hereby given and vested in the Company or their successors.

Pr. 103. l. penult. After "direct" insert Clauses (D.) and (E.).

CLAUSE (D.). "AND with respect to the crossing of roads by the Railway: BE it Enacted, That as to all roads (except such as are herein-mentioned as intended to be crossed on a turnpike-road or public carriage-way, either such road as is hereinbefore mentioned, or the said Railway crosses the several turnpike-roads and highways hereinafter mentioned, said intended Railway crosses the several turnpike-roads and highways on a level: BE it therefore Enacted, that the Company may make the said Railway across the said several above-mentioned roads on a level."

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

Ordered, That Sir Frederick Trench 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 Bill, intituled, An Act for better supplying with Water the Parishes of Saint Michael, the Holy Trinity, and Saint John the Baptist, in the City of Coventry, and the County of Warwick; and the same was read, as foUowed,

Pr. 134. l. 36. Leave out "their" and insert "their."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Ellice do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

An ingrossed Bill to amend the Acts relating to Tall Vale and the Teff Vale Railway, to authorize the alteration Railway Bill.

An ingrossed Bill to authorize an Extension of the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway, and to amend and enlarge the provisions of the Acts relating to such Railway, be now read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Owen Stanley do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into Wells Harbour consideration the Report on the Wells Harbour and Quay Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be taken into consideration To-morrow.

A Motion being made, That the ingrossed Bill to Edinbrough and Glasgow Railway Bill.

Ordered, 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.

And Amendments being proposed to be made to the Bill.

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

Petitions of Share-holders of the Great Northern Railway Company;—Land-owners and Western Railway of the County of Kildare,—and, James Pinn, junior, of Monkstown Castle, Dublin, Treasurer of the Dublin and Kingstown Railway Company; complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that the Standing Orders may not be dispensed with; and that the Petitioners for the said Bill may not be allowed to proceed with their Bill in the present Session, and that the Petitioners may be heard before the Committee to which the said Petition for the said Bill is referred, by their agents, in support of the allegations contained in their Petitions,—were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Motion being made, That the ingrossed Bill to Preston and Wyre Railway, and the several Acts relating to the Preston and Wyre Railway, Harbour and Dock Company, be now read the third time;

Lord Granville Somerset, 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.

And Amendments being proposed to be made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the said Amendments be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.
The House was again resumed.

Ordered, That Mr. Wilson Patten do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Consent.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the Ashton, Stalybridge and Liverpool Junction Railway Bill be resumed To-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Bill be resumed To-morrow.

Lakenheath and Brandon Drainage Bill.

An ingrossed Bill for amending and rendering more effectual an Act for draining and preserving certain Fens and Low Grounds in the Parishes of Lakenheath and Brandon, in the County of Suffolk, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Resolved, That Colonel Rashbrooke do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence.

Petitions from Lambeth

From the Petitioners resident in the Metropolis, at the request of (284) Sir John Trenchard, Bart., and Others, praying for a separate Representation for the Metropolis, and for the Prevention of the Repeal of the Metropolitan Act, and for other Purposes.

Ordered, That Mr. Wilson Patten do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Consent.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the Ashton, Stalybridge and Liverpool Junction Railway Bill be resumed To-morrow.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Bill be resumed To-morrow.

Dissenters' Bill.

An ingrossed Bill for amending and rendering more effectual an Act for draining and preserving certain Fens and Low Grounds in the Parishes of Lakenheath and Brandon, in the County of Suffolk, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Resolved, That Colonel Rashbrooke do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Concurrence.

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Ordered, That Mr. Wilson Patten do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their Consent.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

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Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Bill be resumed To-morrow.
Worstead; Froddianz; Coppenhall; North-Clones; Stockwell; Stratford-on-Slctney; Crewkerne; Brecon; Dartmouth;--Lutterworth;--Shadwell;--Cornwall.

Petitions) ;Rushton; Henfield; Eccleston; Saint Mary-le-bone (four Bradford (three Petitions) ;-- Redrock; Quorn-- Rugby (two Petitions) ; Darwen; Waterford

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low; Ross (two Petitions) ; Wallsend; Lincoln;--Sandbach--Tilston;--Doveridge;--Saint Lawrence, Somerset

and Curdworth; Winkhill;--Alstonefield; Brad- Stratford (two Petitions) ; Wrenbury; Worcester

therton;--Lockliffe and Chalgrave; Tattenhall; Carliampton; Ilminster; Watchet; South Pe-

bane (two Petitions) ; Minterburn;--Wicklow; Ballymena; Donoughmore; Glastonbury; Lanc-

chester (three Petitions) ; West lilersea; Boxted; Manager of Magherabey School

Donegore;--Larne; Great Tey; Committee and

tleham;--Walker; Cork (two Petitions); Newcastle; Moors; Kilmore, &c. ; Members of the Lanca-

Hawkhurst; Sutton Valence; Ockibrook; .Neath; Aberystwyth;--Ancoats; Ather st one; Bar-

on; Malpas; Ye-

Avening; Parsonstown; Aghadoey; Woodches-

Neath and Parkgate; Middlesex (two Petitions) ;

Tilton;--Doveridge;--Saint Lawrence, Somerset;

Stubbuch; Smallhold;--Hassall Green; Arden;

Tarvin, North;--Nantwich;--Nantwich.

Wheat; Hastings;--Broadstone;--Robertson;--Bilb

North Shields; Birningham (nine Petitions) ;

West Bromwich;--Cotehill;--Kilsa (two Petitions) ;

Wore; (three Petitions) ; Bromley;--Alton;--

Hornhurst;--Sutton Valance;--Ockbrook;--Had-

low; Ross (two Petitions) ; Wallend;--Lincoln;

-Walker;--Cork (two Petitions) ;--Newcastle

Kingston;--Aston;--Market Drayton; Tilton;

Dowgore;--Lowe;--Great Ty;--Committee and

Manger of Magherabey School;--Exeter (two

Petitions) ;--Coreen;--Shoreditch and Hackney;

Aneatais;--Atherstone;--Barton;--Malpas;--Ye-

th; Petitioners;--Newport;--Newport.

Sidman; Rondalston;--Heatham;--East Peck-

ham;--Shoreditch;--Chapel;--East Cotes; Col-

chester (three Petitions) ;--West Mers;--Bredz;

Greenholm Fields (two Petitions) ;--London (three

Petitions) ;--Great Benty;--Saint Osgth;--Elmstead;--Great Brom-

ley;--Northfleet;--Slumberne;--Newcastle-upon-

Tyne (two Petitions) ;--Dudley (five Petitions) ;

Austria (seven Petitions) ;--Dungannon;--Kings-

Hown;--Holbeach;--Butley;--Chattisham;--Hol-

ley and Bawdsey;--Chelmendon;--Tatting-

stone;--Newport;--Nottingham;--Killesen;--

Riding;--Northampton; Nuneby;--Brittany;--Sto-

ckeh. --Ealing;--Members of the Aberdeen

Synod of the Free Church of Scotland;--Bath-

easton;--Southark (two Petitions) ; Saint Bride's

Minor;--Bridge and Lowtownington;--Maurer;

--Council;--Colloge (two Petitions) ;--Sittingbourne;--Andover;--Cateriey

--Heacham;--Wisbech;--Charlton Marshall;

Depstorf;--Farringdon;--Dury Saint Edmund's;

--Scotland;--Stow;--Woodenunder Edge;--

Higham;--Rashfield;--Stiga (two Petitions) ;

Tilstock;--Woodbridge;--Rusbury;--Cumber-

land;--Chelsea (two Petitions) ;--Derby;--Ings-

ting;--Ippington;--Hardonk (two Petitions) ;--Cromby

Eumabern;--Winterborne Saint Martin's, &c.;--

Newmills;--Cleere;--Harmston and Waddington;

Crabwood;--West Wickham;--Dromara;

Wrekhowarde;--Ellington;--Bollington;

South Shields;--Donaghades;--Woodchurch;

Dereich-upon-Tweed;--Middlesex (four Petitions);--Bradford (three Petitions) ;--Redrock;--Quorn-

Don;--Oxford (two Petitions) ;--Derry;--Weston;

Archdeaconry of Ely;--Biddulph;--Farnfield;

Saint Mary-le-bone;--Spittalfield;--Strete;--Strat-

Farn (two Petitions) ;--Scotia;--Shepherd;

Lee;--Wheatley;--Richmond;--Lion-square, Middlesex;--Coty Higher;--Saint Mary Cray, Sutton-at-Hone and Beetz Hayth;--Dartmouth;--Lutterworth;--Shadwell;--Cornwall-

street;--Spittalfields;--Fish-street Hill;--Sutton;

Dungren;--Bloomfordsford;--Lewes;--York;

Holy Trinity Parish (Suffolk);--Naughton;--

Clones;--Stockwell;--Richmond;--Hotharn;

Frim (two Petitions);--Healey-upon-Thames;

Dundee;--Gainsford;--Forkham;--South Care;

Shorwird;--Waltham Abbey;--Christleton;

Stratford (two Petitions) ;--Sheadell;--Thorth-

Square;--Blackwood;--Limerick;--Boaz and Brom-

ley;--Edenderry;--Poppleton;--Rettell;--

Ballymacarrett;--Blaenywrack;--Saul;--Bright;

Muckno; Longford and Templernichael;--

Donaghadee;--Woodchurch;--West Tynemouth;--

Heavitree;--Torquay;--Topsham;--Bolton-le-

Moors;--Killmore, &c.; Members of the Lanca-

shire and Cheshire Presbyteran Association;--

Littton;--Magheradrol;--Gregory;--Newton

Abbott, &c.;--West Tynemouth;--Danish;

Witbycombe Rawleigh;--Woodbury (two Petitions);

Lygate;--Colnnon;--Figg;--Ashston Lan-

caster;--Ash;--Wadebridge;--Sefford;--

Worchester (two Petitions) ;--Wolverhampton;--Dunsford;

Dumbarston;--Edinburgh (two Petitions) ;--

Lough-

tsailand;--Dublin (fifteen Petitions) ;--Bath;

Aitchburn; Manchester (two Petitions) ;--Folow;--

Dorothy;--Matton;--Ford;--Hilleborough;

--Belfast (two Petitions) ;--Donegore;--Kilbride, &c.;--Birkenham;

Ballymacarrett;--Blengoverick;--Sand;--Bright;

Ballywalter;--Stodbridge;--Greenock;--

Wiltshon (two Petitions) ;--Stockton-on-Tees (two

Petitions) ;--William Henry Black; There-under-

signed (two Petitions) ; Congerton;--Wormister;

Chesterfield;--Kirkhoutton;--Saint Pauls at Paphia;

Yaxley;--Rathmises;--Kileen;--Longford;

--Cross-street;--Worcester;--Noughtch;--Kil-

cief;--Ripley;--Warrington;--Pilkington;

Leeds (four Petitions) ;--Nevy;--Dunpatrick

Croyley;--Lilburn;--Durna-

breaun;--Muchon;--Longford and Templemichael;

Dunmurry;--Balle (two Petitions) ;--Tyrella;

Clough, &c.;--Lea;--Harold's Cross;--Ibeaton;

Osnhirk;--Cranlin (two Petitions) ;--Rasharkin;

Contoch;--Tiancaraver (two Petitions) ;--Kil-

more;--Rados;--Aughamullin;--Brystal;--Kings-

fona (Dublin);--Nevy;--Naughton

Cranbury;--Derby;--Belper;--Akgollis;

Roonan;--Finderton;--Newton Linwood;--Pres-

bytery of Moucher;--West Wycombe;--Bishop's

Court;--Ladysgat;--Bollingen;--King's Nor-

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to be given to medical officers of unions—were also presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

A Petition of Guardians of the Dolgelly Union, Poor Law Amendment in the counties of Merioneth and Montgomery, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Silvertown;—Budge, etc.—and, Saint Asaph Tenby; praying for the repeal of so much of the 2nd Borough Law, as relates to the union of the parishes of Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and, at the same time, that speedily and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a Bishopric at Manchester, by other means—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Downham;—Coventry;—Witch Corn Laws;—ford;—Sutton (Cambridge);—Lower Merton;—Stone;—and, Kidderminster (two Petitions); praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The following Return having been transmitted by the Clerk, was laid upon the Table; viz. Further Scientific Institutions.

Return to an Order dated the 20th day of May last, for a Return of all Applications to the certifying Barristers, under the Act 6 and 7 Vic. c. 36, for Certificates of Exemption from Parochial Rates by the Name and Locality of each Society, and whether the Certificates were granted or refused, and specifying the Grounds of Refusal in each case.

A Petition of Guardians of the Dolgelly Union, Poor Law Amendment, praying that in case the County Courts Bill should pass into a law, the House will either cause the Petitioners to receive compensation for the loss which they must necessarily sustain, or appoint them to such offices in the newly-formed Courts, as their previous duties necessarily sustain, or appoint them to such offices.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town and neighbourhood of Burrow, in the county of Merioneth, praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of land, Hail Storms in the county of Huntingdon, praying the House, in reversion to the stamp duty on policies of Insurance against damage by Hail Storms, so far as agricultural produce is concerned, thereby placing it on the same footing as in the case of loss by fire, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Land-owners and Inhabitants of Arnon, the parish of Penllyn, in the county of Evesham, stating that they believe the late alteration of the law as to punishment of the crime of Arson has not tended to check but rather to increase the same as to punishment of the crime of Arson has not tended to check but rather to increase the same, and praying that the power to punish capitaly may be restored to the courts of justice, in cases where the offence is aggravated, or the amount of property destroyed large, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Peter Augustus Coutour, a Colonel Western on Half-pay in Her Majesty's service, praying the House inquiry into his claim for an allotment of land in Western
A Petition of the There-under signed Electors of the City of Durham, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Lightermen engaged in the carriage of Deals and other Wood Goods on the River Thames, stating that by an Act passed in the 5th and 6th years of Her present Majesty's reign, intituled, "An Act to amend the Laws relating to the Customs," was enacted, that from and after the date therein named, Deals, Staves and other Wood Goods should be subject to the respective duties therein named, the amount of which should be ascertained by the gross measurement of such goods when stacked or piled on shore, making the said scale utterly useless, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Sir Isaac Lyon Goldsmid, of Saint James's, praying that the Factories (No. 2.) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion being made, That the ingrossed Bill for amending the Provisions of an Act for forming a Canal and other Works within and near certain Inland Water Courses, called the West Coast, in the Borough of Preston, called the West Coast Canal Bill, be now read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.
An ingrossed Bill to explain an Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, for the Government of New South Wales and Of Van Diemen's Land, was read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Labouchere do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Vinegar and Glass Duties Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon Friday the 14th day of this instant June.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Friday the 14th day of this instant June.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Sugar Duties Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Limitation of Actions (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time; and committed to a Committee on the 18th day of March last, That there be laid before this House, Returns made into the Office of the Commissioners present at each Meeting, with reference to the working of Railways upon the Atmospheric Principle.

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are governed by Orders of the Queen in Council; stating also, the Value of Exports and Imports, and the Number of Vessels entered Inwards and cleared Outwards in each Colony, in the year 1842.

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 the Returns relative to the Bank of England, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

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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, 7 die Junii; Anno 7° Victoriae Regni, 1844.

PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration Eastern Counties Railway Bills, and, Epsom and South Western Railway Bills, as includes the Evidence of the Engineers examined before the Committee, with reference to the working of Railways upon the Atmospheric Principle.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Pumper relieved In-door and Out-door, with the Expenditure for In-maintenance and Out-relief in each Union and Parish not united under the Poor Law Amendment Act in England and Wales, for the years 1846, 1841, 1842, and 1843, distinguishing the Amount expended in Medical Relief, together with the Amount of the Population of the same according to the last Census.

Ordered, 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 Date at which each Colony or Foreign Possession of the British Crown was captured, ceded or settled, the Number of Population, and whether having Legislative Assemblies, or governed by Orders of the Queen in Council; stating also, the Value of Exports and Imports, and the Number of Vessels entered Inwards and cleared Outwards in each Colony, in the year 1842.

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 the Returns relative to Gold Coin and Bullion, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to the Bank of England, which were presented yesterday, be printed.
Northern and Eastern Railway, at Newport, by Cambridge to Ely, and from thence eastward to Brandon; and westward to Peterborough; and the same were read, as follow:  
Pr. 2. 1. 37. Leave out from “taking” to “described” in I. 38., and insert “the.”  
Pr. 2. 1. 41. Leave out from “plans” to “alternative” in the manner hereinbefore described, and insert “as the alternative line through the parishes of Ely Trinity and Ely Saint Mary.”  
Pr. 4. 1. 16. Leave out “Kingston” and insert “Huntingdon.”  
Pr. 4. 1. 26. After “the” insert “Isle of Ely.”  
Pr. 4. 1. 27. After “Cambridge” insert “the Holy Trinity in Ely, otherwise Ely Trinity Saint Mary.”  
Pr. 4. 1. 29. Leave out “as” and insert “in the county of Suffolk.”  
Pr. 5. 1. 29. After “Brand” insert “in the counties of Suffolk and Norfolk.”  
Pr. 5. 1. 31. Leave out “Suffolk” and insert “Norfolk,” and in the same line after “fen” insert “Witham.”  
Pr. 4. Is. 33. and 34. After “Coveney-cum-moneys” insert “Byfield Fen.”  
Pr. 4. 1. ult. After “Standground” insert “in the counties of Cambridge and Huntingdon.”  
Pr. 26. 1. Leave out “refuse” and insert “do not.”  
Pr. 26. 1. 36. After “payable” insert “or the failure or neglect of any party to make a good title” to the land required.”  
Pr. 29. 1. 26. After “claimants” insert “Provided always, That the said Company shall not be required to pay the costs or expenses attending more than one application to the court for the re-investment of such monies as aforesaid.”  
Pr. 30. l. 4. After “lands” insert “and for probing, boring or sinking for the purpose of ascertaining the true nature of the soil.”  
Pr. 20. l. 11. After “lands” insert “Provided always, That in case they do not make use of the ground for the purposes hereinbefore mentioned, the Company shall with all convenient speed after such probing, boring or sinking be completed, fill in the ground and make good the soil, and reimburse the same and carry away the rubbish occasioned thereby, and making compensation for any damage or injury occasioned thereby; and also insert Clause (A.)  
CLAUSE (A.) Provided also, and be it Enacted, That in any case where the amount of the purchase-money or compensation shall be in dispute, it shall be lawful for the Company to enter upon any such lands and use the same for the general purposes of this Act, upon their previously depositing in the Bank of England, in the manner hereinbefore directed with respect to sums amounting to or exceeding Two hundred pounds, such a sum of money as shall be equal to the aggregate amount claimed in respect of such purchase-money or compensation, thereby to await the settlement of such dispute, either by agreement between the parties, or by the verdict of a jury as hereinafter provided, and to deposit the said sum in the Bank of England, and when and as often as may be requisite to alter or repair the same.”  
CLAUSE (B.) “And be it Enacted, That all the provisions contained in this Act for settling cases of disputed compensation in respect of any lands or of any interest in any such lands taken or required for, or injuriously affected by the execution of the Railway shall extend to Wild Duck Decoy, injuriously affected by the execution of the Railway.”  
Pr. 34. 1. 29. After “mentioned” insert Clause (B.)  
CLAUSE (B.) “And be it Enacted, That all the provisions contained in this Act for settling cases of disputed compensation in respect of any lands or of any interest in any such lands taken or required for, or injuriously affected by the execution of the Railway shall extend to Wild Duck Decoy, injuriously affected by the execution of the Railway.”  
Pr. 35. 1. 20. Leave out from “mentioned” to “and” in Pr. 36. 1. 17.  
Pr. 39. 1. 31. Leave out “arbitration or,” and in the same line leave out from “jury” to “the” in I. 34.  
Pr. 41. 1. 26. Leave out from “inquiry” to “the” in I. 27.  
Pr. 41. 1. 28. Leave out from “where” to “the” in I. 30., and in I. 30., leave out from “verdict” to “shall” in I. 31., and in I. 31. leave out “made or.”  
Pr. 41. 1. 36. Leave out “award.”  
Pr. 41. 1. 37. Leave out “made or.”  
Pr. 41. 1. ult. After “half” insert “at the least.”  
Pr. 42. 1. 1. Leave out from “Company” to “one” in I. 2.  
Pr. 42. 1. 6. After “Company” insert “and,” and in the same line leave out “award or.”  
Pr. 42. 1. 6. Leave out “made or.”  
Pr. 42. 1. 11. Leave out from “lands” to “Provided” in I. 25.  
Pr. 43. 1. 1. Leave out from “jury” to the second “the” in I. 2.  
Pr. 43. 1. 5. Leave out from “thereon” to “and” in I. 18.  
Pr. 43. 1. 36. Leave out from “the” to “jury” in I. 31.  
Pr. 45. 1. 15. Leave out from “inquiry” to “and” in I. 16.  
Pr. 60. 1. ult. Leave out from “proper” to “apply” in Pr. 61. 1. 2.  
Pr. 68. 1. 38. After “rent-charge” insert “rent-charge.”  
Pr. 73. 1. 25. Leave out from “Act” to “Provided” in Pr. 74. 1. 4.  
Pr. 83. 1. 19. After “road” insert “near Chesterford Bridge.”  
Pr. 106. 1. 14. Leave out from “and” to “be” in I. 28.  
Pr. 107. 1. 6. Leave out “one thousand” and insert “two hundred and fifty.”  
Pr. 108. Is. 8. and 9. After “aforesaid” insert “and for the purposes aforesaid, to erect thereon workshops, sheds and other buildings of a temporary nature: Provided always, That it shall not be lawful for the Company to make use of any land belonging to the said Richard Griffin, Lord Braybrooke, for any of the said last-mentioned purposes, without his consent in writing.”  
Pr. 116. 1. 25. After “works” insert “and” and “when and as often as may be requisite to alter or repair the same.”  
Pr. 116. 1. 26. Leave out from “provided” to “compensation” in I. 30., and insert “they make.”  
Pr. 116. 1. 31. After “done” insert “thereby.”  
Pr. 118. 1. 5. Leave out “high” and insert “turnpike.”
Pr. 118. 1. 8. Leave out "high" and insert "turnpike."
Pr. 118. 1. 34. Leave out "near" and insert "from "
"Sawston to."
Pr. 118. 1. 26. Leave out "Swanston" and insert "Sawston."
Pr. 120. 1. 25. Leave out "from" to "Great" in l. 3., and in l. 3., after "Shelford" insert "to "
"Cherry Hinton."
Pr. 119. 1. 6. Leave out "to Great Shelford" and insert "which passes through Stapleford and "
"Sawston, to the Linton and Cambridge turnpike-
road by the way of Granholm's Farm."
Pr. 119. 1. 11. Leave out "Granthaster" and insert "the Linton and Cambridge public road "
"which unites with the Linton and Cambridge turn-
pike-road by the way of Clay Farm."
Pr. 119. 1. 12. Leave out from "Trumplington" to "the" in l. 14.
Pr. 120. 1. 17. Leave out "both."
Pr. 119. 1. 20. After "Chesterton" insert "Common."
Pr. 120. 1. 12. Leave out "Horminy" and insert"Heringsg.
Pr. 119. 1. 32. Leave out "Barnold" and insert "Barnold."
Pr. 119. 1. 34. Leave out "Barnold" and insert "Barnold."
Pr. 120. 1. 38. Leave out "three" and insert "five."
Pr. 120. 1. ult. Leave out from "and" to "in" in l. 14.
Pr. 120. 1. 5. Leave out from "house" to "the."
Pr. 119. 1. 1. Leave out from "Great" to "New Fen."
Pr. 119. 1. 22. Leave out "Port Bridge to Mildenhall."
Pr. 120. 1. 11. and insert "two lanes."
Pr. 120. 1. 5. Leave out from "house" to "the."
Pr. 120. 1. 9. Leave out "Prickwillow to," and in l. 11. insert "to Littleport Bridge."
Pr. 120. 1. 10. Leave from "turnpike-road" to "Mildenhall" in l. 11. and insert "called," and in l. 11. after "drove" insert "leading from Little-
port Bridge to Mildenhall."
Pr. 120. 1. 15. Leave out "Brandon" and insert "Redmore Fen."
Pr. 120. 1. 17. Leave out "Brandon" and insert "Redmore Fen."
Pr. 120. 1. 18. Leave out from "from" to "and" in l. 19. and insert "More Fen to New Fen."
Pr. 120. 1. 21. Leave out "Brandon" and insert "Hockwold-cum-Wilton."
Pr. 120. 1. 23. Leave out "Newmarket" and insert "Hockwold-cum-Lakenhath," and in the same line leave out "
"Brandon" and insert "Hockwold-cum-Wilton."
Pr. 120. 1. pelunt. Leave out "By " and insert "flag."
Pr. 121. 1. 29. After "to" insert "the extra-
parochial place called," and in the same line leave out from "Byntle" to "the" in l. 21. and insert "Fen."
Pr. 121. 1. 23. Leave out "Wardow Hall" and insert "Wardow Hall."
Pr. 121. 1. 25. Leave out "Wardow Hall" and insert "Wardow Hill."
Pr. 122. 1. 12. Leave out "on" and insert "at," and in the same line leave out "side" and insert "end."
Pr. 124. 1. 21. Leave out from "Bridge" to "described" in l. 24.
Pr. 124. 1. 28. Leave out from "said" to "and" in l. 30. and insert "rout."
Pr. 124. 1. 34. Leave out "roads" and insert "road."
Pr. 124. 1. 36. Leave out "roads" and insert "road."
Pr. 124. 1. ult. Leave out from "said" to "Pro-
vided" in Pr. 125. 1. 2., and insert "road."
Pr. 146. 1. 25. Leave out "the" and insert "for," and in the same line after "and" and insert "the."
Pr. 146. 1. 26. Leave out "public."
Pr. 148. 1. 14. Leave out "public."
Pr. 149. 1. 23. Leave out "public."
Pr. 152. 1. 20. After "annexed" insert "and "
"that service of any information, summons or other "
"legal document upon any clerk, officer or other "
"agent of the said Company at any station of the "
"said Company, within the said county or borough "
"of Cambridge, shall be sufficient service on the "
"said Company."
Pr. 156. 1. 28. Leave out "any" and insert "the."
Pr. 158. 1. 22. Leave out from "Learn" to "and" in Pr. 159. 1. 5., and insert "or over any "
"other works belonging to or maintained by the "
"Bedfor Level Corporation, shall be executed in "
"a substantial and proper manner to the reasonable "

satisfaction of an engineer on the part of the said "
Corporation, according to plans and sections "
signed by William Chadwell Milne, Esquire, Civil "
Engineer, on the part of the said Corporation, and "
Michael Andrew Houghton, Esquire, Civil En-
geineer, on the part of the said Railway Company, "
which said plans have been deposited with the "
Registrar of the said Corporation;" and also in-
sert Clause (C).
CLAUSE (C). "And be it Enacted, That it shall "

not be lawful for the said Company, by means of "
any of their works, to unite the drainage of any "
district or fans in the said Great Level of the Fens, "
or to extend any public or private drainage in the "
said Great Level to any land not previously "
drained thereby."
Pr. 161. 1. 37. Leave out from "there-
"upon" to "and." in Pr. 162. 1. 5., and insert "for "
"any greater length of time or in any other manner "

than shall be necessary for the execution of the "
said works," and also insert Clause (D.)
CLAUSE (D.) "And be it Enacted, That in "

making or erecting any bridge, culvert or tunnel "
over or under the said Railway that may be ren-
dered necessary by the alteration or division of "
any existing drains, or the making of any new "
drains, the same shall be done jointly by the said "
Railway Company and the respective bodies or "
persons requiring the same; and that in case any "

protest shall arise between the said bodies or "
persons and the said Railway Company touching "
the mode of executing the said works or the costs "
thereof, the matter so in dispute shall be referred "
to two persons, one to be appointed by the said "
bodies or persons, and the other by the said Com-
pany, and the decision of the said referees or "
referees, and the decision of the said referees or "
their umpire shall be final, and that the costs at-
tending the said reference, shall be at the discre-

tion of the said referees or umpire."" 
Pr. 183. 1. 35. Leave out "eight" and insert "nine."
Pr. 173. 1. 5. Leave out "case" and insert "cases," and in the same line after "money" in-
sert "directed to be."
Pr. 174. 1. 37. After "Parliament" insert Clause (E) 
CLAUSE (E). "Provided always, and be it En-
acted, That in every case in which notice under "
any of the preceding enactments is required to "
be given by the Company to any party previous "
to any proceedings under or with reference to any "
of the objects of this Act, it shall be sufficient "
either to leave such notice in writing at the last "
known place of abode of such party, or of his "
solicitor or other authorized agent or both, to "
transmit the same by post, addressed to such party "
and his solicitor or other authorized agent or both, to "
the last known place of abode of such party, or of his "
solicitor or other authorized agent or both, to "
the last known place of abode of such party, or of his "
solicitor or other authorized agent or both, to "
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solicitor or other authorized agent or both, to "
the last known place of abode of such party, or of his "
solicitor or other authorized agent or both, to "
The Company, it shall be sufficient for the Company to "
affix.
Ordered, That Mr. Eliot Yorke do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House has agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received from Lord Ellenborough the following Letter in respect to the Thanks of this House to Major General Sir Charles Napier, and to the Officers of the Army, both European and Native, serving under Sir Charles Napier, communicated to Lord Ellenborough by Mr. Speaker, in obedience to the Commands of this House of the 12th day of February last:

Sir,

Fort William, April 29, 1844.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 14th of February, transmitting to me, for communication to Major General Sir Charles Napier, and to the Officers, Non-commissioned Officers and Private Soldiers, both European and Native, under his command, the several Resolutions of the House of Commons, which convey to them respectively the Thanks and Approbation of the House for their eminent Services in Scinde.

I shall have much gratification in making this communication to the Major General and his Army.

I have the honour to remain, Sir,

Your very faithful Servant,

To the Right Honourable

Ellenborough.

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Canterbury Pavement Bill; and the Amendments proposed to be added to the Bill, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Bodelwyddan, praying the House to relieve the Poor being not provided for by the existing Laws, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thornely reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 2d 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.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Boole, County Court House, and neighbourhood, Auglesey, praying that Bill may pass into a law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Holywood;—Alexandria;—Kilcon;—Larne;—Donaghmore;—Grantham;—Leominister (five Petitions);—Thrapston;—Garforth;—Carlsbrooke and Newport;—Vol. 99.

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A Petition of the Clergy of town and neighbourhood of 
Hastings, praying for the repeal of so much of the 
Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of 
the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, was pre-
presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to 
take into consideration the Report on the Wells 
Harbour and Quay Bill; and the Amendments 
were read, and agreed to.

And Amendments being proposed to be made to 
the Bill; Ordered, That the said Amendments be re-
ferred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

A Petition of the Churchwarden, Overseer and 
other Inhabitants of Rhymney Ironworks, in the 
ecclesiastical parish of Rhymney, in the county of 
Monmouth, praying the House to appoint a resident 
Registrar of Births and Deaths for the parish of 
Rhymney, was presented, and read; and ordered to 
lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Thomas Boys; and, Royal Hiber-
nian Academy; praying the House to adopt mea-
sures for placing Art-Unions on a sound and per-
manent basis, were presented, and read; and re-
ferred to the Select Committee on Art-Unions.

A Petition of Members of the Waterford Deep 
Sea Fishing Company, praying that the restriction 
respecting the use of trammed nets by day may be 
removed, and also that the House will take measures 
for the erection and maintenance of piers for the 
use and accommodation of fishing craft, in such 
places on the coast of Ireland as may be judged 
suitable and advantageous, was presented, and read; 
and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Merchants, Brethren, Guild Bre-
thren, Craftsmen and other Inhabitants of the royal 
burgh of Dundee, praying the House to pass a law, 
directly and completely abolishing the exclusive 
privileges of the Guilds, Burghs, Corporations and 
Incorporated Trades which exist in the Royal Burghs 
of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered 
to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of the Waterford Mecha-
nics’ Institute, and other Inhabitants of the city of 
Waterford, and its vicinity, praying the House to 
take into consideration the want of Literary and 
Scientific Information in Ireland, was presented, and 
read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of the Roman Catholic 
Congregation of Bridle, in the county of Lancaster, 
praying the House to cause an inquiry to be 
made into the evasions of the laws of Mortmain by Ro-
man Catholic Priests, and to enact such laws as 
will prevent confessors and all other members of 
the Church Lench; Penvin; Bishampton; Crowle; 
Wickenford; Longdon; Defford; Severn 
Stoke; Astley; Ombersley; Groom P’Abbot 
and Parton; Bill Croome; Maddrellfield and 
Neweland; Ponick; Pendock; Wellow; 
Stanton; Hanley Castle; Eldersfield; Little 
Malvern; Great Malvern; and, Chaddesley Cor-
bett; praying the House to resist the efforts now 
being made by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that 
no alteration whatever may be made in the existing 
Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered 
to lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming 
the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the 
ingrossed Bill for paving, lighting, cleansing and 
otherwise improving the Town of Southampton, and 
for removing and preventing Nuisances and Annoy-
ances therein:—The House resumed the said further 
Proceeding; and the Amendment proposed on the 4th day of this instant June, was thrice read; and 
thereto added the following rider.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the 
Title be, An Act for paving, lighting, draining, 
cleansing and otherwise improving the Town of Southam-
pton, and for removing and preventing Nuisances and Annoy-
ances therein:—The House resumed the said further 
Proceeding, and the Amendment proposed on the 4th day of this instant June, was thrice read; and 
thereto added the following rider.

Ordered, That Mr. George William Hope do carry 
the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming 
the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the 
ingrossed Bill for paving, lighting, cleansing and 
otherwise improving the Town of Ashton-under-Lyne and Stalybridge:—The House resumed 
the further said Proceeding.

An ingrossed Clause (Prescribing mode in which 
the Railway shall be constructed at Stalybridge), 
offered and brought up on the 4th day of this instant June, was thrice read; and added to the Bill, by 
way of Rider.

Another ingrossed Clause (Railway to be con-
structed on a level, so as to unite with the Ashton 
Branch of the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and 
Manchester Railway), offered and brought up on the 
4th day of this instant June, was thrice read; and 
added to the Bill, by way of Rider.

Another ingrossed Clause (Prescribing limits 
in which Railway shall be constructed near to 
Stalybridge), offered and brought up on the 4th day 
of this instant June, was thrice read; and added to 
the Bill, by way of Rider.
Another ingrossed Clause (Power to hold land for that purpose), offered and brought up on the 4th day of this instant June, was thrice read; and added to the Bill, by way of Rider.

Another ingrossed Clause (Prescribing limits within which the Ashton Branch of the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway shall be constructed at Stalybridge), offered and brought up on the 4th day of this instant June, was thrice read; and added to the Bill, by way of Rider.

Another ingrossed Clause (Ashton Branch of the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway to be constructed on a level, so as conveniently to unite the Stalybridge and Liverpool Junction Railway), offered and brought up on the 4th day of this instant June, was thrice read; and added to the Bill, by way of Rider.

Another ingrossed Clause (Lands purchased by one Company may be used by the other for the purpose of forming Embankments, &c.), offered and brought up on the 4th day of this instant June, was thrice read; and added to the Bill, by way of Rider.

Another ingrossed Clause (Compensation to be made and notice given as to such lands), offered and brought up on the 4th day of this instant June, was thrice read; and added to the Bill, by way of Rider.

Mr. James Graham reported to the House, That the answer to their several Addresses of the 3d, 4th, 5th and 6th days of this instant June, (that Her Majesty would be graciously pleased to give directions that the Papers therein mentioned might be laid before this House), had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had commanded him to acquaint this House, that She will give directions accordingly.

Ordered, That Mr. Smith to carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass. The House proceeded to take into consideration Gaming.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

And that Mr. Greene do deliver the Answer to an Address to Her Majesty.—Copies or Extracts of any further Correspondence relative to the Emigration of Indian Labourers into the Mauritius, in continuation of the Papers presented to Parliament, by Her Majesty's Command, on the 6th day of March 1844.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration Gaming, that part of the Message from the Lords of Tuesday last, wherein their Lordships request that this House will be pleased to communicate to their Lordships, a Copy of the Report made by the Select Committee of this House, appointed in the present Session of Parliament, to inquire into the existing Statutes against Gaming of every kind; to ascertain to what extent these Statutes are evaded; and to consider whether any and what Amendments should be made in such Statutes, together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before the said Committee, and the Appendix and Index thereto.

Ordered, That a printed Copy of the said Report be communicated to the Lords, as desired by their Lordships: And that Mr. Greene do deliver the same.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to an Address to Her Majesty, copies or Extracts of any further Correspondence relative to the Emigration of Indian Labourers.
5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844; Rate of Duty per Gallon, and Amount thereof; Total Number of Gallons of each Kind, and Total Duty thereon; Total Number of Gallons of all Kinds, and Total Duty thereon, for the United Kingdom; showing the Total Number of Proof Gallons of all Kinds that paid Duty, and Total Amount thereof in each Kingdom; and Total Number of Gallons, and Total Duty thereon, in the whole of the United Kingdom, from the 5th day of January 1843 to the 5th day of January 1844.

A Statement of the Changes which have been introduced into the Public Departments in the System of Book-keeping, since the Report on the Exchequer made by the Commissioners of Public Accounts in 1832; and Copies of any Treasury Minutes on the same subject since that Period.

Return to an Order dated the 14th day of May last, for a Return of the Sums paid on account of Commissions appointed under the Acts 5 and 6 Will. 4, c. 67, and 2 and 3 Vic. c. 61, for the Improvement of the River Shannon, distinguishing the Amount and Periods of Payment for Salaries and Expenses of each Commission, from what Quarter issued, and whether by Grants or Loans:—And a similar Return of the Amount and Periods of Payments for Works, from what Quarter issued, and whether by Grants or Loans:—Also, of the Amount, whether by Grants or Loans, that the Treasury have still power to advance for the same Works:
The above Returns to be made up to the latest period, including the Amount to be granted for the year 1845, the Expenses of the Commission and Works separately.

A Return of the Number of Boots and Shoes imported into this Country annually, since the 5th day of January 1840 to the 5th day of January 1844, with the Duty paid thereon.

An Account of the Auction Duty paid upon Foreign Wool; distinguishing the Duty of Half per centum, and the Duty of Five per centum, for the period, including the Amount to be granted for the year 1845, the Expenses of the Commission and Works separately.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Parishes (Scotland) Bill:
And a Motion being made, and the Question put, That the Committee do now leave the Chair:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out "One hundred pounds," in order to insert "Fifty pounds," instead thereof.

Question proposed, That "One hundred pounds" stand part of the Clause:—Amendment by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, N° 7, agreed to.

Clause, N° 8, (That it shall be lawful for any heritor, or for any heir of entail, &c., to give and grant land for the site of such church, dwelling-house and offices as aforesaid, and also a portion or portions of land near the same for a church-yard, or for a glebe, and not exceeding in the whole acres, Proposed to fill the blank with "four"). Afterwards proposed to fill the blank with "one and a half.

Question put, That the blank be filled with "four;"
The Committee divided:

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Young, Mr. Henry Baring:
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Fox Maule, Mr. Wallace:

Another Amendment made.

Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill:

The Committee divided:

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Young, Mr. Henry Baring:
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Fox Maule, Mr. Wallace:

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Prisons (Scotland) Bill:
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee be appointed to consider of the Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill:

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The Salmon Fisheries (Scotland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Metropolitan Buildings Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Damage by Fire (Metropolis) (No. 2.) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Charitable Loan Societies (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 Committee of Ways and Means;

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

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.

Mr. Greene reported the Vinegar and Glass Duties Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Monday next.

Gaspé Fishery and Coal Mining Company Act.

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 Act passed in the Canadian Parliament, intituled, "An Act for incorporating the Gaspé Fishery and Coal Mining Company."

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 Petition of the London and Croydon Railway Company, for leave to bring in a Bill to continue and extend the Powers of the said Company, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Officers to the Sheriff of the counties of Cambridge and Huntingdon, praying that in case the County Courts Bill should pass into a law, the House will either excuse the Petitioners to receive compensation for the loss which they must necessarily sustain, or appoint them to such offices in the newly-formed courts, as their previous duties may have enabled them competently to fill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Papers relative to the Dublin Jury Lists, &c., which were presented upon Tuesday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Literary and Scientific Institutions, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Lunae, 10° die Junii.

Anno regni Regis Victoriae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Mr. French reported from the Committee on the Westminster and Lambeth Suspension Bridge Bill; and to whom a Petition against the said Bill was referred; that no person appeared in support of such Petition; and that they had heard counsel in favour of the Bill; and 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

An ingrossed Bill for making a Railway from Eastern Union Colchester to Ipswich, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

An ingrossed Bill to extend the Line of the Garnkirk and Glasgow Railway; to enable the Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to alter and amend the Acts relating to the said Railway, was read the third time.

And an ingrossed Clause being offered to be added, and Amendments being proposed to be made to the Bill;

Ordered, That the said Clause, and Amendments, be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the said Bill be adjourned till Thursday next.

The Pendleton, &c., Roads Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of Parties lately engaged in promoting South Eastern a Railway from the South Eastern Railway, near Headcorn, to the Harbours of Rye and Hastings, Railway Bill, praying that the South Eastern and Hastings Railway Bill may be re-committed to the former Committee; and that it be an instruction to such Committee to rescind their former decision on the preamble of the said Bill, and to consider and report on the expedience of allowing the said Bill to pass, for making a Railway to the town and harbour of Rye only, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Petition be printed.

Petitions from Helmsley; Sutton; Pickering; Dissenters'; East Chester; York; Hale; Stapleford; Churf Bill.

Ampleforth; Eastingwold; Largon; Tobermory; Portglenone; Trunkhouse; York; Blackpool; Anglesea; Exeter; Pen-y-graig; Stokesley; Chalfiefield (two Petitions); Pendleton, &c., Roads Bill.

Ordered, That the Petition be printed.

Petitions from Thame; Wiltshire; Westmorland; Northumberland; Hereford; Stamford; Lincoln; Oxford; Devizes; Bristol; Chichester; Cumber; York; Cambridge; Liverpool; London; Birmingham; Manchester; Cheltenham; Bath; Reading; Exeter; Buxton; Dunbarton; Dumbarton; Ric; Kirk Bill.

Ordered, That the Petition be printed.

Petitions from Helmsley; Sutton; Pickering; Dissenters'; East Chester; York; Hale; Stapleford; Churf Bill.

Ampleforth; Eastingwold; Largon; Tobermory; Portglenone; Trunkhouse; York; Blackpool; Anglesea; Exeter; Pen-y-graig; Weymouth; Llan- doyo; Usbridge; Trellech; Llwyf; Kettering; Staunton; Leominster; Salisbury; Bally- black; Airdale; Boothtown (two Petitions); Momb; By; Burton upon; Humber; Sow; Banbury; Penge; Sandal Magna; Great Carlton and Leopold; Horby; Perri; Liverpool; Alderton (two Petitions); Stow; Words' Dale; Briersley; Rosty; Helms- worth; Smith; Birral; Warrenpoint; Camden; Dromore; West Bromwich (three Petitions); Penrith; Rowley Regis; Tipton Green; Tipton (two Petitions); Sedgley (two Petitions);
Petitions from Navan; Cappaghathole; Aughaheeney; Newmarket; Kilkenny (two Petitions); Killbrehill; Carlow; Newry; Kildare; Enniscorthy; Killarney; Killen; Tyrone; Portsmouth; Portadown; Enniskillen; Draperstown; and other places; and, that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the introduction of a Bill for incorporating the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill, were severally referred; That in the case of the Petition for the said Bill, the Standing Orders had not been complied with, except so far as that the Estimate had been made and the Subscription Contract duly entered into and deposited in the Private Bill Office, prior to the presentation of the Petition. Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee, that the Petition, from Mr. H. Ewart, of the Tradesmen and Operatives' Protestant Association, for leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating the Great Southern, and other railways, and for the better regulating the same, and for other purposes, was referred; That some Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That no person appeared in support of the said Petitions, and that they had been heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That the Committee had examined before the Committee, with reference to the making a Branch Railway from Wrexham to the township of Drwyant, no evidence being adduced to prove its necessity, and that they had found the same, as amended, to be true; and, that they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto; and had introduced the additional provision pursuant to the leave granted by the House on the said 4th day of June.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
harbour of Waterford, and stating that they are illegally deprived of their common rights by parties who have erected stakes weirs in the said river and estuary; that prosecutions have been instituted by the Crown against the owners of those weirs, and that although convictions were had, they still continue to be used and are still maintained; that the Petitioners have prostrated several of those weirs, but they have been again erected under the protection of a war-steamer placed in the river; and praying the House to relieve them from the payment of the loan chargeable upon the union, for advances made and to prevent an armed vessel of war being employed to intimidate them, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Attorneys and Solicitors practising in the town of Kingsbridge, in the county of Devon, praying that the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Churchwardens and Representative Poor Law Vestrymen of the parish of Saint George, Hanover-square, in the liberty of the city of Westminster, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Four Petitions from Liverpool, praying the House not to sanction the introduction of a clause into the said Bill, for rating the owners of small tenements to the poor's rate, and that the said clause be also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the time for the Committee on Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill to draw up their Report, be further enlarged till Tuesday the 18th day of this instant June.

A Petition of Manufacturers and Owners of Smoke Prohibition Bill.


A Petition of Inhabitants of Lisdowney, in the parish of Lisdowney, in county of Kilkee, praying the House to refuse a renewal of the Bank of England Charter Bill, and to pass an Act extending the Banking privileges guaranteed by the Act 6 Geo. 4, c. 42, to the city of Dublin, and the circle of fifty Irish miles around it, with such amendments as to the House shall seem meet, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Workers with Silk, in the district of Spitalfields, praying the House to repeal the Currency Bill of 1819, commonly called Peel's Bill, and the Small Note Abolition Act of 1826, abolishing the small note circulation of England and Wales, and to authorize the issue from the Mint of one-pound notes, and to the necessary extent or amount to constitute a sound or sufficient Currency for the tax-included prices of commodities in this country, and that the House will not renew to the Bank of England any Charter that will allow the directors of that establishment, or any such interested parties, in any way to interfere with such legal domestic Currency when so established, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of the united Church of Convocation of England and Ireland, praying for the revival of the Convocation, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
Scotland. Poor Law &c.

Ireland. Union with

Exemption

Lime Toil

Promiscuous

(Wales) Bill.

County Courts Bill.

Manchester bishopric.

Petitions of the Minister, Churchwardens and Inhabitants of Yates; and, Members of the Skepton Mallet Church of England Lay Association; praying the House to adopt measures for the immediate formation of a new and independent Bishopsric for the town of Manchester, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Rate-payers of the parish of Kettering, in the county of Northampton, praying that the Vestries in Churches Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Officers to the Sheriff of Somersetshire, praying that in case the County Courts Bill should pass into a law, the House will either cause the Petitioners to receive compensation for the loss which they must necessarily sustain, or appoint the Petitioners to such offices in the newly-formed courts as their previous duties may have enabled them competently to fill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Promiscuous intercourse.

Petitions from Brinscombe; and, Chalford; stating that there are large classes of persons in the principal towns of the United Kingdom who make a trade of and live by promoting promiscuous intercourse between the sexes; and praying the House to enact that trading in vice in the manner referred to shall be a highly penal offence, and that this shall be more particularly the case when pursued in relation to infants under twenty-one years of age, and that magistrates and officers of police shall be invested with summary powers of proceeding in cases of suspected delinquency, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Line Toll Exemption (Wales) Bill.

Union with Ireland.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the united parishes of Ballynahaglish and Kilbehoford, in the county of Mayo, praying for the repeal of the Legislative Union between Great Britain and Ireland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Savings Banks Bill.

A Petition of Vice Presidents, Directors and Trustees of the Tuamouth Bank for Savings, praying that the Savings Banks Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Monasteries, &c.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Watton, in the county of Hertford, praying for the suppression of Monasteries and for the final prohibition and banishment from the United Kingdom of Jesuits and members of other religious orders, communities or societies of the Church of Rome, bound by monastic or religious vows, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law (Scotland.)

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—A Copy of the Appendix to the Report of Her Majesty's Commissioners on the Poor Law Inquiry, Scotland—Parts I., II. and III.
of the Amount of Securities held by the Bank, distin-
guishing Public from Private, and distinguishing
Private under the heads of Bills and Notes dis-
counted; and of the Amount of Bullion in the Bank
at the close of every week, from the 6th day of
March 1832 up to the present time.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to
the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Ac-
count of all Monies received and applied by the
Corporation for preserving and improving the Port
of Dublin, on account of Lighthouses, for the year
ended 31st December 1843.

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

The ingrossed Bill to repeal the Duty of Excise
on Vinegar, and to make the Duties and Drawbacks
now payable on Flint Glass the same as on Bottle
Glass, was, according to Order, read the third
time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-
mitee of Ways and Means;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-
mitee of Supply;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second
reading of the Bank of England Charter Bill;

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

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Senior and
Mr. Lynch:

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act
for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against
the Crown, without Amendment; viz.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to continue for Five years
an Act of the second and third years of Her present
Majesty, for the better Prevention and Punishment
of Crimes, was, according to Order, read the third
time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

A Bill, intituled, An Act to continue for Five years
an Act of the second and third years of Her present
Majesty, for the better Prevention and Punishment
of Assaults in Ireland:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Laws now
in force for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the
marking of Gold and Silver Wares in England:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to continue for Five years
an Act of the second and third years of Her present
Majesty, for the better Prevention and Punishment
of Assaults in Ireland:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to establish the Powers
granted by the said Second Section of the
fifth year of Her present Majesty, intituled, An
Act for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against
the Crown and Blaina Iron Company and for
granting certain Powers therein:

A Bill, intituled, An Act for enabling the Sheffield
Gas Light Companies:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to establish the
Powers granted by the said Second Section of the
fifth year of Her present Majesty, intituled, An
Act for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against
the Crown and Blaina Iron Company, and for
granting certain Powers therein:—

A Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the President
Treasurer, Deputy Treasurer, Benefactors and
Subscribers of and to the Manchester Royal Infirm-
ary, Dispensary and Lunatic Hospital or Asylum
to enable the said Infirmary, and to purchase and
hold Land for the Erection of a new Lunatic Hos-
tery or Asylum:—And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act
to remedy certain Defects in the Appoinment of the
Rent-charge in lieu of Tithes, in the Parish of
Necton, in the County of Norfolk; to which the
Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And
also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act
to authorize the Sale of a certain Leasehold Estate,
in the County of Kent. Part of the settled Estate
of the Earl of Guilford; to which the Lords desire
the concurrence of this House:—And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act
for selling the said Unsettled Estate of Scroza, in
the County of Aberdeen, belonging to Alexander Forbes
Irvine, Esquire, and for investing the Price thereof
in the Purchase of other Lands to be entailed in
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Savings Banks Bill.

No. 360.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Savings Banks Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly.

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.

Courts of Common Law Process Bill.

No. 361.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts of Common Law Process Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Courts of Common Law Process (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts of Common Law Process (Ireland) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Parishes (Scotland) Bill.

No. 362.

Mr. Greene reported the Parishes (Scotland) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill.

The Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Joint Stock Companies Remedies at Law and in Equity Bill.

The Joint Stock Companies Remedies at Law and in Equity Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

Metropolitan Buildings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Metropolitan Buildings Bill, Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Damage by Fire (Metropolis) Bill.

No. 2.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Damage by Fire (Metropolis) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Charitable Loan Societies (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Charitable Loan Societies (Ireland) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Postmasters General.

No. 362.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Postage, which was presented upon the 20th day of May last, be printed.

Postage.

No. 362.

Ordered, That the Return to the Hibernian Military School, which was presented upon the 24th day of May last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Public Departments, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Wool, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, went Relief that Mr. Beckett Donistoun be discharged from fur (other than the Select Committee on Poor Relief).

Relief (Gilbert's Act).

The House divided: The Yeas, Mr. Redhead Yorke; 10. Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Pringle: 18.

And it appearing, upon the report of the division by the Tellers, that Forty Members were not present, and it being then one of the clock on Tuesday morning: The House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till this day.

Martis, 11° die Juni:

Anno 7° Victoriae Regni, 1844.

PRAYERS.

M. R. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Poor Relief Commissioners, was called in; and at the (Ireland) Act bar presented, Return to an Order, dated the 30th day of April last, for Returns of the Names of the different Union Workhouses in Ireland, not having been visited by an Assistant Commissioner, from the 1st day of November 1843 to the 1st day of April 1844: Of the Salary and Allowances of the Architect to the Poor Law Commission in Ireland, and his Assistants, for the last year; specifying the Duties performed by him during that period: Of the Names of those Persons lately appointed Poor Law Auditors in Ireland: Of the Medical Qualifications of the District Vaccinators appointed for the Newtonwards Union, with Copies of any Remonstrances addressed to the Poor Law Commissioners against such Appointments: And, of the Number of the Irish Poor who have been removed from any Parish, Township or Place in England to Ireland, under the Provisions of the Act 3 Will c. 40, between the 1st day of April 1843 and the 1st day of April 1844: And, Copy of the Resolutions addressed by the Guardians of the Ballisrode Union to the Poor Law Commissioners, dated the 4th day of April 1844, as to the impossibility of collecting the Poor Rates without the Assistance of a Stipendiary Magistrate and a Military Force: And then he withdrew.

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

Ordered, That the Committee on the Rochdale Rochdale Improvement Bill have leave to sit this day, till five o'clock, of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Earl Jersey presented from the Committee on the Pailey General Pailey General Gas Bill; That, at the expiration of Gas Bill, one hour from the time fixed for the meeting of the Committee this day, a Quorum of selected Members not being present, he had adjourned the Committee until Friday next, at twelve o'clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Brighton, Lewes, the Report on the Brighton, Lewes and Hastings Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.
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South Eastern and Hastings Railway Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the South Eastern and Hastings Railway Bill be recommitted to the former Committee.

And the House being informed, that other Amendments are necessary to be made to the Bill; and that the House had examined the Petitions, and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto; and that the House had determined, after due Consideration, to recommence the Bill; and that they had heard counsel in support of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; and that they had examined the Petition, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill; and made Amendments thereunto.

And the House being informed, that other Amendments are necessary to be made to the Bill; and that the House had examined the Petition, and had found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill; and made Amendments thereunto.

North Wales Mineral Railway Bill.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town and neighbourhood of Welshepool, praying that the North Wales Mineral Railway Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Dissenters' and Benger Dioceses.

Petitions from Tenterden; and, Rye; praying that leave may be given to proceed during the present session with the Bill for making a Railway from the South Eastern Railway to Rye and Hastings, so far as relates to that portion of it only which lies between Headcorn and Rye; were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Trinity; praying that the Dissenters' Chapels Bill Petitions presented upon the 5th, 6th and 7th days to lie upon the Table.

Dromara; praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Saint Asaph and Bangor Dioceses.

A Petition of the Reverend James Smith, the Marriages of the Free Presbyterian Church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Dissenters' Chapels Bill.

A Petition of the Archdeacon and Clergy of the Parish of Kilsby, in the county of Northampton, complaining of the exclusion of Roman Catholics from Juries in Ireland; was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Ward of St. Giles, in the county of Durham, praying for the alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, by making the measure of remuneration to be given to medical officers of unions, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

A Petition of Roman Catholics of the parish of James (Ireland.) Kilbrowney, in the county of Down, complaining of the exclusion of Roman Catholics from Juries in Ireland; was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Archdeacon and Clergy of the Parish of Suffolks, taking notice of the Parish Assessments Act; and praying that in any measure the House may be pleased to take for improving the system of local taxation, other parties may not be relieved at their expense, and that no heavier burthen may be thrown upon them than they have been hitherto by law called upon to bear, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Reverend James Smith, the Marriages Office Bearers and Congregation of the Free Church, Dunbarton, praying that all Marriages solemnized by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland be good and valid to all intents and purposes, provided they shall have been solemnized and registered according to the published regulations of the Presbyterian Church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee Standing on Standing Orders; several Resolutions; which Orders; were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That in the case of the Edinburgh Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill, proposed Amendments on third reading, the said Amendments are of such a nature as to justify the House in entertaining them, without the re-commitment of the Bill.

2. Resolved, That in the case of the Wells Harbour Bill, proposed Clause and Amendments on consideration of Report, the said Clause and Amendments are of such a nature as to justify the House in entertaining them, without the re-commitment of the Bill.

3. Resolved, That in the case of the Wells Harbour and Quay Bill, proposed Amendments on consideration of Report, the said Amendments are of such a nature as to justify the House in entertaining them, without the re-commitment of the Bill.

4. Resolved, That in the case of the Manchester Manchester Bonding Bill, proposed Amendment on consideration of Report, the said Amendment is of such a nature as to justify the House in entertaining it, without the re-commitment of the Bill.

5. Resolved, That in the case of the Garthdee, Glasglow and Coatbridge Railway Bill, proposed Clause and Amendments on third reading, the said Clause and Amendments are of such a nature as may be adopted by the House at that stage, if it shall think fit.
6. Resolved, That in the case of the Labouring Classes Improvement Society (No. 2.), Petition for leave to present a Petition for a Bill, the Sessional Order be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to present a Petition accordingly.

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

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the consideration of the Report on the Canterbury Pavement Bill be resumed To-morrow.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bill be resumed To-morrow.

Ordered, That leave to present a Petition for a Bill, the Sessional Order of the House being dispensed with, the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend an Act for altering and amending the Statute Labour Assessments upon the Inhabitants of Caithness, be read the third time.

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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 Mr. Henry Bailly do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

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 Mr. Henry Bailly do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Report of Mark Napier, Esquire, Advocate Depute to the Lord Advocate, relative to the recent Disturbances in Caithness-shire, connected with the Statute Labour Assessments upon the Inhabitants of that County.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Report of the several Officers and Clerks of the Superior Courts of Law in Ireland, of the Sums paid through his Office in each quarter of the years 1839, 1840, 1841 and 1842, to the several Officers and Clerks of the Superior Courts of Common Law in Ireland; and also of the Sums paid upon the Certificates of the Judges of said Courts, for Incidental and other Expenses; specifying the Names of the Persons to whom paid, and the Amount paid to each:—And, from the Commissioners of Stamps, or the proper Officers of the Stamp Office, Dublin, of all Sums received by the Commissioners of Stamps, by, from, or under the Duties made payable by the Act 1 and 2 Geo. 4, c. 113, for the Law Fund Duties, in each of the years 1839, 1840, 1841 and 1842, distinguishing so much of the said Duties as was paid in by the several Officers of the Superior Courts of Law in Ireland, from time to time, in each such year.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the finally audited Receipt and Expenditure for Army and Militia Services, compared with the Sums estimated, for the year ended the 31st day of March 1843; and Balance Sheet, showing the Ledger Balances on the 31st day of March 1844, the Date on which the preceding Account was closed.

Sir Thomas Fremantle accordingly presented the said Account.

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

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Senior and Mr. Lynch:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill intituled, An An Act to amend an Act for altering and amending the Harbours Bill, several Acts for the Improvement of the Harbour of Swansea, in the County of Glamorgan, without any Amendment: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Night Poaching Prevention Bill.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Senior and Message from the Lords:

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Mr. Godlow presented a Bill to provide an Amendment in Criminal Cases: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow; and to be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Courts of Law Returns from the principal Officers of the several Courts of Law in Ireland, of Copies of the several Quarterly Accounts submitted to and certified by the Judges of the said Courts respectively, in the years 1839, 1840, 1841 and 1842, of Sums incurred for Clerks employed in the Offices of the said Courts, and as for the Expenses of Coals, Candles and all other the Charges and Expenses of the said several Offices, and in the several Chambers of the said Courts, including the Remuneration of the Court Keeper, and Stationery; and for Clerks employed in the said Offices respectively; and for further or increased Payment to any Clerks employed in the said Offices respectively; and (in the Civil Side of the Court of Queen's Bench) for the Salary of the Clerk in the Office of the Taxing Officers;—From the Paymaster of Civil Services in Ireland, of the Sums paid through his Office in each quarter of the years 1839, 1840, 1841 and 1842, to the several Officers and Clerks of the Superior Courts of Common Law in Ireland; and also of the Sums paid upon the Certificates of the Judges of said Courts, for Incidental and other Expenses; specifying the Names of the Persons to whom paid, and the Amount paid to each:—And, from the Commissioners of Stamps, or the proper Officers of the Stamp Office, Dublin, of all Sums received by the Commissioners of Stamps, by, from, or under the Duties made payable by the Act 1 and 2 Geo. 4, c. 113, for the Law Fund Duties, in each of the years 1839, 1840, 1841 and 1842, distinguishing so much of the said Duties as was paid in by the several Officers of the Superior Courts of Law in Ireland, from time to time, in each such year.

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

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The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from Leeds to Bradford, with a Branch to the North Midland Railway, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And also, The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from Leeds to Bradford, with a Branch to the North Midland Railway, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

An Act was made, and the Question being put, That a Select Committee be appointed, to inquire into the operation of the Anatomy Act.

The House divided:
The Yeas to the new Lobby:
The Nays to the old Lobby.

Orders of the day being read, for the second reading of the Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday the 1st day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday the 1st day of July next, resolve itself into the said committee on the Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Bill.

The House was also moved, That the Act 6 Geo. 4, c. 93, to amend the Acts of the last Session of Parliament relating to Presentments by Grand Juries, for Payment of the Salaries of the several Counties in Ireland, might be read; and the same was read.

The House was also moved, That the Act 6 Geo. 4, c. 92, to amend an Act of the last Session of Parliament, for amending former Acts relating to Presentments by Grand Juries, for Payment of the Salaries of Treasurers and Public Officers of the several Counties in Ireland, might be read; and the same was read.

The House was also moved, That the Act 7 Geo. 4, c. 2, to amend an Act passed in the seventh year of His present Majesty, for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the Presentment of Public Money by Grand Juries in Ireland, might be read; and the same was read.

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A Petition of John Williams, late of Cornhill, in the city of London, and now of Stoke Damerel, in the county of Devon, praying that a Bill may be brought
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Mr. Grogan presented a Bill to amend the Law relating to the Office of Coroner, and the Expenses of Inquests in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday the 20th day of this instant June; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to the Bank of Ireland, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Lighthouses (Ireland), which was presented yesterday, 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, 12° die Junii;

ANNO, 7° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAIERS.

The Earl of Guildford's Estate Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Manchester Stipendiary Magistrate Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Irwin's Estate Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Petitions from Eastwood;—Asfordby;—Turvo;—Melton Mowbray (two Petitions);—Hickling;—Ab-Kettleby;—Broughton;—Kinoulton;—Wysall;—Belfot;—Penley;—Walnut;—West Bromwich;—Bloxwich;—Wilenhall;—Cannock;—Presstigne;—Rothearne;—and, Plymouth; praying that the Dissenters' Chapels Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Middleton (Cork);—Limerick (eight Petitions);—Balkincollig;—and, Plymouth; praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas Clutton, Salt, of the borough of Birmingham, praying the House to institute an inquiry into the operation of the Act of 1819, commonly called Peel's Bill, and that the House will then proceed to establish a just and fixed standard of value, and a monetary system, on a broad and secure basis adapted to the obligations and to the industry both of England and her vast possessions, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Operative Wood-sawyers of Edinburgh and Leith, praying the House to impose a tax upon Wood cut by machinery, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Council Municipal of the borough of Cork, praying that the Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Wick, praying the House to introduce, without delay, into Parliament, a Bill to declare valid, to all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages heretofore solemnized or hereafter to be solemnized, by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, between parties not within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and who have the consent of parents or guardians, and provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agreeably to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Carronwy;—and, Holywell; praying County Courts, that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Caisterbury and Glasgow Railway Bills, the further Proceeding upon consideration of the Report of the Caisterbury pavement Bill:—The House resumed the said further Proceeding.

A Clause (Impropriation in default of distress, offered and brought up on the 7th day of this instant June, was twice read; and made part of the Bill.

And the Amendments, proposed at the same time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to consider the Acts in force with respect to the Trial of Controverted Elections, and to report their Opinion, whether any and what Amendments can be made, calculated to improve the provisions of the said Acts, have Power to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Lord Granville Somerset reported from the said Select 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.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Bills, the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the ingrossed Bill to authorize an Extension of the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway, and to amend and enlarge the Provisions of the Acts relating to such Railway:—The House resumed the said further Proceeding.

And the Amendments, proposed on the 6th day of this instant June, being read;

Lord Granville Somerset, by Her Majesty's Command, acquainted the House, That Her Majesty, having been informed of the purport of the said Amendments, 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 said Amendments were agreed to.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Sir James Graham reported to the House, That Answer to their several Addresses of the 7th and 11th days of this instant June (That Her Majesty would be graciously pleased to give directions that the Papers therein mentioned might be laid before this House),
Coroners Bill.

Mr. George William Hope presented, pursuant to an Address to Her Majesty,—A Copy of the Act passed in the Canadian Parliament, intituled, An Act for incorporating the Gaspé Fishery and Coal Mining Company.

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

Appeal in Criminal Cases Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Appeal in Criminal Cases Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 26th day of this instant June.

Detached Parts of Counties Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Detached Parts of Counties 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 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.

And the Question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

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 "the Bill be committed to a Select Committee," 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 Bill be committed to a Select Committee," be added, instead thereof:

—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put:

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Select Committee.

Aliens Bill.

The Aliens Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday the 26th day of this instant June.

Smoke Prohibition Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Smoke Prohibition Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday the 26th day of this instant June.

Mr. Greene reported the County Coroners Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

A Clause was offered (Expenses arising from injustices in detached parts of counties to be repaid by the county to which they belong): And the said Clause was brought up, and twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

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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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.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed yesterday, That this House do resolve itself into a Committee upon the present state of the Temporalities of the Church of Ireland;

And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

Jovis, 13° die Junii, 1844:

And the Question being put; The House divided:
The Yeas to the new Lobby;
The Noes to the old Lobby.

 Tellers for the Yeas,

Mr. Word, Lord Marnes Hill: 179.
Mr. Young, Mr. Henry Baring: 274.

So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill Grand Jury Presentments to consolidate and amend the Laws for the regulation of Grand Jury Presentments in the county of Dublin: And that Mr. Edward Taylor and Mr. Hans Hamilton do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Hawkers and Pedlars, showing the different Rates of Licensing granted to Hawkers, the Number of Licenses issued according to each Rate, and the Total Amount received for such Licenses, during each of the last Ten years:—And, of the Number of Persons convicted under the Hawkers and Pedlars Act, at General or Petty Sessions in England and Wales, during the year ending the 5th day of January 1844; and also the Number imprisoned during the same period for Non-payment of the Penalties imposed.

Mr. Edward Taylor presented a Bill to consolidate Grand Jury Presentments and Grand Jury Presentments in the County of Dublin: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, that they do examine whether the Standing Orders have been complied with, as in the case of a Petition for a Private Bill, and under the same Rules and Regulations.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

Sir George Clerk presented, pursuant to Order,—Custom House A Copy of the Evidence appended to the Report Fraud. presented to this House in the last Session of Par-

liament, respecting the Frauds which have been practised on the Custom House Department in London.

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

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Poor Poor Relief (Ireland) Act, which was presented yester-

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Ordered, That the Return relative to the Estate State Trial (Ireland), which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after one of the clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.
Mr. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Commissioners, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order,—A Copy of the Evidence taken by Mr. Austin in the cases of Post-mortem Examination of Passers who died in Workhouses belonging to the Dudley Union; together, with his Report, and the Proceedings of the Poor Law Commissioners thereon:—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Moore, from the Trustees of the Liverpool Docks, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Account of the Receipt and Disbursement of Dock and Light Duties at the Port of Liverpool, from the 25th June 1842 to the 24th June 1843:—And then he withdrew.

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

Viscount Maken reported from the Committee on the Rochdale Improvement Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had heard counsel in support of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; and that he 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 Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the consideration of the Report on the Wells Harbour and Quay Bill be resumed To-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed for the purpose of enabling the Committee to alter some of the Clauses relative to Rates and Duties; and to insert Clauses relative to the Ordnance Property.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit, and proceed, upon Tuesday next.

Mr. William Collett reported from the Committee on the Monkland Railways (No. 2.) Bill; That at the expiration of one hour from the time fixed for the meeting of the Committee this day, a quorum of 11 Members not being present, he had adjourned the Committee until Monday next, at Twelve of the clock.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from Leeds to Bradford, with a Branch to the North Midland Railway; and the same were read, as follow:—

Pr. 147. I. 33. After "reference" insert Clause (A).

CLAUSE (A). "Provided always, and be it enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the Company to take or use for the purposes of this Act any of the following properties, without the consent in writing of the owners and occupiers thereof respectively, for that purpose first had and obtained;—No. 7, on the said plans, in the township of Armley, and on the south side of the Wortley, Armley; and Bramley Turnpike-road, of which David Parr is owner, and Thomas Ware occupier;—And King Street, to a cottage in the said township, at or near the west end of field, No. 14, on the said plans, and south of field No. 13, of which Joseph Jackson is owner, and John Clapper occupier;—a field in the said township adjoining to Nos. 28, 29 and 30 on the said plans, of which John Foster is owner, and John Cass occupier;—a field in the township of Idle, adjoining Nos. 107, 175, and 176 on the said plans, in that township, the property of William Rolles Crompton Stanfield, Esquire, and occupied by John Wright, as sub-tenant of Thomas Oddly;—a certain field adjoining to Nos. 29, 30, and 31 on the said plans, in the township of Manningham, the property of Ellis Cantlie;—Lister Key, Esquire, and in the occupation of John Crabtree;—a certain field in the township of Bradford, adjoining to and at the west end of No. 32 on the said plans, the property of the Trustees of Bunscock's Charity, in the occupation of Thomas Craven.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Beckett do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Mark Philips do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

An ingrossed Bill for making a Railway from the Brightons, Leedes Lomion and Brighton Railway to Leedes and Hastings, with a Branch to York, all in the County of Sussex, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

An ingrossed Bill for the warehousing of Foreign Goods for Home Consumption at the Borough of Hudding Bill, Manchester, in the County of Lancaster, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Mark Philips do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
London and South-Western Railway (No. 1) Bill.

Sir Edward Colebrooke reported from the Committee on the London and South-Western Railway (No. 1) Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; that they had considered such Petitions; that they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same related to the present application; and that they had altered the Preamble of the Bill, in order to introduce therein a reference to a Bill now pending in Parliament, for making a Branch Railway to Salisbury, so as to connect the said Bill, and the provisions thereof, with the present Bill; and also for the purpose of expressing more accurately the objects of the Bill; and that they had ascertained the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

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

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of lands residing in the neighbourhood of Saffron Walden, stating that the late alteration in the punishment of Arson does not tend to check that crime, but that it has a contrary effect; and praying that the said crime may be punished with death, as formerly, and suggesting that any person found guilty of that offence shall be executed in the parish in which he committed the crime, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Bordesley;—Denaghmore;—Putney;—Burnet;—Walsham;—Belford;—Saint Luke, Old-street (Middlesex);—Netherton;—Deton, and other places;—York (two Petitions);—Breadwell;—Ticknall;—Cheltenham (two Petitions);—Cranfield;—Carnew;—South Molton and Chalmersbridge (Buckingham);—Islandmage;—Ferndale;—May;—Haverfordwest (two Petitions);—Peterfield;—Saint David’s (Pembrok);—Pocklington;—Long Buckby;—Little Bromley (Essex);—Shaftesbury;—Lyme Regis;—Reverend Edward Damer;—and, Chestham; praying that the Dissenters’ Chapels Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town of Narberth, and its vicinity, in the county of Pembroke, praying that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law, and that a knowledge of the Welsh language may be required on the part of the Judges who may be selected to decide small causes in the Principality, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the County of Cork;—The Metropolis;—and, Spalding; praying that the Bank of England Charter Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of scarfiers practising in the city of York, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of London and Westminster, praying the House to repeal the Act of the 50 George the Third (1819), so that the price of Gold may be allowed to rise in exchange against Bank Notes to its market value, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Operative Bleachers employed in Bleaching Works in the parishes of Cathcart and Easwood, praying the House to extend to them such protection by legislative measures as will regulate their hours and places of labour, and remove their other causes of complaint against the system of labour now in operation in the Bleaching Works in Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Petitions from Abbeyleix Union;—and, Belfast Poor Relief Union (Chairman); praying for amendment of the (Ireland) Act, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Clergy, Churchwardens and Parishioners of the parish of All Saints, Holborn, complaining of the public exposure of articles for sale on the Lord’s Day, whether in shops and markets, or otherwise; and praying the House to carry out the principles of existing laws on this subject, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Ockwester;—Yieldersley;—Osmanton;—Wernhill;—Shirley;—Yeavley;—Altonaefield;—Elsterston;—Grindon;—Stanston;—Skeltoft;—Waterfall;—Ible;—Wymingdon;—Ruddle;—Bradborne;—Calton;—Threo-under-sands;—Hoghton and other places (two Petitions);—Callow;—Bradley (Derby);—Carrington;—Sturston;—Kirk Ireton;—Middleton-by-Werkworth;—Knutsford;—Hopton;—Braszington;—Halland Ward (Derby);—Bradley (Derby);—and, Hollington; praying the House not to pass any Act by which the Act called Gilber’s Act, and the incorporations formed in pursuance thereof are to be dissolved, or extended, or without a previous inquiry and investigation as to the manner in which the poor law has been administered in the several incorporations formed under that Act, and that the present powers and authority of the Poor Law Commissioners may in no respect be enlarged or extended, were presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Relief (Gilbert’s Act.)

Petitions from Harrington;—Treldlington;—Cromthorne;—Church Honeby;—Even;—and other places;—Emley Castle;—Buxton;—Broughton;—Longstock;—Higlervco;—Wootton;—Saint Lawrence;—Huntingdon;—Worting;—Pamber;—Aresford (near Petition);—Nether Wallop;—East Tytherley;—Stockbridge;—Pershore (two Petitions);—Tidmarsh;—Briclachampton;—Little Comberton;—Penham;—Buddle;—Bredon;—Great Comberton;—Great and Little Hampton;—Birchington;—North and Little Littleton;—and, Wick (Worcester); praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Henry Thoby Primrose, of Hyde Kilmarnock, Park Gardens, in the county of Middlesex, Esquire, and a Candidate at the last Election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the District of Burghs of Renfrew, Rutherglen, Dumbarton, Kilmarnock and Port Glasgow, was delivered in, and read; setting forth, That at the last Election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the District of Burghs after named, videlicet, Renfrew, Rutherglen, Dumbarton, Kilmarnock and Port Glasgow, the Petitioner, the Honourable Edward Peyncfellow Bowerie and Henry Vincent, Esquire, were Candidates; that a poll having been taken at the said Election, the said Edward Pieg'ell Bowerie was declared to have a majority of votes, and was returned as Member duly elected to serve in this present Parliament for the said Burghs; that the names of divers persons were illegally inserted in the alphabetical lists of voters for the said District of Burghs, who were admitted to vote, and did vote for the said Edward Pieg'ell Bowerie, whose votes ought now to be struck from the poll; that at the various registration courts, when the claims of persons to be registered as voters in the said respective Burghs were taken into consideration by the respective Sheriffs presiding in such courts, the said Sheriffs illegally and erroneously admitted to registr
tion and registered divers persons as voters whose
equal, erroneous and null, and
who were not qualified or entitled to be registered
as voters, or to vote at such Election, and who voted
for the said Edward Pleydell Bouverie, and whose votes
ought to be struck from the poll; that the
Sheriff and Appeal Sheriffs respectively did also illegally
and erroneously refuse to expunge from the register
the names of divers persons who were not legally
entitled to continue on the registers, and to whom
valid objections had been duly lodged and intimated,
which said last-mentioned persons were allowed to
vote for the said Edward Pleydell Bouverie at the
said Election, but whose votes ought to be struck
from the poll; that various persons were unlawfully
admitted to vote and did vote at the said Election for the said
Edward Pleydell Bouverie, whose votes ought to be
struck from the poll; and did vote thereat, in favour of the said
Edward Pleydell Bouverie, whose votes ought to be
struck from the poll; that divers persons having votes at the said Election, both
before and after the date of the writ for the said
Election, received money, meat, drink, entertainment
and promises, or presents, gifts, rewards or
entertainments, or promises, agreements, engagements,
or obligations of or for money, meat, drink, entertain-
ment or provisions in respect of their votes at
the said Election, were nevertheless admitted to
vote, and after the test of the said writ, gave to persons
having votes at the said Election, money, meat,
drink, entertainment or provision, or promises,
agreements, engagements, obligations of money, meat,
drink, entertainment or provision, or for or in respect
of such persons, in order to the Election of the said
Edward Pleydell Bouverie, were nevertheless ad-
mitted to vote for the said Edward Pleydell Bou-
verie at the said Election, and did unlawfully vote
for him, his agents, friends, managers and supporters, and
others acting and employed by and for him, and
on his behalf, before or after the date of the said
Election, to give or refrain from giving their votes at such Election, for the
purposes of corruptly rewarding such persons,
and certain other persons, to give or refrain
from giving their votes at such Election; that the said Edward Pleydell Bou-
verie, by himself, his agents, friends, managers and supporters,
and others acting and employed by and for
him, and on his behalf, did give and provide,
and cause and knowingly allow to be given and
provided, wholly or in part certain expenses incurred for meat,
drink, entertainment and provision to or for the use
of persons having votes at the said Election, who both
before and after the date of the said Election, received money, meat,
drink, entertainment or provisions in respect of their votes at
such Election.
acting on his behalf, before and at such time during the said Election, were guilty of fraud, bribery, and corruption, and did, by himself or his agents, friends, and managers, and by others on his behalf, by gifts, rewards, offices, or employments, and by promises, agreements and securities for offices, gifts and employments, and other advantages and emoluments, attempt to corrupt and procure, and did in fact corrupt and procure persons having votes at the said Election, to vote for him the said Edward Pleydell Bouverie, and to forbear to vote for the Petitioner, that by reason of the said corrupt and illegal practises, the said Edward Pleydell Bouverie became, before and at the time of the said Election, wholly incapacitated to be elected, and still is ineligible to serve in the present Parliament for the said Burghs, and the said Election and Return of the said Edward Pleydell Bouverie were and are wholly null and void: and praying that the House will be pleased to take the premises into consideration, and to declare and declare that the said Election and Return were and are null and void, and that the said Edward Pleydell Bouverie was not duly elected, and that the Petitioner was duly elected, and ought to have been returned the Member to serve in Parliament for the said District Burghs, and to order the said Return to be amended accordingly, by directing the name of the said Edward Pleydell Bouverie to be erased from the same, and the name of the Petitioner to be inserted in the place of the said Edward Pleydell Bouverie, and to grant to the Petitioner such further or other relief in the premises as to the House shall seem meet.

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.

Petitions from Lacey—and, Lazi; praying for the repeal of the Legislative Union between Great Britain and Ireland, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Grand Jury of the county of the town of Galway; and, Gentry, Clergy and Inhabitants of Lisdowney; praying the House to impose a heavy tax on Absenteeism in Ireland, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Leicester, praying the House to pass such a measure as shall have the effect of abrogating all laws which prohibit the free publication of opinions, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas Cooper, praying the House to adopt measures by which the remainder of the sentence passed on Thomas Cooper may be remitted, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Warrington; Tonantz—Yeovil and Sherborne;—Finsbury;—Wigan;—Leeds;—Waterhampton;—Leiston;—Greenewyck and Wadshelf;—Hampden and the name of Oxford;—Greenock;—Colchester;—Stockport;—Dunfermline;—Southwark and Lambeth;—Stoke-upon-Trent and Newcastle-under-Lyne;—Westminster and Mary-le-bone;—and; Norwich; alleging grievances connected with their trade; and praying for an inquiry, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Legal Quay and other Wharfingers in the port of London, praying that the Customs Duties Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Mohill, Registration of the Act of Parliament for separating the Irish Presbyterian Church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Dairy Farmers of Uttoxeter; and, Cheese and Dairy Farmers of Ashbourne; praying that the same principle of a protective duty may be extended towards the Petitioners as is afforded to the Corn Farmer by the Corn Laws, and likewise, that an official return may be made public, respecting the quantities of Cheese and Butter imported from foreign countries, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Minister, Ruling Elders and other Members of the Congregation of Coosa, in connection (Ireland) with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, praying the House to introduce without delay, into Parliament, a Bill to declare valid, to all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages heretofore solemnized or hereafter to be solemnized by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered accordingly to the public, that the Irish Presbyterian Church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Notice being taken, that the Returns relating to Isle of Man, the Harbour Duties in the Isle of Man, which were presented upon the 15th day of May last, were not prepared in conformity with the Act of Parliament, and the Address of this House of the 15th day of April last; Ordered, That the said Returns be withdrawn.

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 Amounts collected in the Isle of Man, by the authority of the Act 54 Geo. 3, c. 143, § 1, for Harbour Duties in each year, from the year 1832 to 1843, under the several heads stated by the Schedule of that Act:—Off the Expenditure of the Amounts so received, under the various heads to which appropriated, and of the Balance in hand of the said Funds on the 1st day of January 1844:—Of the Commissioners now qualified, and who execute the said Act:—And, of the Amount of Fines levied under its authority, in an amended form, and in conformity with the said 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.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Bank of England Charter Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:—

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Senior and Mr. Lynch, in answer thereto, that the Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment; viz.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to explain and amend the Acts incorporating the British Society, for extending the Fisheries and improving the Sea-Coast of the Kingdom, for enlarging and improving the Harbour of Pulleney Town, in the County of Caithness, and for lighting, cleansing and improving the Acts; and for other purposes connected with the said Town, and better supplying the same with Water;—

A Bill, intituled, An Act for making and main- tier: Trade

ning a Turnpike-road from Sidmouth to Colyton, and also to or near to Hele Mill, in the Parish of Bradninch, all in the County of Devon: And also, 3 E 2 The
The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to amend and explain the Acts for the Commutation of Copyhold and Customary Tenure, in respect of lands of Copyhold and Customary Tenure, and in respect of other lands subject to such Rights, and for facilitating the Enfranchisement of such Lands, and for the Amendment of such Tenure; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for carrying into effect a Contract between Edward Stone and Thomas Fulljames, Esquires, for the Sale to the said Thomas Fulljames of an Estate in the Parishes of Hasfield, Ashleworth and Corse, in the County of Gloucester, part of the Estates devised by the Will of John Stone, Esquire, deceased, and for investing the Purchase-money in other Estates to be settled to the same Uses, and for vesting certain other detached Estates in the Counties of Gloucester and Worcester, devised by the same Will, in Trustees for Sale, and for investing the Monies arising therefrom in the Purchase of more convenient Estates, to be settled to the same Uses; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords communicate a Copy of Report from the Select Committee of the House of Lords, appointed to inquire into the Progress of the Building of the Houses of Parliament, with the Minutes of Evidence, Session 1843:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

And the Question being again 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 “no sufficient Evidence has been laid before this House to justify the proposed interference with Banks of Issue in the management of their Circulation,” 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 Friday morning;

Veneris, 14° die Junii, 1844:

And the Question being put;

The House divided:

The Yeas to the old Lobby;

The Noes to the new Lobby.

Tellers for the [Mr. Young] 180.

Yeas, [Mr. Henry Baring]

Tellers for the [Mr. Haves] 96.

Noes, [Mr. Charles Buller]

So it was resolved in the Afirmative.

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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Prisons (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Dissenters’ Chapels Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Metropolitan Buildings Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Damage by Fire (Metropolis) (No. 2) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
enfranchise Copyholders, Parcel of the Possessions of the Duchy of Cornwall, to purchase other Lands, and for other Purposes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Stone's Estate Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Stone's Estate Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Jurors (Tipperary,) which was presented upon the 4th day of this instant June, be printed.

Then the House, having continued to sit till two of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 14° die Junii;
Anno 7° Victorie Regine, 1844.

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East India.

Mr. Campbell, from the Court of Directors of the East India Company, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—1. An Account of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Home Treasury of the East India Company, from the 1st May 1843 to the 30th April 1844:—2, Estimate of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Home Treasury of the East India Company, from the 1st May 1844 to the 30th April 1845:—3. An Account of the Debts and Credits in England of the Government of India on the 1st May 1844:—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 1844:—5. An Account of new or increased Salaries, Establishments or Pensions payable in Great Britain, granted or created between 1st May 1843 and 1st May 1844:—6. Allowances, Compensations, Reunifications 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 1 May 1843 and 1 May 1844:—7. Salaries and Allowances granted between the 1st May 1843 and 1st May 1844, under the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 85, s. 7:—And then he withdrew.

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

Mr. Strutt reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Earl of Guilford's Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable to Railway Bills of the second class have been complied with, substituting in the said Standing Orders, in the case of the Notices in the Newspapers and Gazette, the months of March and April, for the months of October and November; in the case of application to Owners, Lessees and Occupiers, the date of the 31st May for that of the 31st December; in the case of the Plans, &c., deposited with the Clerks of the Peace, the date of the 10th May for that of the 30th November; in that of the Plans, &c., deposited with the Post-masters, the date of the 10th of May for that of the 31st December; and in that of the Plans, &c., deposited in the Private Bill Office, the date of the 11th of May for that of the 31st December; and that the Petitions which have been presented complaining of non-compliance with the Standing Orders, be referred to the said Committee.

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

An ingrossed Bill to alter and amend an Act of Manchester fifty-third George Third, for the Appointment of a Stipendiary Magistrate Bill. Ordered, That the said Accounts do lie upon the Table.

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

Ordered, That the Petition of Ship-owners of the Thames at the port of Gravesend, taking notice of the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, and praying the House to cause the Dock Rates to be equitably assimilated to the charges made for similar accommodation in other ports, before any additional powers are granted to the Hull Dock Commissioners, be referred to the said Select Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the consideration of the Petition for the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill, which was this day made (Ireland) Bill. Mr. Wilberforce reported from the Select Committee Standing Orders, a Resolution; which was read, Orders; and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill. Ordered, That the said Committee report to the House whether the Standing Orders might be read; and the same being read; Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for making and maintaining a Railway from the city of Dublin to the town of Cashel, with a Branch to the town of Carlow: And that Lord Eliot, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Vesey and Mr. Wyse do prepare, and give in the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill, which was this day made (Ireland) Bill. The said Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.

An ingrossed Bill for amending certain Acts for the City of Dublin, and in that of the Plans, &c. deposited in the Private Bill Office, the date of the 11th of May for that of the 31st December; and that the Petitions which have been presented complaining of non-compliance with the Standing Orders, be referred to the said Committee.

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Mr. Vesey presented a Bill for making and maintaining a Railway from the city of Dublin to the town of Cashel, with a Branch to the town of Carlow: And that Lord Eliot, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Vesey and Mr. Wyse do prepare, and bring it in.

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A Petition of John Bridges and others, for leave to bring in a Bill for incorporating the Members of a Society called the Society for the Improvement of the Condition of the Labouring Classes, and for the better enabling them to carry on the beneficial designs of the said Society, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Debates and
Rock Railway
(No. 5.) Bill.

A Motion being made, That the ingrossed Bill for making a Railway from Mellon, in the Parish of Muster, to Black Rock, in the Parish of Saint Michael, in Saint Minver Loclands, in the County of Cornwall, be now read the third time; Sir James Graham, 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 it shall think fit.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Sir John Yarde Buller do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Public Petitions
(Thirteenth Re-
port.)

Mr. Thornton 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.

Com Laws.

Petitions from Hastings :—Yalding :—North Cray:—Trotters-cliffe:—Shoreham (Kent):—Plais- ton (Kent);—Chatham :—East Malling :—Ferning- ham :—Aylesford ;—Cobham (Kent);—Kensington;—Bidenden ;—Gillingham ;—Chevening ;—Ship- borne;—Igham;—Allhallows (Kent);—High Hal- stow;—Cooping :—Edenbridge:—Cliffe:—Ryehsh;—on the Thames;—Hornsea :—Stoke (Kent);—Frints- bury;—Marden (Kent);—Teyn ;—Ludesdown;—Crumbrough :—Ash-aught-Ridley;—Stone (Kent);—Halling:—Rochester (three Petitions);—Lidzing;—Bekley-Leeds (Kent);—Offham:—Wouldham;—Chatham (two Petitions);—Grange:—Seal;—Burham;—Wickling :—Stanstead;—Addington (Kent);—Bromley;—Orford:—Tudeley and Copell;—West Peckham (Kent);—Bredhurst;—Hawk- hurst;—Saint Jane's, Isle of Grain;—Bexley- Kingsdown;—Penbury;—Wrotham;—East Sut- ton;—and, West Farleigh;—praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Com Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Dissenters' Chapels Bill.

Petitions from the Presbytery of Dunfris (Moder- rator and Clerk);—Berriedale;—Fers and Kil- bridge;—Eamishillen;—Aberdeen (three Petitions);—Rosington;—Bethnal-green-road (two Petitions);—Deanery of East and West Flegg;—Glasgow;—Auchterarder Free Presbytery (Moderator);—Aln- wick;—Darley Abbey;—Billingstone;—Bridge- ton (Glasgow);—Branxcomb:—Rothbury;—Owsery;—Baineston;—Airdron;—Hutton;—Stanfor- d (two Petitions);—Linthangiel-fichan;—Extrad- genus;—Llanelli;—Crichcovel:—Trecastle;—Devenock;—Leamington Priors;—Clovering;—Pershore;—Huckney;—Newport (Quez);—Bris- ton;—Ryphar;—Diss (two Petitions);—Clay;—Holt;—Enbleton;—and, Rayleigh;—praying that the Dissenters' Chapels Bill may not pass into a law;—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Bristol;—and, Saint Ives (Hunt- ingdon);—praying that the said Bill may pass into a law;—were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of William Beeson, of Rearsby, in the county of Leicestershire, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Parochial Schoolmasters of the Schoolmasters of the Presbyterian of Dunediel, in the county of Perth, (Scotland.)

Praying the House to adopt measures for ameliorating the condition of the Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Aberdeen (two Petitions);—Perth:—Marriages.—Bridgeiton (Glasgow);—and, Yetholm (Minister (Ireland.) and Chairman);—praying the House to introduce, without delay, into Parliament, a Bill to declare void, to all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages herefore solemnized or hereafter to be solemnized by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, between parties not within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and who have the consent of parents or guardians, and provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agree-ably to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Serafino Calderara, and others, Post-office, stating that the Petitioners have during the past month sent a number of letters through Her Ma- jesty's Post-office; that the said letters have been posted at various times and at different receiving- houses; that the said letters have been regularly detained by the Post-office authorities beyond the proper and usual times for delivery; that the seals of the said letters have been broken, and the said letters opened and read by certain of the authorities at Her Majesty's Post-office; and praying the House to appoint, without delay, a Committee of Inquiry, and give immediate redress to the Peti- tioners, was brought up, and read.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table;

And a Member having proceeded to address the House on the Complaint contained in the Petition, which is a matter of which there was an urgent necessity for providing an immediate remedy:—And Mr. Speaker having been desired to give his opinion upon the construction of the Standing Order, No. 4, relating to the Presentation of Public Petitions, as applicable to this Petition, stated, that he did not consider that Order applicable to this case, and that the consideration of this Petition ought to be brought before the House to pass a law exempting Insurances upon the property of seamen's wives and sea stock, to the amount not exceeding £ 30, from the payment of duty, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Clergy, Churchwardens, Overseers Lord's Day. and Inhabitants of Saint Mary-le-Strand, Westminster, complaining of the public exposure of articles for sale on the Lord's Day, whether in shops and markets or otherwise; and praying the House to adopt such measures as shall sufficiently carry out the principles of existing laws on this subject, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Petition do lie upon the Table;
before the House upon a Notice of a Motion thereupon previously given.

Whereupon a Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn—It passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie upon the Table.

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

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Senior and Mr. Luttrell:

Mr. Speaker, the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act amending Three Acts for more effectually draining and preserving certain Marsh Lands or Low Grounds in the Counties of Kent and Sussex, draining into the River Rother, and Channel of Adur, without any Amendment: And also, the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from the Town and Port of Whitby to the Town and Port of Margate, in the County of Cumberland, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for enclosing Lands in the Parishes of Blidlow and Longniddon, in the County of Radnor, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for improving the Marsh and other Common Lands, and extending Rights of Common and of Recreation within the Town and County of the Town of Southampton, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Quantities of Coffee retained for Home Consumption in the United Kingdom in the years 1840, 1841, 1842, and 1843; distinguishing the Countries from which the same was imported.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Sugar Duties Bill. 

(In the Committee.)

Bill read 1°; to be read 2°, paragraph by paragraph. 

Preamble postponed.

Clause, No. 1 (Duties imposed by Acts 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 26, and 4 and 5 Vict. c. 17, continued till the 6th day of July 1845).

Amendment proposed, in P. 1. 1. 21: To leave out from the words “continued until the” to the end of the Clause, in order to add the words “10th day of “November 1844, and that from and after that date, until the 6th day of July 1845, in lieu of the Duties now payable and hereby continued thereon, there shall be charged the Duties of Customs following; that is to say, 

“Sugar; videlicet, Brown, or Muscovado, or Clayed Sugar, not being refined, the cwt. £. 3 d.

The growth of any British Possession in America, and imported from thence, the cwt. 1 -

The growth of any British Possession within the limits of the East India Company’s Charter, into which the importation of Foreign Sugar is prohibited, and imported from thence, the cwt. 1 -

The growth of any other British Possession within those limits, and imported from thence, the cwt. 1 10 -

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Mr.
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next, and ordered to be printed.

A Committee was nominated of Mr. Pringle, Mr. Wallace, Mr. Trotter, Colonel Rolleston, Mr. Hume, Mr. Henley and Mr. Tufnell.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

The Select Committee on the Detached Parts of Detached Parts Counties Bill was to meet at once to vary the Tolls, Rates and Charges on different Parts of their Navigations: And to Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Greene do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Quantity of Home-made Sugar from Potatoes or other things upon which an Excise Duty has been paid in 1841, 1842 and 1843 respectively, together with the Amount of Duty paid thereon, and in what manner that Duty was ascertained.

Ordered, That the Adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed yesterday, That Mr. Lyall be a Member of the said Committee (Commercial Marine); and the Question being again proposed:—The House resolved the said adjourned Debate.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

The House was also moved, That the Act 3 and 4 Vic. c. 91, for the more effectual Prevention of Frauds and Abuses committed by Weavers, Sewers and other Persons employed in the Linen, Hempen, Union, Cotton, Silk and Woollen Manufactures in Ireland, and for the better Payment of their Wages, for one year, and from thence to the end of the next Session of Parliament, might be read; and the same was read.

The House was also moved, That the Act 5 and 6 Vic. c. 68, to amend and continue to the Twenty-first Year of the next Session of Parliament, might be read; and the same was read.

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.

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.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed yesterday, That Mr. Lyall be a Member of the said Committee (Commercial Marine);

and the Question being again proposed:—The House resolved the said adjourned Debate.

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Gladstone, Viscount Sandon, Mr. Acland Chapman, Sir William Clay, Mr. Lidell, Mr. Bingham Baring, Mr. Stuart Wortley, Captain Gladstone, Mr. Hutt, Mr. Thomas Baring, Mr. Ross, Mr. Denniston, Mr. Wawn and Mr. Reid Barclay be 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.

The House was moved, That the Act 5 and 6 Vic. c. 68, to amend and continue certain Acts relating to Linen, Hempen and other Manufactures in Ireland, might be read; and the same was read.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next, and ordered to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. Greene and Mr. Gladstone do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill Canal Companies to vary their Tolls, Rates and Charges on different Parts of their Navigations: And that Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Greene do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Quantity of Home-made Sugar from Potatoes or other things upon which an Excise Duty has been paid in 1841, 1842 and 1843 respectively, together with the Amount of Duty paid thereon, and in what manner that Duty was ascertained.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, and the Returns from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners of Ireland, of the several Lands in the County of L., and ordered to be printed.

Ordered, That the Adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed yesterday, That the Act 5 and 6 Vic. c. 68, to amend and continue to the Twenty-first Year of the next Session of Parliament, might be read; and the same being read; and ordered to be printed.

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Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

The Select Committee on the Detached Parts of Detached Parts Counties Bill was to meet at once to vary the Tolls, Rates and Charges on different Parts of their Navigations: And to Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Greene do prepare, and bring it in.

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Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

The Copyholds Enfranchisement Bill was read Copyholds the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Greene presented a Bill to empower Canal Companies to vary their Tolls, Rates and Charges on different Parts of their Navigations: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.
The Market Harbour and Coventry Road Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Petitions of the Board of Surveyors of the Highways for the township of Salford, in the county palatine of Lancaster; and, Boroughreeve, Constables and Burgessess of the town of Salford, in the county palatine of Lancaster; praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Pendleton, &c., Roads Bill, were presented, and read.

And the said Petitions were ordered to be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petitions, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petitions.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Rigby's Rigby's Estate Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Campbell's Campbell's Estate Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Marquess of the Marquess of Annesley's Estate Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question was pro- Kingstona-posed, That the Committee on the Kingston-upon Hull Docks Bill have leave to sit, and proceed, with Hull Docks Bill.

Hull Docks Bill have leave to sit, and proceed, with Hull Docks Bill.

Two Selected Members; And the said Motion was, Two Selected Members; And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Petitions from Meopham; Darenth; Rolven- County of Kent. No. 394.

---; Longton; Horton Kirby; Wormholt; Spalding; Nettlesbed; Headcorn; Foot's Cray; Hutton; Saint Mary's Cray; Leigh (Kent); Beassted; Hilden; Westerham; Dartford; Kellingstone; Otham; Capel (Kent); Longfield; Hollingbourne; Detling; Brenchley; Frittenden; Ridley; Kutter; Bexesdon; Strood; Hoo, Saint Mary; Hadley; Saint Mary's; Chalk; Holstead; Shore; Higham (Kent); Forsbourn; CGuyford; Hoo; East Peckham (Kent); Lee (Kent); Alston Down (Kent); Wellington; Steancombe; Cudham; Eltham; Saint Paul's Cray; Durham (County); Ayton; Coddington; Castle Farme; Munsey; Pullet; Pixley; Bosbury; Shotton (Hereford); Mon- thon; Ashperton; Cotwall; Paddock; Egley; Lonnel; Little Marcle; Canon Farme; Leybourne; Lewisham; Sevenoaks; Ditton (Kent); Sydenham; Chislefield; Stretton-at-Hornby; West Malling; Peshawar; Chislehurst; Tonbridge; Northfleet; West Wickham; Staplehurst; Bedborough; Knochet; Greenhithe; Hayes (Kent); Erith; Sunbrunster; Sevensden; Birlin; Kingston District; Herford; Roding.

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PRAYERS.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Sewers Improvement Bill.

And the House being informed that other Amendments are necessary to be made to the Bill, Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to the former Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit, and proceed, To-morrow, with Two Selected Members.
Petitions from Ayr Newton and Wallacetown;—Stepney (three Petitions);—King's Lynn;—Grims- stone;—Devonport;—Tilbury;—Bradninch;—Wem;—Norwich;—Ely;—Sittingbourne;—Blackfras- road;—Star-street;—Whitehaven;—Rainham;—Clapham;—Southwark (two Petitions);—Witcham-pton;—Pople (two Petitions);—Hustenworth;—Claydon;—Students of Huckney College;—Little Wilde-street, Lincoln's-Inn Field;—Horsham;—Edgeware;—Robert-street, Grosvenor-square;—Caxel (two Petitions);—Wandsworth-road;—Southwark;—Mile End, Middlesex;—Dundee;—Ayr;—Cathay;—Beddingham;—Brinnington;—Roth- villy;—Littleport;—Bawley;—Bodney;—Clanmore;—Llandilo;—Clonmel;—Bristol;—Brixton Hill;—Heyes (Middlesex);—Barking;—Billinggate;—Saint Mary-le-bone;—Great Cressingham;—Clapham;—Macquarie-road;—Watton;—Cricen;—Ballyboy;—Drumacorne;—Wigenshall, Saint German’s;—Rookhope;—Runcor;—Largy;—Aughamullan;—Clonmore;—Waddington;—T errington, Saint Clement’s;—Great Howwood and Whalden;—Cambridge-road;—Fel- sted;—Nebo;—Kenilworth;—Towner Hamlets;—Shadwell;—Petersfield;—Blantisham-cum-Earth;—Exhill;—Stowford-Walden;—Castle Bryan;—Loffingham-Sible-Hillingdon;—West Schall;—Bransfield;—and, Hortlington;—praying that the Dissenters’ Chapels Bill may not pass into a law, —were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 

Petitions from Manchester New College (Senior Student);—Armsby;—Upper and Lower Bellinderry;—King’s Lynn;—Ballycory;—and, Prestontons;—praying that the said Bill may pass into a law,—were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 

A Petition of Print-sellers of Norwich, praying that so much of the Act 59 Geo. 3, c. 12, as transfers the payment of rates from occupiers to owners of divided houses, be adopted in cases of cottages and small tenements, the rent of which is five pounds and under, or that the occupiers at or under such rental, paying the poor rates, be empowered to make deductions of such payments from their rents, and the value of goods and chattels distrained for such payments, be paid into the Treasury, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Saint Rating of Austell Union, in the county of Cornwall, praying that the same benefit of a free competition in the inland carriage of goods as they enjoyed previously to the formation of Railways, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 

A Petition of Merchants, Manufacturers, Trades-Railways, common Carriers and others, at Macclesfield, interested in the conveyance of goods by Railway, praying the House to secure to them and the public the same benefit of a free competition in the inland carriage of goods as they enjoyed previously to the formation of Railways, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 

Two Petitions from Southampton, praying that the House will take into its earliest consideration, with regard to the same matter, any Bill that may be introduced for preventing the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time providing for the immediate appointment of a Bishop to the newly-created See of Manchester. —were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table. 

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, That he had received a Letter, signed "Spottiswoode and Roch- bertson," Agents for the Petitioner against the Re- turn of the Honourable Edward Piegell Bowes, for the District of Burghs of Kilnarmock, &c., stating that
that it was not intended to proceed with the Petition; and the said Letter was read, as followeth:--

"Great George-street, Westminster, 17th June 1844.

"Sir,

"As Agents for Henry Thoby Prinsep, Esquire, who presents this a Petition to the Honourable the House of Commons, on the 13th day of June instant, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the District of Burghs of Renfrew, Rutherglen, Dumbarton, Kilmarnock and Port Glasgow, we have the honour to give you notice, that it is not the intention of the Petitioner to proceed with such Petition.

"We have the honour to be, Sir, "Your most obedient Servants, "Spottiswoode and Robertson.

"To the Right Honourable The Speaker of the House of Commons."

Ordered, That the Order made upon Thursday last, for referring the Petition of Henry Thoby Prinsep, of Hyde Park Gardens, in the county of Middlesex, Esquire, a Candidate at the last Election of a Member to serve in this present Parliament for the District of Burghs of Renfrew, Rutherglen, Dumbarton, Kilmarnock and Port Glasgow, complaining of an undue Election and Return for the said District of Burghs, to the General Committee of Elections, be discharged.

Petitions from Macclesfield—and, William Ford, and others; praying that an inquiry may be instituted into the proceedings on the late State Trial in Ireland.—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Martley Union, in the county of Worcester, praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, by confiding to boards of guardians the power of fixing the measure of remuneration to be given to medical officers of unions, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

Lord Ashley reported from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the mode of administering Medical Relief to the sick Poor, under the provisions of the Poor Law Amendment Act, and to report their opinion thereon, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them; and to whom the Petition of John Bromfield Ryder, of Sloane-street, Chelsea, was referred; and who were empowered to report from time to time; That they had considered the allegations of the said Petitions, and had directed him to make a Report thereon to the House, together with the Minutes of Evidence, taken before them, and an Appendix.

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

A Petition of Solicitors practising in the borough of Beverley, in the East Riding of the county of York, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Jamestown, Drumsna, and their vicinity, in the counties of Leitrim and Roscommon, praying the House to protect and preserve their capital and property, by obliging the Commissioners for the Improvement of the River Shannon to respect the vested and natural rights of the Petitioners, their Opinion thereupon, together with the Minutes of Evidence and the original principle of making that part of the River Shannon navigable by steam, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Land-holders of the counties of Kilclare and Dablis, praying that they may be allowed to withdraw their names from the second Petition, which they were unfairly induced to sign, praying that the Standing Orders might not be suspended in favour of the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill, and that the House will be pleased to suspend the Standing Orders for by the Petitioners in the first Petition, to which they voluntarily affixed their signatures, as they feel confident that such proposed undertaking will be of the greatest benefit to the country at large, as well as to themselves; and that it is important to commence same at the earliest period of time, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Simon Foot, Esquire, of the city of Dublin, complaining that the Standing Orders of the House, in respect to the application for the said Bill, had not been complied with; and praying that he may be heard, by his agent, against the same, was also presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the borough of Greenwich, in the county of Kent, stating that the Petitioners have learned, with much concern, that the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, or other public authorities, have it in contemplation to obtain permission to erect houses and buildings inside the Park, on the northern and eastern sides, whereby the Petitioners will be not only deprived of the advantage for which they have become residents in their present houses, but will be considerably injured in a pecuniary point of view, by the reduction in value of their property; and praying that the House will not allow the erection of any private residences or other buildings in Greenwich Park, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Newport the Report on the Newport Dock Bill; and the Doel Bill. Amendments were read, and agreed to.

And Amendments being proposed to be made to the Bill; Ordered, That the said Amendments be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the County Rates, &c., Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time To-morrow.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Jury List Copies of the Long Panel or Jury List of the King's (Kings') County for the last Four years.

A Petition of Attornies and Solicitors practising Ecclesiastical in the town of Beverley, in the East Riding of the Courts Bill. county of York, praying that the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Board of Great Poor Relief dians of the Monaghan Union, praying that the rate on (Ireland) Act, payers of the union may be relieved from the payment of the original building loan for their workhouse, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Licensed Proprietors of Hackney Carriages, in the Metropolis, stating that they are greatly injured in their business, by a monopoly adopted by some of the Railway Companies, at their stations in the metropolis; that the monopoly they have to complain of, they have, by some of the existing Railway Companies in the metropolitan, selecting a few proprietors of Hackney Carriages, from whom a certain sum of money is exacted, for the exclusive privilege of entering their premises, to convey the passengers who arrive by

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the different trains to their destination, thereby excluding the whole of the carriages belonging to the Petitioners, by which means they are most seriously injured in their business, and unjustly deprived of the opportunity of conveying a very great portion of the public, for which they are especially licensed, and pay so large a duty, and which they could otherwise reap the benefit of; and praying the House to take their case into consideration, and that their grievances may be redressed, either by a reduction of duty, as in the case of Stage Coaches, which duty has been reduced one half, in consequence of passengers travelling principally by the Railways, or by such other means as may be deemed expedient, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chancellor, Rector, Dean of Faculty, Principal and Professors of Marischal College and University, in Aberdeen, praying the House to pass a Bill enacting that, (except in the case of professors of theology), the religious tests at present required of professors and other office-bearers in the Colleges and Universities of Scotland, be abrogated, but under such provisions as to leave no professor or lecturer at liberty to mix up with his proper department of instruction any matter contrary to the doctrines of the Westminster confession, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Bishop of London to attend, in order to his being examined as a witness before the Select Committee appointed by this House to inquire into the operation of the laws of Mortmain, and of the restrictions which limit the power of giving Gifts and Bequests for charitable and religious uses: And that Lord John Manners do carry the said Message.

Jury Causes (Glasgow.)

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 List of the Civil Causes set down for Trial with a Jury in Glasgow, in the year 1843, at the Spring and Autumn Circuits respectively, and the Names of the Judges appointed to try said Causes; distinguishing the Causes which were not tried at said Circuits, and stating the Reasons, so far as known, why any of such Causes were not tried.

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. Manners Sutton presented,—Returns to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 4th day of this instant June, for Copies of the Protest, with the Signatures attached thereto, as delivered to the Judges or the Clerk of Assizes, by ten of the Jury who were impannelled to try Alexander Walker on the 3d day of May last, at the Assizes held in the City of Glasgow on that and other days of the said month, “for an Assault with intent to Ravish;” also, the Names of the Judges before whom the said Case was called and tried, on the said 3d day of May, and the Name or Names of the Advocate Deputy or Deputy, Assistant or Assistants, who appeared or acted as Public Prosecutor in the aforesaid Case:—And, of any Entry or Entries in the Records of Assizes, or in the Records of the Court of Justiciary or Books of Adjournal referrible to the said Case:—And, a Return of the Number of Civil Cases which were intimated or put down for Trial with a Jury at the time the aforesaid Assizes were held in Glasgow, but which were not then tried, with the reason why they were not tried; also, the Names of the Parties to each cause, and the date of its commencement, and the Name of the Court in which it was originally instituted.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Sugar Duties Bill.

(Clauses of Petition proposed, That the following words be added instead of the words left out, “10th day of November 1844, and that “from and after that date, until the 5th day of July 1845, in lieu of the Duties now payable “and charged thereon, there shall be “charged the Duties of Customs following; that “is to say,

“Sugar; videlicet, Brown, or Muscovado or Clayed Sugar, not being refined, the cwt. 3 3. 6

The growth of any British Possession in America, and imported from thence, the cwt. 1

The growth of any British Possession within the limits of the East India Company's Charter, into which the importation of Foreign Sugar is prohibited, and imported from thence, the cwt. 1

The growth of any other British Possession within those limits, and imported from thence, the cwt. 1 10. 0

And on Sugar which shall be certified, or hereinafter mentioned, to be the growth of China, Java or Muscovil, or of any other Foreign Country, the Sugar of which Her Majesty in Council shall have declared in manner hereinafter mentioned to be admissible, as not being the produce of Slave Labour, and which shall be imported into the United Kingdom, either from the country of its growth or from some British Possession, having first been imported into such British Possession from the country of its growth or from such store, the Produce of, and imported from any British Possession, the cwt. 7

Sugar refined, the cwt. 8 8. 0

Candy, Brown, the cwt. 8 12. 6

White, the cwt. 8 8. 0

And so in proportion for any greater or less quantity than a hundred weight, together with an additional Duty of Five per centum on such aforesaid Rates of Duty.”

Amendment proposed to the said proposed Amendment, To leave out “the cwt. £. 1” (in respect of Sugar the growth of any British Possession in America, and imported from thence), in order to insert “the cwt. £. 1. 4 s.” instead thereof:

Question put, That the words “the cwt. £. 1,” proposed to be left out stand part of the said proposed Amendment;

The Committee divided:

Tellers for the [Mr. Philip Miles : 233.]
Yeaes, [Mr. Patrick Stewart : 233.]
Noes, [Mr. Henry Baring : 233.]

The cwt. £. 1. 4 s. inserted.

The Amendment further amended, by leaving out “ £. 1” (in respect of East India Sugar), and inserting “£. 1. 4 s.”; and by leaving out “£. 1. 10 s.” (in respect of Claved Sugar, or of Clayed or Sugar otherwise prepared and equivalent to White Clayed), and inserting “£. 1. 12 s.”; and by leaving out “£. 1. 10 s.” (in respect of China, &c., Sugar), and inserting “£. 1. 14 s.”; and by leaving out “White Clayed Sugar otherwise prepared and equivalent to White Clayed, the cwt. £. 1. 14 s.,” and by leaving out “£. 8.” (in respect of Molasses from any British Possession, the cwt.), and inserting “£. 9 s.”

Motion
Motion made and Question, That the said proposed Amendment, as amended, be added—put, and agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, No. 2, amended, and 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;

Marti, 18th die Junii, 1844:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported the Committee had made further 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.

Land Tax Commissioners' Names Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Tax Commissioners' Names Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Courts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Report on the County Courts Bill; Ordered, That the Report be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Small Debts Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Small Debts Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Unlawful Oaths (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Unlawful Oaths (Ireland) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Chaplains to Hospitals, &c., (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Chaplains to Hospitals, &c., (Ireland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Poor Law Amendment Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Courts of Common Law Process Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts of Common Law Process Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Courts of Common Law Process (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts of Common Law Process (Ireland) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Parishes (Scotland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Parishes (Scotland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Joint Stock Companies Remedies at Law and in Equity Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Companies Remedies at Law and in Equity Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Commons' Committee on the Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to extend Limitation and amend an Act of the last Session of Parliament, intituled, An Act for extending to Ireland (Ireland) Bill; the Provisions not already in force there, of an Act of the third and fourth years of the reign of the late King William the Fourth, intituled, An Act for the Limitation of Actions and Suits relating to Real Property, and for simplifying the Remedies for trying the Right thereto, and to explain and amend the said Act, was, according to Order, read the third time; Resolved, That the Bill do pass. Ordered, That Mr. Thomas Duncombe do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Mr. Greene reported the Salmon Fisheries (Scotland) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and Fishery Bills agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Commons' Committee on the Poor Law Amendment Bill; Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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The House, according to Order, proceeded to take Night Sitting into consideration the Amendments made by the Commons' Committee on the Poor Law Amendment Bill; and after a long Debate, An Act to extend an Act of the ninth year of King George the Fourth, for the more effectual Prevention of Persons going armed by Night for the Destruction of Game; and the Game were read, as follow:

Pr. 1. l. 25. Leave out from "enclosed" to "such" in l. 18.
Pr. 2. 1. 20. After "thereof" insert "before two Justices of the Peace."
Pr. 1. l. 22. Leave out from "behaviour" to "in" in l. 23, and insert "as."
Pr. 1. l. 24. Leave out "and directed."
Pr. 1. l. 25. Leave out "therein" and insert "herein."
Pr. 2. 1. 1. Leave out "and directed."
Pr. 2. 1. 3. Leave out "recited."
Pr. 2. 1. 16. Leave out from "paths" to "so" in l. 18.
Pr. 2. 2. 29. Leave out "recited."
Mr. Manners Sutton presented, by Her Majesty's Workhouses Command.—A Copy of the Appendix to the Report (Ireland) of the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the execution of the Contracts for certain Union Workhouses in Ireland.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to 8th Trial Orders.—A Copy of the Judgment and the Com. (Ireland) Mitment in the case of the Queen against O'Connell and others.

Further Return to an Order, dated the 20th day of July and of May last, for a Return of all Applications to the Scientific certifying Barrister, under the Act 6 and 7 Vic. c. 36, for Certificates of Exemption from Parochial Rates by Literary and Scientific Institutions; stating the Name and Locality of each Society, and whether the Certificates were granted or refused, and specifying the grounds of refusal in each case (so far as relates to Scotland).

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

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Return relative Gamekeepers to Gamekeepers, which was presented upon Monday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Home Accounts of the East India Company, which were presented upon Friday No. 391, last, be printed.

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Ordered, That the time for the Committee on the Market Harborough and Coventry Road Bill to make their Report be enlarged till Monday the 1st day of July next.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to authorize the Sale of the Fee Simple of the Estates of Francis Hale Rigby, of Mistley, in the County of Essex, Esquire, deceased, as devised by his Will, and for laying out the Mounits to arise by such Sale, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Brocks do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

A Petition of Daniel Edward Stephens, of Chingford, in the county of Essex, Gent., praying that the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill intituled, An Act for making a Railway from the Town and Port of Whitehaven to the Town and Port of Maryport, in the County of Cumberland; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 165. 1. 30. Leave out from "compensation" to “And” in Pr. 166. 1. 11. and in Pr. 166. 1. 11. leave out from “That” to “if” in Pr. 166. 1. 15. Pr. 166. 1. 30. Leave out “any” and in the same line leave out from “mines” to “the” in l. 33. The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Edward Stanley do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Sir John Yardie Butler reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of Stone’s Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir John Yardie Butler reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of Irvine’s Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir John Yardie Butler reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of London and Croydon Railway (No. 2.) Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue and extend the Powers of the London and Croydon Railway Company: And that Mr. Kemble and Mr. Atwater do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That the time for the Committee on the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill to make their Report be further enlarged till Monday next.

An ingrossed Bill for improving the Harbour and Quay of Wells, in the County of Norfolk, and for extending and altering some of the Provisions of the Act relating to the said Harbour and Quay, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Ordered, That the time for the Committee on the Palsley General Gas Bill to make their Report be further enlarged till Thursday the 27th day of this instant June.

The Earl of Guilford’s Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Market Harborough and Coventry Road Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of Inhabitants and Owners of property in the town and parish of Drunklow, in the county of Warwick, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Market Harborough and Coventry Road Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for inclosing Lands in the Parishes of Blefeldia and Llangunllo, in the County of Radnor; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 40. 1. 19. After “are” insert “sufficient.”
Pr. 40. 1. 22. After “peats” insert “or turfs.”
Pr. 40. 1. 30. After “peats” insert “or turfs.”
Pr. 75. Is. 24. and 25. Leave out from “encroachments” to “within” in l. 27. The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Richard Price do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the Petition of Operative Bleachers Bleaching employed in Bleaching Works in the parishes of Works Catheart and Eastwood, praying the House to extend to them such protection by legislative measures as will regulate their hours and places of labour, and remove their other just causes of complaint against the system of labour now in operation in the Bleaching Works in Scotland, which was presented upon Thursday last, be printed.

Petitions from Hatfield (Essex);-Bleakney; - Dissenters’ Ask District; -Souwestow (two Petitions);-Olrig; -Chapel Bill; -Brixham; -Westbury; -Latheron (two Petitions);-Turloch;-Maraghall (two Petitions);- Bocking; -Chelmford; -Rochford; -Darlington; -Leigh (Essex); -Malton (two Petitions);-Greenacre; -and, Kentishers; praying that the Dissenters’ Chapels Bill may not pass into a law,-were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from East Cumberland; -and, Great Corn Laws. Torrington; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws,-were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thornely reported from the Select Committee on Petitions presented upon the 12th, 13th and 14th of 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.

Ordered, That the Petition of William Ford, and State Trial others, relative to the late State Trial in Ireland, (Grenfell,) which was presented upon Monday last, be printed.
A Petition of Tea Dealers of Oldham, praying the House to make such a reduction in the duty upon Tea, as may be deemed expedient in promoting its greater consumption in this country, and the increase of our trade with China, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition from Oldham;—and, Warrington; praying that the County Courts (County Palatine of Lancaster) Bill may not pass into a law; and, that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the time for the Committee on the Monkland Railways (No. 2.) Bill to make their Report be further enlarged till Monday next.

Art-Unions.

A Petition of Engravers, of London, praying that the House, while considering and discussing the claims put forth by the Art-Unions in various parts of the United Kingdom, and adopting such measures as may seem just and fitting for the protection of the Petitioners from that tendency to a monopoly in the publication and sale of prints, which the said Art-Unions have hitherto created and fostered, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Art-Unions.

A Petition of Chairman of the Metropolitan Delegate Meeting of the National Charter Association; complaining of the opening and taking copies of letters and other documents sent through the Post-office; and praying for repeal of the law which veste the power of so doing in Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Schoolmasters.

Petitions from the Presbytery of Dundee;—and, Presbytery of Wick (Preses and Clerk); praying the House to adopt measures for ameliorating the condition of the Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, were presented, and read; and referred to the said Select Committee.

Bank of England Charter Bill.

Petitions from Grantham;—Chelmford (Chairman);—and, Stamford; praying that the Bank of England Charter Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

State Trial (Ireland).

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 Burghers of Dublin:—And then he withdrew.

And the said Petition was read; setting forth, That Daniel O'Connell, a Member of the House, and John O'Connell, another Member of the House, and five other Gentlemen, are at present in prison in that city, under a conviction for the crime of conspiracy; that the conviction upon which they have been imprisoned, appears to the Petitioners to be opposed to constitutional principles; that the Petitioners are convinced that the said prisoners have not had a fair trial; that the law of conspiracy, as it has been applied in the case of these persons, is a novel introduction into this country, and abusive of the constitutional liberties of the people; that, even with the law of conspiracy as in this case laid down, the trial was not conducted on just principles; that, in the opinion of the Petitioners, the jury panel was fraudulently manufactured to prejudice the prisoners upon their trial; that one of the judges who tried the prisoners, stated that the dealing with the jury panel was a matter of grave suspicion; that, when a challenge was put in by the prisoners to the jury panel, the same judge was of opinion that the jury panel was so constructed to prejudice the prisoners, that it ought to be quashed; and that afterwards, in a subsequent stage of the proceedings, that judge repeated the same opinion; that the same learned judge, upon a motion for a new trial in this case, has declared his opinion that there ought to be a new trial, inasmuch as illegal evidence was admitted during the trial against the prisoners; that the proceedings in this prosecution, and the mode adopted to obtain a conviction, have been harsh and unfair to the prisoners, and highly detrimental to the administration of justice; that the Petitioners feel themselves called upon respectfully to lay these facts before the House, and at once, with all respect and with the utmost earnestness, to call upon them, as the representatives of the people, and the constitutional guardians of their liberties, to preserve the right of free discussion to the inhabitants of that part of the empire, on political subjects, which is in danger of being annihilated by proceedings such as this case has developed; and praying the House to take the subject matter of this Petition into their consideration, and, in order to preserve the constitutional rights of the people of these countries to discuss political subjects, and obtain, by discussions, changes and alterations in the laws and government of the country, that time may render necessary, that the House will please to define by statute, the law of conspiracy, and take such measures in the premises as to the House shall seem meet.

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

A Petition of Inhabitants of Bath, looking to carry into immediate execution, by Orders in Council, any Treaties for the Suppression of the Slave Trade:—And also, the right to carry to the inhabitants of that part of the empire, on political subjects, which is in danger of being annihilated by proceedings such as this case has developed, and praying the House to take the subject matter of this Petition into their consideration, and, in order to preserve the constitutional rights of the people of these countries to discuss political subjects and obtain, by discussions, changes and alterations in the laws and government of the country, that time may render necessary, that the House will please to define by statute, the law of conspiracy, and take such measures in the premises as to the House shall seem meet.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the consideration of the Report on the said Bill be adjourned till Friday next.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Lynch and Mr. Duchworth:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords were agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment; viz.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to repeal the Duty of Vinegar and Excise on Vinegar, and to make the Duties and Drawbacks now payable on Flint Glass the same as on Bottle Glass.

A Bill, intituled, An Act for altering and amending the Act of 1760, for the better regulating the Slave Trade, was referred to the same Committee.

A Bill, intituled, An Act for authorizing Her Majesty to carry into immediate execution, by Orders in Council, any Treaties for the Suppression of the Slave Trade, was referred to the same Committee.

A Bill, intituled, An Act for altering and amending an Act passed in the third year of the reign of King George the Fourth, for the better regulating the Slave Trade, was referred to the same Committee.
The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from the City of Edinburgh to the Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, with a Branch to the Town of Haddington, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Improvement of the Town of Manchester, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to make a Branch Railway from the London and South Western Railway to Salisbury, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from Chester to Holyhead, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for securing the Terms on which Grants are made by Her Majesty out of the Parliamentary Grant for the Education of the Poor, and to explain the Act of the fifth year of the reign of Her present Majesty for the Conveyance of Sites for Schools; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords give leave to the Lord Ponsonby to attend the Select Committee appointed by this House on the Muses of Parliament, pursuant to the Message of this House of Thursday last, (his Lordship in his place consenting) — And then the Messengers withdrew.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of Bideford Union, in the county of Devon, praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, by confiding to boards of guardians the power of fixing the measure of relief to be bestowed on medical officers of unions, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Chawleigh, in the county of Devon, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for improving the Marsh and other Common Lands, and extending Rights of Common and of Recreation within the Town and County of the Town of Southampton; and the same were read, as follows:

Pr. 2. 1. ult. Leave out "said,"

Pr. 3. 1. 6. Leave out "said,"

Pr. 5. 1. 5. After "bargainers" insert "and the" and the other Parties thereto respectively,

Pr. 8. 1. 18. Leave out "opinion.

Pr. 8. 1. 36. Leave out "opinion.

Pr. 8. 1. 37. Leave out "such."

Pr. 9. 1. 1. Leave out "said."

Pr. 9. 1. 16. Leave out "or discharge."

Pr. 14. 1. 11. Leave out "said."

Pr. 16. 1. 20. After "establishing" insert "of."

Pr. 20. 1. 14. After "thereof" insert "except " only the said north western portion thereof, commencing four acres, one rood and seventeen perches, or thereabouts."

Pr. 20. 1. 23. After "That" insert "notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained."

Pr. 24. 1. 33. Leave out "roadway" and insert "road, way."

Pr. 25. 1. 17. After "or" insert "in" the mayoralty of the said portion, and in the said town and county of Southampton."

Pr. 25. 1. 19. Leave out "they" and insert "the mayor, aldermen and burgesses of the said town and county of Southampton."

Pr. 25. 1. 11. After "reversionary" insert "or other."

Pr. 38. 1. 24. After "justices" insert "of the county of Southampton."

Pr. 47. 1. 4. After "disability" insert "of or of the said field."

Pr. 47. 1. 7. After "lands" insert "respectively.

Pr. 52. 1. 7. After "to" insert "or hereby directed to be accepted by."

Pr. 53. 1. 2. After "justices" insert "of the county of Southampton."

Pr. 58. 1. 27. Leave out "a deposit" and insert "or deposited."

Pr. 59. 1. 29. After "paid" insert "or hereby directed to be accepted."

Pr. 58. 1. ult. After "Schedule" insert "(D.)"

Pr. 60. 1. ult. Leave out from "county" to "And" in Pr. 61. 1. 2. and insert "of South Hamp-

town."

Pr. 62. 1. penult. Leave out "for" and insert "by."

Pr. 64. 1. 18. After "of" insert "the town and county of the town of."

Pr. 64. 1. 20. Leave out "Southampton" and insert "the same town and county."

Pr. 82. 1. 6. After "justices" insert "of the county of Southampton."

Pr. 84. 1. 9. After "justices" insert "of the county of Southampton."

Pr. 86. 1. 2. Leave out "person" and insert "persons."

Pr. 86. 1. 5. After "made" insert "or any of them."

Pr. 87. 1. 22. After "enacted" insert "That."

Pr. 87. 1. 24. Leave out "That."

Pr. 87. 1. 32. After "now" insert "claimed."

Pr. 87. 1. 33. After "same" insert "or like.""

Pr. 88. 1. 4. After "to" insert "the same or."

Pr. 88. 1. 24. Leave out "described" and insert "mentioned."

Pr. 88. 1. 29. Leave out "and" and insert "or."

Pr. 89. 1. 34. Leave out "required" and insert "acquired."

Pr. 90. 1. 7. Leave out "private."

Pr. 90. 1. 21. After "purchased" insert "taken or, and in the same line leave out "or taken."

Pr. 91. 1. 10. Leave out "said."

Pr. 91. 1. 15. Leave out "said."

Pr. 91. 1. 20. After "purchased" insert "taken or,"

Pr. 91. 1. 21. Leave out "or taken."

Pr. 93. 1. 1. Leave out "and" and insert "such."

Pr. 100. 1. 25. Leave out "said recited" and in the same line leave out from "Acts" to and in "And" in l. 28., and insert for the time being in force for paving, lighting and improving the town of South-

ampton."

Pr. 102. 1. 17. After "take" insert "and to appropriate for the purposes of this Act."

Pr. 102. 1. 23. Leave out "of."

Pr. 107. 1. 11. After "the" insert "said."

Pr. 116. 1. 27. After "reasonable" insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A.) "Provided always, and be it En-

acted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend to prejudice, diminish, alter or take away any of the rights, privileges, powers or authorities vested in the London and South Western Railway Company."
Pl. 117. L. 29. Leave out "said recited" and in the same line leave out from "Acts" to "the" in l. 38, and insert "for the time being in force for" "paving, lighting and improving the town of Southam.

In the Schedules to the Bill:

Pl. 124. L. 10. In the second column leave out "East" and insert "West." The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. George William Hope do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

A Petition of Inhabitants Householders of Chelsea and Vauxhall, complaining of the practice of Interments amidst the habitations of the living, and in places which are often common thoroughfares; and praying the House to remove all cause of apprehension of premature Interment, by providing for all classes of society who may wish it, or who may not have proper means themselves, respectable and well-appointed places for the respectful view of the dead, where they may be visited and viewed by their friends, until all signs of life are extinct, and the Interment has become absolutely necessary, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Clergy, Wardens and Congregations of Stepney Old Church, complaining of the public exposure of articles for sale on the Lord's Day, whether in shops, markets or otherwise; and praying the House to adopt measures sufficiently to carry out the existing laws on that subject, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Bunbury, in the county of Chester, praying the House to withdraw every kind of public support from the College of Maynooth, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the State Trial (Ireland), which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

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Ordered, That the Return relative to Literary and Scientific Institutions, which was presented upon Monday last, be printed.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Names of the Societies which have been refused Certificates by the Certifying Barrister, under the Act 6 and 7 Vic. c. 36, specifying the grounds of refusal in each case.

Ordered, That the Copyholders Enfranchisement 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.

Ordered, That the County Rates, &c., Bill be read the third time upon Friday next.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the Night Poaching Prevention Bill be taken into further consideration To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the County Court (County Palatine of Lancaster) Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday the 3d day of July next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Greene reported the Court of Chancery (County Palatine of Lancaster) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, enter Bill, be engrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the County Court Committee on the Vestries in the county of Lancashire 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 new Lobby; The Noes to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Beckett Denison: 73.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Thomas Duscombe:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the Question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair; A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn;

The House divided:

The Yeas to the new Lobby; The Noes to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Roebuck: 75.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Beckett Denison: 83.

So it was passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair; And a Debate arising thereupon; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Debate be now adjourned; A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn;—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the House accordingly adjourned till To-morrow.

Jovis, 20° die Junii;

Anno 8° Victoriae Reginis, 1844.

PRA E R S.

Mr. Jones, Master on the Crown Side of the Misdemeanors Court of Queen's Bench, at the bar presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 3d day of this instant June, for a Return of the Number and Names of Parties to all Informations and Indictments for Misdemeanors preferred in the Court of Queen's Bench, or removed thereto by Certiorari or otherwise, and tried since the 1st day of January 1824, and of the Verdicts and Judgments thereon; and of all Motions therein for a new Trial, or that a Verdict be entered for one or more Defendant or Defendants, or that Judgment be arrested; and of substance of the Rules pronounced upon such Motions; and where a new Trial has been ordered, of the further Proceedings thereon:—And then he withdrew.

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

Ordered, That the Committee on the Holafirth and Dunford Roads Bill have leave to sit this day till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Ordered, That the time for the Committee on the said Bill to make their Report be enlarged till Tuesday next.

Mr.
Mr. Greese, the Chairman of the Committees on unopposed Private Bills, informed the House, that in the case of the Ayr Bridge Bill, when the Parties appeared before him previously to going into Committee, they proposed to insert many new Clauses which did not appear in the copy of the Bill annexed to the Petition for the Bill; that he submitted to the House, whether, in such case, the Parties ought not to withdraw their Bill, and present another in the amended form.

Ordered, That the Order made upon the 25th day of March last, for committing the said Bill, be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Petition for the Ayr Bridge Bill, which, upon the 13th day of March last, was made from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for widening, repairing and maintaining the Bridge of Ayr, commonly called the New Bridge, leading across the River of Ayr, at the royal burgh or town of Ayr, in the county of Ayr, and for other purposes. And that Lord James Stuart and Mr. Alexander Oswald do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Long reported from the Committee on the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill (re-committed Bill), and to whom a Petition against the said Bill was referred; That no person appeared in support of such Petition; and that they had made other Amendments to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be laid upon the Table.

Petitions from Marchard Bishop;—Woodberry;—Silvertown;—Collumpton;—Broadost;—Okehampton (two Petitions);—Calverleigh, &c.;—Liskeard;—Whitstone;—Uplone;—Tofsman;—Lidstone;—Braunton;—Chofford;—Cherton Bishop, &c.;—Holcombe Borch;—Husthamp;—Loxbar;—Shorrock;—Aoxminster;—Strookley;—Upleby;—Bate Burton;—Beecles;—Anderby;—Blyborough;—Brecon (County);—Dunstable;—Nester;—Carnoustie;—Teytnadice; and, Bright; praying (Ireland.)

The Petitions from Carnoustie;—Teytnadice; and, Bright; praying (Ireland.) Act. were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Birmingham;—Killeanavarron, taken with Drinacco and Kilcolgan;—Rathgrella;—Ken Ireland.

A Petition of the Vice Chairman of the Board of Poor Relief Guardians of Castle Blaney Poor Law Union, praying that the removers of that union may be relieved from the payment of the original building loan for erecting their workhouse, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Representatives of the English Electoral Division of Kinsale Union, praying the House to make no further alteration in that part of the said Act, which imposes on each electoral division the burden of maintaining its own poor, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Fishguard;—Barton upon Humber;—Disentemor;—Bris;—Toypn Saint Peter's;—Barton;—Chapel Hill.

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the House to introduce, without delay, into Parliament, a Bill to declare valid, to all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages heretofore solemnized or hereafter to be solemnized by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agreeably to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Trustees and Managers of the Savings Bank established in the city of Hereford, praying that the Savings Banks Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants, Owners and Occupiers of land, resident in the hundred of Stone, in the county of Suffolk, praying for a Commission of Inquiry, or otherwise, to ascertain the cause of the increasing crime of Arson, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Union of Great Boughton, praying for alteration of the Poor Law and the incorporation : And the same was read the first Bill.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Union of the See of Saint Asaph and Bangor, praying the House to adopt such measures as will efficiently carry out the principles of existing laws on this subject, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Maidstone, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Magistrates and Town Council of Swansea, praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Holme, Detached Parts in the county of Somerset, praying that the Detached Parts of Counties Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Detached Parts.

A Petition of Magistrates and Town Council of Prisons in the royal burgh of Newburgh, in Fife, praying that (Scotland) the Prisons (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Petition of Mr. Hughes presented a Bill to continue and extend the Powers of the London and Croydon Railway Company: And the same was read the first Bill.

A Petition of Mr. Duncan referred to the Committee on the Coventry Improvement and Cemetery (re-committed) Bill; That they had made other Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Steppney; Whitechapel (two Petitions on Lord's Day); and, Hoxton; complaining of the public exposure of articles for sale on the Lord's Day, whether in shops and markets or otherwise; and praying the House to adopt such measures as will efficiently carry out the principles of existing laws on this subject, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Petitions from Maldon: and, Beverley; praying County Courts Bill that the County Courts Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish and neighbourhood of Henland, in the county of Denbigh, praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Petition of Parochial Schoolmasters Schoolsmasters of the Presbytery of Dunfermline, praying the House (Scotland) to adopt measures for ameliorating their condition, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Petition of Mr. John Henry Vivian reported from the Com- (Scotland) mittee on the Swansboro Improvement (re-committed) Bill; That they had made other Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Villiers Stuart reported from the Select Committee on the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill; also the Report from the Select Committee on the Standing Orders, made upon the 14th day of this instant June, in respect to the Petition for the said Bill; and also, a Petition complaining of non-compliance with the Standing Orders, in the case of the said Bill, were referred; That the Standing Orders had not been complied with, inasmuch as the parish of Kilbride, through part of which the proposed Railway is intended to pass, is omitted in the Notices published in the Dublin Gazette and County Newspapers; and inasmuch as that the change of gradient between the 17th and 18th mile...
Saint Mar. Frith.

Bill.

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in the repairing and upholding the said Church; parishioners have expended upwards of 15,000l. property of individuals; that since the year 1814 the purposes, as would be the case if it were the public offices, and is not therefore rated for parochial of; that a very large portion of the parish of Saint parishioners have sustained the whole expense there- particularly in the years 1734, 1737, 1739, 1758, 1799 pairs of the said Church from time to time, parti-

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the expense having fallen solely upon that part of the parish which is not Crown property, the pa-

rishioners being now called upon by the Archdeacon of Middlesex to repair the said Church, pray the House to grant them assurance that the Petitioners have caused an estimate of the probable expense of such repairs to be prepared by a competent sur-

which it appears the sum of 1,500l. will be required for the purposes hereinafter mentioned; and praying the House that as the pa-

rishioners have for the last thirty years borne the entire expense of repairing and painting the said Church, the House will, on the present occasion, take the Petitioners' case into consideration, and afford them such grant as to the House may seem meet.

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

Ordered, That the County Coroners Bill be read County Coroners Bill.

the third time To-morrow.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, re- Ways and solve itself into the Committee of Ways and Means, Means.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, re- Supply. solve itself into the Committee of Supply.

A Petition of Catholics of the United Parishes Arms (Ireland) of Droichead and Ardagh, in the county Meath, act.

praying for alteration of the Arms (Ireland) Act, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Rector, Churchwardens and others, Vestrymen of the parish of Saint Margaret, in the city of Westminster, in vestry assembled, being offered to be presented;

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer, by Her Ma-

Jesty'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 parish church of Saint Margaret, Westminster, is a very ancient one, and for nearly two hundred years has been and now is considered the Church of the House and applicable to its religious purposes; that certain parts of the said Church have always been set apart for the use of Mr. Speaker and the other Members of the House, and also for the use of the several Officers of the House, as well as for that of the Speaker's family, who require seats therein; that the House has been in the habit of granting sums of money for the repairs of the said Church from time to time, particularly in the years 1724, 1727, 1730, 1738, 1799 and 1813, but that since the year 1814 the parishioners have sustained the whole expense thereof; that a very large portion of the parish of Saint Margaret is Crown property and occupied by public offices, and is not therefore rated for parochial purposes, as would be the case if it were the property of individuals; that since the year 1814 the parishioners have expended upwards of 15,000l. in the repairing and upholding the said Church; Vol. 99.

that the said Church is at present very much in want of certain repairs to preserve the fabric from injury, and the whole requires painting, cleansing and refitting, as well for the due accommodation of not the House as has been assumed; that the Petitioners have caused an estimate of the probable expense of such repairs to be prepared by a competent sur-

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and the Number of Gallons brought to charge:—showing the Increase or Decrease in Gallons and in Duty:—Of the Number of Gallons of Spirits brought to charge in Ireland, and the Duty paid thereon, with the Quarters ending the 5th day of April 1843 and 1844, showing the Increase or Decrease:—Of the Number of Gallons of Proof Spirits (distinguishing the Quantities produced from Malt, and from a mixture of Malt and unmalted Grain) on which Duty was paid for Home Consumption in Ireland, in each Quarter of the years ending respectively the 5th day of April 1843 and 1844, and in each of the years:—Of the Number of detections and of the Number of Persons prosecuted for Offences in Ireland, against the Laws for the Suppression of Ilicit Distillation, in each Quarter of the years ending respectively the 5th day of April 1843 and 1844, distinguishing those convicted:—And, of the Number of Persons confined in each Gaol in Ireland, for Offences against the Laws for the Suppression of Ilicit Distillation, on the 5th day of January, the 5th day of March and the 5th day of April 1844.

Sinking Fund.

A Return of the several Amounts which were appropriated in each year since the passing of the Act of 1786 (Mr. Pitt's Act), to the Creation or Support of the Sinking Fund, with the authority for creating and appropriating the same; exhibiting from year to year the Capital and Interest thereon; also, a Statement of the Amounts of Capital and Interest which from year to year were applied out of the said Sinking Fund to the Public Service; stating for what particular Service, with the authorities for applying the same, up to the period of the final extinction of the Sinking Fund.

Excise.

A Statement of the Consumption of Imported Commodities, and of the Receipt of Customs Duties thereon, within the United Kingdom, in the three years ended the 5th day of January 1842, 1843 and 1844.

A Return of the Quantities of, and the Amount of Duty received on the several Articles liable to Excise Duty in the United Kingdom, during the years ending the 5th day of January 1842, 1843 and 1844; distinguishing England, Scotland and Ireland.

Public Salaries.

Sir George Clerk also presented, Return to an Address of the House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Sinking Fund Bill.

PUBLIC SALARIES.

A Motion was made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be postponed:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause amended, and agreed to.

Clause N° 4, (Certificates and declarations required.) Amendments made.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill:—The Committee divided:

Tellers for the [Mr. Young:]

Yes, [Lord Arthur Lexxos]: 114.

Tellers for the [Lord Maccoc Hill, Noes, [Mr. Vernon Smith]: ] 60.

Clauses, N° 5 to N° 7, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, N° 8 to N° 12, agreed to.

Clauses, N° 13, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, N° 14, agreed to.

Clauses, N° 15, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, N° 16, agreed to.

Clauses, N° 17 and N° 18, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, N° 19 and N° 20, agreed to.

Clauses, N° 21, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, N° 22 to N° 25, agreed to.

Preamble read.

Amendment proposed, in P. 1, Is. 4. and 5, to leave out "freely and voluntarily.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Preamble:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Preamble agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the third Parisbes reading of the ingrossed Bill to facilitate the dis joining or dividing of Extensive or Populous Parishes, and the erecting of new Parishes, in that part of the United Kingdom called Scotland.

And a Motion being made, That the said Bill be now read the third time;

Sir James Graham, 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.

And, an ingrossed Clause (For granting Sites for Churches, Chapels, &c, in districts where it is impossible that a permanent endowment can be provided of such amount as to entitle the district to be erected into a parish) was brought up, and read the first time.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be now read a second time:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Friday 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 said Clause be now read a second time:—The said Motion and Clause were, severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved,
Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

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

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly.

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 Metropolitan Buildings Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Damage by Fire (Metropolis) (No. 2.) Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Duchy of Cornwall Lands Bill;

Resolved, That the Bill be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 28th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Companies Remedies at Law and in Equity Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 28th day of this instant June, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Dissenters' Chapels Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Salmon Fisheries (Scotland) Bill;

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

The Canal Companies Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday the 28th day of this instant June.

The Linen, &c., Manufacturers (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyholds Enfranchisement Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take under consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to extend an Act of the ninth year of King George the Fourth, for the more effectual Prevention of Persons going armed by Night for the Destruction of Game.

And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Amendments be now read a second time;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "now read a "second time," in order to add the words "taken into further consideration upon this day six months," 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 old Lobby;

The Noes to the new Lobby.

 Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Wallace, Mr. Henry Berkeley:

 Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Zacott, Mr. Bouverie:

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the said Amendments be now read a second time:—The said Amendments, as far as the Amendment in Pr. 2. l. 29. being read a second time, were agreed to.

Pr. 2. l. 29. the next Amendment, being read a second time:

An Amendment was made thereunto, by leaving out the word "therein" and inserting the word "hereinbefore" instead thereof.

And the said Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

The Amendments, as far the Amendment in Pr. 3. l. 14. being read a second time, were agreed to.

Pr. 3. l. 14. the next Amendment, being read a second time:

An Amendment was made thereunto, by inserting, after the word "person," the words "by night."

And the said Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

Then the subsequent Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Wallace 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 Amendments this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Order of the day being read, for the third Court of Chancery:

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill, &c., Manufactures of Dublin, relative to the (Ireland.) late State Trial in Ireland, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for Disfranchisement of the Borough of Sudbury; Disfranchisement of the Borough of Sudbury.

Ordered, That Mr. Solicitor General and Mr. Attorney General do prepare, and bring it in.
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 Fees taken or demanded from Defendants in Misdemeanors, by the Clerks of Assize and Clerks of the Peace in England and Wales, at the last Assizes and two last Quarter Sessions 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.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the several Dues and Charges of every kind levied on Shipping at each Port, Harbour or Creek in the United Kingdom; stating the Rates of the several Dues levied per Ton on each Vessel, and whether under authority of Acts of Parliament, and what Acts; whether by Orders of Municipal Corporations, and of what date, or whether by Charter, Consent, Prescription or any other Authority, so as to exhibit the entire Charges of every kind on Vessels at each of the Harbours, Ports and Creeks of the United Kingdom; distinguishing the several Charges upon Vessels taking refuge in the Harbour only, from those upon Vessels delivering the Cargo, in whole or in part; and also, on Vessels in the Coasting or in the Foreign Trade: distinguishing also the Charges levied for Local Lights and Pilotage in and out of each Port, and in each Harbour; excluding also the Charges levied for Local Lights and Pilotage into and out of each Harbour, and the Charge for Ballast; and whether under any and what Board the same are levied.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to Order, A Copy of the Report of Mark Napier, Esquire, Advocate Depute to the Lord Advocate, relative to the recent Disturbances in Caithness; and that Sir George Clerk and Mr. Young do prepare, and bring it in.

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

Mr. George Clerk presented a Bill to extend the Time limited by an Act passed in the fourth and fifth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, for improving the Navigation and Harbour of Tralee, in the county of Kerry: And the said Bill was read, as follow : -

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council, stating the Rates of the several Dues levied per Ton on each Vessel, and whether under authority of Acts of Parliament, and what Acts; whether by Orders of Municipal Corporations, and of what date, or whether by Charter, Consent, Prescription or any other Authority, so as to exhibit the entire Charges of every kind levied on Vessels at each of the Harbours, Ports and Creeks of the United Kingdom; distinguishing the several Charges upon Vessels taking refuge in the Harbour only, from those upon Vessels delivering the Cargo, in whole or in part; and also, on Vessels in the Coasting or in the Foreign Trade: distinguishing also the Charges levied for Local Lights and Pilotage in and out of each Port, and in each Harbour; excluding also the Charges levied for Local Lights and Pilotage into and out of each Harbour, and the Charge for Ballast; and whether under any and what Board the same are levied.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, that they do examine whether the Standing Orders have been complied with, as in the case of a Petition for a Private Bill, and under the same Rules and Regulations.

Ordered, That the Bill 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.

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 Fees taken or demanded from Defendants in Misdemeanors, by the Clerks of Assize and Clerks of the Peace in England and Wales, at the last Assizes and two last Quarter Sessions respectively.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

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

Ordered, That the Bill 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.

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 Fees taken or demanded from Defendants in Misdemeanors, by the Clerks of Assize and Clerks of the Peace in England and Wales, at the last Assizes and two last Quarter Sessions respectively.

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

Ordered, That the Bill 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.
Improvement Bill.

Rochdale Improvement Bill.

Manchester Improvement Bill.

the estate of the Honourable Edward Mostyn Lloyd Mostyn, in the county of Flint, the Company shall and they are hereby required to make and construct the same in the amended line or course, laid down in the said Plan, which has been agreed upon between the parties, and signed by Robert Stephenson, the principal engineer of the Company, and John Wiggins, the authorized agent of the said Edward Mostyn Lloyd Mostyn, and not according to the line delineated on the Maps or Plans hereinafter mentioned to have been already deposited with the said Clerks of the Peace, such amended line being within the limits of deviation marked on the said last-mentioned Plans, and the Company shall not devote at all from the said amended line; and the Company shall also make and construct the Railway through or immediately adjoining the said estate of the said Edward Mostyn Lloyd Mostyn, in such manner, and shall execute such other works and connection therewith, or in reference thereto, and shall do all such other acts, matters and things as is or are mentioned in a certain Specification, which has been also signed by the said Robert Stephenson and John Wiggins.

Clause (C). "And be it Enacted, That the Company shall not be lawful for the Company to enter upon any land of the said Edward Mostyn Lloyd Mostyn, for any of the purposes mentioned in the preceding enactment, without the consent in writing of the said Edward Mostyn Lloyd Mostyn, or other person or persons, to whom the owner or proprietor for the time being of such land shall first have and obtained consent of Trustees, to sell or grant Feus of certain land, for that purpose first had and obtained.

Clause (D). "And be it Enacted, That the Company, in the construction of the Railway through the said Edward Mostyn Lloyd Mostyn, for any of the purposes mentioned in the preceding enactment, without the consent in writing of the said Edward Mostyn Lloyd Mostyn, or other person or persons, to whom the owner or proprietor for the time being of such land shall first have and obtained consent of Trustees, to sell or grant Feus of certain land, for that purpose first had and obtained.

Clause (E). "And be it Enacted, That the Company shall be compelled to make, construct, maintain, and not according to the line delineated on the Maps or Plans hereinafter mentioned to have been already deposited with the said Clerks of the Peace, such amended line being within the limits of deviation marked on the said last-mentioned Plans, and the Company shall not devote at all from the said amended line; and the Company shall also make and construct the Railway through or immediately adjoining the said estate of the said Edward Mostyn Lloyd Mostyn, in such manner, and shall execute such other works and connection therewith, or in reference thereto, and shall do all such other acts, matters and things as is or are mentioned in a certain Specification, which has been also signed by the said Robert Stephenson and John Wiggins.

Clause (F). "And be it Enacted, That the Company shall be compelled to make, construct, maintain, and not according to the line delineated on the Maps or Plans hereinafter mentioned to have been already deposited with the said Clerks of the Peace, such amended line being within the limits of deviation marked on the said last-mentioned Plans, and the Company shall not devote at all from the said amended line; and the Company shall also make and construct the Railway through or immediately adjoining the said estate of the said Edward Mostyn Lloyd Mostyn, in such manner, and shall execute such other works and connection therewith, or in reference thereto, and shall do all such other acts, matters and things as is or are mentioned in a certain Specification, which has been also signed by the said Robert Stephenson and John Wiggins.

Clause (G). "And be it Enacted, That the Company shall be compelled to make, construct, maintain, and not according to the line delineated on the Maps or Plans hereinafter mentioned to have been already deposited with the said Clerks of the Peace, such amended line being within the limits of deviation marked on the said last-mentioned Plans, and the Company shall not devote at all from the said amended line; and the Company shall also make and construct the Railway through or immediately adjoining the said estate of the said Edward Mostyn Lloyd Mostyn, in such manner, and shall execute such other works and connection therewith, or in reference thereto, and shall do all such other acts, matters and things as is or are mentioned in a certain Specification, which has been also signed by the said Robert Stephenson and John Wiggins.
Ordered, That the Committee on the Paisley General Gas Bill have leave to sit To-morrow, notwithstanding any adjournment of the House.

Mr. Pusey reported, that a Member of the House, now sitting in Committee on the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill, namely, the Honourable Elliot Yorke, one of the Members for Cambridge, had received an intimation of his intention to seek leave to withdraw his name from the said Bill; and that the said Member has voted on all questions coming before the Committee up to the 15th day of this instant June; that the said Member has placed his situation before the Committee; and at his request, the Committee desire the decision of the House on the following question, which fully declares the fact of the case:—Whether a Member of the House of Commons, having property within the limits of an Improvement Bill, which property may be affected by the passing of the Bill, has such an interest, as in, the judgment of the House, disqualifies him as a Member of the House, and the representative of general local interest; from voting on all questions affecting the preamble or clauses of the said Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be taken into consideration on Monday next.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Middle Level Navigation Bill; and read in Committee the Act for amending the Provisions of the Bank of England, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Bishoft;—Woburn (Bucks);—Dissenter's;—Oxley;—Stoke Goldington;—Reigate;—Lee;—Chapels Bill;—Hangle;—Broughton;—Darney Denry of Southampton;—Eastwood;—Tain;—Cothertone;—Brough;—Bose;—Islington;—Hockney;—Donor-road (Surrey);—Dunem-en-Shore;—Eildcroft-street, Pontarn-squar;—Pollockshaws;—Tulyfith;—Renfrew;—Batheal;—National Scotch Church Regent-square;—Dunsford;—Brentons;—Pempton (Moderator and Clerk);—and, Cardross, praying that the Dissenters' Chapels Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Brixton, Clapham and Cumberwell;—Hoxton;—and, Kendal, praying that the said Bill may pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thornely reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions: That they had examined the Public Petitions presented upon the 17th day 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.

Petitions of Owners and Occupiers of land, Millery Bank of England, and Dealers, attending and frequenting the market of Brentford, praying that the Bank of England Charter Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

VICTORIA.

21st June.

Worborough; Worley; Wooldale; Wooley; Womersley; Wiston; Winterseat; Whitby; Lound; Whitby Withernsea; West Bawtry; Thorn; West Hardwick; Worswort; Warmfield-cum-Heath; Warley; Wakefield; Upton; Wedsworth; Ulleskelf; Tooton; Tickhill; Thorpe-cum-Bolton; Thornton-cum-Craven; Thorston; Thorne; Townshend; Towbrough; Todecaster; Sutton (York); Stabbs; Weston-with-Eastburn; Standen-cum-W任何形式的赔偿或任何其他形式的赔偿。
or presence, and for the use of another person, who shall have duly obtained his certificate in his own right, according to the directions of the said first-mentioned Act, and who shall not act therein by virtue of any deputation or appointment, shall be exempt from the stamp duty and penalty, notwithstanding there may be used on the occasion any dog, gun or engine of a person not then present, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Greenock;—and, Hamilton (Pro-vost);—praying that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Merchants, Tradesmen and others resident in the town of Douglas, in the Isle of Man, stating that the Petitioners observe with deep regret that it is the intention, as expressed in the second part of the Resolutions passed by the House, with reference to the proposed alterations in the fiscal duties of the Isle of Man, that the license system as regards the articles of spirits, tobacco and liqueurs, is about to be continued; and praying that the license system may be abolished, and that as respects the harbour dues of the island, the House will be pleased to repeal those clauses of the Act 54 Geo. 3. c. 143, which authorize the collection of Harbour Duties as mentioned in the schedule thereof, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to make a Branch Railway from the London and South Western Railway to Salisbury; and the same were read, as follow:—

Pr. 5. l. 31. After "sections" insert " to be deposited as."—Pr. 75. l. 37. After " the" insert " altered."—Pr. 76. l. 10. Leave out " alteration" and insert " altered line."—Pr. 76. l. 14. After " with" insert " each of."—Pr. 77. l. 16. Leave out " or" and insert " so to be deposited as aforesaid or in."—Pr. 79. l. 30. After " plans" insert " to be deposited as aforesaid."—Pr. 80. l. 33. After " sections" insert " to be so deposited as aforesaid."—Pr. 82. l. 19. After " plans" insert " to be so."—Pr. 88. l. 4. After " said" insert " deposited."—Pr. 89. l. 5. Leave out " said."—Pr. 101. l. null. Leave out " original" and insert " altered."—Pr. 101. l. ult. After " Railway" insert " to be so deposited as aforesaid."—Pr. 102. l. 9. Leave out " said" and insert " same."—Pr. 102. l. 11. Leave out from " eight to " forty-five" in l. 12. —Pr. 102. l. 13. Leave out " said" and insert " same" and in the same line leave out from " plan" to " and" in l. 14.—Pr. 102. l. 16. Leave out " said" and insert " same."—Pr. 102. l. 17. Leave out of the said alteration.

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

Ordered, That Sir William Heathcote do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

An ingrossed Bill to amend the Acts relating to the London and South Western Railway, and to authorize an Extension of the said Railway and other Works, at or near the Nine Elms Station, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Petitions from the Liberty of the Rolls, in the Lord's Day, county of Middlesex;—Saint Clement Danes (two Petitions);—and, Reverend Edward Amiot, and others, complaining of the public exposure of articles for sale on the Lord's Day, whether in shops and markets, or otherwise; and praying the House to adopt such measures as shall sufficiently carry out the principles of existing laws on this subject, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the several parishes County Courts of Machrihanish, Benaquich, Durnowen, Llangeus and Llanchallich in the county of Montgomery and Pennel, in the county of Merioneth, praying that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Marquess of Ailsa to borrow a certain Ailsa's Estate Sum of Money upon the Security of his Entailed Estates of Cassillis and Culzean, for Repayment to him of a Portion of the Monies laid out by him in the Improvement of those Estates, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Lockhart do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented Mines (Liberty, to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased &c.) to give directions that there be laid before this House, an Account, through the medium of Her Majesty's Ambassador or other Diplomatic Agent at the Court of Russia, of the Produce in Gold of the Washings of the Mines, &c., and of the Silver derived from those Quarries, with reference to the proposed alterations in the principles of existing laws on this subject, were agreed to.

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, Westminster Returned Returns from the High Bailiff and Court of Burgesses of Westminster, of the Gross Amount of the Amencements and Fines levied by the Annoyance Juries and Court of Burgesses, under the Act 29 Geo. 2. c. 26, since the year 1800; distinguishing the Amencements in each year, and how the sums levied were appropriated:—Of the Amounts and Particulars, as set forth in the Presentments, of the Amencements levied by each Annoyance Jury during the years 1841, 1842, 1843, and 1844; and of the Number and Amount of the Amencements remitted or mitigated during those years; distinguishing those remitted from those mitigated, and stating to what Amounts the same were mitigated:—And, of the Names, Addresses and Descriptions of the Parties who served on such last-mentioned Juries.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Linen, &c., Manufactures (Ireland) Bill;

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Customs Duties Committee upon the Customs Duties (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments therein.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly.

Ordered,
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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyholdes Enfranchisement Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Adjourned.

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

Mr. Greene reported the Sugar Duties Bill.
And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill be now read a second time;—An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the words "That the" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "distinction sought to be established between " Free Labour and Slave Labour Sugar not being " supported by any adequate definition in the Bill, " and such absence of definition (while it devolves " an unusual and objectionable amount of discre- tionary power on the Government), leaving the " Act uncertain as to the Import of Sugar, it is expedient, " either clearly to define the limits within which " the Merchant is to act, or to admit Free Labour " and Slave Labour Sugar at the same rate of Duty," 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 old Lobby;—The Noes to the new Lobby.
Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Young, Mr. Henry Baring:—183.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ixworth, Dr. Bowring:—65.
So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill be now read a second time;—The said Amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Duckworth and Mr. Russell:
Mr. Speaker,
The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to facilitate the Settlement of the Affirmative of the British Iron Company, without any Amendment:—And also, the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from the Shoreham Branch of the London and Brighton Railway to Chichester, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And also, the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from Exeter to Plymouth, to be called " The South Devon Railway, " with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Resolved, That the House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Dissenters' Chapels Bill.

(Resolution of the Committee.)
Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph. Preamble postponed.

Clause, N° 1. (The recited Acts to be construed, as well as all Deeds relating to such Meeting-houses, &c., as if the Acts had been in force at the time of the foundation of the Meeting-houses, &c.)

Amendment proposed in P. 2. 1. 11. After "respectively" to insert "being Unitarian Dissenters."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, N° 2. (That so far as no particular religious doctrines or opinions, or mode of regulating worship, shall, on the face of the deeds or instrument declaring the Trusts of any such Meeting-house, be required to be taught or forbidden to be taught therein, the usage of Twenty-five years shall be conclusive evidence of the religious doctrines which may properly be taught in such Meeting-house.) Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed in P. 2. 1. 22. After "therein" to insert "or where no particular religious doctrines or opinions are contained in any book or other document preserved amongst the authentic records of any recognized Synod or religious body, concerning the congregation frequenting such Meeting-house." Question put, That those words be there inserted;—The Committee divided:—Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Shaw, Viscount Jocelyn:—43.
Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Young, Mr. Henry Baring:—101.
Another Amendment proposed in l. 23. To leave out "Twenty-five" in order to insert "Sixty" instead thereof.

Question, That "Sixty" stand part of the Clause,—put, and agreed to.
Another Amendment proposed in l. 23. To leave out "any suits relating to such Meeting-house," in order to insert "the passing of this Act, " instead thereof.

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause,—put, and agreed to.
Another Amendment proposed in l. 21. To leave out from "Minister" to the end of the Clause, in order to add "shall nevertheless be applied for such purposes, and provided such doctrines only as are expressed in the deed or instrument or in some document referred to by such deed or instrument, " after " Twenty-five years shall be conclusive evidence of the religious doctrines which may properly be taught in such Meeting-house."

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause,—put, and agreed to.

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Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause,—put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed in l. 24. To leave out from "Minister" to the end of the Clause, in order to insert "the passing of this Act, " instead thereof.

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause,—put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed in l. 24. To leave out from "Minister" to the end of the Clause, in order to insert "the passing of this Act, " instead thereof.

Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause,—put, and agreed to.

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Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause,—put, and agreed to.

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Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Unlawful Oaths (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 Committee on the Poor Law Amendment Bill:—Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Bank of England Charter Bill:—Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Charitable Loan Societies (Ireland) Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Protection of Purchasers against Judgments, Crown Debts, Liabilities and Commissions of Bankruptcy; and for providing one Office for the registering of Judgments in Ireland, and for amending the Laws in Ireland respecting Bankrupts and the Limitation of Actions: And that Mr. Attorney General for Ireland and Lord Eliot do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir George Clerk presented, pursuant to Order,enary.
—A Return of the Sailing Qualities of Her Majesty’s Ships, “Queen,” “Formidable,” “Vernon,” “Eurydice” and “Spartan”; and of the different Trials of Sailing between those Ships; specifying the State of the Sea, Wind, Weather and Period of Time each Trial occupied:—And, a Copy of the Weekly Account of Her Majesty’s Ships “Queen,” “Formidable,” “Vernon,” “Eurydice” and “Spartan,” on the 5th day of April and the 5th day of October, during the years 1842, 1843 and 1844.

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

Mr. Attorney General for Ireland presented a Bill for the Protection of Purchasers against Judgments, Crown Debts, Liabilities and Commissions of Bankruptcy; and for providing one Office for the registering of all Judgments in Ireland; and for amending the Laws in Ireland respecting Bankrupts and the Limitation of Actions: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for providing Houses of Refuge for the Reception of Juvenile Offenders in England: And that Mr. Hume, Mr. William Denison, Mr. Kemble and Sir John Easthope do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the North British Lords to the North British Railway Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Mr. Hume presented a Bill for providing Houses of Refuge for the Reception of Juvenile Offenders in England: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

The House was moved, That the Act 3 and 4 Vic. Customs Duties c. 60, for regulating the Trade of the Isle of Man (No. 4.) might be read; and the same being read;
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the said Act.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Police Reward and Superannuation Funds (Ireland), which were presented upon the 4th day of this instant June (Ireland) be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper presented to Alexander Alexander Walker, &c., which was presented upon Monday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the College of Surgeons, which was presented upon Wednesday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Misdemeanors (Queen’s Bench), which was presented yesterday day, be printed.

Ordered, That the Report of the Commissioners on Fisheries, which was presented yesterday day, be printed.

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Ordered, That the Return relative to Public Salaries, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Customs, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Excise, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Public Salaries, which was laid upon the Table yesterday, 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.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Parliamentary Papers, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

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Luna, 24° die Junii; Anno 8° Victorae Reginæ, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Shadwell, from the Trustees of the Royal Harbour of Ramsgate, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—An Account of the Revenue and Expenditure of the Royal Harbour of Ramsgate Trust, for the year ending 24th June 1843.—And then he withdrew.

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

An ingrossed Bill for better lighting, paving, cleansing, watching, regulating and improving the Town of Rochdale and the Environs thereof, in the County Palatine of Lancaster, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Stone's Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Standing Orders;

1. Resolved, That in the case of the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

2. Resolved, That in the case of the Newport Dock Bill, Amendments proposed on consideration of the Report, the said Amendments are of such a nature as to justify the House in entertaining them without the re-commitment of the Bill.

3. Resolved, That in the case of the North Wales Mineral Railway Bill, Clause and Amendments proposed on consideration of the Report, the said Clause and Amendments are of such a nature as to justify the House in entertaining them, without the re-commitment of the Bill, provided that after the word "fit," in the words proposed to be introduced in Clause 87, the following words be inserted " one of the said directors to be."

4. Resolved, That in the case of the North British Railway Bill, the said Amendments are of such a nature as may be adopted by the House, if they shall think fit.

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

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on Medlarick's Marianski's Naturalization Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Holmfrith and Dunsford Roads 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 thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The London and Croydon Railway (No. 2.) Bill London and Croydon Railway (No. 2.) was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Petitions from County Palatine of Lancaster, concerning the Survey and Expenditure of the Royal Harbour of Ramsgate; from the Honourable Eliot Yorke, one of the Members for Cambridgeshire, had received an intimation that he ought not to vote on questions arising thereon, by reason of his interest in the said Bill: That the said Member has voted on all questions coming before the Committee up to the 19th day of this instant June: That the said Member has placed his situation before the Committee; and, at his request, the Committee desire the decision of the House on the following question, which fully declares the facts of the case: Whether a Member of the House of Commons, having property within the limits of an Improvement Bill, which property may be affected by the passing of the Bill, has such an interest as, in the judgment of the House, disqualifies him as a Member of the House, and the representative of general local interests, from voting on all questions affecting the Preamble or Clauses of the said Bill.

A Petition of several Owners and Occupiers of land in the Middle Level of the Fens, part of the Great Bed ford Level, concerning the votes of Edward Fellows, Esq., another Member of the Committee, was brought up, and read.

Whereupon Mr. Speaker stated, that there being no Report from the Committee, the House could not take notice of what had passed in Committee of Selection.

PRAYERS:

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; which were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That in the case of the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

2. Resolved, That in the case of the Newport Dock Bill, Amendments proposed on consideration of the Report, the said Amendments are of such a nature as to justify the House in entertaining them without the re-commitment of the Bill.

3. Resolved, That in the case of the North Wales Mineral Railway Bill, Clause and Amendments proposed on consideration of the Report, the said Clause and Amendments are of such a nature as to justify the House in entertaining them, without the re-commitment of the Bill, provided that after the word "fit," in the words proposed to be introduced in Clause 87, the following words be inserted " one of the said directors to be."

4. Resolved, That in the case of the North British Railway Bill, the said Amendments are of such a nature as may be adopted by the House, if they shall think fit.

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the Committee—And the said Petition was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, that the vote of Mr. Eliot Yorke on the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill, is a good vote;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the words "That the" to end of the Question, in order to add the words "rule and practice of this House is, that no Member shall vote upon any question in which the House has a direct pecuniary interest: That where any Member has voted in violation of this rule, such vote, when challenged in the House, has been disallowed; That every rule of the House, applies equally to all Committees of the House; That a Member of the House of Commons having property within the limits of an Improvement Bill, or property which will be affected by the passing of the Bill, has such an interest as disqualifies him as a Member of the House, and the representative of general local interest, from voting on all questions affecting the Preamble orClauses of such Bill," 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 Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further Proceeding upon the consideration of the Report of the North Wales Mineral Railway Bill:

—The House resumed the said further Proceeding. A Clause (Private road belonging to Samuel Kenrick, Esquire, to be carried over or under the Railway,) offered and brought up on the 19th day of this instant June, was twice read ; and made part of the Bill. And the Amendments proposed at the same time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Mr. Alexander Oswald presented a Bill for widening, repairing, and maintaining the Bridge of Ayr, commonly called the New Bridge, leading across the River of Ayr, at the Royal Borough or Town of Ayr, in the County of Ayr, and for other Purposes in relation thereto; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Swansea Improvement Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the consideration of the Report on the Newport Dock Bill be resumed Tomorrow.

The Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Mr. Home Drummond reported from the Committee on the Monkland and Kirkintilloch Railway Bill, and the same were read, as follow:

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 Bill, Railway Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from the City of Edinburgh to the Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, with a Branch to the Town of Haddington; and the same were read, as follow:

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Thursday next.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the consideration of the Report on the Newport Dock Bill be resumed Tomorrow.

Mr. Home Drummond reported from the Committee; That they had examined the allegations of the other of the said Bills, "to alter, amend, enlarge and in part repeal the Acts relating to the Wishaw and Coltness Railway," and found the same 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.
CLAUSE (A.) "And be it Enacted, That all conveyances of lands situate in England so to be purchased as aforesaid, may, if the Company shall think fit, be according to the form in the Schedule to this Act annexed; and all such conveyances shall be effectual to vest the lands thereby conveyed in the Company, and shall operate to merge all terms of years attendant by express declaration or by construction of law on the estate or interest so therein conveyed, and to bar and destroy all such rents, issue and profits, tail and other estates, rights, titles, reversion and inheritance, which may be thereby merged; they shall in equity afford the same protection as if they had been kept on foot and assigned to a trustee for the Company, to attend the revestment and inheritance.

Pr. 81. 1. 13. After "amount" insert "if the lands in respect of which the same have been incurred are situate in Scotland."

Pr. 81. 1. 18. After "same" insert "and if such lands are situate in England, then such costs shall be ascertained by the Court of Chancery."

Pr. 84. 1. 4. After "money" insert "where paid in respect of any lands situate in Scotland."

Pr. 84. 1. 21. After "lands" insert "and where such money is paid in respect of lands situate in England, the same may be so applied upon an order of the Court of Chancery made on a like petition, and under the same or an order of the said Court, for the ease of the said Suitors, by applying the Interest therefrom for answering the charges of the Office of the Accountant-General of the said Court."

Pr. 84. 1. 4. After "money" insert "where paid in respect of any lands situate in Scotland."

An Act for the better securing the Monies and Effects of the Suitors of the Court of Chancery, and to prevent the counterfeiting of East India Bonds and Indorsements theron, as likewise Indorsements on South Sea Bonds, and pursuant to the general rules and orders of the said Court, and without fee or reward, according to the Act of the twelfth year of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Second, intituled, 'An Act for the better securing the Monies and Effects of the Suitors of the Court of Chancery, and to prevent the counterfeiting of East India Bonds and Indorsements theron, as likewise Indorsements on South Sea Bonds, and pursuant to the general rules and orders of the said Court.'"
between and amongst freemen and widows of freemen of the said borough, who might for the time being be resident within the said borough respectively and successively, in certain shares and proportions, and with certain priorities and powers and rights of choosing and exchanging the same: And whereas the value of the portion of the said lands to be purchased by the Company from the said freemen and widows of freemen respectively may be of the respective value of less than Twenty pounds, and it would be injurious to those freemen and widows of freemen who are under such former arrangements with the several parties interested in the possession of such lands and hereditaments, if the present holders thereof should receive the whole of the sum to be paid by the Company in respect of the same, BE it therefore Enacted, That all sums agreed or awarded to be paid in respect of the said lands and hereditaments described in Schedule 1. of the said recited Act, shall be paid into the Bank of England, in the name and with the privity of the Accountant-General of the Court of Chancery, in like manner as other sums above Two hundred pounds, payable to parties under legal disability are by this Act directed to be paid; and as other sums above Two hundred pounds, payable to parties under legal disability are by this Act directed to be paid, so shall such money be so deposited until the same shall be applied, under the direction of the said Court on the petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Berwick-upon-Tweed, or in the counties of Northumberland and Durham, or one of them, and to be conveyed to the said Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses, and held by them for ever thereafter, upon trust, to the same to be possessed, enjoyed and divided by
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Pr. 124. l. 18. After "such" insert "rent-service, rent-charge, chief or other rent."
Pr. 124. l. 24. Leave out "charge" and insert "rent, burden or incumbrance."
Pr. 124. l. 32. After "Sheriff" insert "if the lands be situate in Scotland, and if in England by two Justices, and in the same line, after "or" insert "in which the same are situate."
Pr. 124. l. 36. Leave out "charge" and insert "rent, burden or incumbrance."
Pr. 125. l. 2. Leave out "charge" and insert "rent, burden or incumbrance."
Pr. 125. l. 11. Leave out "charge" and insert "rent, burden or incumbrance."
Pr. 125. l. 13. Leave out "charge" and insert "rent, burden or incumbrance."
Pr. 125. l. 16. Leave out "charge" and insert "rent, burden or incumbrance."
Pr. 125. l. 19. After "the" insert "chartered, and in the same line, after "foresaid" insert "or into the Bank of England, as the case may be."
Pr. 125. l. 22. After "the" insert "rent-service, rent-charge, chief or other rent."
Pr. 127. l. 5. After "lease" insert "or missive of lease."
Pr. 127. l. 16. After "Sheriff" insert "if in Scotland, and if in England by two Justices."
Pr. 127. l. 33. After "lease" insert "or missive of lease."
Pr. 128. l. 2. After "lease" insert "or missive of lease."
Pr. 128. l. 31. After "Sheriff" insert "if the lands be situate in Scotland, and if in England by two Justices of the county in which the same are situate."
Pr. 128. l. 33. Leave out from "same" to "and" in Pr. 129. l. 18, and insert "and upon payment or tender of such compensation, the Company shall be authorized to enter upon and take possession of such lands."
Pr. 132. l. 15. After "Sheriff" insert "or any Justice of the peace."
Pr. 137. l. 11. After "respectively" insert "and with the clerk of the peace of the county of the borough or town of "Berwick-upon-Tweed."
Pr. 138. l. 2. After "Sheriff" insert "if in Scotland, and if in England to a Justice."
Pr. 138. l. 14. After "clerk" insert "if in Scotland, and if in England with the clerk of the peace."
Pr. 138. l. 16. After "schoolmasters" insert "if in Scotland, or parish clerks if in England."
Pr. 138. l. 21. Leave out "and" and insert "clerk of the peace, and in the same line, after "schoolmasters" insert "and parish clerks."
Pr. 138. l. 34. After "clerk" insert "or clerk of the peace, as the case may be."
Pr. 140. Is. 17. and 18. After "being" insert Clauses (F.), (G.), (H.) and (I).

CLAUSE (F.) "Provided always, and be it Enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Company or any person acting under their authority or on their behalf, to make, construct or carry on any work below the line of high water mark at ordinary spring tides without the previous consent of the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or the Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral aforesaid for the time being, to be signified in writing under the hand of the Secretary of the Admiralty."
CLAUSE (G.) "AND whereas it is expedient that the amenity of Her Majesty's Palace of Holyrood House should be protected as herein after mentioned, DE be it Enacted, That the said Company shall and they are hereby required, at their own proper costs, to continue the proposed tunnel shown on the Plan hereinbefore mentioned or referred to, by extending such tunnel further eastwards three hundred and twenty feet at the least, commencing such extension from the point shown on such Plan as the proposed eastern termination of the said tunnel in the parish of South Leith and county of Edinburgh, and such tunnel so extended shall forever after be maintained and kept in good order and repair by and at the expense of the said Company, and to the satisfaction in all respects of the said Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Revenues, Works and Buildings, in all respects, any thing notwithstanding."
CLAUSE (H.) "And be it Enacted, That the said Company shall and they are hereby required, at their own cost, and when thereunto required by or on behalf of the said Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Revenues, Works and Buildings, and within such reasonable time as such Commissioners may direct, to roof and effectually cover over with timber or other sufficient materials to be approved of by the said Commissioners, all that part or portion of the said Railway and the works connected therewith near the palace of Holyrood House aforesaid, commencing at the point where such extended tunnel shall terminate, and extending from thence eastwards nine hundred feet or thereabouts to a plot or parcel of land situate in the parish of St. Cuthberts, in the said county of Edinburgh, and numbered 328 on the plan hereinbefore mentioned or referred to, such last-mentioned works to be done and executed and kept in good order and repair by and at the expense of the said Company, and to the satisfaction in all respects of the said Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Revenues, Works and Buildings."
CLAUSE (I.) "And be it Enacted, That the said Company shall and they are hereby required, at their own cost, when thereunto required by or on behalf of the said Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Revenues, Works and Buildings, to be authorized to enter upon and take possession of such lands of Wheatfield, belonging to the said William Henry Miller, of Craigleith, the county of Edinburgh, shall, and they are hereby required, to the full extent of one hundred and twenty feet from the road or street called the Royal Mile, commencing such extension from the point where the said Railway at the south-west point of the said Royal Mile shall, and they are hereby required, to the full extent of one hundred yards to the south of the line of Railway, delineated on the said Plan, provided the radius of any curve of the said line of Railway be diminished, by means of such deviation, to a greater extent than the same might, under the provisions of this Act, be diminished."

Pr. 137. l. 11. After "respectively" insert "and with the clerk of the peace of the county of the borough or town of "Berwick-upon-Tweed."
Pr. 138. l. 2. After "Sheriff" insert "if in Scotland, and if in England to a Justice."
Pr. 138. l. 14. After "clerk" insert "if in Scotland, and if in England with the clerk of the peace."
Pr. 138. l. 16. After "schoolmasters" insert "if in Scotland, or parish clerks if in England."
Pr. 138. l. 21. Leave out "and" and insert "clerk of the peace, and in the same line, after "schoolmasters" insert "and parish clerks."
Pr. 138. l. 34. After "clerk" insert "or clerk of the peace, as the case may be."
Pr. 140. l. 17. and 18. After "being" insert Clauses (F.), (G.), (H.) and (I).
being of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Revenues, Works and Buildings, and within such a reasonable time as the said Commissioners may direct, to plant with trees and shrubs all or any part of the slopes, cuttings or embankments of the said Railway near the palace of Holyrood and terminating at the point where the covered portion of the Railway hereinbefore mentioned shall or would terminate, and from thence eastwards a length of seven hundred and sixty feet or thereabouts, and terminating at the point where the Railway crosses or is intended to cross the old post road leading from Abbey-hill to Meadow-bank, in the county of Edinburgh aforesaid; and the said Commissioners shall and they are hereby required from time to time, and at all times (after the said slopes, cuttings or embankments shall be so planted as aforesaid), to fence and protect the same from injury, and from time to time to fill up, prune, top, top, dress, cultivate and improve the same, as the said Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Revenues, Works and Buildings shall direct, and not otherwise.

Pr. 141. l. 13. After "court" insert Clauses (J) and (K).

CLAUSE (J). "And be it Enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Company to use or consume any other fuel than good coke for propelling the engines or other carriages or wagons of the said Company, upon or along the said Railway between the town of Portobello and the terminus of the said Railway at Edinburgh aforesaid, and if the said Company shall use or consume any other fuel than good coke for the purposes aforesaid between Portobello and Edinburgh aforesaid, they shall forfeit sixty pounds for every day on which any such fuel other than coke shall be so used or consumed by them as aforesaid, and such penalty shall and may be recoverable and recovered by or on behalf of Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors in any competent court.

CLAUSE (K). "And whereas the Abbey or Easter-road is one of the chief approaches to Her Majesty's palace and park of Holyrood House, it is enacted, That the said Company shall, and they are hereby required, at their own costs and charges, to make and construct for the purpose of carrying the said Railway over the Abbey or Easter-road, in the parishes of South Leith and Saint Cuthbert's, or one of them, in the county of Edinburgh, a convenient bridge, archway or opening by means of piers built parallel to the present line of the said road, the opening being in the centre of the road at least twenty feet in height clear between the piers; and the height of the arch of such bridge shall not be less than fifteen feet from the surface of the centre of the road; and before the Railway over the said bridge shall be opened to the public, the said Company shall and they are hereby required, at their own costs and charges, to erect and construct a substantial and permanent close fence or screen, seven feet high at the least, at a distance of fifty yards north length at the least each way, measured from the centre of the said bridge; Provided always, that plans and specifications of such bridge, archway and screen shall be submitted to the said Commissioners for the time being of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Revenues, Works and Buildings, on behalf of Her Majesty, and such bridge, archway and screen shall be approved of under their hands before the commencement of the erection of such bridge, archway or screen or any part thereof respectively, and such bridge, archway and screen shall be erected according to plans so approved by the said Commissioners as aforesaid, and not otherwise.

Pr. 141. l. 34. and 35. After "county" insert Vol. 99.
CLAUSE (M). "And be it Enacted, That if before the expiration of such thirty days the Company do not state their willingness to work with such owner and the lessee or occupier for the payment of such compensation, it shall be lawful for him to so order that any such works or the work done in manner proper and necessary for the beneficial working thereof, that is, according to the rules of mining practised within the district, and if any damage or obstruction be occasioned to the Railway or works or other connected therewith, the same shall be found by such engineers or umpire not to have been carried on according to the rules of mining practised in the district, the whole of such expense shall be borne by the owner, lessee or occupier of such mine with whom the dispute shall have arisen." 

CLAUSE (P). "And be it Enacted, That if the working of any such mines under the Railway or works, or within the above-mentioned districts, shall have been worked contrary to the rules of mining practised in the district, such owner, lessee or occupier, and in case such workings shall be found by such engineers or umpire to have been carried on contrary to the rules of mining practised in the district, the expense occasioned thereby, by action in any court or courts shall be lawful for the Company to execute the same so to do, to cut and make such and so many air-ways, headways, gateways, communications or water-levels as he shall think proper and necessary for the beneficial working thereof, according to the rules of mining practised within the districts, such owner, lessee or occupier, as the case may be, shall not be answerable or accountable for such damage." 

CLAUSE (N). "And for the better ascertaining whether any such mines are being worked or about to be worked so as to damage the Railway or works; Be it Enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Company, after giving twenty-four hours notice in writing, to enter upon any lands through or near which the Railway passes, wherein any such mines are being worked or are supposed so to be, and to enter into or return from any such mines or other works connected therewith, and for that purpose it shall be lawful for them to make use of any apparatus or machinery connected with such mines, belonging to the owners, lessees or occupiers of such mines, upon payment of the reasonable cost of using and working the same, and of any loss thereby occasioned by delay of the working of the mines or otherwise, and to use all necessary means for discovering the distance from the Railway to the parts of such mines which may be being worked or be about to be so worked." 

CLAUSE (O). "And be it Enacted, That if it appear to the Company that any such mines have been worked contrary to the rules of mining practised in the district, or so as to cause danger to the Railway or works connected therewith, the Company may give notice to such owners or to the lessees or occupiers then working such mines, to adopt the necessary means and to construct the requisite supports for making safe the Railway and other works, and preventing any injury thereto, and if after such notice, any such owner, lessee or occupier do not forthwith proceed to construe the necessary works for making safe the Railway and works, the Company may itself construct such works and recover the expense thereof from such owner, lessee or occupier by action in any competent court: Provided Always, That if the owner, lessee or occupier of any such mines shall deny that such mines have been worked contrary to the rules of mining practised in the district, such owner, lessee or occupier may give notice thereof to the Company, and thereupon the matter in dispute shall be referred to two engineers to be appointed as hereinafter mentioned, or to their umpire, in case of difference between them, and the decision of such engineers or of the umpire shall be final, and in case such workings shall be found by such engineers or umpire to have been carried on according to the rules of mining practised in the district, the whole expense of the reference and in all such cases the expense thereof shall be shared proportionally between the Company and the owner, lessee or occupier of such mines, or in case of their differing in regard thereto, then by engineers to be mutually chosen in manner hereinafter provided; but no such air-way, headway, gateway, communication or water-level shall be of greater dimensions or section than eight feet wide and eight feet high, nor shall the level shall be of greater dimensions or section than eighty feet wide and eighty feet high, nor shall the same be cut or made upon any part of the Railway or works or so as to injure the same or to impede the passage thereon, and in all such cases the expense of making such requisite air-ways, headways, gateways, communications and water-levels, and thereafter maintaining the same so long as the same shall be necessary for working the mines on each side of the Railway, or so far as the Company may require that, to be maintained for the protection of the Railway, shall be defrayed by the Company, who shall have power from time to time to enter and inspect the state and condition thereof for such purpose: Provided always, That in respect of such air-ways, headways, gateways, communications and water-levels, the value of the minerals worked out from under the Railway or works connected therewith, or within forty yards therefrom, for which compensation shall have been made by the Company as aforesaid, shall be allowed to the Company in diminution thereof." 

CLAUSE (Q). "AND in regard to any mines or minerals under or closely adjoining the Railway which shall be working or shall hereafter be connected with the formation of the Railway: BE it Enacted, That where the owner, lessee or occupier of such mines or minerals lying under the Railway or any of the works connected therewith, or within forty yards therefrom shall be desirous of proceeding with the working thereof or of resuming such working, or of draining off the water from any such mines the working whereof may have been discontinued, such owner, lessee or occupier shall give to the Company notice in writing of his intention so to do thirty days before proceeding with or resuming such working or drawing off the water, and therefore it shall be lawful for the Company to have the mines inspected, and to prevent their being further worked or the water therein drawn off, by making
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"the working whereof shall be prevented by the "water before contained respecting the mode of working "or getting the mines or minerals under or adjoin-
"whereof may be prevented by the Company; and "
"or in consequence of drawing off the water there-
"and highways numbered respectively on the Plans "from.
"deposited as hereinbefore mentioned, (that is to "whereof shall be prevented by the said Company, or "by two Justices of the peace of the district in or "not being so as aforesaid, in the presence of the "in the parish of Tauentzien, the roads numbered "in the parish of Preston Pans, the road numbered 8; "in the parish of Preston Kirk, the road numbered 41; "in the parish of Dunbar, the road numbered 128; "in the parish of Innerwick, the roads numbered "respectively 4 and 9; in the parish of Oldham-
"the road situate in Scotland, and if in England to "then to two Justices.
"or Jus-
"or the ascent or descent by this Act in that "tion as aforesaid shall such owner, lessee or occu-
"tion of such thirty days state their willingness to "tion of the same conditions and provisions as are here-
"before contained in regard to mines and minerals "nitherto worked, under or near to the line of "the Railway; Provided always, That in case the "Company refuse or decline to treat and make com-
"pensation as aforesaid, such owner, lessee or occu-
"pier for the payment of such compensation, it "shall be lawful for him to work such mines in the "same manner, and under and subject to such and "the same conditions and provisions as are here-
"before contained in regard to mines and minerals "not hitherto worked, under or near to the line of "the Railway; Provided always, That in case the "Company refuse or decline to treat and make com-
"pensation as aforesaid, such owner, lessee or occu-
"pier shall be liable to any damage that may "arise in consequence of any workings of "such mines or minerals which may have taken "place prior to the passing of this Act; nor if the "said Company fail to treat and make compensa-
"tion of such thirty days state their willingness to "treat with the owner and with the lessee or occu-
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CLAUSE (R.) "And be it Enacted, That if any "difference shall arise under the provisions herein-
"before contained respecting the mode of working "or getting the mines or minerals under or adjoin-
"ing the Railway, or in regard to any air-way, "headway, gateway, communication or water-level, "or any other work in relation to such mines or "connected therewith, the same shall be settled "and determined by two competent engineers, one "to be appointed by each party; and such engineers "so appointed shall appoint another competent en-
"gineer to act as umpire before proceeding on their "reference, or if they differ as to the appointment "of such umpire, he shall be appointed by the "Sheriff on the application of either of the parties "after due notice to the other of them, and the "decision of such engineers or their umpire shall "be final and conclusive on the matter in dispute.

CLAUSE (S.) "And be it Enacted, That in re-
"spect to any matter which may be so referred "to the determination of engineers to be mutually "chosen, or their umpire as aforesaid, if either party "shall for the space of seven days after receiving "notice from the other party to appoint an engineer "to act on his behalf fail to appoint an engineer, "the Sheriff of the county shall, on application by "the other party, appoint such engineer, who shall "proceed in the matter referred to him in manner "hereto contained, as if he had been ap-
"pointed by the party failing to appoint; and in all "such cases the Sheriff shall order the costs of any "such application to be paid by the party failing "to appoint an engineer as aforesaid.

CLAUSE (T.) A AND with respect to the crossing "of roads by the Railway: BE it Enacted, That "if the line of the Railway cross any turnpike-
"road or public carriage-way, except as hereinafter "mentioned of such turnpike-road or public "carriage-way shall be carried over the Railway, "or the Railway shall be carried over such road "by means of a bridge, of the height and width, "used with the ascent or descent by this Act in that "behalf provided; and such bridge and other ne-
"cessary works connected therewith shall be exe-
"cuted at the expense of the Company.

CLAUSE (U.) "Provided always, and be it En-
"acted, That it shall be lawful for the Company, if "they think fit, to construct the said Railway across "and on the level of the following turnpike-roads

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Be it Enacted, That in the event of certain alterations and operations of the said Railway Company, contemplated to be made upon the market-places of the said city: Be it Enacted, That in the event of such alterations and operations being made, the said Company shall be bound and obliged to guarantee to the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council of the city of Edinburgh that the gross amount of the said stand, stall and crape duels levied by the said Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council in the whole of the markets adjoining the site of the said alterations and operations, namely, the fish, green or vegetable, fruit, flesh, veal and poultry markets, (but exclusive of the wholesale poultry, egg and butter markets) held in the streets of the said city, shall, during the year in which the said alterations and operations on the markets are commenced, and for fourteen years immediately and subsequent thereto, being altogether a period of fifteen years, each year running from Martinmas to Martinmas, being not less than fifteen years, the sum of one thousand three hundred and fifty-eight pounds two shillings and eight pence half-penny sterling, which has been the average annual amount thereof for the two years preceding the term of Martinmas last; and if in any one year during the said period of fifteen years, the gross amount of the said stand, stall and crape duels shall be less than the aforesaid sum of one thousand three hundred and fifty-eight pounds two shillings and eight pence half-penny, then a sum of money equal in amount to such average deficiency, so ascertained as aforesaid, shall be paid by the said Company annually thereafter, in all time coming, to the said Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council, for the use of the common and common good of the said city:

Provided always, That if a Bill now before Parliament, intituled, A Bill to authorize an extension of the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway, and to amend and enlarge the Provisions of the Acts relating to such Railway, or any other Bill relating to the said Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway, shall pass into a law in the present or any future Session of Parliament, containing any obligation on the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Company to pay a moiety of the said annual sum, then the remaining moiety only shall be payable by the Company by this Act incorporated.

Clause (W.) “And for the purpose of providing “for the contingency of the market revenues of the “city of Edinburgh being diminished by or in con- “sequence of certain alterations and operations of “the said Railway Company, contemplated to be “made upon the market-places of the said city: “Be it Enacted, That in the event of such altera- “tions and operations being made, the said Com- “pany shall be bound and obliged to guarantee to “the Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council of “the city of Edinburgh that the gross amount of “the stand, stall and crape duels levied by the “said Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council in “the whole of the markets adjoining the site of the “said alterations and operations, namely, the fish, “green or vegetable, fruit, flesh, veal and poultry “markets, (but exclusive of the wholesale poultry, “egg and butter markets) held in the streets of “the said city, shall, during the year in which the “said alterations and operations on the markets “are commenced, and for fourteen years immedi- “ately and subsequent thereto, being altogether a “period of fifteen years, each year running from “Martinmas to Martinmas, being not less than “fifteen years, the sum of one thousand three “hundred and fifty-eight pounds two shillings and “eight pence half-penny sterling, which has been the “average annual amount thereof for the two years “preceding the term of Martinmas last; and if in “any one year during the said period of fifteen “years, the gross amount of the said stand, stall “and crape duels shall be less than the aforesaid “sum of one thousand three hundred and fifty-eight “pounds two shillings and eight pence half-penny, “the said Company shall be bound and obliged to “said Lord Provost, Magistrates and Council such “sum of “money as shall be required to make up the defi- “ciency; but if in any one of the said fifteen years “prior to the occurrence of such deficiency, there “shall have been an excess of these revenues over “and above the aforesaid annual amount, such ex- “cess shall be attributed pro tanto to make up the “said deficiency before the said Company shall be “called upon to do so; and all excess of the said “revenues in any subsequent years, during the said “period of fifteen years, shall be applicable to the “purpose of repaying to the said Company what- “ever sums they may have paid in previous “years to the said Lord Provost, Magistrates and “Council, till their loss shall be fully compensated, “if the same may be so compensated within the “said period of fifteen years.”
no information in writing or in print shall have been exhibited."

Pr. 222. l. 16. After "sale" insert "or distress."

Pr. 223. l. 11. After "sale" insert "or distress."

Pr. 226. l. 14. After "by" insert "certiario."

Pr. 226. l. 15. After "otherwise" insert "into."

Pr. 226. l. 23. After "sale" insert "or distress."

Pr. 226. l. 55. After "sale" insert "or distress and sale."

Pr. 227. l. 16. After "Sheriff substitute" insert "in Scotland."

Pr. 229. l. 26. After "canton" insert "or re- cognizance."

Pr. 231. l. 5. Leave out "or" and "insert and, and"

and in the same line after "sale" insert "or distress."

Pr. 231. l. 17. After "case" insert "unless in cases relating to a reference to a jury."

Pr. 231. l. 25. After "aforesaid" insert "the expression 'superior court' or 'competent court' shall mean the Court of Session in Scotland or one of Her Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster, having jurisdiction in relation to matters in question."

Pr. 231. l. 6. After "ordinary" insert "of the Court of Session in Scotland."

Pr. 232. l. 20. After "Company" insert Clause.

Pr. 234. l. 6. After "Scotland" insert "if executed in Scotland, and if executed in England the form of attestation usual in England."

Pr. 235. l. 8. After "Clause" insert "if executed in Scotland."

Pr. 236. l. 20. After "Clause" insert "if executed in Scotland."

Pr. 237. l. 20. After "conveyance" insert "and if the lands be situate in Scotland."

Pr. 237. l. 27. After "duty" insert "or rent charge.

Pr. 238. l. 15. After "duty" insert "or rent."

Pr. 239. l. 20. After "and" insert "if the lands be situate in Scotland."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Macaulay do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Irvin's Estate Bill.

Irvin's Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of Justices of the Peace assembled at Road Sessions for the upper and lower baronies of Duleek, at Duleek, in the county of Meath, and of other Justices of Counties, and of Drogheda Cesspayants, praying the House to pass an Act to divide the district of the ancient county of the town of Drogheda, cut off from the present borough of Drogheda, into two portions, and attach that portion on the north side of the River Boyne to the barony of Ferrard, in the county of Louth, and that on the south side to the lower barony of Duleek, in the county of Meath, by which baronies in each respective Vol. 39.

tive counties these portions are respectively enclosed, by making the River Boyne the common meaining, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses Municipal of the town of Drogheda, praying for the repeal of Corporations the tax-paying clauses of the Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Act. (Ireland) Act, and also for an equally extensive measure of Municipal Reform as that obtained by England, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Shrewsbury;—Whitechurch (Salar); Saint Asaph—Meifod;—Betton Gershom;—Carnarvon;—Llans—banger gyniew;—and, Navant; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a bishopric at Manchester, by other means, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Banbury, in the Mancroes county of Kincardine, in connection with the Free(Ireland). Church of Scotland, praying the House to pass a law, for legalizing Marriages solemnized in Ireland, by Presbyterian Ministers, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Mr. Robert Scott reported from the Select Committee of Detached Parts of Counties Bill; of Counties Bill. that they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Thorne Poor Law Union, in the counties of York and Lincoln, praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, by confiding to boards of guardians the power of fixing the measure of remuneration to be given to medical officers of unions, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

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A Petition of William Henry Thompson and Mary Ann Thompson, praying the House to limit the hours of labour in Factories to ten in the day, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Eastwood and Cathcart;—Newton; and, Glasgow; praying the House to extend the provisions of the Factory Act to Bleaching Works in Scotland,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Charles Stolzman, alleging that Letters addressed to him are secretly detained and opened at the General Post-office; and praying for inquiry, was brought up, and read.

A Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition be referred to a Select Committee, for the purpose of inquiring into the circumstances under which Letters have been secretly opened, delayed or detained, at the General Post-office, since the 1st of January last; also, into the form in which warrants for that purpose have been issued, and the mode in which they have been executed and obeyed; the said Committee to report thereupon to the House, together with their Opinion as to the expediency of making any alterations in the law under which the secret opening, delaying or detaining of Post Letters is conducted;

The House divided:

The Yeas to the new Lobby;

Tellers for the Yeas: Mr. Thomas Duncombe, 162.

Tellers for the Noes: Mr. Young, 206.

So it passed in the Negative.

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

The House was moved, That the Order made for the appointment of a Select Committee on the Bank of England Charter Bill; and that the Order be discharged.

The Order of the day being read, for the Corn-Bill, the House divided: The Yeas to the old Lobby;

Tellers for the Yeas: Mr. Young, 205.

Tellers for the Noes: Mr. Wallace, 18.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;—The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the good Government and Police Regulation of the Borough of Manchester, with an Amendment; to which Amendment the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, the Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for better regulating the Offices of Lecturers and Parish Clerks; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And also, the Lords give leave to the Lord Bishop of London, to attend the Select Committee appointed by this House to inquire into the Operation of the Laws of Mortmain, and of the Restrictions which limit the Power of making Gifts and Bequests for Charitable and Religious Uses, pursuant to Message of Friday last (his Lordship, in his place, consenting):

—And then the Messengers withdrew.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-Return from the High Bailiff and Court of Burgesses of Westminster, of the Gross Amount of the Amerciaments and Fines levied by the Annoyance Juries during the years 1841, 1842, 1843 and 1844; and Particulars, as set forth in the Presentments, of the Sums levied were appropriated: Of the Amounts distinguished those remitted from those mitigated, and the Question being put, That the said Petition be referred to a Select Committee, for the purpose of inquiring into the circumstances under which Letters have been secretly opened, delayed or detained, at the General Post-office, since the 1st of January last; also, into the form in which warrants for that purpose have been issued, and the mode in which they have been executed and obeyed; the said Committee to report thereupon to the House, together with their Opinion as to the expediency of making any alterations in the law under which the secret opening, delaying or detaining of Post Letters is conducted;

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The Order of the day being read, for the Com-
Savings Banks Bill.
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Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Tax Commissions' Names Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Tax Commissioners' Names Bill; 
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Courts Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Report of the County Courts Bill; 
Ordered, That the Report be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill; 
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Small Debts Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Small Debts Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Clericals to Hospitals, &c. (Ireland) Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Clericals to Hospitals, &c. (Ireland) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

Courts of Common Law Process Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts of Common Law Process Bill; 
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Courts of Common Law Process (Ireland) Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts of Common Law Process (Ireland) Bill; 
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ecclesiastical Courts Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill; 
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Prisons (Scotland) Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Prisons (Scotland) Bill; 
Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Salmon Fisheries (Scotland) Bill.
The ingrossed Bill to amend an Act of the ninth year of King George the Fourth, for the Preservation of the Salmon Fisheries in Scotland, was, according to Order, read the third time. 
An ingrossed Clause (Saving the rights of the Crown and Proprietors of Salmon Fishery) was three read, and added to the Bill, by way of Rider. 
Then Amendments were made to the Bill. 
Resolved, That the Bill do pass. 
Ordered, That Mr. Home Drummond do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Education Bill.
The Education Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Thursday next.

Copyholds Enfranchisement Bill.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Copyholds Enfranchisement Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto. 
Ordered, That the Report be now received. 
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Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly. 
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 Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Sugar Duties Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

Mr. Greene reported the Dissenters' Chapels Bill; Dissenters' Chapels Bill. 
and the Amendments were read, as follow: 
Pr. 3. L. 3. and 4. Leave out from " aforesaid " to " provided " in l. 22., and insert Clause (A.). 

Clause (A.) " And be it Enacted, That so far as no particular religious doctrines or opinions, or mode of regulating worship, shall, on the face of the will, deed or other instrument declaring the trusts of any Meeting House for the worship of God by persons dissenting as aforesaid, either in express terms, or by reference to some book or other document, containing such doctrines or opinions or mode of regulating worship, be required to be taught or observed, or be forbidden to be taught or observed therein, the usage for twenty-five years immediately preceding any suit relating to such Meeting House, of the congregation frequenting the same, shall be taken as conclusive evidence that such religious doctrines or opinions or mode of worship have for such period been taught or observed in such Meeting House may properly be taught or observed in such Meeting House; and the right or title of the congregation to hold such Meeting House, together with any burial-ground, Sunday or day school, or minister's house attached thereto, and any fund for the benefit of such congregation, or of the minister or other officer of such congregation, or of the widow of any such minister, shall not be called in question on account of the doctrines or opinions or mode of worship so taught or observed in such Meeting House: Provided nevertheless, that where any such minister's house, school or fund as aforesaid shall be given or created by any will, deed or other instrument, which shall declare in express terms, or by such reference as aforesaid, the particular religious doctrines or opinions for the promotion of which such minister's house, school or fund is intended, and in every such case such minister's house, school or fund shall be applied to the promoting of the doctrines or opinions so specified, any usage of the congregation to the contrary notwithstanding. 
Pr. 3. L. 24. Leave out from " any " to " judgment " in l. 26.

In the Interlineation in Pr. 3. L. 28.: 
L. 1. Leave out from " that " to " in " in l. 2.
L. 2 and 3. Leave out " other action or," and after " which " in l. 3. insert " shall be a suit for information only and not by Bill, and wherein no decree shall have been pronounced, and which."
L. 5. After " Act " insert " it shall be lawful for any defendant or defendants."
L. 7. Leave out " action or."
L. 10. Leave out " action or."
L. 15. Leave out " action or."
L. 20. Leave out " action or."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to. 
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.
Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed. 

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Unlawful Oaths (Ireland) Bill; Unlawful Oaths (Ireland) Bill.
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. 435

The House proceeded to take into consideration South Devon the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intitled, An Act for making a Railway from Exeter to Plymouth, to be called "The South Devon Railway," and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 99. l. 32. After "purpose" insert Clause (A.)

CLAUSE (A.) "And be it Enacted, That all
"suns of money which may be payable in respect 
"of the taking, using or interference with any lands 
"under a contract or agreement with any person 
"beneficially interested therein as tenant for life, 
"or for any partial or qualified estate, and made 
"for and on behalf of himself and of any party 
"interested in reversion, remainder or expectancy 
"after him, shall be paid into the Bank, or to trus-
"tees, in manner aforesaid; and it shall not be law-
"ful for any such tenant for life, or for any other 
"partial or qualified estate, to retain to his own 
"use any portion of the sums so agreed or con-
"tracted to be paid for or in respect of the taking, 
"using or interfering with any such lands; but all 
"such monies shall be deemed to have been con-
"tracted to be paid for and on account of the se-
"veral parties interested in such lands, as well in 
"possession as in remainder, reversion or expect-
"ancy: Provided always, That it shall be in the 
discretion of the said Chief Justice of the Court of Chancery, or trus-
tees, as the case may be, to allot to any tenant 
"for life, or for any other partial or qualified estate 
"for his own use, a portion of the sum so paid into 
"the Bank, as compensation for any injury, com-
"mence or annoyance, which he may be consi-
dered to sustain by reason of the taking or 
"interference of such lands, independently of the 
"actual value of the lands to be taken, and of the 
"damage occasioned to the remainder of the estate, 
"by reason of the taking thereof and making of 
"the Railway."

Pr. 160. l. 37. After "aforesaid" insert "so that 
"the same shall cross the three highways next 
"hereinafter mentioned, or any of them, on the 
"level."

Pr. 161. l. 7. Leave out "President" and insert 
Inspector-general of Railways."

Pr. 161. l. 8. Leave out from "being" to "for" in l. 11.

Pr. 161. l. 16. After "lane" insert "if the said 
road or lane be so crossed on the level: Provided 
also, That it shall not be lawful for the said 
Company to carry the said branch on the level 
"across the public highways, called Stonehouse-
"lane, Millbay-road or Union-street, or any of them, 
"unless such mode of crossing shall have been pre-
"viously approved by the said Inspector-general; 
"but in case the said Inspector-general shall require 
"that the said Branch Railway shall be carried 
"across the said highways, or any of them, other-
"wise than on the level, then and in such case 
"nothing herein contained shall prevent the Com-
pany from constructing the same in such altered 
"manner as he may require." 

Pr. 156. l. 11. After "extensions" insert "or 
"shall fail so to do in manner aforesaid.

Pr. 156. l. 12. After "assigns" insert "by and 
with the consent of the Plymouth and Dartmoor 
"Railway Company, signified by a majority of the 
"votes of the proprietors present, personally or by 
"proxy, at some meeting of the said Company spe-
"cially convened for the purpose."

Pr. 159. l. 34. After "Railway" insert Clause 
(B.)

CLAUSE (B.) "And whereas the mayor, alder-
men and burgesses of the city and borough of 
"Exeter are the owners of a certain ancient ferry, 
"from Exmouth to the Warren, both in the county 
of Devon, which ferry might be conveniently, and 
"for the advantage of the public, worked in con-
"junction with the said Railway; and the said 
"mayor, aldermen and burgesses are willing to 
"dispose
dispose of the same to the said Company, with all the rights and privileges thereto belonging; Be it therefore Enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Company to purchase the said ferry, rights and privileges, and to hold the same and enjoy the same; and it shall be lawful for the said mayor, aldermen and burgesses, with such previous consent as is required with reference to the disposal of property belonging to municipal corporations, to grant and convey the same, with the same rights and privileges to the said Company, for such sum as may be or may have been agreed to be paid for the same, by or on behalf of the said Company.

Pr. 175. l. 24. and 25. After "inspecting" insert "of."

Pr. 175. l. 31. After "Company" insert "and" in case of any difference arising between the said Company and the said Commissioners, as regards the making or maintaining such works, every such difference shall be settled and adjusted by the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or by the Commissioners for executing the said office of Lord High Admiral, in such manner as they shall think proper, to adjudicate thereupon, but the costs, charges and expenses (if any) of the Teignmouth Harbour and Teign Improvement Commissioners attending to and settling any such differences as aforesaid, shall be on the said Teignmouth Harbour and Teign Improvement Commissioners attending to and settling any such differences as aforesaid, shall be on the said Lord High Admiral, or by the Commissioners for executing the said office of Lord High Admiral, or in any way incident thereto, shall from time to time be likewise borne and paid by the said Company in manner aforesaid.

Pr. 175. l. penult. Leave out from "Plymouth" to "and" in Pr. 176. l. 4.

Pr. 176. l. 6. Leave out "said lords" and in the same line, after "Commissioners" insert "for executing the office of Lord High Admiral."

Pr. 176. l. 13. After "the" insert "ways, property," and in the same line, after "rights" insert "communications."

Pr. 176. l. 17. Leave out from "interfere" to the first "as" in l. 19, and in l. 19, leave out from the second "as" to "which" in l. 29, and insert "possible therewith."

Pr. 176. l. 35. Leave out from "as" to "be" in l. 37, and insert "affect the line of Railway along the shores, coast and estuary aforesaid, should, so far as is practicable, and may be consistent with the powers or provisions of this Act."

Pr. 176. l. 38. After "Railway" insert "be."

Pr. 176. l. penult. Leave out from "conformity" to "under" in Pr. 177. l. 2, and insert "with the said recommendations."

Pr. 177. l. 5. Leave out "lords."

Pr. 177. l. 5. After "said" insert "Company shall, and they are hereby required to construct the said."

Pr. 177. l. 7. After "shores" insert "coast," and in the same line and l. 8, leave out from "aforesaid" to "to" in l. 10.

Pr. 177. l. 11. Leave out "an" and insert "the."

Pr. 177. l. 12. Leave out "lords."

Pr. 177. l. 14. After "such" insert "previous."

Pr. 177. l. 17. Leave out "lords."

Pr. 177. l. 19. Leave out "as far as possible."

Pr. 177. l. 21. After "Report" insert "so far as the same may be practicable and consistent with the powers and provisions of this Act, and as such any engineer shall be borne and defrayed by the said Company, and also insert Clause (C)."

Clause (C). "Provided always, and be it enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Company, or any person acting under their authority, or on their behalf, to make, construct or carry on any work below the line of high-water mark at ordinary spring tides, for which specific provision is not made by this Act, without the previous consent of the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or the Commissioners for executing the office of the Lord High Admiral aforesaid for the time being, to be signified in writing under the hand of the Secretary of the Admiralty."

Pr. 201. l. 13. After "Company" insert "if they think fit," and in the same line, after "said" insert "main line of."

Pr. 205. l. 16. After "mentioned" insert "in the parish of Harford, the road numbered 12."

Pr. 205. l. 23. After "16" insert "32, 50, 97."

Pr. 205. l. 24. After "Plans" insert "in the parish of South Brent, the roads numbered respectively 28 and 55 on the said Plans."

Pr. 205. l. 27. After "Plans" insert "in the parish of Little Hampstone, the roads numbered 3 and 14 respectively on the said Plans, and in the parish of Alphington, the road numbered 18 on the said Plans."

Pr. 206. l. 2. Leave out "or public highway."" in Pr. 175. l. 16. and 16. After "drawbridge" insert "and ten yards therefrom, as that the same shall be on a greater ascent in any part thereof than one foot in sixty feet, and between the said ten yards from the drawbridge."

Pr. 215. l. 22. After "feet" insert Clause (D.)

CLAUSE (D.) "Egg Buckland." The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Lord Seymour do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Necton Tiches Bill was read a second time; Necton and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Brighton and the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, Chichester and Brighton Railway Bill, for making a Railway from the Shoreham Branch of the London and Brighton Railway to Chichester; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 80. l. 22. Leave out the first "to" and insert "for."

Pr. 86. l. 7. Leave out from "fail" to "to" in l. 8.

Pr. 91. l. 4. Leave out from "contractors" to "shall" in l. 6.

Pr. 146. l. 18. Leave out "any."

Pr. 147. l. 17. Leave out "clerks" and insert "clerk."

Pr. 156. l. 9. Leave out from "passed" to "And in l. 27. and insert Clause (A.)

Clause (A). "And be it enacted, That the piers to be built for carrying the said Bridge to be built for carrying the said Railway..."
Railway across the River Arun shall consist wholly of piles, or the same shall be so otherwise constructed as to present the least possible obstruction to the ebb and flow of the tide, or to the free outfall to the sea of the upland waters of the said river, and also that the said Bridge shall have a clear opening between the piers thereof of sixty feet at the least, which opening shall be situate and be formed as near as may be in the middle of the present tide or water-way of the said river at the point of transit, and shall be constructed with a swinging, drawing or sliding part or parts, so formed as not in any way to diminish the extent of the aforesaid opening; and further that oblique lines of guiding piles shall be erected by the said Company on each side of the said Bridge, connecting the piers of the said Bridge with both banks of the said river; and that a proper towing-path shall be formed, and for ever maintained and kept in good repair by the said Railway Company, on the west side of the said river, upon the guiding piles so to be erected as aforesaid, so as to afford convenience to tracking of vessels through the opening of the said Bridge.

Pr. 156. l. 28. After "that" insert "a plan, section and specification of the said bridge, and a statement of the manner in which the same shall be connected therewith within the line of high-water mark at ordinary spring-tides, shall be before the commencement thereof be deposited with the Secretary of the Admiralty, and that.

Pr. 157. l. 19. After "aforesaid" insert Clause (B.)

CLAUSE (B.). "And be it Enacted, That the swinging, drawing or sliding part or parts of the said Bridge over the said River Arun shall at all times when required be opened by some person or persons appointed expressly for that purpose by and at the expense of the said Railway Company or their successors, in such manner that vessels may be as little interrupted as possible in passing through the said Bridge; and that no vessel, barge or boat navigating the said river shall, under any pretence whatsoever, be detained by the said Railway Company or by any person acting on their behalf at the said Bridge for a longer period of time than twenty minutes before the opening of the said Bridge for the passage of such vessel, barge or boat through the same, such vessels taking their turn in due course as they arrive, and not being guilty of any neglect or unnecessary delay, so as to keep the said Bridge open longer than is proper and necessary; and that from sunset to sunrise a sufficient light be burning, at the Railway Company's expense, in a conspicuous situation on each side of the opening of the said Bridge in such places and in such manner as shall be found most convenient and best adapted for guiding vessels through the said opening, and indicating when the said Bridge shall be open and when shut, and for insuring the safe navigation of vessels on the said River Arun, and that the said Bridge and the works connected therewith shall be always kept in efficient repair by and at the cost of the said Company.

Pr. 161. l. 1. Leave out from "successors to" and in Pr. 162. l. 4. and insert Clause (C.)

CLAUSE (C.) "And be it Enacted, That the tide or water-way of the said River Arun shall be widened and deepened to the extent of the obstruction occasioned by the piles and other works of the said bridge, and that if deemed necessary by the Lord High Admiral or the Commissioners for executing the said office, and he or they shall so signify in writing under the hand of the Secretary of the Admiralty, the said bridge shall be kept open for the passage of vessels from not exceeding one hour and a half, to not exceeding one hour and a half after high water, excepting for ten minutes before and four minutes after train time, as shown by the published bills for the time being of the Company, and if deemed necessary and it shall be so signified as aforesaid, by the surface of the said River Arun for not exceeding one hundred feet above and one hundred feet below the said bridge shall be faced with stone, and the said stone-work, if so made as aforesaid, shall be always kept in efficient repair by and at the cost of the said Company.

Pr. 167. l. 22. Leave out "manor" and insert "manors."

Pr. 168. l. 9. After "said" insert "intended.

Pr. 178. l. 2. Leave out "or" and insert "and.

Pr. 184. l. 8. After "condition" insert Clause (D.)

CLAUSE (D.). "Provided always, and be it Enacted, That the said Company shall, at their own expense, build a Bridge with proper approaches thereto, for carrying the public carriage-road called the London and Worthing Road, (late a turnpike-road), and the public foot-way thereto adjoining, leading from the town of Worthing to Broadwater, over the Railway, and shall for ever thereafter, at their own expense, keep the said Bridge and approaches in good repair and condition, and that such Bridge and approaches shall be built in conformity with the following regulations (that is to say); there shall be a good and sufficient fence on each side of the Bridge of not less height than four feet from the level of the centre of the road over the said Bridge; the road over the Bridge shall have a clear space between the fences thereof of thirty feet, of which six feet shall be raised one foot above the level of the carriageway for the purpose of a foot-path; the ascent on each side of the Bridge shall not be more than one foot in twenty feet; any thing herein contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

Pr. 184. l. 29. Leave out "five" and insert "two," and in the same line, and l. 30, after "hundred" insert "and fifty.

Pr. 185. l. 33. Leave out "fourteen days" and insert "six weeks.

Pr. 186. l. 3. Leave out "five" and insert "ten.

Pr. 186. l. 17. Leave out from the second "of" to the end of l. 18., and insert "six weeks.

Pr. 186. l. 21. Leave out "five" and insert "ten.

Pr. 194. l. 25. After "Angmering" insert the public road leading from Littlehampton to Worthing, at Roundstone, near Preston-corner.

P. 194. l. 29. Leave out "the" and insert "two.

Pr. 194. l. 30. Leave out "road" and insert "roads.

Pr. 194. l. 35. After "road" insert "by South Farm" and in the same line leave out from Worthing to the" and in l. 36.

Pr. 197. l. 2. After "road" insert but with "respect to the three gates and at the public road leading from Lewesminster to Litlehampton, the same shall, without any such order or direction as aforesaid, be placed across the said Railway and not across such last-mentioned road.

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

Ordered, That Captain Pechell do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That the time for the Committee on the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill to make their Report, be further enlarged till Tuesday next.

A Petition
Arrestment of Wages

In Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from
- Halifax Halgate: Drury and Sut-
  taby; Stickford; - Waifeft All Saints: - East
- Kirk; - Weldon; - Little Sleepy; - Waifeft
- Saint Mary's; - East Kilbride; - Bridgefort
- and Gumby; - Broikhall; - Sheddley; - Clayly
- Great Sleepy; - Langton; - Additlophore
- and Indigdewell; - Bellingbroke; - Pointington
- and other places; - Glandemedy; - Borrow:
- Croome; - Yatton; - Sellick; - Aston Ingham; -
  Garnav; - Goodrich; - Bridstone; - Foy; - Weston-under
- Pangford; - Linton (two Petitions); - Morston;
- Ras (Hereford); - Upton Bishop; - Peterstow;
- King's Coge; - Whitchurch (Hereford); - Stetch
- Mallet; - Stowe Easton and Emerson; - Foston;
- Ashclyb; - Hough-on-the-Hill, Broadon, and Gil
-ston; - Dumbley and Newton; - North and South
- Wilt; - Eton (two Petitions); - Bracey and Supperon; - Newton (Lincou);
- North and South Stoke; - Bitchfield and Boasing
- thorpe-westy; - Dowsely; - Kirkby Under
- Wood; - Loppydell and Lenton-cum-Hasby; - Wor
- bling; - Wsembly-cum-Hasby; - Weston and other places;
- Queen Camel and other places; - Axbridge; - Threec
- kingham; - Henridstice; - North Colbury and other places; - Castle Cary and
- other places; - Milborne Port and other places;
- Bruton and other places; - Cheddar; - Brid; (two Petitions);
- Wincanton and other places; - Saint Iea (Huntingdon); - Parce and other places;
- Diddington and other places; - Axleton and other places;
- Avingham; - Offord Clency and other places;
- Stilton and other places; - Somersham and Pelley-cum-Fenton; - Broughton and other places; - Great and Little Gidding and other places;
- Kimbolton and other places; - Conington and other places; - Bythorn and other places; - Brampton and other places; - Saint Neas and Eynesbury; - Hartford and other places; - Huntingdon and God
- manchester; - Evers-cum-Tenehow and other places;
- Feconstant, Hilton, and Papworth Saint Aynes; - Ramsey and Bury; - Blundisham and other places; - Goudarthe; - Orpington; - Harrietha
- in; - Mereworth; - Ashwelt; - Saint Al
- thorpe; - Epeworth; - Wrot; - Oetson; - Haxey;
- Belton; - Newent; - Gloucester; - Churcham and
- Bailey; - North Nibley; - Frampston-an-Scor; - Fort
- hampton; - Pansley and Upholland; - Teyton and
- Redford; - Whetstone-an-Scor; - Thaxinsane; -
- Brockthrop and Whadon; - Strawd; - Norton
- (two Petitions); - Slimbridge; - Ministerworth; -
- Pitchcomb; - Huntley; - Bulgworth and Great
- Witcombe; - Sandhurst (Gloucester); - Rodborou
- Longhope; - Moreton Valeca; - Hemsted;
- Barwood; - Hardwick; - Stadish; - Dymoch; - Hasfiefl;
- Oxenhall; - Darseley; - Lomney; - Ashbrough and
- Nilesor; - Uley-cum-Olup; - Leonar Stanley; - Quelby;
- Frantley and Bad
- dington and Stawerton; - Brockworth; - Shuringto
- Soul; - Kempley and Preston; - Ashcleworth;
- Hovefield and Harecomb; - Churchdown and
- Harecoate; - Horsley; - Minchikas; - Westley-cum-Couley;
- Hartpury; - Longford, Teigworth, and Kings
- holm; - Leigh (two Petitions); - Down Hatherley;
- Maiser; - Corso; - Tirey; - Upton Saint L
- nchfield; - Croom; - Tanyng; - Bailey; - Deerhast;
- Klimeradon; - Soton; - Great Hartley;
- Totten; - Welbrough-Clyd; - South Thoresby;
- Caleby-with-Driby; - Ribly-cum-Aylby; - Hot
- toft; - Mumby-cum-Chapel; - Saleby-with-Thores
- thorpe; - Asby-with-Greenfield; - Greatthorpe;
- Forsthorne; - Alford; - South Witcan; - Witham
- on-the-Hill; - Upton; - Teft and Lend; - Tel
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Petitions from Gloucester;—Wyroldsbury;—Bridgford;—Spoley;—Waterdhick;—Wroo;—Sharfrord (Rectors and Curates);—Nanium;—and, Donwton;—praying that the Dissenters' Chapels Bill may not pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions (Thirty- and Weekly Reports).

Mr. Thorndyke 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 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.

A Petition of Schoolmasters and Bangor Great Southern (Ireland) Bill; praying that the Bank of England Charter Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Print-sellers of Carlisle, praying the House to abolish the sale of Prints by Art-Union Lotteries, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Art-Unions.

Petitions from Burs;—and, Dundee; praying the House to declare good and valid, to all intents and purposes, all Marriages heretofore solemnized or hereafter to be solemnized by Presbyterian Ministers in Ireland,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Property Tax.

A Petition of Dr. Withers, of Shotteshorne, complaining of delay by the Government officials at Somerset House not having a more prompt and better mode for return of Income Tax to be exempted by law, where the incomes are under 150l. a year; and praying for alteration of the system, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Labouring Classes Improvement Society (No. 2) Bill, presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Astley reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; In the case of the Petition for the Labouring Classes Improvement Society (No. 2) Bill, the Standing Orders relating to Bills of the Third Class had not been complied with. Ordered, That the Report be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

Ecclesiastical Courts Bill.

A Petition of the President, Vice President and Members of the Committee of the Birmingham Law Society, praying that the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill.

A Petition of Parochial Schoolmasters in the Presbytery of Ellen, county of Aberdeen, praying the House to adopt measures for ameliorating the condition of the Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Right honourable the Earl of Portarlington, praying that he may be heard, by his counsel or agent, against certain parts of the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard, by his counsel or agent, upon his Petition, if he think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition from Warrford;—and, West Moons; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of St. Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of a bishopric at Manchester, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

by other means,—were presented, and read and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Llan-County Courts sannen, in the county of Denbigh, praying that the Bill, County Courts Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Mer-Smoke Prohibitors, Mill-owners and Manufacturers of Sheffield, Milton Bill, in the county of York, praying that the Smoke Prohibition Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Senior and Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker, The Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment, viz.:—

A Bill, intituled, An Act for amending certain Canterbury Acts for paving, cleansing and lighting the Streets and Pavement Bill, and other Public Passages and Places within the City and Borough of Canterbury:—

A Bill, intituled, An Act for amending and rendering more effectual an Act for draining and preventing certain Fen Lands and Low Grounds in the Drainage Bill, and the Parish of Lakenheath and Brandon, in the County of Suffolk:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize an Extension of the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway, and to amend and enlarge the Provisions of the Acts relating to such Railway:—

A Bill, intituled, An Act for regulating Legal and other Proceedings by or against the European Life Insurance and Annuity Company: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Liverpool Fire Prevention Bill, which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An South Eastern Railway Bill to enable the South Eastern Railway Company, to complete and maintain a Branch Railway and Approach to the Harbour of Folkestone, and to construct other Works in connection with the said Har bour; and also to effect certain Alterations and Extensions of the Works of the Maidstone Branch of the said South Eastern Railway, and to amend the Acts relating to the said Company, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An South Eastern Railway Bill, to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Manchester Act to alter and amend an Act of the sixty and seventh years of the reign of Her present Majesty, for the better Protection of Property in the Borough of Liverpool from Fire, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Liverpool Fire Prevention Bill, which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Manchester Act to alter and amend an Act of the fifty-third year of the reign of King George the Third, for the Appointment of a Stipendiary Magistrate to act within the Townships of Manchester and Salford and other Public Passages and Places within the Parish of Lakenheath and Brandon, in the County of Suffolk:

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An South Eastern Railway Bill, which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Manchester Act to alter and amend an Act of the sixty and seventh years of the reign of Her present Majesty, for the better Protection of Property in the Borough of Liverpool from Fire, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

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The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Sir James John Randoll Mackenzie, of Seattwell, Baronet, to add certain Lands and Estates belonging to him in Fee Simple, to his entailed Estate, upon certain Terms and Conditions; and to borrow certain Sums of Money, upon the Security of his entailed Estate, for Repayment of certain Claims for Money laid out, and to be laid out, in Improvements upon the said Estate; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting in Trustees certain Parts of the entailed Estate of Seafirth, to be sold, and the Price applied in Payment of the Entailer's Debts, and the Surplus to be laid out in the Purchase of other Lands; for enabling the Heir in possession to borrow a Sum of Money on the Credit of the said entailed Estates; and for other Purposes connected therewith; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Sir George Clerk presented, pursuant to Orders, a Return of the declaration of the value of the various Articles of British Produce and Manufacture exported to the British West India Colonies for the past year, ending January 1844, and of the Quantities of the principal Articles, the Growth and Manufacture of the British West India Colonies, imported into the United Kingdom, and of the Quantity of last Article for Home Consumption, for the year ending January 1844; also, the Number of Ships, distinguishing British and Foreign, and their Tonnage, that have entered and cleared for the British West India Colonies, for the year ending January 1844:—A similar Return for the year ending January 1844, for the United States of America:—Similar Returns for the East India Company's Territories and Ceylon:—A similar Return for the Mauritius:—A similar Return for China:—A similar Return for the British North American Colonies:—A similar Return of each year for the past Twelve years for all the Ports in South America, exclusive of the Brazils:—And, a similar Return for the Island of Cuba for the past Twelve months, ending in January last.

A Return of the Joint Stock Banks which have been established under the Provisions of the Act 7 Geo. 4, c. 46; stating the period when and the place where established, and likewise the dates at which any such Banks, once established, had ceased to exist.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That this House do resolve itself into a Committee, for the purpose of considering the following Resolutions:

That it appears, by a recent Census, that the people of this country are rapidly increasing in number:
That it is in evidence before this House, that a large proportion of His Majesty's subjects are insufficiently provided with the first necessities of life:
That, nevertheless, a Corn Law is in force which restricts the supply of food, and thereby lessens its abundance:
That any such restriction having for its object to impede the free purchase of an article upon which depends the subsistence of the community, is indefensible in principle, injurious in operation, and ought to be abolished:
That it is therefore expedient, that the Act 5 and 6 Vict. c. 14, shall be repealed forthwith;
An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by striking out from the words "providing with the" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words, "means of purchasing the first necessity of life; That, although a Corn Law is in force, which protects the supply of food produced by British capital and native industry, and thereby increases its abundance, whilst it lessens competition in the market of labour, nevertheless machinery has for many years lessened amongst the working classes the means of purchasing the same; That such Corn Law having for its object the protection of British capital, and the encouragement of native labour employed in the growth of articles upon which depends the subsistence of the community, is just in principle, beneficial in operation, and ought not to be abolished; That it is therefore expedient that every encouragement and protection shall be given to native industry, which is the ground-work of our national greatness, and the source of our national wealth," 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 Wednesday morning;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till this day.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to repeal the Acts 4 Will. and Mary, c. 7, to prevent Abuses committed by Traders in Butter and Cheese.

The House was moved, That the Act 4 Will. and Mary, c. 7, to prevent Abuses committed by Traders in Butter and Cheese, might be read; and the same was read.

The House was also moved, That the Act 3 Geo. 3, c. 86, to prevent Abuses and Frauds in the Packaging, Weight and Sale of Butter, and to repeal certain Acts relating thereto, might be read; and the same was read.

The House was also moved, That the Act 38 Geo. 3, c. 73, for amending and rendering more effectual the same; That such Corn Law having for its object the protection of British capital, and the encouragement of native labour employed in the growth of articles upon which depends the subsistence of the community, is just in principle, beneficial in operation, and ought not to be abolished; That it is therefore expedient that every encouragement and protection shall be given to native industry, which is the ground-work of our national greatness, and the source of our national wealth," instead thereof.

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repeal the Acts 4 Will. and Mary, c. 7, 36 Geo. 3, c. 86, and 36 Geo. 3, c. 74, for regulating the Trade in Butter and Cheese:—And he moved the House accordingly. 

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. Cripps and Mr. Robert Cicce do prepare, and bring it in.

Saint Margaret's Church, Westminster.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Rector, Churchwardens and others, Vestrymen of the parish of Saint Margaret, in the city of Westminster, in vestry assembled, relative to the repair of the Church of the said parish, which was presented upon Thursday last, be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Detached Parts of Counties Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received. Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly. Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed. Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday the 8th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Dissenters' Chapels Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee to whom it was referred to consider the Act 3 and 4 Vic. c. 60, for regulating the Trade of the Isle of Man, into the Isle of Man, there be raised and levied the following Duties; viz.

- Foreign Brandy, the gallon - 4 6
- Foreign Geneva, the gallon - 2 6

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Customs Duties (Isle of Man) Bill, That they have Power to make provision therein, pursuant to the said Resolution.

Field Gardens Bill.

Mr. Cooper presented a Bill to promote the letting of Field Gardens to the Labouring Poor: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday, the 10th day of July next; and to be printed.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented a Bill for Disfranchisement of the Borough of Sudbury: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday the 5th day of July next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That a printed Copy of the Bill, and a Copy of the Order for reading the Bill a second time, be served upon the Returning Officer for the Borough of Sudbury.

County Rates Bill.

Sir John Yardes Butler presented a Bill to amend the Laws relating to the assessing, levying and collecting of County Rates: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of July next; and to be printed.

Butter and Cheese Bill.

Mr. Cripps presented a Bill to repeal certain Acts for regulating the Trade in Butter and Cheese: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of July next; and to be printed.

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Yeomanry Force, and especially that the troop now raising in that borough may be disbanded, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Clergy and Laity of the deanery of Downaster, in the diocese of York, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 & 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the payment of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the borough of Tynemouth, in the county of Northumberland, praying that the Smoke Prohibition Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the borough of Sheffield, in council assembled, praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Two Petitions from the Port of Leith; praying the House to take into consideration the necessity of a speedy revision of the Merchant Seamen’s Act, with a view to its alteration, so as to fit it more properly for the benevolent objects it has in view, and for distributing more equal justice to all its members, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Coopers in the Port of Leith, praying the House to pass a law for authorizing the importation of Staves from the British North American colonies duty free, and from foreign countries at a duty of 5 per cent. ad valorum, or to make such alterations in the present rate of duties on Staves, as will enable the British Coopers to compete with foreign manufacturers, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Owners and Occupiers of land, and others interested in agriculture, in the district of Alcester; and, Members of the Stafford Agricultural Protection Society; praying that the Bank of England Charter Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Reverend P. Cumming, Clerk, Rector of the union of Droome and Prior, now residing at No. 65, Charlemont-street, Dublin, the father and guardian of Cumming, minors, praying that the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill may pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to the Committee on the Bill.

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A Petition of the Committee of Selection have leave to sit this day till five of the clock during the sitting of the House.

Petitions from Hopetounstall; Holcombe; Buxton; Kelmersdon; Sedghill; Fonthill

The Order of the day being read, for the second appeal in criminal cases bill.

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

A Petition of inhabitants of the parish and neighbourhood of Llangwn, in the county of Denbigh, praying that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Court of Arches the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed Bill, upon the 13th day of March last, That the Court of Arches Bill be now read a second time; Ordered, That the Debate be further adjourned Bill Wednesday the 10th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the second line toll reading of the Line Tolle Exemption (Wales) Bill; Exemption (Wales) Bill. Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-Aliens Bill, mittee on the Aliens Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-Smoke Prohibition bill.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Smoke Prohibition Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Coroners (Ireland) Bill was, according to Coroner Order, read a second time; and committed to a (Ireland) Bill Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the second juvenile reading of the Juvenile Offenders Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of July next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-Ways and mittee of Ways and Means; 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 Supply;—
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Amendment which was yesterday proposed to be made to the Question, That this House do resolve itself into a Committee for the purpose of considering the following Resolutions:—

That it appears by a recent census, that the people of this country are rapidly increasing in number:—

That it is in evidence before this House, that a large proportion of Her Majesty’s subjects are insufficiently provided with the first necessities of life:

That, nevertheless, a Corn Law is in force which restricts the supply of food, and thereby lessens its abundance:

That any such restriction, having for its object to impede the free purchase of an article upon which depends the subsistence of the community, is indefensible in principle, injurious in operation, and ought to be abolished:

That it is therefore expedient that the Act 5 and 6 Vict. c. 14, shall be repealed forthwith;

And which Amendment was to leave out from the words "provided with the" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words, "means of purchasing the first necessities of life: That, although a Corn Law is in force, which protects the supply of food produced by British capital and native industry, and thereby increases its abundance, whilst it lessens competition in the market of labour, nevertheless machinery has for many years increased amongst the working classes the means of purchasing the same: That such Corn Law having for its object the protection of British capital and the encouragement of native labour employed in the growth of an article upon which depends the subsistence of the community, is just in principle, beneficial in operation and ought not to be abolished: That it is therefore expedient that every encouragement and protection shall be given to native industry, which is the ground-work of our national greatness, and the source of our national wealth," 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 a quarter of an hour before two of the clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

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Prayers.

AN ingrossed Bill, for making a Dock and other works on the River Dee, in the County of Chester, to be called "The North Wales Mineral Railway," was read the third time.

A Motion being made, That the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then the main Question being put;—

The House divided:

The Yeas to the new Lobby;

The Noes to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the [Mr. Filiiera, Yes, 
Mr. Vilner Gibson: 124.
]
Tellers for the [Mr. Young, Noes, 
Mr. Henry Baring: 328.
]
So it passed in the Negative.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Rector, Churchwardens and Vestrymen of Saint Margaret’s, Weston, for aid towards repairing the Church, be referred to a Select Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the establishment of Savings Banks for the Seamen and Marines in the Royal Navy:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Sir James Graham reported to the House, That Answer to their several Addresses of the 19th, 17th, 20th and 21st days of this instant June (That Her Majesty would be graciously pleased to give directions that the Papers therein mentioned might be laid before this House), had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had commanded him to acquaint this House that She will give directions accordingly.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to an Order of the day, a Bill for establishing a Savings Bank in the City of Chester, to be called "The North Wales Mineral Railway."—A List of the Civil Causes (Glasgow, No. 423.) set down for Trial with a Jury in Glasgow, in the year 1843, at the Spring and Autumn Circuits respectively, and the Names of the Judges appointed to try said Causes; distinguishing the Causes which were tried from the Causes which were not tried at said Circuits, and stating the reasons, so far as known, why any of such Causes were not tried.

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

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to Exports and Imports, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Joint Stock Banks, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

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

Jovis, 27° die Junii; Anno 8° Victoriae Regni, 1844.
Sale of the Dock and Works, and for amending certain Acts relating to the said Dock, was read the third time.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intitled, An Act to alter and amend an Act of the sixth and seventh years of the reign of Her present Majesty, for the better Protection of Property in the Borough of Liverpool from Fire ; and the same were, as follows, read:

PR. 1. 1. 27. After "Act" insert Clauses (A.) and (B.).

CLAUSE (A.) And be it enacted, That so much of the said recited Act as declares that it shall be lawful for all persons interested in any warehouse which may be altered and improved according to the provisions of that Act, such persons being tenants for life or in tail, and also for the husbands, guardians, trustees, committees or attorneys of any of such persons, being under coverture, infants, idiots, lunatics or beyond the seas or otherwise incapacitated, and for the trustees or feoffees for charitable, parochial or other purposes, from time to time to charge such warehouse or share or interest therein, with the expenses of altering and improving the same according to the provisions of that Act, or, as the case may be, with their share or proportion thereof, and for securing the repayment of such money, with interest, to mortgage, either in fee or for a term of years, such warehouse or part or share thereof, unto or in trust for any person who shall advance such money, shall be void, or with an express trust to be surrendered by a covenant to pay and keep down the interest of such money, with interest thereon, or, as the case may be, with all interest thereon, shall have been fully paid and satisfied, and so that in every such mortgage which shall be made by or on behalf of any person entitled to or interested in such ware-

house or warehouses, or any part or share thereof, for the term of his natural life, there be contained a covenant to pay and keep down the interest of the money to be secured during his life, in such manner that no person afterwards becoming possessed of such warehouse or warehouses, or share or interest therein, shall be subject or liable to pay any larger arrear of interest than for six months previous to the time when the title of such person shall have accrued or commenced; and every such mortgage, whether the interest of the party making the same, shall be legal or equitable, shall be valid in the law for the purposes hereby intended, and shall have priority over all previous charges or incumbrances on the property therein comprised; and every such mortgagee and Company of Undertakers of the Grand Canal, Ireland, remedies both at law and in equity, in case of non-payment of the money secured by such mortgage, as in the case of a mortgage of the like nature created by a person seised to his own use of the hereditaments therein comprised, for a legal estate of inheritance in fee simple in possession, free from incumbrances.

Pr. 11. 1. penult. After "vault" insert "imme-

Pr. 23. 1. 27. After "Act" insert Clauses (A.) and (B.).

CLAUSE (B.) And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for all persons interested in any warehouse which may be altered and improved according to the provisions of the said recited Act and this Act, or either of them, such persons being legal or equitable tenants for life or in tail, and also for the husbands, guardians, trustees, committees or attorneys, or of any legal or equitable tenants for life in tail or in fee, being under coverture, infants, idiots, lunatics, or beyond the seas or otherwise incapacitated, and for all trustees or feoffees for charitable, parochial or other purposes, or a competent number of them, in respect of any warehouse or warehouses, or any share or interest therein held by them, in trust for any person who shall advance such money, with interest, to mortgage, either in fee or for a term of years, such warehouse or part or share thereof, unto or in trust for any person who shall advance such money, shall be void, or with an express trust to be surrendered by a covenant to pay and keep down the interest of such money, with interest thereon, or, as the case may be, with all interest thereon, shall have been fully paid and satisfied, and so that in every such mortgage which shall be made by or on behalf of any person entitled to or interested in such ware-

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And
The Question being again proposed, That he 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.

And the Question being again proposed, That the vote of Mr. Eliot Yorke on the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill is a good vote;

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leave out the word "That" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "it is the undisputed rule and uniform practice of this House, that no Member shall vote (either in the House or in any Committee thereof) upon any question relating to the proceedings on such Bill, whether in the House or in any Committee thereof," 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 it be an Instruction to the Committee on the said Bill, that the Rule of this House relating to the vote, upon any Question in the House, of a Member having an interest in the matter upon which the vote is given, applies likewise to any vote of a Member so interested in a Committee.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, a Resolution; and the same was read, as followeth:

Resolved, That, in the case of the Labouring Classes Improvement Society (No. 2.) Petition, the Standing Orders ought not to be dispensed with.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Lynch and Sir George Rose:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the warehousing of Forests for Home Consumption at the Borough of Maidstone, in the County of Lancaster, without any Amendment: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Junction Railway from the Eastern Counties Railway, at Stratford, in the County of Essex, to the River Thames, with a Branch Railway therefrom; and for constructing a Pier in the River Thames, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Slanemame Junction Railway Bill.

In the Schedule to the Bill:

Pr. 57. 1. 31. Leave out from "parish of Maidstone" in Pr. 59. 1. 7.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Plumptre 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 Slanemame the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway to connect the Edinburgh and Glasgow and Slamannan Railways; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 118. 1. 20. Leave out "except as hereinafter mentioned."
Sheriff to dismiss or remove any such constable as may have been so appointed by him from the office of constable, and to appoint another fit and proper person in his stead; and upon every such dismissal or removal, all the powers, authorities, and privileges granted and vested by virtue of such appointment in any person so dismissed or removed shall wholly cease; and every person so appointed by the Sheriff shall, during such time as he shall act as constable, receive from the Company such reasonable remuneration as is in use to be given to constables on duty within the county, payable at such times and in such manner as the Sheriff shall appoint.

Ordered, That the said Amendment, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Forbes Mackenzie do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Letter from Sir John Halkam to the Poor Law Commissioners, dated the 11th day of June instant, relative to his Report on the Keighley Union, and of the Answer of the Commissioners thereto, dated the 19th day of June instant.

A Petition of the Garrison Ground Committee at Kingston-upon-Hull, established by Act of Parliament for the management and disposal of certain Lands granted by Act of Parliament to the Corporations of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the said town of Kingston-upon-Hull, and the Guild or Brotherhood of Masters and Pilots of the Trinity House in Kingston-upon-Hull, praying that the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of the Charter that has been granted by Her Majesty to the Society calling itself the Irish Reproductive Loan Fund Institution.

A Petition of the President and Honorary Secretary of the Manchester Law Association, praying that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the President and Honorary Secretary of the Manchester Law Association, praying that the Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Todd Pratt, the Barrister appointed to certify the Rules of Friendly Societies in England and Wales, was called in; and at the bar presented,—Return to an Order dated the 19th day of this instant June, for a Return of the Names of such Societies which have been refused Certificates by the Certifying Barrister, under the Act 6 and 7 Vic. c. 36, specifying the Grounds of Refusal in each case (so far as relates to England and Wales):—And then he withdrew.

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

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Ballymena, to authorize the Governor and Company to issue additional Bank of England Notes, provided that the increased Securities shall not exceed the proportion of the amount of Bank Notes which the Banker might issue, Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in P. 3. Is. 30. and 31. To leave out “ Her Majesty in Council, upon the application of the said Governor and Company, to authorize and empower.”

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in P. 3. Is. 38. and 39. To leave out “ the proportion of ” Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—The Committee divided:

Tellers for the [ Mr. Young, Yea.s, ( Lord Arthur Lennox : ] 85.

Tellers for the [Sir William Clay, Noes, ] 38.

Clause, as amended, 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, 28° die Junii, 1844 : Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had made further 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.

A Petition of Rate-payers in the burgh of Muthill, county of Mid Lothian, for Prisons and Prison Discipline in Scotland, praying that the
A Petition of the Vicar, Churchwardens, Over-Greenwich, seers of the Poor and Parishioners of Greenwich, Park, in the county of Kent, praying the House to exercise its power and influence to prevent the further degradation of the Royal Park of Greenwich, by the erection of buildings, the narrowing its limits by additional enclosures, and the destruction of the trees therein, and also to prevent the proposed reservoir of water being formed in that part of the Park which has been marked out for its situation, on account of the historical interest attaching to the spot, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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, 28° die Junii;

ANNO 8° VICTORIAE REGINAE, 1844.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That the Committee on the MID-MIDDLE LEVEL DRAINAGE and NAVIGATION BILL have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

ORDERED, That the Committee on the Paiseley Paiseley General Gas BILL have leave to sit this day, till five Gas BILL.

ORDERED, That the Committee on the Dissenters' CHAPELS BILL may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

ORDERED, That the Committee on the Protection of PURCHASERS, &c. (IRELAND) BILL have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Mr. Thorowly reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions, That they had examined the third-fourth 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.

Petitions from Llandilo; — Brizham; — Moly Dissenters' (four Petitions); — Evesham; — Lancaster; — Modern Chapels Bill; — Petition of the Association of Baptist Churches, Stockport; — Racecote; — Seaford; — Whithenover (four Petitions); — Moseley; — Biddulph; — Andover (two Petitions); — Whitchurch (Hants); — Totton; — Shadsworth and Ordsbrough; — Shildon; — and, Reverend Robert Williams Johnson; praying that the Dissenters' Chapels Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Leigh (Lancashire); — Clare; — Kilsafera; — Innoshannon; — Dissenters' Chapels Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Ministers of the Church of Scot; Schoolmasters-land, within the Presbytery of Kirkaldy, and the (Scotland); county of Fife, praying the House to adopt measures for ameliorating the condition of the Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Rural Dean and Clergy of the Saint Asaph deanery of Arundel, in the county of Montgomery and Bangor, and diocese of Bangor, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor; and at the same time that speedy and strenuous endeavours may be made for the establishment of the bishopric at Manchester, by other means, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Ship- Poor Law, Union, in the county of York, praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, by confiding to Boards of Guardians the power of fixing the measure of remuneration to be given to Medical Officers of Unions, was presented, and read; and 3 M referred
referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

Petitions from New Winchester Union; and Durham Union; praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Ayr Bridge (No. 2.) Bill was read a second time, and committed. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to alter and amend an Act of the fifty-third year of King George the Third, for the Appointment of a Stipendiary Magistrate to act within the Townships of Manchester and Salford; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 4. 1. 31. After "is" insert "specifically."
Pr. 4. 1. 32. After "done" insert "within the said borough."
Pr. 5. 1. 10. After "being" insert "on behalf of and in the name of Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors."
Pr. 5. 1. 23. After "such" insert "permanent or redeemable fee-farm rent or annual."
Pr. 5. 1. 34. After "such" insert "fee-farm rent or annual."
Pr. 5. 1. 37. After "a" insert "fee-farm rent or annual," and in the same line, after "charge" insert "and the price or sum at which and the time when any such fee-farm rent or annual rent or charge, if redeemable, and redeemable within a limited time, may be so redeemed or purchased by the said Company, as the case may be; and any agreement which may already have been made or entered into by the said Chanceller and Council of the said duchy for any of the purposes aforesaid, shall be valid and shall and may be carried into effect by the said Chanceller and Council for the time being."

Ordered, That Mr. Mark Philips 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 Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the several Acts relating to the Preston and Wyre Railway, Harbour and Dock Company; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 4. 1. penult. Leave out "Dock and" and insert "Railway," and in the same line after "Harbour" insert "Dock." Pr. 5. 1. 10. After "being" insert "on behalf of and in the name of Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors."
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Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment (Medical Relief).
28th June.

**Guernsey.**

A Petition of the Reverend Daniel Dobris, M.A., Rector of the parishes of the Forest and Torteval, in the Island of Guernsey, alleging mal-administration of justice in the royal court of Guernsey, by which he has suffered severely; and praying for redress, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

**Mackenzie’s (Seateh) Estate Bill.**

Mr. Home Drummond reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of Mackenzie’s (Seateh) Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

**Corn Laws.**

Petitions from Lynham;—Lea and Cleveleton;—Toblonham;—Hullavington;—Alderbury;—New Surrey (two Petitions);—Malmesbury;—Laverstock and Ford;—Wintlesdon;—Cricklinl;—Stratford sub-Castle;—Wilton;—Ashton Keynes;—Boscombe;—Start;—Cliffe Pyppard;—and, Durnford, praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

**Joint Stock Companies’ Registration and Regulation Bill.**

No. 420.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

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Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

**Canal Companies Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Canal Companies Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

**Customs Duties (Isle of Man) Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Customs Duties (Isle of Man) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House was moved, That the Act 54 Geo. 3, c. 143, to repeal the Duties granted by an Act passed in the eleventh year of his present Majesty, for remitting and suspending the several Harbour and Sea Ports in the Isle of Man, and for granting new Duties in lieu thereof, and for giving further powers to the Commissioners appointed under the said Act, might be read, and the same was read.

The House was also moved, That the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 69, for regulating the Trade of the Isle of Man, might be read, and the same being read; Vol. 99.

And 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 Customs Duties collected in the Isle of Man, of a yearly sum of money to the Harbour Commissioners of the said Island, in lieu of certain Harbour Duties and Rates proposed to be repealed.

Mr. Gladstone, 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.

A Petition of Ship-owners, Merchants, Traders Kingston-upon-Hull, and others, at the port of Leith, praying that they may be heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Camberwell and Walworth (Chair POST-office),-Northingham (Chairman)—Richard Neville;—National Chaff Association of Carlisle (Chairman)—Somers Town (Chairman)—and, Charter Association of Dunfrumyt and Maxwelltown (President and Secretary), praying for the repeal of the clause in the Act of Parliament, conferring on the Secretary of State for the Home Department the power of opening and taking copies of letters and other documents sent through the Post-office, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of James Apted, late of Brighton, but James Apted, now a Prisoner in Her Majesty’s County Gaol at Harsham, complaining of a sale of his property being abandoned, in consequence of a dispute between the solicitor of the mortgagee and the assignee, as to the deposit, and of his effects being sold by the mortgagee, and himself confined in gaol upon a writ of Ca. sa., for 1,204l.; and praying for relief, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Magistrates and Cess-payers as Public Works remembled at Special Sessions held at Marybomo, (Ireland) Act, in the Queen’s County, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 2 and 3 Vic., c. 50, as makes it mandatory on the grand jury of any county to represent any money which shall remain unpaid by the defalcation, absconding or insolvency of any treasurer, collector or other person who shall have received said money, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of the Board of Guar- Pout relief dians of the Bailieboro’ Poor Law Union, praying (Ireland) Act, the House to relieve them from the payment of the loan granted for the building of their workhouse, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants of Bethnal Green, in the Parish of the Tower Hamlets, praying the House to take measures for securing to Thomas Cooper, a prisoner in Stafford Gaol, a commutation of his sentence, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir James Graham presented, by Her Majesty’s Education Command,—A Copy of the Tenth Report of the Ireland) Commissioners of National Education in Ireland, for the year 1843, with an Appendix.

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

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to Order, Registration —A Return of the Total Number of Parliamentary of Electors appearing, by the Lists or Books of the 3 X 2 Clerks
Clarks of the Peace, registered for each County, City, Town and Borough in Ireland, on the 1st day of February in each of the following years, viz. 1834, 1837 and 1844; including in the Return for 1844 those only who had been registered subsequently to the 1st day of February 1836; distinguishing, in separate columns, the Numbers registered under different Qualifications; and showing the Increase or Decrease exhibited by the Numbers so appearing registered on the 1st day of February 1844, compared with those appearing registered at each of the said previous Periods; with an Abstract.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the Regulation of Suits relating to Meeting Houses and other Property held for Religious Purposes by Persons dissenting from the United Church of England and Ireland; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time; The Amendments following were proposed to be made to the Question; viz. 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 put, That the word "now" stand part of the Question; The House divided: The Yeas to the old Lobby; The Noes to the new Lobby. Tellers for the [Mr. Young], Yeas, [Mr. Henry Baring]: 201. Tellers for the [Mr. Colynihan], Noes, [Sir Robert Harry Inglis]: 81. 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, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which Amendments this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Education Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene 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.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Linen, &c., Manufacturers (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly; and the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration upon Monday next, and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Education Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene 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.

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Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Poor Law 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 upon the Charitable Loan Societies (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Aliens Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Protection of Purchasers, &c. (Ireland) Bill; Protection of Purchasers, &c. (Ireland) Bill, was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The House was moved, That the Petition of the Rector, Church, West., Churchwardens and Vestrymen of Saint Margaret's, Westminster, for aid towards repairing the Church, be
incurred in all cases since 1830:—Return of the Names and Particulars of cases, when Proceedings commenced, what Progress made, and when terminated:—And, Account of the Amount of Principal Monies in dispute, and Costs deducted in each case.

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

Ordered, That the Committee on the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill have leave to sit tomorrow, notwithstanding the adjournment of the House.

The House was moved, That the Act 3 and 4 Vic. Colonial c. 96, for the Regulation of the Duties on Postage, might be read; and the same being read:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider so much of the said Act as relates to Colonial Posts.

A Petition of Spirit Retailers, Tea Dealers and Spirit Tobacco Manufacturers of the towns of Mallow, (Ireland.)

Konturh, Charleville, Buttevant, Doneraile and Fermpoy, in the collection called Cork Collection, praying the House to grant a Committee to inquire into the grievances that affect the inhabitants of the above-mentioned vicinal towns in Ireland, who carry on the above-mentioned trades, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Luna, 1° die Julii; Annæ 8° Victoriae Regni, 1844.

PRAYERS.

M R. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Commissioners, was called in; and at the said time, pursuant thereto, a Copy of a Letter from Sir John Walsham to the Poor Law Commissioners, dated the 11th day of June 1844, relative to his Report on the Keighley Union, and of the Answer of the Commissioners thereto, dated the 19th day of June 1844:—And then be withdrawn.

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

An ingrossed Bill for enabling the Mayor, Alder-Coventry men and Burgesses of the City of Coventry to make certain Improvements, to provide a Residence for the Judges during the Assizes in the said City, and to establish a Cemetery for the Dead near the said City, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, (Eastern Counties) and of the Act 3 and 4 Vic. Colonial, intituled, An Act for making a Junction Railway from the Eastern Counties Railway, at Stratford, via Railway in the County of Essex, to the River Thames, with Bill, a Branch Railway therefrom; and for constructing a Pier in the River Thames; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 84. l. 26. After “claimants” insert “Provided always, That the costs of one re-investment only in land, and the necessary orders for that purpose, shall be allowed, unless the Court be of opinion that the re-investment of the money in more purchases of land than one would be a pro-

opposed, for the Court to order the costs of any further re-investment of money in land which they shall deem proper, and of the necessary orders for that purpose,
Ireland.

Union with land Charter.

Bank of Ireland Bill.

of Electors Registration Towns.

County Courts Bill.

Interment in Towns.

A Petition of Attornies practising in the town of Chelmsford, in the county of Essex, praying that the County Courts Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition from Roscommon; — Manchester; — Kil- michael; — Dromara; — Kells; — Donovate and Port- town; — Lismah; — Ards; and Moydow; — Kil- lacestra; — Glenade; — Buminha and Killvurane; — Neumarket (Cork); — Raphoe; — Kilfin and Rathrea; — Kiltullake; — Dugh; — Ballyroe; — Rathdouney; — Cudd; — Bally; — Cloughen and Barnewt; — Kiltullak and Kiltunaheg; — Shandum; — Johnstown; — Timoleague and Kil- madoosa; — West Tallaghig; — Killimore; — Meate; — Tynan; — Rathfranb; — Myhal; — East and West Roundstone; — Killo; — Stakel and Stacholmoe; — Clonneen; — Kilbanny; — Bul- linogue; — Toomeglen; — Clonmoe; — Feake; — and, Stiga; praying for the repeal of the Legislative Union between Great Britain and Ireland, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Bank of Ireland Charter.

Ordered, That Mr. Bramston do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Petitions from Carrickolnam; — Longford; — Aghadcrow; — New Road; — Kilmake; — Cruagh; — Tibraiden and Rockbrook; — Kilcoran; — Lady's Island, Corne and Saint Iberia; — Carlingford; — Kiltubrid; — Kells; — Errigle Trag; — Lisro- nough and Feyersstown; — Knockbridge; — Mullin- eat; — Dough; — Scrabby and Cohobhle; — Slan; — Clonmen; — Maryborough; — Tyholland; — Cold; — praying, and, Kildare; praying the House to refuse a renewal of the Bank of Ireland Charter, and to pass an Act extending the Banking pri- vileges guaranteed by the Act 6 Geo. 4. c. 42, to the city of Dublim and the circle of fifty Irish miles around it, with such amendments as to the County Courts Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill.

Petitions from Cleenish; — Clone and Kilcormain; — Carrigge and Doner; — Bucticeton; — Bally- lymore (Wattsee); — Mullagh; — Saint Mary's (Watte); — Derrymore; — Mitchelstown; — Tynan; — Blackthithes; — Ardagh and Moydow; — Batter- town; — Killy; — Killyerty; — Kilkarron and Foam and Terig; — Shandon; — Ballymone; — Gleadough; — Kildinnum; — Upper Bo- doney; — Portall; — Clogheen; — Toney; — Clonmone; — Croygh; — Ballybogge, Kiliary and Ratt; — Doneghmore; — Killoshock; — Ardagh; — Barnewt; — Kilkenny and Knockane; — Kilfer- mow and Temple Michael; — Killcoen; — Kil- larney; — Ballycull; — Oron and Clogheenmore; — Anghena; — Kells; — Stiga; and, Waterford; praying that the Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Interim in Towns.

A Petition of Inhabitants, Householders of Pin- loco, praying that a law may be enacted to prevent the Internal of the dead within the habitations of the living, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Reverend P. Cumming, Clerk, Great Southern Rector of the Union of Prior and Dromed, praying and, Western Railway that the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ire- land) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee on the Bill.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Blackheath, in the Commons county of Kent, and its vicinity, praying that a Bill be introduced into the Commons Enclo- sure Bill, exempting Blackheath and the common lands of the manor of East Greenwick, East Coome and Leenisham from its operation, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Lancaster and Preston Junction Railways Bill.

Railway Company; — Manchester and Birmingham and Chelmers Railway Company; praying that the Railways Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

An ingressed Bill for repairing, maintaining and Heith improving the Road from Frest-lane to Holmhall, Roads Bill, and thence to the Huddersfield and Woodhead Turn- epike-road, and for making and maintaining a new Line of Road from the said Road, at a place called Belts, to or near Dunford Bridge, all in the West Riding of the County of York, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Stuart Worthy do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

Earl Jermy reported from the Committee on the Paisley General Public Gas Bill; and to whom several Gas Bills. Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had heard counsel in support of two of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; and that they had examined the allega- tions of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amend- ments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Lord Seymour reported from the Committee on Market Har- borough and Coventry Road Bill, and to whom a Petition against the said Bill was referred; That no person appeared in support of the said Petition; and that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and made Amend- ments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of land taken under and for the purposes of the Railway from London to Croydon Railway (No. 2.) Bill, was presented, and read. Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the London and Croydon Railway (No. 2.) Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in fa- vor of the Bill, against the said Petition.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Axi- Poor Law. Bridge Union, in the county of Somerset, praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, by con- tending to boards of guardians the power of fixing the measure of remuneration to be given to medical of- ficers of unisons, was presented, and read; and re- ferred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amend- ment Act (Medical Relief).

A Petition of Inhabitants of Ballah, in the county Disenters' of Warwick, praying that the Dissenters' Chapels Chapels Bill.
to give directions that there be laid before this House, a Return, in columns, of the Total Number of defended Causes which have been brought before the First and Second Divisions of the Court of Session, during the Winter Session of 1843-4, distinguishing the Number brought respectively before each of the said Divisions.

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

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented Railways Bill, to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, Copies of any Memorial to Sir Robert Peel, by certain Directors and others connected with Railway Companies, against the Railways Bill now before this House; and of any Correspondence thereupon between the Board of Trade and the aforesaid Memorialists.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee, to consider of authorizing the Payment, out of the Customs Duties collected in the Isle of Man, of a yearly Sum of Money to the Harbour Commissioners of the said Island, in lieu of certain Harbour Duties and Rates proposed to be repealed. (In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the yearly Sum of Two thousand and three hundred pounds, be paid, out of the Customs Duties collected in the Isle of Man, to the Harbour Commissioners of the said Island, to be applied to the same purposes as certain Harbour Duties and Rates now proposed to be repealed, would have been applicable. Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir George Clerk reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

A Petition of Letter-press Printers, in the city of Glasgow, praying the House to pass a Bill, with all Rags, convenient speed, effectually to prevent Wages in Scotland from being interfered with by any legal diligence, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Corn-Land Tax, the House, according to Order, resolved itself into the said Committee.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Kilmore, praying the Reformation House to adopt measures for extending Scriptural Education in Ireland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee, to consider so much of the Act 3 and 4 Vic. c. 30, for the Regulation of the Duties on Postage, as relates to Colonial Posts. (In the Committee.)

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move next, resolve itself into the said Committee. Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. George William Hope accordingly reported a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. George William Hope reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Resolved, That the Chairman be directed to move the House, that leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Regulation of Colonial Posts.

Resolution to be reported.
the House, that Leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Regulation of Colonial Posts:—And he moved the House accordingly.

Ordered, That Leave be given to bring in the Bill: And that Mr. George William Hope and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring it in.

**Copyholds**

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyholds Enfranchisement Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

**Message from the Lords.**

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Douceswell and Mr. Ferrers:—Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Guardian of **Peach** Keighley **Peach**, an Infant, to sell the next Presentation to the Rectory and Parish Church of **Idlicote**, in the County of Warwick; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Marriage of **Archbutt** Archbutt, the younger, Gentleman, with **Mary Amelia** Mothel, his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other Purposes therein mentioned; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

**Hitchins'**

*Hitchins* Estate Bill was read the first time. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

**Archbutt's**

*Archbutt* Divorce Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

**Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill.**

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Order of the day for the second reading of the Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill, be now read;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out the words "That the" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "other Orders of the day be now read," 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 "other Orders of the day be now read" be added, instead thereof:—It was resolved in the Affirmative. Then the main Question, so amended, being put; Ordered, That the other Orders of the day be now read.

And the Order of the day for the Committee on the Municipal Corporations (Ireland) Bill being read accordingly; Resolved, That this House will, upon this day six months, resolve itself into the said Committee.

**Railways Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Railways Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

**Savings Banks Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Savings Banks Bill:—Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

**County Courts Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Report on the County Courts Bill:—Ordered, That the Report be taken into further consideration upon Monday next.

**Superior Courts (Common Law) Bill.**

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Superior Courts (Common Law) 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 Small Debts reading of the Small Debts Bill;**

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

**The Order of the day being read, for the Chaplains to Hospitals, &c. (Ireland) Bill;**

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

**The Order of the day being read, for the Courts of Common Law Process Bill;**

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

**The Order of the day being read, for the Courts of Common Law Process (Ire., mon Law Process) Bill;**

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

**The Order of the day being read, for the Ecclesiastical Courts Bill;**

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

**The House, according to Order, resolved itself unlawful Oaths into a Committee upon the Unlawful Oaths (Ire. (Ireland) Bill. (In the Committee.)**

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph. Preamble postponed.

**Clause, N° 1, (That the Act 2 and 3 Vic. c. 74, shall continue until the Question proposed, That the blank be filled with One year.**

Whereupon, Motion made, and Question put, That the Chairman do leave the Chair; The Committee divided; Tellers for the **Mr. More O’Ferrall**, Yeas; [Sir Denham Norreys]: 40. Tellers for the **Mr. Young**, Nos, [Lord Arthur Lennox]: 58.

Blank filled with One year. Clause, as amended, agreed to.**

**Clause, N° 2, agreed to.** Preamble read, and agreed to. Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir George Clerk reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an Amendment thereto.

**Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.**

**The House, according to Order, resolved itself Prisoners into a Committee upon the Prisons (Scotland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir George Clerk reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.**

**Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.**

**The House, according to Order, proceeded to take Bank of Eng-into further consideration the Report on the Bank of England Charter Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.**

**Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Thursday next.**

**The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to Education Bills, secure the Terms on which Grants are made by Her Majesty out of the Parliamentary Grant for the Education of the Poor, and to explain the Act of the fifth year of the reign of Her present Majesty for**
Mr. Manners Sutton presented a Bill to suspend the making of Lists and the Ballots and Enrolments for the Militia of the United Kingdom: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented a Bill to continue Turnpike Acts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented a Bill to continue Stock in Trade Bills: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

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Mr. Manners Sutton presented, by Her Majesty's L u n c y Command,—Copy of the Report of the Metropolitan Commissioners in Lunacy to the Lord Chancellor.

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

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed; and read the third time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

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Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue two Acts relating to the Removal of Poor Persons born in Scotland and Ireland, and chargeable to Parishes in England: And that Mr. Manners Sutton and Mr. Young do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue certain Turnpike Acts: And that Mr. Manners Sutton and Mr. Young do prepare, and bring it in.

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Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee Standing on Standing Orders, a Resolution; and the same was read, as follows:

Resolved, That in the case of the Kingston-upon-Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill, proposed Clauses and Amendments on third reading, the said Clauses and Amendments ought not to be adopted by the House at that stage.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mackenzie's (Scawfell) Estate Bill was read a second time: and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

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Ordered, That the time for the Committee on the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill to make their Report be further enlarged till Thursday next.
Petitions presented upon the 26th, 27th and 28th days of June 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.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Wirral Union, in the county of Kent, praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, by confining to Boards of Guardians the power of fixing the measure of remuneration to be given to Medical Officers of Unions, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment (Medical Relief).

A Petition of the Chairman of the Guardians of the Northwich Union, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Great North of England Railway Company; Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Company; Bishop Auckland and Weardale Railway Company; Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway Company; and the railways Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Langanoys; Stockton-on-Tees; Bruden; and, Willey and Chiddingfold; praying that the Dissenters’ Chapels Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the ingrossed Bill for making a Dock, and other Works connected therewith, in addition to the present Docks at Kingston-upon-Hull, and for amending the Acts relating to such last-mentioned Docks; the House resumed the said further Proceeding.

And a Motion being made, That the Bill do pass; Lord Grosvenor Somerset, 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 concerned, that the House may do therein as they shall think fit.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass; And that the Title be, An Act for making new Docks, and other Works connected therewith, in addition to the present Docks at Kingston-upon-Hull; and for amending the Acts relating to such last-mentioned Docks.

Ordered, That Sir John Hamner do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants of the city of Glasgow, praying that the Bank of England Charter Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of land, and others interested in Agriculture, in the vicinity of Harleston, in Norfolk, praying the House to repeal the duties on Foreign Corn, the duty on Malt, and to encourage perfect freedom of trade by the removal of all unnecessary restrictions upon it, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Officers to the Sheriff of the city and county of Bristol, praying that in case the County Courts Bill should pass into a law the House will either cause the Petitioners to receive compensation for the loss which they must necessarily suffer, or to exempt them to such extent as they newly-formed courts as their previous duties may have enabled them competently to fill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House was moved, That the Standing Orders, Standing Nos. 34, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 85, 86 and 88, might be read; and the same were read, as follows:

34. That no Subscription Contract shall be valid unless it be entered into subsequent to the close of the Session of Parliament previous to that in which application is made for leave to bring in the Bill to which it relates, and unless the parties subscribing to it bind themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators, for the payment of the money so subscribed.

39. That in all cases where it is proposed to make, vary, extend or enlarge any Railway, the Plan shall exhibit thereon the height of the several embankments, and the depth of the several cuttings respectively, on a scale specified thereon.

The House was then resumed; and the business proceeded.

A Petition of the President of the Board of Agriculture, and county of Bristol, praying that in case the Council of Reformation Bill should pass into a law, the Association of the principal Sheriff Clerks in each county in Scotland, as well as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as their previous duties may as
several parishes in England, the Schoolmasters of the several parishes in Scotland (or in royal burghs with the Town Clerk, and the Postmasters of the post towns in or nearest to such parishes in Ireland, in or through which such alterations shall have been authorized to be made, copies or extracts of from such Plans and Sections as shall relate to such parishes respectively; and all persons interested shall have liberty to make extracts from or copies of the said Plans and Sections, or extracts or copies thereof, paying to the officer having the custody of such Plan and Section, or of such extract or copy, the sum of one shilling for every such inspection, and after the rate of sixpence for every one hundred words copied therefrom."

And be it further Enacted, That in making the said Railway it shall not be lawful for the said Company to deviate from the levels of the said Railway as referred to the common datum line described on the Section so approved of by Parliament, and as marked on the same, to any extent exceeding in any place five feet, or in passing through towns two feet, without the consent of the owners, lessees and occupiers of the land in, through or over which such deviation is intended to be made, or in case any street or public carriage-road shall be affected by such deviation, then the same shall not be made without the consent of the Trustees or Commissioners, or, if there be no such Trustees or Commissioners, without the consent of two or more Justices of the Peace in petty sessions assembled for that purpose, and acting for the district in which such street or public carriage-road may be situated, or without the consent of the commissioners for any public sewers, or the proprietors of any canal or navigation affected by such deviation; and that no increase in the inclination or gradients of the said Railway, as denoted by the said Section, shall be made in any place to an extent exceeding the rate of three feet per mile; and where in any place it is intended to carry the Railway on an arch or arches, as marked on the said Plan or Section, the same shall be made accordingly; and where a tunnel is marked on the said Plan or Section as intended to be made at any place, the same shall be made accordingly, unless the owners, lessees and occupiers of the land in or through which such tunnel is intended to be made shall consent that the same shall not be so made: Provided nevertheless, That it shall be lawful for the said Company, with such consent as aforesaid, and not otherwise, to make a tunnel or an arch or arches as aforesaid not marked in the said Plan or Section, so that no such tunnel shall be of greater length than two hundred yards, and that no two tunnels be at a less distance from each other than one hundred yards measured on the line of the Railway: Provided always, That notice of every petty sessions to be holden for the purpose of obtaining such consent as aforesaid shall, fourteen days previous to the holding of such petty sessions, be given in some newspaper circulating in the county, and also to be affixed upon the church-door of the parish in which such deviation or alteration is intended to be made, or if there be no church, some other place to which notice may be usually affixed: And provided also, That for the purpose of consenting to any such deviation from the said Sections, and to any tunnelling or arching as aforesaid, the word "owners" shall be deemed to include all persons interested as owners in the said lands, shall be deemed and taken to be sufficient for such purposes.

And be it further Enacted, That it shall not be lawful to diminish the radius of any curve as described on the Plan deposited with the bank of the Peace or principal Sheriff-clerk, unless such radius exceed one mile, nor to diminish it in any such case so that it shall become less than one mile, nor to diminish any greater radius by more than a quarter of a mile, unless where it exceeds two miles, or by more than half a mile, unless where it exceeds three miles on the said Plan.

Ordered, That the said Standing Orders be repealed.

Resolved, That as regards Railway Bills, no Subscript

Resolutions, Contract shall be valid unless it be entered into subsequent to the day fixed in the Session of Parliament previous to that in which application is made for leave to bring in a Bill to which it relates, as the last day on which Petitions for Private Bills may be presented, and unless the parties subscribing to it bind themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators, for the payment of the money so subscribed.

Resolved, That in all cases where it is proposed to make, vary, extend or enlarge any Railway, the Plan shall exhibit thereon the distances in miles and furlongs from one of the termini; and a memorandum of the radius of every curve not exceeding one mile in length shall be noted on the Plan in miles and chains.

Resolved, That in every Section of a Railway, the line marked thereon shall correspond with the upper surface of the rails.

Resolved, That a distance on the datum line shall be marked in miles and furlongs, to correspond with those on the Plan; that the distance from the datum line to the line of the Railway shall be marked in feet and inches at each change of the gradient or inclination; and that the proportion or rate of inclination between each such change shall also be marked.

Resolved, That the height of the Railway over or under the surface of every turnpike-road, public carriage-road, navigable river, canal or Railway, or junction with a public way, shall be shown at every crossing thereof, and the extreme height over or under the surface of the ground shall be marked for every embankment and cutting; and if any alteration in the present level or rate of inclination of any turnpike-road, carriage-road or Railway be intended, then the same shall be stated on the said Section, and each numbered; also that cross Sections, in reference to the said numbers, on a horizontal scale of one inch to every 330 feet, and on a vertical scale of one inch to every 40 feet, shall be added, to explain the nature of such alterations more clearly.

Resolved, That where tunnelling as a substitute for open cutting, or a viaduct as a substitute for solid embankment, is intended, the tunneling shall be marked by a dotted line on the Plan, and shall also be marked on the Section, and the viaduct shall be marked on the Section.

Resolved, That where the level of any road shall be altered in making any Railway, the ascent of any turnpike-road shall not be more than one foot in thirty feet; and of any other public carriage-road not more than one foot in twenty feet, unless a report from some officer of the Railway Department of the Board of Trade shall be laid before the Committee on the Bill, recommending that steeper ascents than the above may be allowed, with the reasons and facts upon which such opinion is founded, and the Committee shall report in favour of such recommendation — Also, that a good and sufficient force, of four Steam engines, shall be placed on each side of every bridge which shall be erected.

Resolved, That no Railway whereon carriages are propelled by steam, or by atmospheric agency, or drawn by road-steam engine with a stationary steam engine, shall be made across any turnpike-road or other public carriage-way on the level, unless the Committee on the Bill report that such a restriction ought not to be enforced, with the reasons and facts upon which their opinion is founded.

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Resolved.
Resolved, That in all Railway Bills there be inserted the following Clauses:—

"And be it further Enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Company to proceed in the execution of the said Railway hereinafter authorized to be made, unless the said Company shall have, previously to the commencement of such work, deposited with the Clerk of the Peace of the several counties in England or Ireland, and in the office of the Principal Sheriff Clerk in every county in Scotland, in or through which the said Railway hereby authorized to be made is intended to pass, a Plan and Section of all such alterations from the original Plan and Section as shall have been approved of by Parliament, on the same scale and containing the same particulars as the original Plan and Section of the Railway; and also with the Clerks of the several parishes in England, in or through which such alterations shall have been authorized to be made, copies or extracts of or from such Plans and Sections as shall relate to such parishes respectively; and all persons interested shall have liberty to inspect and make extracts from or copies of the said Plans and Sections, or extracts or copies thereof, paying to the officer having the custody of such Plan and Section, or of such extract or copy, the sum of one shilling for every such inspection, and after the rate of sixpence for every one hundred words copied therefrom."

"And be it further Enacted, That in making the said Railway it shall not be lawful for the said Company to deviate from the levels of the said Railway, as referred to the common datum Line described in the Section so approved of by Parliament, and as marked on the same, to any extent exceeding in any place five feet, or in passing through towns two hundred feet, without the consent of the owners, lessees and occupiers of the land in, through or over which such deviation is intended to be made; or in case any street or public carriage-road shall be affected by such deviation, then the same shall not be made without the consent of the Trustees or Commissioners, or if there be no such Trustees or Commissioners, without the consent of two or more Justices of the Peace in Petty Sessions assembled for that purpose, and acting for the district in which such street or public carriage-road may be situated, or without the consent of the Commissioners for any public sewer, or the proprietors of any canal or navigable river, affected by such deviation: Provided always, That it shall be lawful for the Company to deviate from the said levels to a further extent without such consent as aforesaid, by lowering solid embankments or viaducts, provided that the requisite height of waycay prescribed by Act of Parliament be left for roads, streets or canals passing under the same."

"And be it further Enacted, That where in any place it is intended to carry the Railway on an arch or arches, or other viaduct, as marked on the said Plan or Section, the same shall be made accordingly; and where a tunnel is marked on the said Plan or Section, the same shall be made accordingly, unless the owners, lessees and occupiers of the land in, through or over which such tunnel is intended to be made, shall consent that the same shall not be so made: Provided always, That notice of every Petty Sessions to be held for roads, streets or canals passing under the said Sections, and to any tunnelling or arching as aforesaid, the word "owners" shall be deemed and taken to mean such persons as are hereby authorized to agree for the sale of and to convey land for the making of the said Railway; and the consent of such persons, with or without the consent of any other persons interested as owners in the said lands, shall be deemed and taken to be sufficient for such purposes."

"And be it further Enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Company to deviate from or alter the gradients or other engineering works described in the said Plan or Section, except within the following limits, and under the following conditions; viz.

Subject to the above provisions in regard to altering levels, it shall be lawful for the Company to diminish the inclination or gradients of the said Railway, to any extent, and to increase the said inclination or gradients as follows; that is to say, in gradients of an inclination not exceeding one in a hundred to any extent not exceeding ten feet per mile, or to any further extent which shall be certified by the Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Trade, to be consistent with public safety, and not prejudicial to public interests; and in gradients of or exceeding the inclination of one in a hundred, to any extent not exceeding three feet per mile, or to any further extent which shall be so certified by the Lords of the Committee aforesaid: It shall be lawful for the Company to diminish the radius of any curve described in the said Plan, to any extent which shall leave a radius of not less than half a mile, or to any further extent authorized by such certificate as aforesaid, from the Lords of the said Committee:

"It shall be lawful for the Company to make a tunnel, not marked on the said Plan or Section, instead of a solid embankment, if authorized by such certificate as aforesaid from the Lords of the said Committee."

Sir James Graham reported to the House, That Answer to their several Addresses of the 25th day of June last, and the 1st day of this instant July (That Her Majesty would be graciously pleased to give directions that the Papers therein mentioned might be laid before this House), had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had commanded him to acquaint this House, that She will give directions accordingly.

Mr. Glodstone presented, pursuant to an Address Railways Bills., to Her Majesty,—Copies of any correspondence to Robert Peel by certain Directors and others connected with Railway Companies, against the Railways Bill now before this House; and of any Correspondence thereupon between the Board of Trade and the aforesaid Memorialists.

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

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to Or- Electors ters,—A Return of the Electors for Counties in (Ireland.) Ireland) now entitled to vote, with the Name of the Baronies from which each Elector registers:—And, A Return of the Electors for Counties in Ireland, on the 1st day of February 1844.1 Of the Number and Amount of the Annoyance Juries of the City of Westminster.1
Gloucester Assizes.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the Reports of the Inspectors of Prisons, and the state of Discipline, in the Gaols, for the adoption of an uniform system of punishment, with such improvements in the management as can be safely adopted:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize the Sale of certain Estates and Mines belonging to the Chapel of Willenhall, in the Parish of Wolverhampton, in the County of Stafford, and to provide a Residence for the Incumbent of the Chapel; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Donecwell and Mr. Forre, to Mr. Speaker;

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intitled, An Act for making a Landing-place at or near Hythe, in the Parish of Fawley and Extra-parochial Places adjoining thereto, in the County of Southampton, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

An humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying that Her Majesty will be graciously pleased to appoint a Commission to inquire into the department of Her Majesty's General Post-office, commonly called "The Secret Office," the duties and employment of the persons engaged therein, and the authority under which the functions of the said office are discharged; and that the said Committee do report their Opinion to the House, as well as upon the expediency of making any alterations in the Law under which the secret office is conducted;

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the words "That a Committee of Secrecy be appointed to inquire into the state of the Law in respect to the detaining and opening of Letters at the General Post-office, and into the mode under which the authority given for such detaining and opening has been exercised, and to report their Opinion and Observations thereupon to the House:—And a Committee was appointed of Viscount Sandown, Mr. Wilson Patten, Mr. Thomas Baring, Sir William Heathcote, Sir Charles Lemon, Mr. Warburton, Mr. Strutt, O'Conor Don and Mr. Ord.

A Motion was made, and the Question being propoised, That Mr. Thomas Duncombe be one other Member of the said Committee:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That Mr. Hume be one other Member of the said Committee:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Committee have Power to send for persons, papers and records.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That a Select Committee be appointed to consider the Reports of the Inspectors of Prisons, and the state of Discipline, in the Gaols, for the adoption of an uniform system of punishment, with such improvements in the management as can be safely adopted:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for further to stay Proceedings in certain Actions under the provisions of several Statutes for the Prevention of excessive Gaming, and to prevent any similar Proceedings being taken under those Statutes during such further limited time: And that Viscount Palmerston and Mr. Tufnell do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir George Clerk reported from the Committee to consider the Reports of the Inspectors of Prisons, and the state of Discipline, in the Gaols, for the adoption of an uniform system of punishment, with such improvements in the management as can be safely adopted:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Customs Duties (Isle of Man) Bill, (No. 52) Bill, of excessive Gaming, and to prevent any similar Proceedings being taken under those Statutes during such further limited time: And that Viscount Palmerston and Mr. Tufnell do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That the yearly sum of Two thousand and three hundred pounds be paid, out of the Customs Duties collected in the Isle of Man, to the Harbour Commissioners of the said Island, in lieu of certain Harbour Duties and Rates proposed to be repealed, a Resolution; and the same was read, as followeth:

Resolved, That the yearly sum of Two thousand and three hundred pounds be paid, out of the Customs Duties collected in the Isle of Man, to the Harbour Commissioners of the said Island, to be applied to the same purposes as certain Harbour Duties and Rates, now proposed to be repealed, would have been applicable.

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Customs Duties (Isle of Man) Bill, That they have power to make provision therein, pursuant to the said Resolution.

Sir George Clerk reported the Unlawful Oaths Unlawful Oaths (Ireland) Bill; and the Amendments were read, (Ireland) Bill, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time upon Thursday next.

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Sir George Clerk reported the Prisons (Scotland) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed; and read the third time upon Thursday next.

The Order for reading a second time, To-morrow, the Appeal in Criminal Cases Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 10th day of this instant July.

Mr. Tufnell presented a Bill further to stay Proceedings in certain Actions under the Provisions of several Statutes for the Prevention of excessive Gaming, and to prevent any similar Proceedings being taken under those Statutes during such further limited Time: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Sir George Clerk presented a Bill for the better Regulation of Colonial Posts: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Keighley Union, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit this day, during the sitting of the House.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the County Court (County Palatine of Lancaster) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Mill-street and its vicinity, in the parish of Aberdare, borough of Merthyr Tydvil, praying that the County Court Bills may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Pease reported from the Committee on the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had heard counsel in support of the said Petitions, and also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and had amended the Preamble by striking out the words "the several" in page 2, paragraph 2, and inserting "such of the"; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chester and Birkenhead Railway Company, praying that the Railway Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Shottle; — Somerton; — Banbury; — North Pickenham; and, Hayes (Middlesex); praying that the Dissenters' Chapels Bill may not pass into a law; were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation 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 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.)

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed.

Clause, No. 1, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, No. 2, (Operation of Act as to Companies.) Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in P. 2. 1. 5. To leave out "or agency therein" in order to insert "in England," instead thereof.

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. Pringle 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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Companies Remedies at Law and in Equity Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Customs Duties (Isle of Man) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, after the other Orders of the day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Linnen, &c., Manufactures (Ireland) Bill;

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time after the other Orders of the day.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Cirencester and Bank of England Charter Company, praying that the Bank of England Charter Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Charles Hugh Edwards, of the borough of Birmingham, Yeoman, praying the House to institute an inquiry, whether the various Railway Companies do or do not really make a profit by the charges for carriage and transit of goods, and if it shall turn out that they do earn a profit for such charges, then that the House will regulate accordingly the charges for passenger traffic by reducing the same, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the High Bailiff of Westminster, Star Triail praying the House to present an humble Address to the Queen, that Her Majesty may be graciously pleased to exercise Her Royal Prerogative in behalf of Daniel O'Connell and other Prisoners, by ordering their immediate release, and by exonerating them from those fines and recognizances imposed upon.
upon them at the expiration of their several periods of imprisonment by the sentence of the Court of Queen's Bench in Ireland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

New Zealand.
A Petition of Owners of land in New Zealand, and others interested in the welfare of that colony, praying the House to take efficient steps to ensure to the British colonists security of life and protection of property throughout the whole colony of New Zealand, and that their equitable claims may be promptly and generously entertained, and that concerning the titles of lands may be promptly made, and also such further security to persons and property in the colony may be afforded, as will sustain the hope and energy of the settlers, and tranquilize the minds of those concerned at home, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on New Zealand.

Postage.
A Petition of Inhabitants of Derby, praying the favourable attention of the House to the whole of Mr. Hill's Postage Scheme, which, in its operation, has already conferred so great a benefit upon the public, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Joint Stock Companies Remedy at Law and in Equity Bills, and Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill; and, Joint Stock Companies Remedies at Law and in Equity Bills, may not pass into law, as they now stand, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Prisoners' Letters.
A Petition of Prisoners confined for debt in the gaol of Warwich, complaining of their Letters being opened by the governor and other parties; and praying that the House will be pleased to take into consideration this grievance, and afford them redress, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Post-office.
Petitions from Reading;—Leicester (Chairman);—Rochdale (Chairman);—Members of the North Nottinghamshire Meeting of the National Charter Association;—London (Chairman);—Barnsley (Chairman);—Radford, and, Paturowth;—praying the House to take immediate steps to repeal the clause in the Act of Parliament conferring on the Secretary of State for the Home Department the power of opening and taking copies of letters passing through the post-office, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Joseph Capper.
A Petition of Joseph Capper, of Tunstal, in the county of Stafford, Blacksmith, stating that he has been sentenced to two years' confinement at the special assizes held for the trial of The Potters rioters, in October 1842, and that his health has suffered much in consequence of his confinement; and praying the House to advise Her Majesty to liberate him forthwith, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Dowleswell and Mr. Föller;—Mr. Speaker.
The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for granting to Her Majesty, until the fifth day of July One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, certain Duties on Sugar imported into the United Kingdom for the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four, without any Amendment: And also, for the more effectual Prevention of Persons going armed by Night for the Destruction of Game, without any Amendment:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

The Order of the day being read, for the Comité smoke Prohibition Committee on the Smoke Prohibition Bill;—Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;—An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out 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:
It passed in the Negative:—And the Question being put,
And the Question being put, That the words "This House will, upon this day three 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 Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second clause to the reading of the Chaplains to Hospitals, &c. (Ireland) Bill;—Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts of Common Law Process Bill;—Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair:
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts of Common Law Process Bill;—Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair:
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts of Common Law Process (Ireland) Bill;—Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair:
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Courts of Common Law Process (Ireland) Bill;—Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair:
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Council of Ways and Means Bill;—Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair:
Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Council of Ways and Means Bill;—Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair:
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Council of Ways and Means Bill;—Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair:
Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to the Order made this day, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Customs Duties (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir George Clerk reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.
Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House, according to the Order made this day, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Customs Duties (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir George Clerk reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.
Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The ingrossed Bill to amend and continue certain Acts relating to Linen, Hempen and other Manufactures in Ireland, was, according to the Order made this day, read the third time.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass:—And that the Title be, An Act to amend and continue for five years, and to the end of the next Session of Parliament, certain Acts relating to Linen, Hempen and other Manufactures in Ireland.
Ordered, That Sir George Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
Resolved, That this House will, upon Tuesday next, resolve itself into a Committee, to take into consideration, the Act 17 and 18 Car. 2, c. 5, intituled, "An Act for Provision of Ministers in Cities and Corporate Towns, and making the Church of 

Ireland."

Ministers' Money (Ireland.)

Drainage of Lands Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law enabling the Owners of settled Estates to defray the Expense of draining the same by way of Mortgage : And that Mr. Pusey, Mr. William Miles and Mr. Hoguet do prepare, and bring it in.

Gaming.

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 First Report from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships to inquire into the Laws respecting Gaming : And that Mr. Christie do carry the said Message.

Drainage of Lands Bill.

No. 442.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to Or- der, that the Charter that has been granted by Her Majesty to the Society calling itself the Irish Reproductive Loan Fund Institution, is, for the better Prevention and Punishment of As- saults in Ireland, intituled, "An Act for making a Railway from York and North Midland Railway Company to complete and maintain a Branch Railway from York to Chester :" An Act for making a Railway from North-western Railway at Newport, by Cambridge, to Peterborough, An Act for enabling the York and North Midland Railway Company to make a Railway from York to Scarborough, with a Branch to Pickering : An Act for making a Railway from the Eastern Counties Railway Eastern Counties Railway Company to make a Railway from the Northern and Eastern Railway at Newport, by Cambridge, to Peterborough, and from thence Eastward to Brandon, and Extension Bill : Westward to Peterborough : An Act to make a Branch Railway from the Lon- 

Railway and South Western Railway to Salisbury : Branch Railway Bill.

Mr. Speaker reported, That the House, at the de- sire of the Lords, Authorized by 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 Public and Private Bills therein mentioned, that the Lords, thereof, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Bills: Which Bills are as follow : An Act for granting to Her Majesty, until the Sums of fifteen thousand pounds to be charged on the Public Revenue, and not exceeding Forty-five, certain Duties on Sugar imported into the United Kingdom, for the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four.

An Act to repeal the Duty of Excise on Vinegar, and to make the Duties and Drawbacks now payable on Flint Glass the same as on Bottle Glass.

An Act for authorizing Her Majesty to carry into effect Trade immediate execution, by Orders in Council, any Treaties Bill, Treaties for the Suppression of the Slave Trade : An Act to amend the Laws now in force for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the marking of Gold Wares Bill, and Silver Wares in England : An Act for abolishing the Offences of Forestalling, Forestalling, Regrafting and Engrossing, and for repealing certain Act, Bill, Statutes passed in restraint of Trade : An Act to extend an Act of the ninth year of King George the Fourth, for the more effectual Prevention Bill, Prevention of Persons going armed by Night for the Destruction of Game : An Act to continue for Five years an Act of the Assaults second and third years of Her present Majesty, (Ireland) Bill, "for the better Prevention and Punishment of As- saults in Ireland, intituled, "An Act for ex- tending to Ireland the Provisions, not already in force there, of an Act of the third and fourth years of the reign of the late King William the Fourth, intituled, 'An Act for the Limitation of Actions and Suits relating to Real Property, and for simplifying the Remedies for trying the Rights thereto, and to explain and amend the said Act : An Act for making a Railway from Leeds to Bradford, with a Branch to the North Midland Railway: An Act for making a Railway from the Manchester, Bolton and York Railway, in the Parish of Eccles, to the Parish of Whalley, all in the County Palatine of Lancaster, to be called, " The Manchester, Bolton, and York Railway Bill : An Act for enabling the York and North Midland Railway Company to make a Railway from York to Scarborough, with a Branch to Pickering : An Act for enabling the Eastern Counties Railway Eastern Counties Railway Company to make a Railway from the Northern and Eastern Railway at Newport, by Cambridge, to Peterborough, and from thence Eastward to Brandon, and Extension Bill : Westward to Peterborough : An Act to make a Branch Railway from the Lon- 

Salisbury Branch Railway Bill.

An Act for making a Railway from the Town and Whitehaven Port of Whitehaven to the Town and Port of Maryport, in the County of Cumberland : An Act for making a Railway from Chester to Holyhead : An Act for making a Railway from the City of Edinburgh to the Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, with a Branch to the Town of Haddington : An Act to authorize an Extension of the Edinburgh and Glasgow Railway, and to amend and enlarge the Provisions of Acts relating to such Railway : An Act for making a Railway from the Shoreham Brighton and Branch of the London and Brighton Railway to Chichester Chichester Railway Bill:

An Act for making a Railway from Ester to Ply-mouth, to be called 5 The South Devon Railway Bill : An Act to enable the South Eastern Railway Company to complete and maintain a Branch Railway way.
way and Approach to the Harbour of Folkestone, and to construct other Works in connection with the said Harbour, and also to effect certain Alterations and Extensions of the Works of the Maidstone Branch of the said South Eastern Railway, and to amend the Acts relating to the said Company:

An Act for making a Railway to connect the Edinburgh and Glasgow and Slummanan Railways:

An Act for making a Junction Railway from the Eastern Counties Railway at Stratford, in the County of Essex, to the River Thames, with a Branch Railway therefrom, and for constructing a Pier in the River Thames:

An Act to amend an Act for altering and amending several Acts for the Improvement of the Harbour of Swansea, in the County of Glamorgan:

An Act to amend the several Acts relating to the Preston and Wyre Railway, Harbour and Dock Company:

An Act for better supplying with Water the Parishes of Saint Mark, the Holy Trinity and Saint John the Baptist, in the City of Coventry and County of Warwick:

An Act for unifying the Sheffield Gas Light Companies:

An Act for the warehousing of Foreign Goods for Home Consumption at the Borough of Manchester, in the County of Lancaster:

An Act for the good Government and Police Regulation of the Borough of Archibald Marquess of Ailsa:

An Act to alter and amend an Act of the fifty-third year of King George the Third, for the Appointment of a Stipendiary Magistrate to act within the Towns of Manchester and Salford:

An Act to enable the President, Treasurers, Deputy Treasurers, Benefactors and Subscribers of and to the Manchester Royal Infirmary, Dispensary and Lunatic Hospital or Asylum, to enlarge the said Infirmary, and to purchase and hold Land for the Erection of a New Lunatic Hospital or Asylum:

An Act for the Improvement of the Town of Manchester:

An Act for amending the Provisions of an Act for forming a Canal and other Works within and near Hythe, in the Parish of Fawley and Extra-parochial Places adjoining thereto, in the County of Hampshire:

An Act to prevent leakage of the Water of the said Town of Southampton, for making certain Dues called Petty Customs, and for making the River and Quays and Wharfs, and making Docks of the Town of Southampton, for making certain Dues called Petty Customs, Anchorages, and for improving the River:

An Act to provide for the safe Custody of Goods and Merchandise, and for imposing certain Duties for Warehouses for the same, and for erecting the above Purposes', and the other intituled, "An Act for regulating the Quays and Wharfs, and making Docks and Piers in the Harbour there; and for erecting the above Purposes', and the other intituled, "An Act for regulating the Quays and Wharfs, and making Docks and Piers in the Harbour there; and for erecting the above Purposes', and the other intituled, "An Act for amending an Act passed respectively in the Forty-third and Fifty-fifth years of the reign of his Majesty King George the Third, the one intituled, 'An Act for abolishing certain Duties laid on Foreign Cargo, and for rendering the Port of the Town of Southampton, for making a convenient Dock for the Security of Ships, for extending the Quays and Wharfs, and making Docks and Piers in the Harbour there; and for erecting the above Purposes', and the other intituled, 'An Act for altering and amending an Act made in the Forty-third year of his present Majesty's reign, for improving the Port of the Town of Southampton' or their harbour-master shall from time to time the

Legal Proceedings by or against the Cwm Celyn and Blaisa Iron Company, and for granting certain Powers thereto:

An Act to facilitate the Settlement of the Affairs British Iron Company Bill.

An Act for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against the European Life Insurance and Annuity Company and for granting certain Powers thereto:

An Act for making and maintaining a Turnpike- road from Sidmouth and Colyton to Collumpton, and also to or near to Hole Mill, in the Parish of Branscombe, in the County of Devon:

An Act for enabling George Edwards and Walter Edward's Colnehill, the Committees of the Estate of William Beckett Neadwell, a Person of unsound mind, to make Conveyances for carrying into execution an Agreement for the Partition or Division of the Real Estates of William Orme, deceased, pursuant to an Order of the High Court of Chancery:

An Act to authorize the Sale of the Fee Simpse Bly's of the Estates of Francis Hale Rhyg, of Mistley, in the County of Essex, Esquire, deceased, as devised by his Will, and for laying out the Monies to such Sale:

An Act for authorizing a New Entail to be made Campbell's of those Parts of the Lands and Estate of Blythe Wood, which lie in the County of Lancashire, and for enabling Archibald Marquess of Ailsa, Esquire, of Blythe Wood, the Heir in Possession of the said Estate, and his Successors, with consent of Trustees, to sell or grant Fees of certain Parts thereof, and for other Purposes therein expressed:

An Act to enable Archibald Marquess of Ailsa Marquess of Ailsa's Estate Bill to borrow a certain Sum of Money upon the Security of all the Entailed Estates of Cassillis and Culzean, for repayment to him of a Portion of the Monies laid out by him in the Improvement of these Estates:

An Act for altering and amending an Act passed in the third year of the reign of Her present Majesty, for inclosing certain Lands in the Town and County of the Town of Nottingham:

An Act for inclosing Lands in the Parishes of Bedfords and Lambourn, in the County of Radnor:

An Act for naturalizing Dionysius Ondfri Mirri asi.

The Willenhall Chapel Estate Bill was read the first time. Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Landing-place at or near Hythe, in the Parish of Fawley and Extra-parochial Places adjoining thereto, in the County of Southampton, and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 116. 1. 8. After "place" insert "but in such place or places only, and in such way, manner and form only as the Commissioners for the time being, acting under and by virtue of two Acts, passed respectively in the Forty-third and Fifty-fifth years of the reign of his Majesty King George the Third, the one intituled, 'An Act for abolishing certain Duties laid on Foreign Cargo, and for rendering the Port of the Town of Southampton, for making a convenient Dock for the Security of Ships, for extending the Quays and Wharfs, and making Docks and Piers in the Harbour there; and for erecting the above Purposes', and the other intituled, 'An Act for altering and amending an Act made in the Forty-third year of his present Majesty's reign, for improving the Port of the Town of Southampton' or their harbour-master shall from time to
A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Petition be printed—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Proceedings of the Committee on the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill be printed.

Mr. Stuart Wortley reported from the Committee on the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill; and to whom several Petitions against the said Bill were referred; That they had heard counsel in support of several of the said Petitions, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills; and that they had examined the allegations contained in the Petitions of the Bill, and had made verbal Amendments thereunto; and that the Preamble, as amended, was proved to their satisfaction; and that they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration Liverpool Docks Bill; and praying that the said Bill may be.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the Petition be printed—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That Mr. Compton do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill

A Petition of Owners and Proprietors of estates, situate in the Middle Level, part of the Great Level of the Fens called Bedford Level, and other Fens adjacent thereto, which estates are proposed to be taxed under the powers of the Middle Level Drainage Bill, was presented, and read; setting forth, That Edward Fellowes, Esquire, one of the Members for Huntingdonshire, voted in the Committee of the House on the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill on all questions arising therin before the said Committee, and especially after the instruction given to the said Committee by the vote of the House, on the twenty-seventh of June last, that the rule of this House relating to the vote upon any question in the House of a Member having interest in the matter upon which the vote is given, applies likewise to any vote of a Member so interested in a Committee; that the said Edward Fellowes is the owner of several thousand acres of land within the said Middle Level, and the vote of the said Edward Fellowes was challenged by counsel before the said Committee, both before and after the said instruction given to the said Committee; on the ground not only of his having property affected by the Bill, but also because he had a direct pecuniary interest in the passing of the said Bill, he having become interested as aforesaid, or which may be used and employed as aforesaid.

Ordered, That Mr. Compton do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

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

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Petitions from the County of Hereford;—Long Sutton;—and, Chairman of the Brigg Agricultural Protection Society, and others; praying that the Bank of England Charter Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the South Shields Union, in the county of Durham, praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, by confiding to Boards of Guardians the power of fixing the measure of remuneration to be given to Medical Officers of Unions, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

Petitions from the President of the Kent Law Society;—Bradford;—Bosford Union (Chairman and Clerk);—Westminster;—and, Brighton; praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Two Petitions from Saint Mary-le-bone; praying that every parish governed by a local Act may be exempted from the operation of the said Bill, and that the parish of Mary-le-bone may be so exempted,—were also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

County Courts Bill.

Petitions from Prestige;—Fowy;—and, Saint Columb, Padstow and Wadebridge; praying that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Railways Bill.

Petitions of the Doncie and Arbrough Railway Company;—Pontop and South Shields Railway Company;—Hull and Selby Railway Company; and, London and Birmingham Railway Company; praying that the Railways Bill may pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Lord's Day.

A Petition of Clergy, Churchwardens and Inhabitants of the parish of Saint Bride, and of Bride-wells, in the city of London, complaining of the exposure of articles for sale on the Lord's Day, whether in shops and markets, or otherwise; and praying the House to adopt measures for carrying out the existing laws upon that subject, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Marriages (Ireland.)

A Petition of the Minister, Ruling Elders and other Members of the congregation of Tavragheen, in connection with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, praying the House to pass a Bill to declare valid, to all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages heretofore solemnized, or hereafter to be solemnized, by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agreeably to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Tawshend Valuation (Ireland.)

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Tawshend Valuation (Ireland) have leave to sit this day till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Petitions from Thornhill;—Gorbals (Chairman);—Dissenters'—Edinburgh (three Petitions);—Glasgow (Chair-Chapels Bill, man);—and, Kiarcurine; praying that the Dissenters' Chapels Bill may not pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Convener of a Meeting in the parish of Renfrew, praying that the Penitentiary at Perth may be maintained in the same manner as the General Penitentiary of Milbank, and others, in England, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Convener of a Meeting in the parish of Renfrew, praying that the Prisons (Scotland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Petitions from Coleraine Union (Chairman);—Poor Relief and, Strandtown Union (Chairman); praying the House to relieve the Rate-payers of those unions from any further repayment of the loan granted them for the building of their workhouses,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants of Holyhead and Portmadoc Harbours, and its neighbourhood, praying that the House will not sanction the expenditure of any of the public money on the Harbour of Holyhead, without appointing, either in the present or the ensuing Session of Parliament, a Select Committee of the House to inquire into the relative merits of the ports of Holyhead and Portmadoc as Packet stations, Railway termini and Harbours of refuge, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, copies of all Correspondence which has passed between the Poor Law Commissioners and the Guardians of the Brassington Incorporation, together with Copies of all Orders which have been issued to the said Guardians by the said Poor Law Commissioners, from the passing of the New Poor Law Act to the present time.

Ordered, That the Copy of the Act passed in the Gaspe Fishery Canadian Parliament for incorporating the Gaspe and Coal Mining Company Act, Fishery and Coal Mining Company, which was presented upon the 12th day of June last, be referred to the Committee on the Gaspe Fishery and Coal Mining Company Bill.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Revenue Copy of Special Report made by the Commissioners of Revenue Inquiry, dated the 22d day of May 1843, on the case of Mr. Rolls.

Sir George Clerk presented, pursuant to Orders, Wine,—An Account 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 retained for Home Consumption, after deducting the Amount exported subsequently to the payment of Duty, for the year ended the 5th day of January 1844, distinguishing Cognac, French, Portogal, Spanish, Madeira, Rhine, Canary, Foyal, Siciian and other Sorts; together with the Quantities of each Sort remaining in bond on the 5th day of January 1844, distinguishing London from the Country.
Spirits. An Account of the Number of Proof Gallons of Rum, distinguishing West India, East India and Foreign, also of Genoa 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 to the Navy, for the year ended 5th day of January 1844; together with the Quantities of each Sort remaining in bond on the 5th day of January 1844, distinguishing London from the Country.

A Return of the Quantity of Home-made Sugar from Potatoes or other things upon which an Excise Duty has been paid in 1841, 1842 and 1843 respectively, together with the Amount of Duty paid thereon, and in what manner that Duty was ascertained.

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

Bank of England Charter Bill. The ingrossed Bill to regulate the issue of Bank Notes, and for giving to the Governor and Company of the Bank of England certain Privileges for a limited period, was, according to Order, read the third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered to be added to the Bill, by way of Rider (That any sum, not exceeding the sum of £25 at any one time, shall be reputed in law or allowed to be a legal tender within Great Britain or Ireland, according to its value by weight, after the rate of five shillings and two pence for each ounce of Silver): 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.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill. Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in Pr. 11. 1. 31., by inserting after the word "That," the word "and." And with a view to prevent loss to the working classes, that from the end of the Bill, in Pr. 11. 1. 31., by inserting after the words "that," to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "the Act 4 and 5 Will. 4, c. 75, commonly called "the New Poor Law, is unconstitutional in principle and oppressive in operation; that it is therefore expedient that the said Act should be taken into consideration, with a view, not to its partial amendment, but to its entire reconstruction," 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 Friday morning;

V. 24. 2. 19. and a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned; The House divided:

The Yeas to the new Lobby;

The Nos to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Ferrand, 
Mr. Cockrane : 18.

Mr. Youngов]

Tellers for the Nos, [Mr. Henry Baring: 219.
Mr. Ferrand: 19.

So it passed in the Negative.

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 old Lobby;

The Nos to the new Lobby.

Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Young; 
Mr. Baring: 199.
Mr. Ferrand: 19.

Tellers for the Nos, [Mr. Borthwick, 
Mr. Ferrand: ] 19.

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.)

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Sir George Clerk 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 Metropolitan Buildings Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Damage by Fire Bill; and the Question being proposed, That the House would, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Reading of the Duchy of Cornwall Bill; and the Question being proposed, That the House would, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Reading of the Duchy of Cornwall Bill; and the Question being proposed, That the House would be read a second time upon Thursday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Reading of the Duchy of Cornwall Bill;
The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyholds Enfranchisement 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 Protection of Purchasers, &c., (Ireland) Bill; 
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Militia Ballots Suspension Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Vagrants Removal Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Stock in Trade Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

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.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Unlawful Oaths (Ireland) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The ingrossed Bill to amend the Law with respect to Prisons and Prison Discipline in Scotland, was, according to Order, read the third time. 
Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to amend and continue until the First day of September One thousand eight hundred and Sixty-one, and to the end of the then next Session of Parliament, the Law with respect to Prisons and Prison Discipline in Scotland. 
Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Actions for Gaming Discontinuance (No. 2.) Bill; 
And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Debate be now adjourned; 
The House divided: 
The Yeas to the new Lobby; 
The Noes to the old Lobby. 
Tellers for the [Mr. Christie, Yeas, Mr. Thomas Duncombe :] 10. 
Tellers for the [Mr. Young, Noes, Lord Arthur Lennox :] 61. 
So it passed in the Negative. 
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time:—The Bill was accordingly read a second time; 
Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Ordered, That the Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Companies Remedies at Law and in Equity Bill; 
Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Chaplain to Hospitals and Chaplains to Hospitals, &c., (Ireland) Bill; 
Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Alien Bills into a Committee upon the Aliens Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Mannes Sutton reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto. 
Ordered, That the Report be now received. 
Mr. Mannes Sutton reported the Bill accordingly; and the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration upon Monday next; and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.

Mr. Mannes Sutton reported the Customs Duties Custom Duties (Isle of Man) Bill; and the Amendments were read, (Isle of Man) Bill; and agreed to; and an Amendment was made to the Bill. 
Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Gentle- Municipal men who are appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill to enable Barristers appointed under the Act 5 and 6 Will. 4. to arbitrate between Counties and Municipal Corporations, to submit a Special Case to the Superior Courts. That they have Power to amend an Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, for amending the Law concerning Prisons.

The Earl of Lincoln reported from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the present state of the Building of the New Houses of Parliament. 
Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate and reduce the Expenses of the Office of Stolzman, which was presented upon the 24th day of June last; and others, which was presented upon the 14th day of June last, complaining of their letters being detained and opened at the Post-office, be referred to the Committee of Secrecy on the Post-office.

Ordred, That the Petition of Joseph Mazzini, Post-office, and others, which was presented upon the 14th day of June last; and also, the Petition of Charles Stoizman, which was presented upon the 24th day of June last, complaining of their letters being detained and opened at the Post-office, be referred to the Committee of Secrecy on the Post-office.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate and reduce the Expenses of the Office of Stolzman, which was presented upon the 24th day of June last, complaining of their letters being detained and opened at the Post-office, be referred to the Committee of Secrecy on the Post-office.

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Ten Shillings per centum per annum, payable for the quarter of the year ending the Tenth day of October One thousand eight hundred and forty-four; and that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring in it.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented a Bill to enable Barristers appointed under the Act 5 and 6 Will. 4, to arbitrate between Counties and Municipal Corporations, to submit a special Case to the Superior Courts of Law in the Fifth and Sixth years of Her present Majesty, for amending the Law concerning Prisons: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill to continue Compositions for Assessed Taxes, and to amend certain Laws relating to Duties under the management of the Commissioners of Stamps and Taxes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill to exempt from the payment of Property Tax the Dividends on certain Annuities of Three Pounds Ten Shillings per centum per annum, payable for the quarter of the year ending the Tenth day of October One thousand eight hundred and forty-four; And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill to regulate Joint Stock Banks in England: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill to regulate and reduce the Expenses of the Offices attached to the Superior Courts of Law in Ireland, payable out of the Consolidated Fund: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

The Order for reading a second time this day, the Sudbury Disfranchisement Bill, was read, and discharged.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts of the Number of Depositors in Savings Banks, and of Charitable Institutions and Friendly Societies, and of the Sums deposited in Savings Banks, divided into classes, on the 20th day of November 1843:—Of the Amount of Money received from the Trustees of Savings Banks (including Friendly Societies) by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, from the 6th day of August 1817 to the 20th day of November 1844, inclusive; of the Amount of Money, Principal and Interest, due by the Commissioners to the Trustees on the 20th day of November 1843; and of the Value of the Government Securities standing in the Names of the Commissioners on the 20th day of November 1843, at the Prices of that day (stating such Prices), to answer the Amount due to the Trustees, for Principal and Interest, on that day:—And, showing the difference between the Amount paid by the Public for Interest and Charges on the Sums due to the Trustees of Savings Banks and Friendly Societies, and the Amount received from Dividends on Stock or other Public Securities in which the said Sums have been invested by the Commissioners, for the Reduction of the National Debt, from the 6th day of August 1817 to the 20th day of November 1843:—Returns of all the Savings Banks in the United Kingdom, having an Amount standing to the credit of the Trustees in a separate Surplus Fund Account, with the National Debt Commissioners, on the 20th day of November 1843 (in pursuance of Section 23 of the Act 9 Geo. 4, c. 92); specifying the Amount carried in this Account from the General Account of each Savings Bank, and the Amount drawn from this Account by the Trustees of each Savings Bank, and the Amount standing to the credit of each Savings Bank on the said Account, on the 20th day of November 1843:—Of the Name of each Savings Bank or Parochial Society in the United Kingdom which had availed itself of the Power given by the Act 3 Will. 4, c. 14, to grant Annuities not exceeding 20l. each, to the Indigent Classes, up to the 5th day of April 1844; showing, in separate columns, the Number and Amount of each Description of Annuity granted by these Banks or Societies which have fallen in; 4th. The Number and Amount of each Description of Annuity payable by the Trustees of each Bank or Society on the 5th day of April 1844; 4th. The Amount of Money returned by the National Debt Commissioners to the Trustees of each Bank or Society on account of Persons who had contracted for Deferred Annuities having died, or become unable to continue the Payments, previously to the commencement of such Annuities; 6th. And the manner in which the Money paid for the Purchase of the said Annuities was invested or disposed of:—And, showing, in detail, the Changes which have been made in the Bank Annuities and Exchequer Bills held by the National Debt Commissioners on account of the Trustees of Savings Banks in England, in each year since the passing of the Act 9 Geo. 4, c. 92, under the authority given by the Sections 50 to 57 of that Act, and by Section 25 of Act 3 Will. 4, c. 14, showing, in separate columns, the Date, Description and Amount of each such Changes, and the Rates at which the same were effected, from the date of the passing of the Act 9 Geo. 4, c. 92, up to the 20th day of May 1844 inclusive:—An Account of all the Additions made to the National Debt by Exchequer Bills funded by the Amount of the Fund for the Banks for Savings in England, pursuant to 9 Geo. 4, c. 92, s. 50, showing the different kinds of Stock created, the Rate per cent. at which created, and the Average Rate at which the same were created, up to the 20th day of May 1844, inclusive:—And, a Return of the highest and lowest Prices of Consolidated 3 per cent. Annuities in each year, from the 5th day of April 1834 to the 5th day of April 1844.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented the said Papers.

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

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after two of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.
concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Poor Relief

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Poor Relief (Gilbert's Act) have leave to sit this day till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

State of Ireland.

A Petition of Edward O'Farrell, of Hanover-street, East, in the city of Dublin, Householder, praying the House to institute an inquiry into the facts stated in his Petition connected with the State of Ireland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Railways Bill.

Petitions from the Loudon and South Western Railway Company; and, Bursley; praying that the Railways Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Public Petitions

Mr. Thornely reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 1st and 24th days of the 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.

Ordered, That the said Amendments be referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Bill, and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Paisley General Gas Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Wishaw and Coltness Railway Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Market Harborough and Coventry Road Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

A Petition of Ministers, Ruling Elders and other members of a Congregation in connection with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, praying the House to declare, to all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages heretofore solemnized or hereafter to be solemnized by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agreeably to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Two Petitions from Glasgow, stating that there is a large class of persons in the principal towns of the United Kingdom who make a trade of and live by promoting Promiscuous Intercourse between the sexes; complaining that no adequate punishment is provided for this crime; and praying the House to render trading in vice in the manner referred to a highly penal offence, and that magistrates and officers of police be invested with such summary powers of proceeding in cases of suspected delinquency, as to enable them not only to detect guilt, but to bring it to certain punishment, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Merchants, Tradesmen and other Inhabitants of the burgh of Airdrie, praying the Wages. The House to order a copy of the correspondence that has taken place between the Poor Law Commissioners and the Petitioner, relative to his scheme for the payment of wages in particular into early consideration, and pass such laws as shall compel the payment of all workmen engaged in the coal and iron works, at least once every week, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That Mr. Roebuck and Mr. George Wil- loughby Fishery liam Hope be added to the Committee on the General and Coal Mining Company Bill.

A Petition of Cadogan Williams, praying the Amnesties. The House to order a copy of the correspondence that has taken place between the Poor Law Commissioners and the Petitioner, relative to his scheme for the payment of wages in particular into early consideration, and pass such laws as shall compel the payment of all workmen engaged in the coal and iron works, at least once every week, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of George Robert Wythen Baxter, of the Brown, near Newcure, Montgomeryshire, Esquire; and, Guardians of the Tedburn Union, in the West Riding of the county of York and the county of Lancaster; praying for the repeal of the Poor Law Amendment Act, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of John Biscoe, of the parish of Tielhurst, in the county of Berkshire, praying for alteration of the said Act, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Operative Wood-sawyers of Paisley and vicinity, praying the House to impose a tax upon steam-sawing or upon Wood sawn by steam, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Wood.

Ordered, That the Committee of Secresty on the Pat- office, Post-office, have leave to sit during the sitting, and notwithstanding any adjournment of the House.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a military Copy of the Rules made by the Secretary at War, and sanctioned by Her Majesty, for the Management of Military Savings Banks established under the authority of the Act 5 and 6 Vinc. c. 71 (20th July 1842); And, an Account of the Number of Military Savings Banks established under the authority of the above Act, stating the Regiments in which established, up to the 1st day of May 1844; also,
also, an Account of the Amount of all Sums deposited in each Bank, up to the 31st day of March 1844, and of the Amount of all Sums withdrawn, and of the Interest allowed upon such Deposits up to that period; and also, of the Number of Depositors upon said day, and the Amount of the Deposits made during each of the six years which have elapsed since 1837, when the Law was mitigated, with the Total Numbers:—Also, the Number of Persons committed, convicted and executed for Arson and other Wilful Burning in England and Wales during each of the six years which have elapsed since 1837, when the Law was mitigated, with the Total Numbers:—Likewise, the Centesimal Proportions of Convictions to Commitments during each period of six years, preceding and following the mitigation of the Law.

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.—A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Dowdeswell and Mr. Forster:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the Line of the Garnkirk and Glasgow Railway; to enable the Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to alter and amend the Acts relating to the said Railway, with an Amendment; to which Amendment the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the Line of the Garnkirk and Glasgow Railway, and to make two Branch Railways therefrom, with Amendments to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for amending an Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled, “An Act for the better Administration of Justice in his Majesty’s Privy Council,” and to extend its Jurisdiction and Powers, to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for enlarging the Powers contained in the Will of Sir John Ramsden, Baronet, deceased, to grant Leases of the Hereditaments in the Townships of Huddersfield, Holroyd, Dalton and Almondbury, devised by such Will, and for other Purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

Ramsden’s Estate Bill. Ramsden’s Estate Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Companies Remedies at Law and in Equity Bill:

Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.
ask leave to sit again:—Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Original Question put:
The Committee divided:
Tellers for the [Mr. Young, Mr. Henry Baring: ] 84.
Tellers for the [Mr. Beckett Denison, Mr. Liddell: ] 40.

Another Amendment made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, No. 5, (Money under the order to be paid to the mother, or to a person appointed by the Justices; order to cease on the child attaining the age of thirteen years, &c.)

Amendment proposed, in P. 4, l. 30. To leave out "thirteen" in order to insert "fifteen," instead thereof.

Question, That "thirteen" stand part of the Clause,—put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clause, No. 6, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, No. 7 to No. 10, agreed to.

Clause, No. 11, (That the Poor Law Commissioners may define the trades to which children may be apprenticed, and may prescribe the duties of their masters).

Amendments made.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill;
The Committee divided:
Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Young, Mr. Henry Baring: ] 151.
Tellers for the Noes, [Col. Sibthorp, Mr. Wyll Ellis: ] 22.

Clause, No. 12, agreed to.

Clause, No. 13, (Repeal of 4 and 5 Will. 4, c. 76, s. 40, so far as relates to the number of votes of owners and rate-payers; and that owners and rate-payers shall vote according to a new scale).

Amendment proposed, in P. 7, l. 33. To leave out from "shall" to the end of the Clause, in order to add "each have one vote," instead thereof.

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;
The Committee divided:
Tellers for the Yeas, [Mr. Young, Mr. Henry Baring: ] 142.
Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Charles Napier, Mr. Thomas Duncombe: ] 17.

Clause agreed to.

Clause, No. 14, (Votes of Owners and Proxies; no person to be allowed to vote for more than four owners of property in any one parish, except he be a steward, bailiff or land agent, or collector of rents for the owners of property for whom he may be appointed to vote).

Amendment proposed, in P. 8, l. 13, l. 14, and l. 15. To leave out except he be a steward, bailiff or land agent, or collector of rents for the owners of property for whom he may be appointed to vote.

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;
The Committee divided:
Tellers for the Noes, [Mr. Wynn Ellis, Mr. Hindley: ] 18.

Clause agreed to.

Clause, No. 15, agreed to.

Clause, No. 16, (The Commissioners may alter the number of Guardians to be elected for any parish, without such consent as is required by the said first-mentioned Act).

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill;

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The Committee divided:
Tellers for the [Lord Arthur Lennox, Mr. Young: ] 111.
Tellers for the [Mr. Sharman Crawford, Mr. Arkwright: ] 45.

Clauses, No. 17 to No. 19, 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, o die Julii, 1844:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Richard Hodgson reported, That the Committee had made further 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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-Copaholds Enfranchisement Bill:

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the militia Ballots Sus-Suspension Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Pringle reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Vagrants' Removal Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Pringle reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Vagrants' Removal Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Pringle reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Vagrants' Removal Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Pringle reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Turnpike Acts Contin-Continuance Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Pringle reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Turnpike Acts Contin-Continuance Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Pringle reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill Merchant to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to Mer-Merchant Bills, and for keeping a Register of Seamen; and that Mr. Sidney Herbert, Mr. Gladstone and Sir Charles Napier do prepare, and bring it in.

3 v A Motion
Mr. Cooper presented a Bill to amend and render more effectual an Act of the Twenty-sixth year of George the Third, for regulating Places kept for slaughtering Horses: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant July; and to be printed.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to an Order, a Petition from Standerwick; East Cranmore; Corn Laws; Great Elm and Buckland; Berkley and Redden; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Charitable Donations and Bequests (Ireland), which was presented upon the 28th day of June last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the River Shannon, which was presented upon the 7th day of June last, be printed.

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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.

Lunae, 8° die Juli ;

Anno 8° Victoriam Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Commissioners, was called in; and at the bar Children, presented,—Return to an Order, dated the 12th day of March last, for Returns of all Children who have been removed from Union-houses into the Army and into the various Classes of existing Institutions: stating how the vacancies have arisen, whether by death, resignation or promotion, and the Value of the Living; also, the Name and Age of the Individuals promoted to each Vacancy; length of time they had been in Orders at the time of each Promotion; whether they held any previous incumbency, and for how long, and the Value thereof; and also the Name and Age of the Individual at the period of each induction, together with his Relationship or Family connection with the Diocesan; stating also the Names of the different Curates in the different Dioceses, and the length of time they had been in Orders:—And, of the Number of New Churches built in Dioceses, and Amount of Subscriptions thereto by Diocesan:—It passed in the Negative.

An Order, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend and render more effectual an Act of the twenty-sixth year of George the Third, for regulating Places kept for slaughtering Horses: And that Mr. Cooper and Viscount Sandon do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to Merchant Seamen, and for keeping a Register of Seamen: And to prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Sidney Herbert presented a Bill to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to Merchant Seamen, and for keeping a Register of Seamen: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Pringle presented a Bill to regulate the Elections of Members to serve in Parliament: And that Mr. Pringle do prepare, and bring it in.

Lord Granville Somerset presented a Bill to amend the Law for the Trial of Controverted Elections of Members to serve in Parliament: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Thursday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the Duties and Emoluments of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, have Power to report their Observations thereupon 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.

Ordered, That the said Return do lie upon the Table.
Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the London and Croydon Rail- way (No. 2.) Bill; That they had inquired into the several matters required by the Standing Orders on Railway Bills, so far as the same relate to the present application; and that the Committee 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 Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

Irvine's Estate Bill.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on Irvine's Estate Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made a verbal Amendment thereunto; and the same was read, as followeth:

Pr. 16. l. 32. Leave out " or other persons."

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

Stone's Estate Bill.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on Stone's Estate Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Necton Tribes Bill.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on Necton Tribes Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill.

A Petition of Merchants, Ship-owners and Inhabitants of King's Lynn, in the county of Norfolk, praying that the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Middle Level Drainage and Navigation Bill.

An Amendment being made, and the Question being proposed, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill be read as now reading a second time:

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the words " That the" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words " Bill be 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 old Lobby;

The Noses to the new Lobby.

Tellers for the [Mr. Pusey,

Yea, [Mr. Hayter:

Noses, [Viscount Jocelin: ]

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So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill be now read a second time;

The said Amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Sir John Yardie Buller reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of the Tralee Navigation and Harbour Bill; the Standing Orders relative to Bills of the Third Class had not been complied with, inasmuch as no Notices whatever had been given.

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

Sir John Yardie Buller reported from the Select Ramsden's Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of Ramsden's Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir John Yardie Buller reported from the Select Hinchen's Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of Hinchen's or Peach's Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Archer's Divorce Bill was read a second time; Archer's and committed to the Select Committee on Divorce Bills.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, that they do hear counsel and examine witnesses for the said Bill; and also that they do hear counsel and examine witnesses against the Bill, if the Parties concerned think fit to be heard by counsel or produce witnesses.

An ingrossed Bill for more effectually repairing Market Harborough Road from Market Harborough, in the county of Leicester, to the City of Coventry, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

An ingrossed Bill for the better supplying and illuminating with Gas, or other Illuminating Power, the Gas Bill. Town and Suburbs of Paisley, and certain neighbouring Towns or Villages, and Places adjacent; and for other Purposes relating thereto, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgess's Sudbury, in the borough of Sudbury, in Common Hall assembled, was presented, and read; setting forth, That a Bill is now pending in the House, intituled, " A Bill for the Disfranchisement of the Borough of Sudbury"; that the said Sudbury Disfranchisement Bill is founded on the Report of Commissioners appointed under an Act of sixth and seventh Victoria, chapter ninety-seven, intituled, " An Act for appointing Commissioners to inquire into the existence of Bribery in the Borough of Sudbury"; that in similar Bills for the disfranchisement of other boroughs of England and Wales, the electors sought to be deprived of their ancient and constitutional rights of franchise have been permitted by the House to appear, by counsel, against such Bills, in order to add the words " Bill be re-committed," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the House do appear, by counsel, against such Bills, the House divided.

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Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Committee to the Bill be now read a second time:

The said Amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.
A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Farrer and Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for authorizing the Newport Dock Company to Dock Bill, raise further Monies, and to make Sale of the Docks and Works, and for assigning certain Acts relating to the said Dock, without any Amendment: And also,
The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Taff Vale Railway, to authorize the alteration of certain Works thereby authorized, and the formation of additional Works, and to enlarge the Powers of the Company, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,
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The ingrossed Bill to amend an Act of the last Chaelable Session, to consolidate and amend the Laws for the Loan Societies Regulation of Charitable Loan Societies in Ireland, (Ireland) Bill, was, according to Order, read the third time.

An ingrossed Clause (Provisions of former Act to apply to the Irish Reproductive Loan Fund Insti- tion in certain cases) was brought up, and thrice read; and added to the Bill, by way of Rider. 
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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Assessed Taxes Commissions Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene 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 the House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

The House was moved, That the Act 2 & 3 Will. 4, Party Procession in Ireland, might be read; and the same being read,

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue the said Act for a time to be limited: And that Lord Eliot and Mr. Attorney General for Ireland do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Sydney Herbert presented, pursuant to Orders, Naval Force —An Account showing the Amount of Money issued (Ordered.) for the Payment of the Naval Force employed in Ireland; distinguishing the Expense for each year, from 1838 up to the present Estimate, inclusive.

A Return of the Total Expenditure on the Naval Force employed on the Naval Force coast of and Rivers of Ireland, from 1834 to the (Ireland.) present period; describing the Number and Class of each Vessel, and the Number of Seamen and Officers so employed for each year.

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

Sir James Graham reported to the House, That Answer to their Address of the 5th day of this instant July, Address, (that Her Majesty would be graciously pleased to give directions accordingly.) had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had commanded him to acquaint this House, that She will give directions accordingly.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to an Address, to Her Majesty.—A Statement of the Number of Persons committed, convicted and executed for Arson and other Wilful Burning in England and Wales, during each of the six years which have elapsed since 1837, when the Law was mitigated, with the Total Numbers:—Also, the Number of Persons committed, convicted and executed for Arson and other Wilful Burning in England and Wales, during each of the six years preceding the year 1807, when the Law was mitigated, with the Total Numbers:—Likewise, the Centesimal Proportions of Convictions to Commitments during each period of six years, preceding and following the mitigation of the Law.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to an Address, to Her Majesty.—A Statement of the Number of Persons employed for each year.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means;

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

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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Copyholds Enfranchisement Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Greene reported the Militia Ballots Suspension Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to. Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed; and read the third time this day.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

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Appeal in Criminal Cases Bill.

The Appeal in Criminal Cases Bill, was read, and ordered to be read a second time To-morrow.

The Order for reading a second time To-morrow, the Appeal in Criminal Cases Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday the 17th day of this instant July.

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, 9° die JULII;

ANNO 8° VICTORIÆ RERUM BENEFICENTIARUM REGNI ET REGIMINIS.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That all Committees have leave to sit this day, during the sitting of the House.

A Petition of the Minister, Ruling Elders and other Members of the Congregation of Lurgan, county Armagh, in connection with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, praying the House to declare valid, to all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages heretofore solemnized or hereafter to be solemnized by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, between parties not within the prohibited degrees of consanguinity or affinity, and who have the consent of parents or guardians, and provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agreeably to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Leominster; and, Peterborough; praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Sunderland Poor Law Union, in the county of Durham, praying that a clause may be inserted in the said Bill to increase their facilities by which parishes may be empowered to augment the number of their guardians according to the relative population of other parishes in the same union, and that the qualification of guardians may be reduced, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Colonial Postage Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Three-and-a-half per cent. Exemption Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Assessed Taxes Compositions Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The ingresed Bill to suspend the making of Lists and the Ballots and Enrolments for the Militia of the United Kingdom, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to suspend until the Thirty-first day of August One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five the making of Lists and Enrolments for the Militia of the United Kingdom.

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

The ingresed Bill to continue the Exemption of Stock in Trade Inhabitants of Parishes, Townships and Villages, from liability to be rated as such, in respect of Stock in Trade or other Property, to the Relief of the Poor, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to continue until the First day of October One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, and to the end of the then Session of Parliament, the Exemption of Inhabitants of Parishes, Townships and Villages from liability to be rated as such, in respect of Stock in Trade or other Property, to the Relief of the Poor.

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

The ingresed Bill to continue certain Turnpike Acts was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to continue until the First day of August One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, and to the end of the then Session of Parliament, certain Turnpike Acts.

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

Mr. Greene reported the Vagrants' Removal Bill; Vagrants' Removal Bill, and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

The Privy Council Bill was read the first time; Privy Council and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

No. 464.

The Lecturers and Parish Clerks Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

No. 465.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Reading of the Sudbury Disfranchisement Bill;

The House was moved, That the Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgess of the borough of Sudbury, in Common Hall assembled, praying that the said Bill may not pass into a law, and that they may be heard, by themselves, their council, agents 3 2 4 and
and witnesses, at the bar of the House, against the second reading or before the Committee upon the said Bill; and that they may have such relief as the premises as to the House seem meet, might be read; and the same being read
Ordered, That the Counsel be heard, by their counsel, at the bar, upon the second reading of the said Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.
Then the counsel was called in.—And the Bill was read a second time.
And Counsel was heard.—And then he was directed to withdraw.
Mr. Speaker opened the Bill.
Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

A Motion being made, That this House will, to-morrow, provide itself into a Committee, to consider of the payment out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, of Compensations for the loss of Salary or Emoluments of Officers attached to the Superior Courts of Common Law in Ireland, and also of Salaries, Incidental Expenses and Superannuations, in pursuance of any Act of the present Session:
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, to-morrow, resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to authorize the Sale of a certain Leasehold Estate, in the County of Kent, part of the settled Estate of the Earl of Guilford, was read the third time.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass.
Ordered, That General Lygon do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

An ingrossed Bill to alter, amend, enlarge and continue the Powers and Provisions of the Acts relating to the Wishaw and Coltness Railway, was read the third time.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass.
Ordered, That Mr. Lockhart 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 Report on the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed.

A Petition of Simon Foot, Esquire, of Dublin, praying that the said Bill may be re-committed, and that the Committee to whom the same may be referred may be instructed to take this Petition, and also the Petition of the Grand Canal Company against the said Bill, into their consideration, and to report further thereon to the House, or that the Petitioner may be heard, by himself, his counsel or agent, in support of the allegations contained in his Petition, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, that the same were read, as follows:—
1. Resolved, That in the case of the Monkland and Wishaw and Coltness Railway Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.
2. Resolved, That in the case of the Tralee Navigation and Harbour Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with; That the Parties be permitted to proceed with their Bill.

The second Resolution, being read a second time, was agreed to.
Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thorley reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions:—That they had examined (Thirty-seventh Report) the Petitions presented upon the 3d, 4th and 5th 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.

A Petition of the Chairman and Clerk to the Valuations Board of Guardians of the Londonerry Poor Law (Ireland) Union, stating that great inconvenience has arisen in that Union from the numerous valuations required to be made in order to collect the several local taxes; that the Petitioners are of opinion the whole of the local rates might be levied on one valuation made by competent persons, and revised annually; and praying the attention of the House to this subject, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
A Petition
A Petition of Inhabitants of the borough of Bridge-
water, praying the House to extend the Parliament-
ary Suffrage, and make provisions for securing a full,
fair and free representation of the people in Parliament, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Kingston-upon-Hull; — and, Brandling Junction Railway Company; praying that the Railways Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the borough of Rochdale, in the county of Lancashire, praying that the Smoke Prohibition Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Congregation of Protestant Dissenters of Hanover-square Chapel, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, praying the House to relieve the Jews from their Disabilities, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of William Palmer and James Smith, praying that the County Courts Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Stocking-makers, in Selkirk, complaining of grievances affecting their trade; and praying the House to cause inquiries to be made into the same; and that the Commission which has already been granted to the frame-work knitters of England may be extended to Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Church Session and Members of the Free East Church Congregation, Aberdeen, praying that the Dissenters' Chapels Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of George O'Malley Irvine, Esquire of the city of Dublin, Barrister-at-Law, Master of Arts in the University of Dublin, and late Deputy Assistant Barrister for the counties of Meath, Wicklow, and Wexford, complaining of being unable to defend himself in a prosecution for a misdemeanor at common law, in the absence of an autograph official document, dated 12th October 1834, and by reason of the attorney denying the existence of the Petitioner's letter of September 13th 1833, to the then Government; and praying that the House will be pleased to address Her Majesty to direct an investigation into the facts stated in his Petition, and the documents therein referred to, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce and Manufacturers of the city of Edinburgh, praying the House to effect such a change in Her Majesty's mails, both morning and evening, as will bring letters and newspapers to Scotland in general by the speediest route, of being able to meet the disadvantage of passengers arriving from London many hours before communication by letter, thus anticipating intelligence which should not only come equally to all, but which may also be productive of public injury, not only to those engaged in trade, but lay the foundation of schemes for the transmission of letters, by which the Post-office Revenue may be seriously affected, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Ab-
beekis Union, stating that the Petitioners, having heard that certain parties have petitioned the House for the purpose of obtaining an Act of Parliament, equalizing the charge upon the several electoral di-
visions in the Poor Law Unions of Ireland, without regard to the number of paupers sent into the work-
houses by each, most earnestly entreat that the exist-
ing law may not be altered in this respect, and beg to state to the House that such a change in the law would subvert the most valuable principle contained in the Poor Relief (Ireland) Act; and praying the House to maintain the sound principle of local liability embodied in the present law, and that no measure may pass which will tend to diminish the interest of the owners and occupiers of property in Ireland, in preventing the increase of pauperism, or to the keeping the workhouses to be filled to the extent of their capacity, or which would throw any unjust burden on the Petitioners, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of James Pike, of Groove-street, Hol-
loway, in the parish of Saint Mary's, Islington, in the county of Middlesex, praying the House to take into consideration the grievances which the third-class passengers will be liable to if a clause is not introduced in the Railways Bill to allow passen-
gers to travel in the same manner on the lines which are already finished; that the travellers by the third-class trains might have the privilege as trav-
ellers by the first-class train in the morning, and the last train at night; and that the House will take into its consideration the allowance of fourteen pounds in weight of luggage by the third-class passengers-by-trains; and also the grievances which the third-class passengers by railroad are subject to on the lines already completed, as those lines now in the Bill before the House, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, Post-office, to request that their Lordships will give leave to the Marquess of Londonderry, the Earl of Lonsdale and Lord Ponsonby to attend, in order to their being examined as witnesses, before the Committee of Secrecy appointed by this House to inquire into the state of the law in respect to the detaining and opening of Letters at the General Post-office, and into the mode under which the authority given for such detaining and opening has been exercised, and to report their Observations thereupon to the House:—And that Viscount Sandon do carry the said Message.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Savings Banks. Copy of a Letter addressed to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, by John Finlayson, Esquire, dated 17th June 1844, relative to Savings Banks.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Forrer and Message from the Lords.

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Eastern Union Light Company and the York Union Gas Light Gas (No. 2.) Company, and for more efficiently lighting with Gas the City of York, and the Suburbs and Vicinity thereof in the County of York: And also, that the House will take into consideration the grievances which the third-class passengers by railroad are subject to on the lines already completed, as those lines now in the Bill before the House, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from Colchester to Ipswich, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, 3 Q

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The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to declare the Law respecting the Publication of Banns of Matrimony, and the Celebration of Marriages, in Churches or Chapels to which Districts shall have been assigned under certain of the Church Building Acts; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, the Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Marriage of John Cheape, Esquire, a Lieutenant Colonel in the Military Service of the Honourable East India Company, with Amelia Frances Chicheley Cheape, his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other Purposes therein mentioned; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, the Lords request that this House will be pleased to give leave to Lord John Russell and Sir James Graham (Members of this House), to attend their Lordships, in order to their being examined before the Secret Committee appointed by their Lordships, to inquire into the Practice of detaining and opening Letters under the Provisions of the Act 1 Vic. c. 26, and more particularly into the Circumstances under which the Letters of Mr. Mazzini, a Foreigner, and of Captain Charles Stolzman, a Pole, residing in England, have been opened:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the last part of the said Message:—And Sir James Graham, being present in his place, declared that he was willing, with leave of the House, to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships. Resolved, That Sir James Graham have leave to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, if he think fit. Resolved, That this House will send an Answer to that part of the said Message which relates to Lord John Russell by Messengers of their own. And the Messengers were again called in; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith:—And then they again withdrew.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Statute Labour (Caithness), which was presented upon the 20th day of June last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Abstract of the Return relative to Pauper Children, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Copy of the First Report from the Select Committee of the House of Lords on the Coinage, respecting Gaining, which was communicated from the Lords yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to the Army and Ordnance, which were presented upon the 22nd day of April last, and yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Naval Force (Ireland), which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Arson, &c., which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Lunatic Asylums (Ireland), which were presented yesterday, be printed.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee, to consider of an Address to Her Majesty, praying that She will be graciously pleased to give leave to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, to dissolve the Marriage of John Cheape, Esquire, a Lieutenant Colonel in the Military Service of the Honourable East India Company, with Amelia Frances Chicheley Cheape, his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other Purposes therein mentioned; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, the Lords request that this House will be pleased to give leave to Lord John Russell and Sir James Graham (Members of this House), to attend their Lordships, in order to their being examined before the Secret Committee appointed by their Lordships, to inquire into the Practice of detaining and opening Letters under the Provisions of the Act 1 Vic. c. 26, and more particularly into the Circumstances under which the Letters of Mr. Mazzini, a Foreigner, and of Captain Charles Stolzman, a Pole, residing in England, have been opened:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

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Ordered, That the Return do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit Committees, this day, during the sitting of the House.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the County Court (County Palatine of Lancaster) Bill; Ordered, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

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and Forty-four was, according to Order, read the third time. 
Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The ingrossed Bill to continue Two Acts relating to the Removal of Poor Persons born in Scotland and Ireland, and chargeable to Parishes in England was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to continue until the First day of October One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, and to the end of the then Session of Parliament, Two Acts relating to the Removal of Poor Persons born in Scotland and Ireland, and chargeable to Parishes in England.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill. Registration and Regulation Bill. No. 473.

(In the Committee.)
Clause, No. 2, (Operation of Act as to Companies.)
Amendment again proposed, in P. 2. 1. 5. To leave out "or agency therein" in order to insert "in England," instead thereof.
Question, That the words "or agency therein" stand part of the Clause—put, and Negatived.

Question, That "in England" be inserted instead thereof—put, and agreed to.

Another Amendment proposed, in P. 2. 1. 7. After "Banking Companies" to insert "Railway Companies": Question proposed : That those words be there inserted—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Other Amendments made.
Clause, as amended, agreed to.
Clauses, No. 3 to No. 98, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.
Schedules agreed to.
Preamble read, and agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.
Ordered, That the Report be received upon Thursday the 18th day of this instant July.

Mr. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Poor Law Commissioners, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order,—Copies of all Correspondence which has passed between the Poor Law Commissioners and the Guardians of the Drainage of certain Lands, which have been issued to the said Guardians by the Board of Poor Law Commissioners, from the passing of the New Poor Law Act to the present time:—And then he withdrew.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Corn- Sudbury Disfranchisement Bill;
Resolved, That this House will, after the other Orders of the day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House was moved, That the Report in respect of the Amendments proposed upon the consideration of the Report on the Monkland Railways (No. 2.) Bill, which was yesterday made from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, might be read; and the same being read:
Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed, so far as regards the said Amendments.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Irvine's selling the entailed Estate of Schews, in the County of Aberdeen, belonging to Alexander Forbes Irvine, Esquire, and for investing the Price thereof in the Purchase of other Lands to be entailed in lieu of the said Estate, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendment, do pass.

Ordered, That Captain Gordon do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which Amendment this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

A Motion being made, That the ingrossed Bill to amend and enlarge the Powers of an Act passed in the fifth year of the reign of King George the Third, for improving the Drainage of certain Lands within the north and south-west Parts of the Middle Level, part of the Great Level of the Fens commonly called "Bosworth Level," and of an Act passed in the twenty-seventh year of the reign of King George the Second, for improving and preserving the Navigation from Salter's Lode Sluice, in the County of Norfolk, to Sandground Sluice, in the County of Huntingdon, and other Navigations therein mentioned; and to make better Provision for the Drainage of the said Lands, and of other Lands in the said
Robert Earl of Stirling.

The same, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Brixham, in Torbay Torquay, &c., and its vicinity, stating that the tolls on the Tor- Ruis.

and other Roads are most unequally levied, being at one end of the line double those paid at the other end; that such unequal charge of toll is a grievous barthen on the Petitioners, inasmuch as it impedes the transport of the produce of their fishery into the interior, and generally is seriously detri-
mental to the trade and prosperity of their town; also that time, which is the principal manure of the neighbour-hood, is subject to the payment of a toll, and the Petitioners believe is exempt in many other turnpike-trusts; and praying that in any Bill intro-
duced into the House on the subject of turnpike-
trusts, the evils of which the Petitioners complain may be removed, was presented, and read; and or-
dered to lie upon the Table.

Cheaps's Divorce Bill.

Cheaps's Divorce Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to communicate to this House the Depositions transmitted from India relating to the said Bill: And that Mr. Higet do carry the said Message.

Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill.

A Petition of the Honourable Richard Hobart Fitzgibbon, of Eaton-square, praying that the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Willenhall Chapel Estate Bill.

A Petition of the Honourable Richard Hobart Fitzgibbon, of Eaton-square, praying that the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Grand Jury Presentments (Dublin) Bill.

A Petition of Saint Margaret's Church, Westminster, praying that the House would be pleased to grant him redress, consequent upon a litigation with the Crown sented, and read; and ordered to lie uppon the Table.

Saint Margaret's Church, Westminster. No. 474.

A Petition of Saint Margaret's, Westminster, for aid to wards repairing the Church, was referred, have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Sir Charles Burrell reported from the said Select Committee, that they had examined 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.

Earl of Stirling.

A Petition of Alexander Earl of Stirling, complaining of his Letters being opened by the Post-office authorities in Scotland; of proceedings against him, consequent upon a litigation with the Crown in establishing himself as heir to the first Earl of Stirling, and of being denied the enjoyment of his privileges as a Peer of the Realm; and praying that the House will be pleased to grant him redress, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Robert Crotcher.

A Petition of Robert Crotcher, stating that he enclosed four sovereigns in a letter which he posted at the Post-office in Newcastle-upon-Tyne on the 10th day of May 1840; that the said Letter never reached its destination, and that the Post-office authorities have not furnished any satisfactory pre-
text for holding possession of the Petitioner's Let-
ter and money; and praying that the House will assist him in soliciting Her Majesty's Government to order the Post-office authorities to deliver up

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Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill.

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A Petition of George Adams, Cabinet-maker, Thomas King-street, Cheltenham, in the county of Gloucester, praying the House to advise Her Majesty to order the release of Thomas Paterson, now confined in the general prison at Perth, or at least to remove him from his solitary confinement, and generally ame-
liorate his treatment therein, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas Magnus Castilin, of No. 89, Thomas Magnus- Ely-place, Holborn, in the county of Middlesex, Castilin.

A Petition of the There-undersigned Persons, as well Protestant as Roman Catholic, praying the House to take into consideration the laws on the subject of Charitable Gifts and Be-
quests. Gentlemen, stating that in consequence of an over-

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses Poor Relief of Cork:—and, Chairman of the Board of Guar-
dians of the Waterford Union; praying for altera-
tion of the Poor Relief (Ireland) Act, were pre-

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Lancaster, praying that the protection formerly given by law to the patrons of Roman Catholic Chapels be again secured to them, and that all causes relative to temporalities be settled exclusively in the Queen’s Courts, and that the House will be pleased to take into consideration whether the time has not arrived for a Concordat between the Queen’s Majesty and the Roman authorities on the subject of the appoint-
ment of Bishops and Vicars Apostolic in England, or at least whether measures should not be taken to exclude from the Roman Catholic Episcopacy all who have not taken the oaths appointed by law to be taken by Roman Catholics, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill.
Nail-makers.
A Petition of Nail-makers of Bromsgrove, and its vicinity, in the county of Worcester, complaining of distress and of the practice of the trade; and praying for the appointment of a Commission of Inquiry into the state of the Nail-makers of that district, and the truth of the allegations set forth in their Petition, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

South 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, Copies of all Letters and Accounts which have passed, since the 1st day of January 1843, between the Manager of the South Australian Company, on the one hand, and the Colonization Commissioners for South Australia, or the Colonial Office, on the other. Also, of all Memorials and Letters to Sir Robert Peel and the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and of the Replies to the same, on the subject of the Emigration Land Fund of South Australia; and, Extracts from the Despatches of Governor Grey on the expediency of renewing Emigration; and of the Emigration Land Fund of South Australia, and of the Replies to the same, on the other. Also, of all Memorials and Letters to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Navy.
Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Officers of the Royal Navy on the 1st day of January 1844 of each Rank, from Admiral to Lieutenant inclusive; and distinguishing the Number of each Rank employed at that date; and, of the Names of Officers in the Royal Navy, from the Rank of Admiral to that of Midshipman, both inclusive, promoted on or since the 5th day of March 1843, distinguishing those on Full Pay from those on Half Pay at the time of their Promotion; stating the Date of Entry of each Officer into the Navy, and the Dates of the several Commissions which they have successively attained, (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper No. 449, of Session 1843).

County Rates Bill.
The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the County Rates Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

Taff Vale Railway Bill.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Taff Vale Railway, to authorize the alteration of certain Works thereby authorized, and the formation of additional Works; to enlarge the Powers of the Company; and the said House agreed to.

Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday the 31st day of this month, (being Monday next,) resolve itself into a Committee upon the Copyholders' and Enfranchisement Bill.

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Marriages Bill. The Marriages Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

China. Sir Robert Peel presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Statement of the Foreign Trade with China, and an Account of the Inland or Transit Duties of the Chinese Empire.

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

Army Force (Ireland.) No. 470.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Army Force (Ireland), which was presented upon the 27th day of February last, be printed.

Ordinance Department (Ireland.) No. 470.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Ordinance Department (Ireland), which was presented upon the 29th day of March last, be printed.

Savings Banks. No. 476.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Savings Banks, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Field Gardens Bill. The Field Gardens Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday next.

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

Court of Arches Bill. The Order of the day being read, for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed upon the 13th day of March last, That the Court of Arches Bill 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 old Lobby;

The Noes to the new Lobby.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. E. Wingate;

Mr. Christie: 17.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Arthur Lenoxx: 30.

So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Juvenile Offenders Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Actions for Gaming Discontinuance (No. 2.) Bill; The House was moved, That the Petition of Charles Henry Russell, of Percy-street, Bedford-square, Clerk to James Thomas Russell, of the same place, Solicitor, praying that counsel may be heard at the bar of the House, on behalf of the Petitioner against the Actions for Gaming Discontinuance (No. 2.) Bill being passed into a law, which was presented upon Thursday last, might be read; and the same being a Motion was made, and the Question being put, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioner heard against the Bill, by his counsel, upon his Petition, if he think fit:—

The House divided:

The Yeas to the new Lobby;

The Noes to the old Lobby. Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Christie:

Mr. Thomas Duncombe: 5.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Arthur Lenoxx:


And the Numbers reported by the Tellers being Yeas 14, Noes 30, and objection being taken to the vote of Lord George Bentinck, Member for Lynn, on the ground that he is a defendant in some of the actions which are about to be suspended by the Bill: —A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the vote of Lord George Bentinck be disallowed:—Whereupon Lord George Bentinck declared, that it was not his intention to take advantage of the provisions of the Bill, and plead the same in bar of such actions:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That the vote of Mr. Gregory be disallowed:—Whereupon, Mr. Gregory stated, he has not been served with any process in any of the said actions:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Whereupon, Mr. Speaker declared the numbers on the Division, Yeas 14, Noes 30. So it passed in the Negative.

A Motion was 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, remove 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 old Lobby;

The Noes to the new Lobby. Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Young:

Mr. Arthur Lenoxx: 45.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Miller Gibson:

Mr. Christie: 9.

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. Greene reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drainage of Lands Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Chaplains to hospitals, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

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

The ingrossed Bill to amend the Law relating to Aliens Bill.

Aliens, was, according to Order, read the third time. An ingrossed Clause (All persons having been naturalized and residing in the United Kingdom, for five successive years, shall be entitled to all the privileges of British subjects as may be conferred on aliens), was brought up, and thrice read; and added to the Bill, by way of Rider.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee, to consider of providing for the Payment out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, of Compensations to Officers attached to the Superior Courts of Common Law in Ireland, and also of Salaries, Incidental Expenses of Arches Bill.
Resolved, That provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for the Payment of the Commissions for loss of Salaries or Emoluments, and of the Salaries, Incidental Expenses and Superannuations which may become payable in pursuance of any Act of the present Session for regulating the Expenses of the Officers attached to the Superior Courts of Law in Ireland.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Bill, that they have power to extend the right of voting for the future Election of Members to serve in Parliament for the Borough of Sudbury, to all persons residing within the hundred of Bobergh, within the county of Suffolk, and the hamlet of Ballingdon-cum-Brundon, in the county of Essex, having the qualification required as Electors for Cities and Boroughs, under the Act of 2 Will. 4, c. 48; and to make provision that the following persons, viz. Peter Alston, James Berry, Thomas Brown, William Barnard, William Cross, Joseph Cook, George Dawson, Thomas Erith, James Johnson, Charles King, Thomas Making, George Parsons, William Roffe, Richard Steed, William Tolleiday and Joseph Wheeler, being guilty of receiving bribes at the last Election; and Joseph Barker, Samuel Berry, Thomas Ginn, Thomas Goody, Golding Herbert, Samuel Hale, James Herbert, John Jones and William Warner, being concerned in the distribution of money among the voters before or during the Election, be hereby disqualified from voting at any Election for Members to serve in Parliament for the Borough of Sudbury;

The House divided:

The Yeas to the new Lobby:

 Tellers for the [Mr. Blackstone,]

 Mr. Cochran: 1.

 Tellers for the [Mr. Young,]

 Lord Arthur Lonsbro: 37.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

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.

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the Mooring Chains in the River Thames, of paying the Salaries of the several Harbour Masters, &c., and other Expenses of the Harbour Service, on ac-
count of the year ending the 26th of July 1843, pursuant to the Act 39 Geo. 3, c. 69, intituled, An Act for rendering more commodious and for better regulating the Port of London, and the Act 4 and 5 Will. 4, c. 92, for reducing the Tonnage Rates pay-
able in the Port of London.

A Statement of the Receipt and Application of the Surplus Rents and Profits of the Bridge House Estates (after deducting the existing Charges and Expenses of Management of the said Estates), pur-
suant to the directions of the Acts 4 Geo. 4, c. 50, 7 Geo. 4, c. 40, and 4 Will. 4, c. 118, from the 14th August 1842 to the 14th August 1843.

An Account of Monies received and paid by the Chamberlain of the City of London, in pursuance of an Act of Parliament, 54 Geo. 3, intituled, An Act for altering, amending and enlarging the Powers of Three Acts of his said Majesty, for improving the Navigation of the River Thames, westward of London Bridge, within the Liberties of the said City, and for further improving the said Navigation, for seven years ending 20th September 1843.

An Account of Monies received and paid by the Chamberlain of the City of London, for paving, maintaining, repairing, and cleansing the Vaults, Drains and Sewers within the said City and Liberties, pursuant to the several Acts of Parliament of 11 Geo. 5, c. 29, 18 Geo. 3, c. 66, and 33 Geo. 3, c. 75, for one year, ending the 29th of Septem-
ber 1843.

An Account of Monies received and paid by the Chamberlain of the City of London, in respect of the Charges of the Ward Clerks, Beadles, and other Expenses connected with the holding of Wardmotes and other Ward Meetings, and for local purposes connected therewith, within the several Wards of the City of London, pursuant to the Act 2 and 3 Vic. c. 94: and then he withdrew.

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

An ingrossed Bill for making and maintaining a Railway from the City of Dublin to the Town of Castletown, with a Branch to the Town of Carlow, was read the third time.

And an Amendment being proposed to be made to the Bill;

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

Ordered, That the farther Proceeding upon the third reading of the said Bill be adjourned till To-
morrow.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for car-
rying into effect a Contract between Edward Grey-stone and Thomas Fuljannes, Esquires, for the sale to the said Thomas Fuljannes of an Estate in the Parishes of Hasfield, Ashwellern and Coree, in the County of Gloucester, Part of the Estates devised by the Will of John Stonor, Esquire, deceased, and for investing the Purchase Money in other Estates to be settled to the same Uses, and for vesting certain other Detached Estates in the Counties of Gloucester and Worcester, devised by the said Will, in Trustees for Sale, and for investing the Monies arising therefrom in the Purchase of more convenient Estates, to be settled to the same Uses, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Wedeswell do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill in Railway Bill, tituled, An Act for making a Railway from Colches-
ter to Ipswich; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 149. 1. 8. Leave out from "authorized" to "Be" in l. 8., and insert "And whereas the said " last-mentioned Company have not hitherto formed any portion of the Railway so authorized to be made between Colchester and the said point of "intersection, but have expressed their intention of "completing the same in such manner and within "such period as will allow of the said being simul-
taneously opened, and thereafter used in connect-
ion with the Railway by this Act authorized, and "it is expedient to provide that, in the event of "their so doing, the line by this Act authorized "should not be made so far as such other line would "answer the purposes thereof."

Pr. 149. 1. 1. Leave out from "that" to "it" in l. 21, and insert "except in either of the events "hereinafter mentioned."

Pr. 149. 1. 22. Leave out "said."

Pr. 149. 1. 24. After "or" insert "to," and in the same line leave out from "works" to "be-
tween" in l. 25.

Pr. 149. 1. 28. After "line" insert "authorized."

Pr. 149. 1. 31. Leave out from "if" to "the" in l. 28, and after "the" insert "said last-
mentioned."

Pr. 149. 1. 34. Leave out from "Company" to "shall" in l. 36.

Pr. 149. 1. 37. Leave out "set" and insert "staked," and in the same line leave out from "out" to "the" in l. 38.

Pr. 149. 1. 39. Leave out "same" and insert "said Railway which they are so authorized to "make."

Pr. 150. 1. 8. Leave out the "the" and insert "such," and in the same line, after "Railway" insert "between the said point and the said town of "Colchester, or shall not proceed therewith.

Pr. 150. 1. 11. After "by" insert "the."

Pr. 150. 1. 12. Leave out from "incorporated" to the first "or" in l. 18., and insert "and which "and which the said justices are hereby authorized and directed to make," and in l. 18., leave out "such" and insert "the said Eastern Counties Railway," and also in l. 18., leave out from "Company" to "shall" in l. 19.

Pr. 150. 1. 21. After "a" insert "same" and of "the" in l. 23., and insert "of the" in l. 23.

Pr. 150. 1. 22. After "all" insert "other."

Pr. 150. 1. 23. After "therein" insert "continu-
ously."

Pr. 150. 1. 28. Leave out from "Act" to "then" in l. 1.

Pr. 151. 1. 10. After "to" insert "purchase the "lands for and to."

Pr. 151. 1. 12. Leave out from "from" to "of" in l. 13., and insert "the point," and in l. 13., leave out "set."

Pr. 151. 1. 14. After "Colchester" insert "and "the certificate of the engineer to be appointed as "aforesaid, to the effect that such lands have not "been purchased and staked out, or that such "works have not been commenced within the peri-
ods hereinbefore specified, or that such works "are not progressing as herein required, shall be "conclusive evidence of the facts therein stated, "and such certificate shall be deposited with the "Chairman of the Peace of the county of Essex, and "filed by him amongst the records of the court of "quarter sessions of the said county; and the said "certificate shall thereupon operate as a reviv- "al of the powers of this Act for the purpose last aforesaid; and it shall not be lawful for the said Eastern Counties


Poor Law.

Petitions of Out Pensioners of Chelsea Hospital, residing in the borough of Stockport, praying for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of the Chairman of the Guardians for the Relief of the Poor of the Montreal Union, in the county of Cork, praying for alteration of the Poor Relief (Ireland) Act, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

Petitions of the Chairman of the Guardians for the Relief of the Poor of the Westminster Union, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Captain Gladstone do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Guardians for the Relief of the Poor of the Westminster Union, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

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

French Claims.

A Petition of James Masterson, of Annagh-moy, in the county of Cavan, stating that at the French Revolution he was entitled, with others as his relatives, and seized of a small property in the French funds, amounting to 500 livres per annum; that he is informed that an ample indemnity was paid in the year 1814 for such losses; that he did not hear of this indemnity, and neglected to register his claim; and praying the House to cause justice to be done him, Vol. 90.

Westminster Bridge.

No. 477.

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the present state of Westminster Bridge, and into the expediency of continuing the present expenditure thereon, or of erecting a new Bridge on or near the site thereof; and also into the amount of the Bridge Estates and the Liabilities thereon; have power to report their Observations thereupon to the House; together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Sir Robert Henry Inglis reported from the said Select 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.

Tollpike Trusts (South Wales) Bill.

A Petition of the Trustees for repairing and improving several roads in the county of Brecon, praying that the county of Brecon may be excluded from the operation of the Turnpike Trusts (South Wales) Bill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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

Parliament.

A Petition of James Masterson, of Annagh-moy, in the county of Cavan, stating that at the French Revolution he was entitled, with others as his relatives, and seized of a small property in the French funds, amounting to 500 livres per annum; that he is informed that an ample indemnity was paid in the year 1814 for such losses; that he did not hear of this indemnity, and neglected to register his claim; and praying the House to cause justice to be done him, Vol. 90.

and his claim to be satisfied, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Clergy of the Dioceses of Gloucester and Bristol (two Petitions);—Aberchafafy—; and Bangor. Yscseifeg—; Meidien—; Dysperth—; Deaneery of Pontpridd—; Eglwysfyich—; Llanrahadr Mochnant—; Oswestry—; Saint Asaph’s and other parishes, in the Archdeaconery of Serre—; Llanhansaf—; West Pembridge (Kent)—; Tostbridge—; Malling—; Welsh Metropolitan Church, Ely—, Holborn—; Llanfair—; Milton Abbas; and, Llanllethen; praying for the repeal of so much of the Act 6 and 7 Will. 4, c. 77, as relates to the union of the Sees of Saint Asaph and Bangor, and at the same time providing for the establishment of a Bishopric at Manchester, by other means, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Habitants of the parish of Church—County Court of St. John, in the counties of Montgomery and Selby, praying that the Counties Court Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Bengeworth—; Evesham (two Peti—Corn Laws, tions);—Doverdale—; Elsloe Lockett—; and, Old—bury; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Bill from the Lords, intitled, An Act to remedy Nett—certain Defects in the Apportionment of the Rent—charge in lieu of Tithes in the Parish of Nettens, in the County of Norfolk, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Bingham Baring do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, Pet—office, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Earl Portmore to attend in order to his being examined as a witness before the Committee of Secrecy appointed by this House, to inquire into the state of the Law in respect to the detaining and opening of Letters at the General Post-office, and into the mode whereof the authority given for such detaining and opening has been exercised, and to report their Opinion and Observations thereupon to the House: And that Viscount Souand do carry the said Message.

A Motion being made, That this House will, To—morrow, 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 Balance which may be required to make good the Salaries of the Official Referees and Registrar, under any Act of the present Session, for better regulating the Buildings of the Metropolitan Districts;—The Earl of Lincoln, 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, res—olve itself into the said Committee.

A Petition of Henry Crease, of Plymouth, in the Duchy of Cornwall, praying that the Duchy of Cornwall Assessable Bill, praying that the petition of the said Bill shall pass the second reading, the Petitioner may be allowed to appear, by counsel, in Committee on the clauses of the said Bill, or that
the House will afford him compensation for the injury that will be done to him by the said Bill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Robert Furlong, Agent for Sir John Edward Honeymoon, of Estingdon, in the county of Kent, was presented, and read; setting forth, That the greater part of the district of Romney Marsh, in the county of Kent, consists of luxuriant pastures, which are highly prized; that a modus or commission of apportionment, or descriptive, or customary payment in lieu of Tithe, is payable throughout the said district in respect of all such pasture lands, so long as they remain in pasture, but if they are broken up and produce corn they become titheable; that the high price of corn during the war induced a few parties to break up some of these pastures, and, as they cannot be advantageously laid down again, they continue in tillage; that the remainder of the said district is in the hands of owners whose families have lived in pasture for many years, and who would not be tempted by the offer of additional rent to break it up; that the values under the Tithe Act have lately apportioned the rent-charges in that district, and in some instances relieved the owners of the arable lands, by spreading a portion of the arable Tithe on the pasture lands; that this course was adopted by the valuer, in the parish of Appledore, in Kent, and in that parish the arable Tithe was a les. For instance a part of 107 acres of old pasture, under the Dean and Chapter of Canterbury, and by his lease he is prohibited from breaking it up, up under a penalty of 50l. per acre; but, notwithstanding this prohibition, the valuer has apportioned a portion of the arable Tithe on this estate; that Sir John Edward Honeymoon appealed against the apportionment, and offered evidence in support of his case; that the Assistant Commissioners confirmed the apportionment, and Sir John Edward Honeymoon then appealed to the Commissioners themselves, who took the same view of the question as their Assistant Commissioners and the apportioners; and he has now no other redress but to appeal to the Court of Queen's Bench; but inasmuch as such appeal can only be on the question of law, and not of fact, he cannot procure a full investigation of the whole of his case; and praying the House to restrain the Tithe Commissioners and their assistants and valuers, from confirming the apportionment in the said parish of Appledore, without a re-investigation of the case, and grant such further relief as the justice of the case requires.

Ordered, That the said Petition be read the first time.

Lord Eliot presented a Bill to continue an Act of the second and third years of his late Majesty, for restraining for Five years, in certain cases, Party Processions in Ireland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next; and to be printed.

The Willenhall Chapel Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition of Joseph Mazzini, of 47, Devonshire street, Queen-square, stating that he is informed that certain Stacks of Fagots against him have been or are about to be brought before the Secret Committee on the Post-office; and praying that he may be allowed full opportunity to refute any charges which, under shelter of an inquisition, may be brought against him, either by having such accusations brought to his face, or in such other manner as the House may think fit, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee of Secret on the Post-office.

A Petition of Robert Furley, Agent for Sir John Edward Honeymoon, of Estingdon, in the county of Kent, was presented, and read; setting forth, That the greater part of the district of Romney Marsh, in the county of Kent, consists of luxuriant pastures, which are highly prized; that a modus or commission of apportionment, or descriptive, or customary payment in lieu of Tithe, is payable throughout the said district in respect of all such pasture lands, so long as they remain in pasture, but if they are broken up and produce corn they become titheable; that the high price of corn during the war induced a few parties to break up some of these pastures, and, as they cannot be advantageously laid down again, they continue in tillage; that the remainder of the said district is in the hands of owners whose families have lived in pasture for many years, and who would not be tempted by the offer of additional rent to break it up; that the values under the Tithe Act have lately apportioned the rent-charges in that district, and in some instances relieved the owners of the arable lands, by spreading a portion of the arable Tithe on the pasture lands; that this course was adopted by the valuer, in the parish of Appledore, in Kent, and in that parish the arable Tithe was a les...
and consequent Intercorrel (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 428, of Session 1842).

Coint. 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.

**Dog Stealing (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 Informations lodged at the various Police Stations of the Metropolis, of Dogs supposed to have been stolen, and the Number of Convictions of Offenders brought up for Dog Stealing before the Police Magistrates, during the years 1842, 1843 and 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.

**Piccadilly Improvement Bill.**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to widen and improve Piccadilly, in the City of Westminster: And that the Earl of Lincoln and Mr. Young do prepare, and bring it in.

**Trafalgar-square Bill.**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to provide for the Care and Preservation of Trafalgar-square, in the City of Westminster: And that the Earl of Lincoln and Mr. Young do prepare, and bring it in.

The Earl of Lincoln presented a Bill to widen and improve Piccadilly, in the City of Westminster: And the same was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, that they do examine whether the Standing Orders have been complied with, as in the case of a Petition for a Private Bill, and under the same rules and regulations.

Ordered, That the Bill be printed.

The Earl of Lincoln presented a Bill to provide for the Care and Preservation of Trafalgar-square, in the City of Westminster: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

**Cheape's Divorce Bill.**

Mr. Hayter reported, That he had carried to the Lords the Message of this House of yesterday, requiring that their Lordships would be pleased to communicate to this House a Copy of the Deposited Petitions transmitted from India in the case of Cheape's Divorce Bill, and that their Lordships had been pleased to communicate a printed Copy of the Proceedings of the Judges of the Supreme Court of Judicature, at Fort William, in Bengal, in relation to the said Bill: And he delivered the same in at the Table.

**Assessed Taxes Compositions Bill.**

The ingrossed Bill to continue Compositions for Assessed Taxes, and to amend certain Laws relating to Duties under the Management of the Commissioners of Stamps and Taxes, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Ordered, That the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the said Bill be adjourned till after the other Orders of the day.

**Colonial Footage Bill.**

The ingrossed Bill for the better Regulation of Colonial Posts, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Giffin Wilson and Mr. Farrer:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from the Manchester and Leeds Railway to the Towns of Ashton-under-Lyne and Stalybridge, without any Amendment: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to facilitate the disjoining or dividing of exten-

sive or populous Parishes, and the erecting of new Parishes, in that part of the United Kingdom called Scotland, with Amendments: to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:

And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Company to make Two Branch Rail-

ways, and to alter and enlarge the Powers of the said Company, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for Marriages in Ireland, and for registering such Marriages; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the Powers of the Act for encouraging the establishment of District Courts and Prisons; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords give leave to the Marquess of Lans-
downe, and the Earl of Londale to attend the Secret Committee appointed by this House on the Post-
ocles, their Lordships (in their places) consenting; pursuant to the Message of Tuesday last:—And also, the Messengers withdrew.

Petitions of Shareholders in Railways resident in Railways Bill.

Leverpool;—Shareholders in the Chester and Birken-
head Railway, and Inhabitants of Birkenhead:—
Shareholders in Railways resident in Chester;—and, the North British Railway Company; praying that the Railways Bill may not pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Railways Bill, the adjourned Debate upon the Amendments which, upon Monday last, were proposed to be made to the Question " That the Railways Bill be now read a sec-
da cond time;" and which Amendments were, to leave out the word " now," and, at the end of the Ques-
tion, 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 old Lobby;—

The Noes to the new Lobby.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Young, 

Mr. Entwisle, 

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Ward, 

Mr. Arthurs Lennox:

And the Numbers reported by the Tellers were, Yeas 186, Noes 98.

And objection being taken to the vote of Mr. Russell, Member for Reading, who voted with the Noes, on account of his having a private pecuniary interest as a Proprietor of Railroad Shares and Chairman of the Great Western Railway Company; A Motion was made, and the Question was pro-

posed, That the vote of Mr. Russell be disallowed:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Whereupon, Mr. Speaker declared the Numbers on the division, Yeas 186, Noes 98.

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 Saturday next.

The Joint Stock Banks Regulation Bill was, on the Motion of Mr. Greene, put to the Vote, and read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Saturday next.
Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Unlawful Oaths (Ireland) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Thursday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Law Courts (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Greene reported the Detached Parts of Detached Parts Counties Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Butter and Cheese Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

Mr. Greene reported the Actions for Gaming Dis- Actions for Gaming Dis-continue (No. 2.) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in P. 1. 1. 10., by leaving out the words "and that no other Proceedings of a like nature should be commenced or proceeded with during such further period.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill: It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in P. 1. 1. 15., by leaving out from the word "same" to the word "And" in P. 2. 1. 21.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill: It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Law Courts (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

Mr. Greene reported the Stamp Tax (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to continue until the Fifth day of April One thousand eight hundred and Forty-six, Compositions for Assessed Taxes, and to amend certain Laws relating to Duties under the Management of the Commissioners of Stamps and Taxes, being read:—The House resumed the said further proceeding.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to continue until the Fifth day of April One thousand eight hundred and Forty-six, Compositions for Assessed Taxes, and to amend certain Laws relating to Duties under the Management of the Commissioners of Stamps and Taxes.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.
The Order for the House to resolve itself into a Committee, upon Monday next, upon the Coroners (Ireland) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

**Soap Allowances Bill.**

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 the 31st day of March 1845;—And a Committee was appointed of Sir Thomas Fremantle, Viscount Howick, Viscount Palmerston, Sir John Horse, Mr. Macnaghten, Mr. Ellis, Sir Edward Knatchbull, Colonel Gore Langton, Captain Baldoro, Colonel Peel, Mr. Pringle, Colonel Wood, Mr. Manners Sutton and all Colonels of Militia.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

### Adjournment

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn:—It passed in the Negative.

### Dog Stealing (Metropolis)

The House was moved, That the Order made upon Tuesday last, That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the allegations of the Petition presented upon the 20th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, praying for further protection against the depredations of Dog Stealers in the Metropolis, with a view to the correction of the evils complained of therein, might be read; and the same being read;

And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That Mr. Liddell be one of the Members of the said Committee;

The House divided:

The Yeas to the old Lobby;

The Noes to the new Lobby.

Tellers for the Yes:—Mr. Liddell

Tellers for the Noes:—Sir Charles Douglas

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So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Captain Ross, Mr. Kelly, Mr. Henry Berkeley Mr. Beckett Denison, Mr. Vernon Smith, Mr. Fitzroy, Mr. Mackinson, Sir John Yarde Buller, Major Beresford, Viscount Barrington, Mr. Montague Gore, Lord Arthur Lennox, Sir Robert Pigot and Mr. Richard Hodgson be 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.

**Soap Allowances Bill.**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue certain of the Allowances of the Duty of Excise on Soap used in Manufactures:—And that the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The Bill was read the first time, and committed.

### Western Australia Bill

The House was moved, That the Act 10 Geo. 4. c. 22, to provide, until the thirty-first day of December One thousand eight hundred and thirty-four, for the Government of his Majesty's Settlements in Western Australia, on the Western Coast of New Holland, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue the said Act:—And that Lord Stanley and Mr. George William Hope do prepare, and bring it in.

**Feudal Investritue (Scotland) Bill.**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to simplify the Form and diminish the Expense of obtaining Feudal Investiture in Heritable Subjects in Scotland:—And that the Lord Advocate and Sir James Graham do prepare, and bring it in.

**Heritable Securities (Scotland) Bill.**

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to facilitate the Transmission or Extinction of Heritable Securities in Scotland:—And that the Lord Advocate do prepare, and bring it in.
Ordered, That the Short-hand Writer have leave to attend accordingly.

Public Petitions (Thirty-eighth Report.) Mr. Thornton reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; that they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 9th 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.

Corn Laws. Petitions from South Stoneham and other places; —and, Wheatenhurst; praying the House to resist the efforts now making by the Anti-Corn Law League, and that no alteration whatever may be made in the existing Corn Laws, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Limerick Corporation. A Petition of the Corporation of Limerick, praying the House to order copies of all searches made on the subject of their claims to the enjoyment of certain land called King's Island, and of all the correspondence with all parties consulted thereon, and the grounds upon which the claims of the citizens to rights which they have long enjoyed, were rejected, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Lord's Day. Petitions from Saint Mary-le-bone; and Archdeaconry of Wells; complaining of the public exposure of articles for sale on the Lord's Day, whether in shops, markets or otherwise; and praying the House to adopt measures for carrying out the existing laws upon that subject, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Church of England. A Petition of the Archdeacon and Clergy of the Archdeaconry of Wells, praying the House not only to protect our Catholic and Apostolic Church as she at present exists, and her ancient and undoubted rights of property (whether arising from Church Rates or other sources), but also to take into early consideration the measures by which the important work of giving additional churches and school-rooms to our people may be effectually accomplished, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Post-office. A Petition of Inhabitants of the borough of Athlone, praying the House to pass a Bill repealing the clause in the Act of Parliament conferring the power of opening Letters passing through the General Post-office, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee of Secrecy on the Post-office.

Railways Bill. A Petition of the Newcastle-upon-Tyne and Carlisle Railway Company, praying that the Railways Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

London and South Western Railway (No. 1) Bill. The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Acts relating to the London and South Western Railway, and to authorise an Extension of the said Railway and other Works, at or near the Nine Elms Station; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 4. 1. 17. Leave out from "whereas" to "Par- liament" in l. 18., and insert "another Act has been passed during the present Session of."—Pr. 4. 1. 29. Leave out from "opened" to "And" in l. 33.

Pr. 19. 1. 6. Leave out "destruction" and insert "distinction."—Pr. 20. 1. 18. After "present" insert "fifty pounds."—Pr. 35. 1. 13. Leave out "carriages" and insert "carriage."—In the Schedules to the Bill:

Pr. 43. 1. 34. Leave out from "sewers" to "parish" in Pr. 44. 1. 1.

Pr. 46. 1. 1. Leave out from "stables" to "Part II." in l. 10.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

A Petition of George Magrath, of Philliborough, State Trial in the county of Dublin, Gentlemen, Principal Clerk (Ireland,) in the office of the Clerks of the Peace for the city of Dublin, denying the allegations contained in the Petition of William Ford and others, presented on the 17th day of June last, with reference to the late State Trial in Ireland; and praying the House to take the facts stated in his Petition into consideration, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Petition be printed.

Ordered, That the Petition of Henry Crease, of Duchy of Cornwall, of Plymouth, in the county of Devon, Commandant in the Royal Navy, praying that the Duchy of Cornwall Bill, with all Assessable Manors Bill may not pass into a law, and that he may be heard, by his counsel, at the bar of the House, against the principles of the said Bill, and that if the said Bill pass the second reading, the Petitioner may be allowed to appear, by counsel, in Committee, on the clauses of the said Bill, or that the House will afford him compensation for the injury that will be done to him by the said Bill, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

A Petition of the Three-unemployed Engravers, Art Unions, praying the House to pass some legislative enactment to enable Art-Unions to be placed upon a firm and permanent basis, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Art Unions.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee Standing Orders, several Resolutions; and the Orders same were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That in the case of the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill, proposed and Western Amendment on third reading, the said Amendment may be adopted by the House at that stage, if they shall think fit.

2. Resolved, That in the case of the Garavick, Gembrick, Glasgow and Coatbridge Railway Bill, Lords' Amendment, the said Amendment is of such a nature as may be adopted by the House, if they shall think fit.

Ordered, That the Petition do lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming the Great Southern and Western Railway (Ireland) Bill, the further Proceeding upon the third reading of the in- the City from Dublin to the Town of Castle, with a Branch to the Town of Carlow:—The House re- sumed the said further Proceeding:—And the Amendment being in proposed to be made to the Bill, in Pr. 97. 1. 21., by leaving out from the word "same" to the word "And" in Pr. 98. 1. 2.; And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative. And a Motion being made, That the Bill do pass.

The Earl of Lincoln, 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 con- cerned,
Sir George Clerk accordingly presented the said Account. 

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

Sir George Clerk presented, pursuant to several County Addresses to Her Majesty,—Return to an Address, to Her Majesty, dated the 4th day of June last, for the repeal of the Poor Law Amendment Act, so as to empower the Poor Law Guardians of the Celbridge Union, praying that the House will be pleased to concur in altering the Poor Relief (Ireland) Act, as to empower the several Boards of Guardians in Ireland, whenever two-thirds of the members of such boards shall agree and deem the same advisable, to strike one rate over the entire union, instead of different rates over the several electoral divisions, as now required, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir George Clerk also presented, pursuant to an Address, that Greenwich Park shall be further included or built upon, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the President and Honorary Secretary of a Committee for promoting the welfare of the maritime community, praying the House to adopt measures for securing to worn-out Seamen and the widows of Seamen the full benefit of all money either left by will or assigned by deed for their use, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the President and Honorary Secretary of the Literary, Scientific and Charitable Institutions, receiving Grants from Parliament, for the year 1844, for deepening and improving the Harbour of Portpatrick, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the President of the Presess of a Meeting of Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of the Presbytery of Kintyre, praying the House to adopt measures for amending the condition of the Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the President and Honorary Secretary of the Manchester Law Association;—George Wallis Brown;—Bisfield Union; —and, Barnstable —praying for the repeal of the Poor Law Amendment Act, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from the President and Honorary Secretary of the Museum, voted in the year 1844, towards defraying the Expense of the Establishment of the British Museum, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of Monies in the Exchequer or remaining to be raised on the 5th day of July 1844, to complete the Aids granted by Parliament for the service of the years 1842 and 1843.

Sir George Clerk accordingly presented the said Account. 

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

A Return of the Number of Murders and Attempts (Tipperary.) to Murder, in the County of Tipperary,—Also, of the Number of Murders and Attempts against the Life of Persons, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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

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

An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted in Lord Nelson's Command, An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted in the year 1844, for deepening and improving the Harbour of Portpatrick, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted in the year 1844, for the Purchase of Pictures for the Gallery, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted in the year 1844, to enable the Trustees of the Museum, British Museum to purchase certain Books, Manuscripts and Coins, to be deposited in the Museum, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

An Estimate of the Amount of the Money Assessment ; 2. for the Support of a Rural Police, where any are; 3. the Payments made to Procurator Fiscalis officiating before the Sheriff and Justices of the Peace respectively, and distinguishing between these; 4. the Payments made to Sheriff and Justices of Peace Clark respectively; 5. the Payments made to Clerks of Supply; and showing, in separate columns, the Sums paid as Salaries from Salaries paid as Fees:—

A Return, in detail, of the Amount expended in Foreign Office, the Department of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, for Salaries and Expenses, of the Queen's Messengers and Extra Couriers, in the year 1844, stating the Names of the Messengers on the Establishment, and the Amount of Salary of each; and also the Amount of Charges for each separate Messenger and Courier, the Places to which they were sent and arrived; so as to exhibit the entire Charge of that Branch of Service in the year, and the Regulations under which they are paid.

An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted in Lord Nelson's Command, An Estimate of the Sum required to be voted in the year 1844, towards defraying the Expense of the Monument completing the Monument erected in Trafalgar-square to the Memory of Lord Nelson, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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An Estimate of the Amount of the Money Assessment; 2. for the Support of a Rural Police, where any are; 3. the Payments made to Procurator Fiscalis officiating before the Sheriff and Justices of the Peace respectively, and distinguishing between these; 4. the Payments made to Sheriff and Justices of Peace Clark respectively; 5. the Payments made to Clerks of Supply; and showing, in separate columns, the Sums paid as Salaries from Salaries paid as Fees:—

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A Return of the Number of Murders and Attempts (Tipperary.) to Murder, in the County of Tipperary,—Also, of the Number of Murders and Attempts against the Life of Persons, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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

Sir George Clerk presented, pursuant to several County Addresses to Her Majesty,—Return to an Address, to Her Majesty, dated the 4th day of June last, for the repeal of the Poor Law Amendment Act, so as to empower the several Boards of Guardians in Ireland, whenever two-thirds of the members of such boards shall agree and deem the same advisable, to strike one rate over the entire union, instead of different rates over the several electoral divisions, as now required, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of Monies in the Exchequer or remaining to be raised on the 5th day of July 1844, to complete the Aids granted by Parliament for the service of the years 1842 and 1843.

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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 Indictment of Mrs. Mary Macfarlane or Taylor, charged with the Crime of Murder and administering Poison within the County of Renfrew, in 1842; with the Dares of the Warrant for her Apprehension and Imprisonment in Paisley Gaol; also, the Date and Place of each Declaration made by the above-named Party, with the Name or Names of the Magistrates before whom the Declarations were made; and, also, the Date of Removal of the said Person from Paisley to Glasgow Gaol, with the Date of her Re-transmission from Glasgow to Paisley Gaol without being tried; stating the whole period during which the said Mrs. Macfarlane or Taylor was confined in Gaol, and whether subjected to Solitary Confinement during the whole period; also, the Total Expenses incurred by the Crown, in consequence of the Proceedings at the instance of the Lord Advocate against the said Mrs. Taylor.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty by each Member of this House as a Mark of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Minute of the Board of Guardians for the Newtownards Union, dated the 3d day of July, relative to the Medical Qualifications of the District Vaccinators appointed for that Union; and of Correspondence between the Chairman of that Union and the President of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons, Glasgow, on the subject, and the Resignation of one of the Vaccinators.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Tax Commissioners' Names Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Trovee Navigation and Harbour Bill be read a second time upon Monday next.

An ingrossed Bill for Disfranchisement of the Borough of Southbury, was read the third time. Resolved, That the Bill do pass. Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Poor Law Amendment Bill.

Another Amendment proposed, in P. 10. l. 20. After " residing " to insert " or rated to the relief " of the poor in.

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. Clause agreed to.

Clause, No 23, agreed to.

Clause, No 24, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, No 25, agreed to.

Clause, No 26, (Cost of obtaining site of workhouse in the Metropolitan Police district).

Amendment proposed, in P. 11. l. 13. and 14. and 15. To leave out " any part of which is situated within " the Metropolitan Police district, or the city of " London."

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, No 27, (Burials of Paupers.)

Amendment proposed, in P. 11. l. 21. After " Guardians " to insert " Overseer or Relieving Officer."

Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn. Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, No 28, (That it shall be lawful for the Commissioners to combine the parishes and unions into districts for the audit of accounts, and the chairman and vice chairman of each Board of Guardians shall elect a person to be the auditor of the district).

Amendment proposed, in P. 12. l. 6. To leave out from " and " to " a person," in l. 14., in order to insert " an appoint."

Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—The Committee divided:—Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Young, Mr. Henry Baring : 132.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Charles Wood, Mr. Hawes : 39.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed: At the end of the Clause to add " Provided always, That nothing " herein contained shall apply to any parish or pa- 
rishes governed by a Local Act."

Question put, That those words be there added:—The Committee divided:—Tellers for the Captain Peckell, Yeas, Mr. William Williams : 58.

Tellers for the, Mr. Young, Mr. Lord Arthur Lennox : 139.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause, as amended, stand part of the Bill;—The Committee divided:—Tellers for the Mr. Young, Mr. Lord Arthur Lennox : 137.

Tellers for the Colonel Sibthorp, Noes, Mr. Borthwick : 44.

Clause, No 29, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, No 30 to No 34, 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; Subsidi, 13° die Julii, 1844:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had made further 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.

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Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported the Municipal Corporations Municipal Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed ; and read the third time this day.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to facilitate the disjoining or dividing of Extensive or Populous Parishes, and the erecting of new Parishes, in that part of the United Kingdom called Scotland; and the same were read, as follow:—

P. 18. l. 25. Leave out from " incapacity " to " to " in l. 27. P. 21. l. 10. After " county " insert " Provided also, that No trustee, tutur or curator of unions, or person lawfully empowered to act for persons under legal disability or incapacity, shall make any such grant as aforesaid, without adequate consideration for the same, either in price or feu duty, the adequacy of which consideration shall be proved to the satisfaction of the said Sheriff of the county, before the portion or portions of land " shall be marked out or set apart as aforesaid." The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Soap Allowances Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved 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 Balance which may be required to make good the Salaries of the Official Referees and Registrar, under any Act of the present Session, for better regulating the Buildings of the Metropolitan Districts.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Greene reported the Law Courts (Ireland) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

The ingrossed Bill to annex Detached Parts of Counties to the Counties in which they are situated, was, according to Order, read the third time. An ingrossed Clause (Nothing herein to affect the Assessments of the Land or Assessed Taxes), was brought up, and thrice read; and added to the Bill, by way of Rider. Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Robert Scott do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The ingrossed Bill to repeal certain Acts for regulating the Trade in Butter and Cheese, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The ingrossed Bill further to stay Proceedings in certain Actions under the Provisions of several Statutes for the Prevention of excessive Gaming, and to prevent any similar Proceedings being taken under those Statutes during such further limited Time, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act further to stay, until the end of the next Session of Parliament, Proceedings in certain Actions, under the Provisions of several Statutes for the Prevention of excessive Gaming, and to prevent any similar Proceedings being taken under those Statutes during such further limited Time.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Chaplains to Hospitals, &c. (Ireland) Bill;—

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Greene reported the Joint Stock Companies Registration Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill;

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.

Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill;

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.

Marrriages Bill.

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

DRAINING OF LANDS BILL.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Drainage of Lands Bill;

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

Metropolitan Buildings [Salaries.]

The House, according to Order, resolved 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 Balance which may be required to make good the Salaries of the Official Referees and Registrar, under any Act of the present Session, for better regulating the Buildings of the Metropolitan Districts.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That provision be made for the Payment, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, of the Balance which may be required to make good the Salaries of the Official Referees and Registrar, under any Act of the present Session for better regulating the Buildings of the Metropolitan Districts.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Law Courts (Ireland) Bill.

Mr. Greene reported the Law Courts (Ireland) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

Detached Parts of Counties Bill.

The ingrossed Bill to annex Detached Parts of Counties to the Counties in which they are situated, was, according to Order, read the third time. An ingrossed Clause (Nothing herein to affect the Assessments of the Land or Assessed Taxes), was brought up, and thrice read; and added to the Bill, by way of Rider. Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Robert Scott do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

BUTTER AND CHEESE BILL.

The ingrossed Bill to repeal certain Acts for regulating the Trade in Butter and Cheese, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The ingrossed Bill further to stay Proceedings in certain Actions under the Provisions of several Statutes for the Prevention of excessive Gaming, and to prevent any similar Proceedings being taken under those Statutes during such further limited Time, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act further to stay, until the end of the next Session of Parliament, Proceedings in certain Actions, under the Provisions of several Statutes for the Prevention of excessive Gaming, and to prevent any similar Proceedings being taken under those Statutes during such further limited Time.

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

Law Courts (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Law Courts (Ireland) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Soap Allowances Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved 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 Expenses of the Office for registering Judgments in Ireland, in case the Fees of such Office shall not be sufficient for the purpose, and also of making Compensation, out of the said Consolidated Fund, to the Officers of any of Her Majesty's Courts who may sustain loss in consequence of any Act of the present Session for providing one Office for registering all Judgments in Ireland.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, of the Salaries and Expenses of the Office for registering Judgments in Ireland, in case the Fees of such Office shall not be sufficient for the purpose, and also of making Compensation, out of the said Consolidated Fund, to the Officers of any of Her Majesty's Courts who may sustain loss in consequence of any Act of the present Session for providing one Office for registering all Judgments in Ireland.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported,
Parish Constables Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to extend the Powers of the Act for the Appointment and Payment of Parish Constables: And that Mr. Manners Sutton and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring it in.

Loan Societies Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue the Act to amend the Laws relating to Loan Societies: And that Mr. Manners Sutton and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring it in.

Criminal Justice (Middlesex) Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the better Administration of Criminal Justice in Middlesex: And that Sir James Graham and Mr. Manners Sutton do prepare, and bring it in.

Farm Buildings Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the Law as to burning Farm Buildings: And that Sir James Graham and Mr. Solicitor General do prepare, and bring it in.

District Courts and Prisons Bill. No. 465.

The District Courts and Prisons Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Tuesday next; and to be printed.

Western Armenia Bill. No. 466.

Lord Stanley presented a Bill to continue an Act of the tenth year of King George the Fourth, for providing for the Government of his Majesty's Settlements in Western Australia, on the Western Coast of New Holland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Farm Buildings Bill. No. 467.

Sir James Graham presented a Bill to amend the Law as to burning Farm Buildings: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Parish Constables Bill. No. 468.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented a Bill to extend the Powers of the Act for the Appointment and Payment of Parish Constables: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Criminal Justice (Middlesex) Bill. No. 469.

Sir James Graham presented a Bill for the better Administration of Criminal Justice in Middlesex: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Loan Societies Bill. No. 490.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented a Bill to continue the Act 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 next; and to be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till one of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till this day.

Sabbati, 13° die Iulii;

Anno 8° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Poor Law.

A PETITION of Guardians of the Poor of the Westbury and Wiltmolland Union, in the county of Wiltshire, praying, for alteration of the Poor Law Amendment Act, by confiding to Boards of Guardians the power of fixing the measure of remuneration to be given to Medical Officers of Unions, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

A Petition of the Reverend Luke Flood Page, A.M., and Rector of Woolpit, Suffolks, praying for alteration of the said Act, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Board of Guardians of the Warrington Union, stating that the Board of Guardians of that Union have felt the disadvantage of being placed under the control of the Poor Law Commissioners, on account of the impossibility, from the distance at which they meet from that union, of their knowing of the various cases which come before that Board; and praying that the Poor Law Commission may be dissolved by the Poor Law Amendment Bill now before the House, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Parochial Schoolmasters of the Schoolmasters Prebendry of Amanay, praying the House to adopt (Scotland,) measures for ameliorating the condition of the Burgh and Parochial Schoolmasters of Scotland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir George Clerk presented, pursuant to Order, Revenue —Copy of Special Report made by the Commissioners of Revenue Inquest, on the case of Mr. Rolls.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the Municipal Corporations Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, upon Tuesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committe on the Railways Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The ingrossed Bill to regulate and reduce the Law Courts Expenses of the Offices attached to the Superior (Ireland) Bill, Courts of Law in Ireland, payable out of the Consolidated Fund, was, according to Order, read the third time; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit Committees, this day during the sitting of the House.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee to whom the Metropolitan Bill was referred to consider of authorizing the Pay- ment, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, of the Balance which may be required to make good the Salaries of the Official Referrees and Registrar, under any Act of the present Session, for better regulating the Buildings of the Metropolitan Districts, a Resolution; and the same was read, as followeth:

Resolved, That provision be made for the Payment, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, of the Balance which may be required to make good the Salaries of the Official Referrees and Registrar, under any Act of the present Session, for better regulating the Buildings of the Metropolitan Districts.

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Metropolitan Buildings Bill, that they have Power to make provision therein, pursuant to the said Resolution.

Mr.
Mr. Greene reported from the Committee to whom it was referred to consider of authorizing the Pay- ment, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, of the Salaries and Expenses of the Office for registering Judgments in Ireland, in case the Fees of such Office shall not be sufficient for the purpose, and also of making Compensation, out of the said Consolidated Fund, to the Officers of any Her Majesty’s Courts who may sustain loss in consequence of any Act of the present Session for providing one Office for registering all Judgments in Ireland, a Resolution; and the same was read, as follows:—Resolved, That provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for the Payment of the Salaries and Expenses of the Office for registering Judgments in Ireland, in case the Fees of such Office should not be sufficient for the purpose, and also of the Compensation which may be granted to the Officers of any of Her Majesty’s Courts who may sustain loss in consequence of any Act of the present Session for providing one Office for registering all Judgments in Ireland.

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Protection of Purchasers, &c. (Ireland) Bill, That they have Power to make provision therein, pursuant to the said Resolution.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Poor Law Amendment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Poor Law Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 35 (That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners, as and when they may see fit, to declare so many parishes or unions, or parishes and unions, to be combined into School Districts).

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be postponed. Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment proposed, in P. 16. Is. 25. and 26., that "or parishes not in union, or such parishes and unions, to be combined into districts for the purpose of providing and managing asylums for the temporary relief of the destitute houseless poor." Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be postponed. Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill; the Committee divided; Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Henry Baring, Mr. Young, 83. Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hawes, Mr. Ferrand, 6.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had made further 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.

The Grand Jury Presentments (Dublin) Bill was read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee.

Ordered, That the Committee be nominated Tomorrow.

Cheape’s Divorce Bill was read a second time; Cheape’s and committed to the Select Committee on Divorce Divorce Bills.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, that they do hear counsel and examine witnesses for the said Bill; and also that they do hear counsel and examine witnesses against the Bill, if the parties concerned think fit to be heard by counsel, or produce witnesses.

Ordered, That the Copy of the Proceedings of the Judges of the Supreme Court of Judicature at Fort William, in Bengal, in relation to the said Bill, which was communicated from the Lords upon Thursday last, be referred to the said Select Committee.

A Petition of Occupiers of Land in the district of Lime Toll Uk and the neighbouring parishes, in the county of Monmouth, praying that the Lime Toll Exemption (Wales) Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir James Graham presented, by Her Majesty’s State of Town, Command,—Copy of First Report of the Commissioners for inquiring into the state of large Towns and Populous Districts.

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

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Luna, 13° die Julii;

Anno 8° Victorim Regine, 1844.

Prayers.

Ordered, That all Committees have leave Committees.

To sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Poor Law Amendment Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Clause No. 36, (Commissioners may cause parishes or unions, or parishes and unions, within the district of the Metropolitan Police or the city of London, or within the limits respectively of the city, towns or boroughs in the Schedule marked (B.), to be combined into districts for the purpose of providing and managing asylums for the temporary relief of the destitute houseless poor). Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Chairman do report Progress, and ask leave to sit again. Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the Clause be postponed. Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Motion made, and Question put, That the Clause stand part of the Bill; the Committee divided; Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Henry Baring, Mr. Young, 83. Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Hawes, Mr. Ferrand, 6.

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A Petition of the Garnkirk and Glasgow Railway Company, praying that they may be heard, by railway themselves, their counsel or agents, against one of the ...
the proposed Amendments offered upon consideration of Report on the Monkland Railways (No. 2). Bill, was presented, and read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Committee on the Bill; and the Petitioners heard, by themselves, their counsel or agents, upon their Petition, if they think fit; and counsel heard, in favour of the Bill, against the said Petition.

Gaspé Fishery and Coal Mining Company Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Report on the Gaspé Fishery and Coal Mining Company Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed.

Trailer Navigation and Harbour Bill.

The Trailer Navigation and Harbour Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

London and Croydon Railway Bill.

An ingrossed Bill to continue and extend the Powers of the London and Croydon Railway Company, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Company to make Two Branch Railways, and to alter and enlarge the Powers of the said Company; and the same were, as follow:

In the Title of the Bill:
L 2. Leave out "two" and insert "a".
L 3. Leave out "Railways" and insert "Railway to Ashton-under-Lyne and Stalybridge."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Brotherton do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Lecturers and Parish Clerks Bill.

A Petition of the Company of Parish Clerks, praying that the Lecturers and Parish Clerks Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Poor Law Amendment Bill.

A Petition of the Churchwarden and Representative Vestrymen of the parish of Saint James, Westminister, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Joseph Henry Rolls.

A Petition of Joseph Henry Rolls, late a Landing Waiter in Her Majesty's Customs, stating that he, on the 8th of September 1842, was ordered by the Honourable the Board of Customs to be suspended from his office, and on the following day he was charged with dereliction of duty; in having neglected or wilfully refrained reporting to the Board, till the 24th August 1843, the particulars of an overture made to him for fraudulent purposes in 1840; and praying that, in order that he may have the benefit of the unbiased judgment of the Commissioners of Revenue Inquiry, and their recommendation made to the Lords of the Treasury in their Special Report, viz. that the Petitioner be reinstated in the service of Her Majesty, and in the situation which he occupied antecedently to his dismissal, the House will take his case into consideration, and grant him relief, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Rate-payers of the electoral division Poor Relief of Kilmain, in the union of Westford, stating that (Ireland) Act, the Petitioners have heard, with alarm, that certain rate-payers and guardians of the above union, as well as other rate-payers and guardians of Poor Law Unions in Ireland, have prayed the House to alter the Act of Parliament for the relief of the poor in Ireland so far as it relates to the amount of rates chargeable on electoral divisions; and praying the House not to alter the Act in the manner proposed, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Thomas Prout, of East Hill, in the registration parish of Wandsworth, in the county of Surrey, one of Voters of the Electors for the eastern division of the said county, praying the House to adopt measures, whereby the Law for the Registration of persons entitled to vote may be better defined; and to give the right of appeal against orders by revising barristers for the payment of costs in certain cases, and to provide that in no case shall costs be awarded unless the abode of the person objected to, and the situation of the property in respect of which he claims the right of vote, be sufficiently described to be identified, nor unless the person objected to shall have proved his qualification in respect of the qualifying property before the court of revision, and shall appear in person before such court, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Holders of leasehold lands under Church Leases, the Church of Southwell, in the county of Nottingham, complaining of the refusal of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners to grant new renewals of Church Leases; and praying for such remedy as the House may deem fit to grant, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of a Meeting of Inhabitants of the borough of Gateshead, in the county of Durham, praying for the repeal of so much of the Act which sanctions the opening of private letters in their passage through the Post-office, and thereby to restore the character of one of the most popular institutions in the State, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee of Secrecy on the Post-office.

Petitions from Glasgow:—Abbeyston of Paisley,—Bleaching and, Glasgow and Cambuslang; praying the House to extend the provisions of the Factories Act to the Bleaching Works of Scotland,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Campbell, from the Court of Directors of the East India Company, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament, Accounts respecting the Annual Territorial Revenues and Disbursements of the East India Company, for three years, 1840-41, 1841-42, according to the latest Advices, with an Estimate of the same for the succeeding year:—And then he withdrew.

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

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Dowvelstowel, Message from and Mr. Brongham:

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made to the Bill, intituled, An Act for altering the entitled Estate of Schawes, in the County of Aberdeen, belonging to Alexander Forbes Esquire, and for investing the Price thereof in the right of appeal against orders by revising barristers for the amount of rates chargeable on electoral divisions; and praying the House not to alter the Act in the manner proposed, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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altering some of the Provisions of the Act relating to the said Harbour and Quay, with an Amendment; to which Amendment the Lords desire the concurrence of this House; And also, The Lords having put a Bill, intituled, An Act for paving, lighting, cleansing and otherwise improving the Town of Southampton, and for removing and preventing Nuisances and Annoyances therein, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House; And also, The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for enabling the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgessess of the City of Coventry to make certain Improvements, to provide a Residence for the Judges during the Assizes in the said City, and to establish a Cemetery for the Dead near the said City, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House; And also, The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for vesting Parts of the Estates of William Devasy, Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, upon trust, to be sold; and for paying off a Mortgage Debt of Eight thousand two hundred pounds, due to James Parkinson, Esquire, out of the first Purchase Monies; and for laying out the Residue of the Purchase Monies, under the direction of the Court of Chancery, in the Purchase of other Estates, to be settled to the same Uses; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House; And also, The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm certain Contracts for Leases made and entered into by James Weller Ladbroke, Esquire, of Lands and Premises at or near Notting Hill, in the County of Middlesex, and to alter and enlarge the Powers of an Act passed in the First and Second years of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled, "An Act to enable James Weller Ladbroke, Esquire, and others, to grant Building Leases of Lands in Kensington, Paddington, Notting Barne and Westbourne, in the County of Middlesex, and for other Purposes relating thereunto;" to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House; And also, The Lords request that this House will be pleased to give leave to the Lord Viscount Palmerston, (a Member of this House) to attend their Lordships, in order to his being examined as a Witness before the Secret Committee appointed to inquire into the Practice of detaining and opening Letters under the Provisions of the Act 1 Vict. c. 36, and more particularly into the Circumstances under which the Letters of Mr. Mattizzi, a Literary Foreigner, and of Captain Charles Stolzman, a Pole, residing in England, have been opened:—And then the Messengers withdrew. The House proceed to take into consideration the last part of the said Message.—And Viscount Palmerston, being present in his place, declaimed that he was willing, with leave of the House, to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships. Resolved, That Viscount Palmerston have leave to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, if he think fit. And the Messengers were again called in; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.—And then they again withdrew. 

Ordered, That Viscount Sandon do carry the said Message.

The Order of the day being read, for the Controverted Elections Bill.

Ordered, That the House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the day being read, for the Controverted Elections Bill; in the case of Mr. Rolls.

Sir George Clerk accordingly presented the said Paper.

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

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, Post-office, to request that their Lordships will be pleased to give leave to the Duke of Wellington and Lord Beaamde to attend, in order to their being examined as Witnesses, before the Committee of Secrecy appointed by this House to inquire into the state of the law in respect to the detaining and opening of Letters at the General Post-office, and into the mode under which the authority given for such detaining and opening has been exercised, and to report their Opinion and Observations thereupon to the House: And that Viscount Sandon do carry the said Message.

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Protection of Purchasers, &c. (Ireland) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Protection of Purchasers, &c., (Ireland) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Land Tax Commissioners' Names Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Land Tax Commissioners' Names Bill; Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ways and Means. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on Ways and Means; Resolved, That this House will, upon Wednesday 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.

Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Friday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Marriages Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Marriages Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Thursday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Western Australia Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Western Australia Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Farm Buildings Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Farm Buildings Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Parish Constables Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Parish Constables Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Criminal Justice (Middlesex) Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Criminal Justice (Middlesex) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Loan Societies Bill. The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Loan Societies Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

Soap Allowances Bill. The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report on the Soap Allowances Bill; Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Militia Estimates No. 492, Sir Thomas Fremantle reported from the Select Committee appointed to prepare Estimates of the Charge of the Disembodied Militia of Great Britain and Ireland, for the year ending the 31st day of March 1845; That they had prepared the said Estimates accordingly; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

State of Ireland. A Petition of the There-undersigned Persons, having property in Ireland, praying that the House will take the state of Ireland into immediate consideration, and adopt such healing measures as may appear best calculated to avert the dangers which now exist, and to prevent a recurrence of them, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.
added to the List for the County of Warwick—put, and Negatived.

List for the County of Roscburgh, added.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, No. 2, agreed to.

Preamble read, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Pringle reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The Western Australia Bill was, according to the Order made this day, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The Farm Buildings Bill was, according to the Order made this day, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning:

Martin, 16° die Juli, 1844:

The Parish Constables Bill was, according to the Order made this day, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Criminal Justice (Middlesex) Bill; Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The Loan Societies Bill was, according to the Order made this day, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Mr. Green reported the Soap Allowances Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to Orders.—A Return of all Churches erected by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners of Ireland, under the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 37; specifying whether same were Parochial or Chapels of Ease; the Diocese and Parish where situate, the Number of Situations which they are calculated to afford, and the Provisions and Amounts thereof contributed by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and by Voluntary Subscription.—A similar Return of all Churches rebuilt or enlarged by the Commissioners:—Returns of all Applications made to the Commissioners, with regard to the erection, rebuilding or enlargement of Churches, with their decision thereon; specifying the Diocese and Parish to which the Application referred, and the Accommodation proposed to be given:—And, of all Churches which have been taken down by the Commissioners; specifying the date when same were taken down, the Diocese and Parish where situate, and whether same were Parochial or Chapels of Ease, the Accommodation herefore afforded by them, and whether any new Churches have been erected in their stead; and the Application of the Proceeds, if any, of the Materials of the same.

Returns of the Sums of Money demanded by the Clerks of the Peace in the different Counties and Counties of Cities in Ireland, to remunerate them for their additional Services under the new Arns Act:—Of the Sums of Money approved of by the different Grand Juries of Ireland for that purpose:

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—Of the Number of Arms registered in each County:

—And, of the Sums of Money demanded and allowed as above, to the different Clerks of Petty Sessions under the above Act.

Returns of all Agreements for the Commutation of Tithes under the Act of Tithe Commission in the several Counties in England and Wales, from the 1st day of July 1843 to the 1st day of January 1844; specifying also, in each case, the Amount of Rent-charge agreed to be paid in lieu of Tithes, and showing whether the same be payable to Appropriares, Impropriators or Clerical Incumbrance:—And, of all Awards for the Commutation of Tithes which have been confirmed by the Tithe Commissioners in the several Counties in England and Wales, from the 1st day of July 1843 to the 1st day of January 1844, in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 598 of Session 1843:—Statements of the Counties in Ireland, from 1836 Mudder to 1842, inclusive, in which none of those sentenced (Ireland) to death for Murder were executed; stating, for each County and year, the Number of Persons sentenced to death for Murder, whose Sentences were commuted; the Number of Persons committed for Murder during the same year, and likewise in the following year:—Also, the Total Numbers for all the years collectively, and the Increase or Decrease per cent. on the Commitments in the years following the Commutations:—And, of the Counties in Ireland, from 1836 to 1842 inclusive, in which all of those sentenced to death for Murder were executed; stating, for each County and year, the Number of Persons committed for Murder during the same year, and likewise in the following year:—Also, the Total Numbers for all the years collectively, and the Increase or Decrease per cent. on the Commitments in the years following the Executions, with an Abstract.

Returns from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners Ecclesiastical of Ireland, of the several Lands in the County of Limerick held previously by the Representatives of Reyland or by Mr. Neal, which lately devolved upon the Ecclesiastical Commissioners by the inability of the Tenant to renew same; together with the several Denominations, and Number of Acres contained in each Denomination, with the respective Distances of each Denomination from the others; Of the Advertisement for the letting of said Lands by the Commissioners:—And, of the several Proposals to them for said Lands, and the manner in which they let same; and to whom, and through whose Influence or Recommendation said Lands were let; whether such new Tenant held any and what part of said Lands previously, and what was the inducement of the Board in letting the entire of said Lands to one stranger in place of separate lettings to solvent Tenants in possession; whether any and what Legal Proceedings were subsequently taken by or in the names of the Commissioners, or any other Person, and whom, to evict the Tenants theretofore in possession for any and what length of time, in order to give Possession to said new Tenant; and whether such new Tenant originally or at all proposed for the entire of said Lands was induced to do so by or on part of said Commissioners at the day of declaring the Tenant.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to Fisheries the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Copy of (Ireland) the Second Annual Report of the Commissioners of Fisheries, Ireland, to the Lord Lieutenant.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table.
A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, 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 Salary to the Assistant Judge of the Court of Sessions of the Peace of the County of Middlesex;

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.

A Motion being made, That this House will, this day, 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, Allowances and Expenses of the Commissioners, Accountants, Clerks and other Officers, to be appointed under any Act of the present Session, to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Turnpike Trusts in South Wales, and of advancing out of the said Consolidated Fund a Sum of Money for the purposes of such 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, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Literary, Scientific and Charitable Institutions, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Monies in the Exchequer, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to County Accounts (Scotland), which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 16° die Iulii; Anno 8° Victoria Regine, 1844.

Prayers.

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit this day during the sitting of the House.

Ladbroke's Estate Bill.

Glasgow and Cambuslang Railway Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Act, intituled, An Act to extend the Line of the Garnkirk and Glagow Railway; to enable the Company to raise a further Sum of Money, and to alter and amend the Acts relating thereto which are contained in this Act, the said portion of the said Railway to the Monkland and Kirkintilloch Railway Company, absolutely, with all the works thereto belonging: Provided always, That if such tender shall not be made before the end of the Session of Parliament ensuing one year after the completion of such extension (to be certified by the sheriff of the county), the same shall thereafter be and remain the property of the Company under the powers and provisions of this Act.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Lockhart do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

A Petition of Distillers and Rectifying Distillers, Metropolitan carrying on business in and about the city of London, praying the House to repeal the clause in the Act of Parliament concerning the trade to the extent and in the manner stated in their Petition, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Society of Solicitors in the Courts of Common Law Process (Ireland) Bills, or otherwise to pass a law, as it now stands, was presented, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the town of Pershore, in the county of Worcester, praying the House to repeal the clause in the Act of Parliament conferring the power of opening and taking copies of letters and other documents sent through the Post-office, was presented, and read; and referred to the Committee of Secrety on the Post-office.

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The Order for the House to resolve itself into a County Court Committee, To-morrow, upon the County Court (County Palatine of Lancaster) Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Metropolitan Building Bill; and A Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair; and the previous Question being put, That that Question be now put;
The House divided; The Yeas to the old Lobby; The Noes to the new Lobby.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Pringle, Lord Arthur Lennox, 39. Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Tufnell, 5.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the Question being put: Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Bill read 1 st ; to be read 2 d, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSES, N° 1 to N° 19, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.

CLAUSE, N° 20, (Execution of works). Amendment proposed, in P. 16. l. 11. After "fence-walls" to insert "likely to endanger public safety."

Question, That those words be there inserted—put, and Negatived. Clause agreed to.

CLAUSES, N° 21 to N° 54, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene 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.

Damage by Fire (Metropolis) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Damage by Fire (Metropolis) (No. 2.) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Brougham:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment: viz.

Bank of England Charter Bill.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to regulate the Issue of Bank Notes, and for giving to the Governor and Company of the Bank of England certain Privileges for a limited period; and to provide for the Assessment to the said Company of the Rights of Patronage of the same.

Bank Rates, &c., Bill.

A Bill, intituled, An Act for facilitating the Collection of County Rates, and for relieving High Constables from Attendance at Quarter Sessions, in certain cases, and from certain other Duties:

Militia Ballots Suspension Bill,

A Bill, intituled, An Act to suspend until the Thirty-first day of August One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, the making of Lists and the Ballots and Enrollments for the Militia of the United Kingdom.

Stock in Trade Bill.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to continue until the First day of October One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, and to the end of the then Session of Parliament, the Exemption of Inhabitants of Parishes, Townships and Villages from liability to be rated as such, in respect of Stock in Trade or other Property, to the Relief of the Poor:

Charitable Loan Societies (Ireland) Bill.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to amend an Act of the last Session to consolidate and amend the Laws for the Regulation of Charitable Loan Societies in Ireland:

Tory Acts Continuance (Ireland) Bill.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to continue until the Thirty-first day of July One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, and to the end of the then Session of Parliament, certain Acts for regulating Turnpike-roads in Ireland:

Market Harborough and Coventry Road Bill.

A Bill, intituled, An Act for more effectually repairing the Road from Market Harborough, in the County of Leicester, to the City of Coventry: And also,

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as it now stands, was presented, and read, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Robert Fitzgerald, Esquire, of Navalstown, in the county of Kildare, complaining of the conduct practised against him for a number of years by the four magistrates usually composing the Kildare bench of sessions; and praying that the House may institute an inquiry into the conduct of these magistrates, and also into the charges preferred to the Irish Government by the Petitioner against one of them in September 1941, also into the circumstances under which he was removed from the Commission of the Peace in the year 1842, and also into the circumstances of a memorial to the Irish Government against the Petitioner, got up by these magistrates, and signed by three of them, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Castle Townsend, county of Cork, praying the House to adopt measures for extending Scriptural Education in Ireland, was presented, and read, and ordered to 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 showing the Total Number of African Negroes landed for the purposes of Slavery on the Islands and on the Continent of America, from the year 1815 to the year 1844, both inclusive; distinguishing the Number so landed in each of those years, and distinguishing also the Number landed in each year on the Territory of each separate State or Power, so far as the same can be made up from Documents in the possession of Her Majesty’s Government;—Also, Cases adjudged under Slave Trade Treaties, and Number of Slaves emancipated in consequence, at Sierra Leone, Rio de Janeiro, Hayannnah, Surinam, and other Places respectively, from the year 1829 to the year 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.

A Petition of Patrick Stead, of Halesworth, in the county of Suffolk, praying the House to take the subject of the constitution and qualification of the Commissioners of the several navigations and Harbours in the United Kingdom into consideration and inquiry, as well as the state of the different tidal Harbours of the United Kingdom, and having regard to their vital importance in a national point of view; and also, that the House will be pleased to collect and consolidate all laws regarding Harbours into one uniform and general law, so far as it is practicable, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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A Motion was made, and the Question being pro-Ecclesiastical Commissioners, that there be laid before this House, a Return of all Payments made by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in each of the last six years;—1. Of the Salary, Fees, and Emoluments paid to any Counsel or Solicitor, with the Name of each Counsel or Solicitor so paid;—2. Of the Salary, Travelling Expenses and Emoluments paid to each Architect, with the Name of each, and the Amount paid to each;—3. Of the Payment made in each year, distinguishing what Sees have been augmented, for what Episcopal Residences House-rent has been paid, what Episcopal Residences have been provided, and the Cost of each;—what Reversions have been sold, and for what Amount; and what Estates have been purchased, and for what Amount, for any Episcopal See.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by adding, at the end thereof, the words "also, a Return of the Total Income of each Archbishop and Bishop in England and Wales, in each year, since the 1st day of January 1837." And the Question being put, That those words be there added.

The House divided:

The Yeas to the new Lobby:

Mr. Elphinston, 55.
Mr. Hume, 27.
Mr. Young, 65.
Mr. Pringle.

So it passed in the negative.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Payments made by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, in each of the last six years;—1. Of the Salary, Fees, and Emoluments paid to any Counsel or Solicitor, with the Name of each Counsel or Solicitor so paid;—2. Of the Salary, Travelling Expenses and Emoluments paid to each Architect, with the Name of each, and the Amount of per-cent age (if any) allowed to each;—3. Of the Salary, Fees and Emoluments paid to each Agent or Surveyor employed, with the Name of each, and the Amount paid to each;—4. Of the Payments made in each year, distinguishing what Sees have been augmented, for what Episcopal Residences House-rent has been paid, what Episcopal Residences have been provided, and the Cost of each;—what Reversions have been sold, and for what Amount; and what Estates have been purchased, and for what Amount, for any Episcopal See.

A Motion was made, and the Question was put—Mrs. Forbes to be appointed, That Select Committees be appointed, to which shall be referred the Petitions of Mrs. Charlotte Forbes, Mrs. Elizabeth Purches and Mrs. Sarah Easter Ritchie, to examine the matter thereof,
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Trafalgar-square Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving Land Tax Commissioners' Names Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Western Australia Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Farm Buildings Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Parish Constables Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Criminal Justice (Middlesex) Bill; ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Loan Societies Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the County Commissions' Bills; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

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Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Report on the Land Tax Commissioners' Names Bill; ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow.

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the County Commissions' Bills; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill; and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.
Session, for the better Administration of Criminal Justice in Middlesex.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Tunbridge (South Wales) (Salaries, &c.)

The House, according to Order, resolved 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, Allowances and Expenses of the Commissioners, Accountants, Clerks and other Officers, to be appointed under any Act of the present Session, to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Tunbridge Trusts in South Wales, and for advancing, out of the said Consolidated Fund, a Sum of Money for the purposes of such Act.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for paying the Salaries, Allowances and Expenses of Commissioners, Accountants, Clerks and other Officers, to be appointed under an Act of the present Session, to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Tunbridge Trusts in South Wales, and for advancing the Sum of Two hundred and twenty-five thousand pounds for the purpose of paying off the Creditors on the said Tunbridge Trusts, as is the said Act mentioned.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Metropolitan Buildings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Metropolitan Buildings Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Damage by Fire (Metropolis) (No. 2.) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Damage by Fire (Metropolis) (No. 2.) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

County Rates Bill.

The Order for reading a second time, this day, the County Rates Bill, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Corporate Bill.

No. 406.

Lord Seymour presented a Bill to facilitate Admission to Corporate Offices: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Wednesday next; and to be printed.

Church Endowment Bill.

No. 497.

Sir George Clerk presented a Bill to explain and amend an Act for making better Provision for the Spiritual Care of Populous Parishes: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

Ordinance.

No. 498.

Captain Boldero presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Supplementary Estimate of the Office of Ordnance, for the year 1844.5.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Ordered, That the said Estimate be printed.

Military Savings Banks.

No. 499.

Sir Thomas Fremantle presented, pursuant to Order,—Copy of the Rules made by the Secretary at War, and sanctioned by Her Majesty, for the Management of Military Savings Banks established under the authority of the Act 3 and 6 Vict. c. 71 (30th July 1842):—And, an Account of the Number of Military Savings Banks established under the authority of the above Act, stating the Regiments in which established, up to the 1st day of May 1844; also, an Account of the Amount of all Sums deposited in each Bank, up to the 31st day of March 1844, and of the Amount of all Sums withdrawn, and of the Interest allowed upon such Deposits up to that period; and also of the Number of Depositors on the said 31st day of March 1844, so far as these particulars can be supplied from the Returns already transmitted to the Secretary-at-War.

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

The Werrington, &c., Curacies Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

A Petition of Sir William M. Somerville, a Member of the House, for leave to present a Petition for Improvement, leave to bring in a Bill for amending the Act of the fifth year of Her present Majesty, for the purpose of continuing in full force the Provisions of the Act 30 Geo. 3, c. 39, so far as the clauses having reference to the establishment of a Court of Conscience in, and the paving and lighting of the town of Drogheda are concerned, and which clauses were unintentionally repealed by the former Act, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

The House was moved, That the Act 5 and 6 Vict. c. 47, to amend the Laws relating to the Customs, Engravings, might be read; and the same being read;

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee, to consider so much of the said Act as relates to the Duties payable upon Books and Engravings.

Ordered, That the Accounts relative to East India, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Tithes, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Fisheries in Ireland, which was presented yesterday, 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, 17° die Julii;  
Anno 8° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Southampton and the Amendments made by the Lords to the Improvement Bill, intituled, An Act for paving, lighting, cleansing, and otherwise improving the Town of Southampton, and for removing and preventing Nuisances and Annoyances therein; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 120. 1. 33. After "accordingly," insert Clause (A.)

CLAUSE (A.) "And whereas certain parts of the London and South Western Railway and the principal station of the same Railway, are situate in or adjoin different streets of the town of Southampton, and it is desirable for the purpose of this Act to ascertain and define to which of the said streets the said parts and station respectively shall belong; Be it therefore Enacted, That the principal station and buildings, and so much of the line of the London and South Western Railway as are situate south of the Itchen Bridge,
Ordered, That the Committee on the Monkland Railways (No. 2.) (re-committed) Bill be revived:—And that they have leave to sit, and proceed, with one selected Member.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit this day, at half an hour after one of the clock.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on Mackenzie's (Stowell) Estate Bill; that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Party concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Clergy of the parishes of which the union of Saint Columb Major, in the county of Cornwall, has been formed, praying the House to make provision that in every Union Workhouse a duly ordained chaplain shall be appointed, with an adequate maintenance, and that a chapel be consecrated, or a room licensed by the bishop of the diocese in which such Union Workhouse is situate, to be set apart for religious worship, according to the ordinances and rites of the English Church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Poor Law Amendment Bill.

(Committee.)

Clause, No. 37 (Constitution of the district boards for schools and asylums).

Amendment proposed, in P. 17. 1. 22. After "members" to insert "not exceeding seven in number." Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, No. 38, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, No. 39 to No. 42, agreed to.

Clauses, No. 43 and No. 44, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, No. 45, (Children may be sent to district schools from parishes and unions not combined, but not distant more than twenty miles).

Amendment proposed: At the end of the Clause to add "Provided always, and be it Enacted, That whenever it shall appear to the board of any district school, that the space within such school is more than sufficient for the accommodation of poor children within the district for which such school shall have been built, it shall and may be lawful for such board to make order for the admission of so many other children residing in the said district as shall seem expedient; and the weekly provision for the maintenance and education of such children shall be fixed by the board at such rate as shall in their judgment be amply sufficient to cover every expense on account of such children." Amendment proposed to the said proposed Amendment: After "such board" to insert "subject to the approval of the Poor Law Commissioners." Question proposed, That those words be there inserted:—Amendment to the proposed Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clauses, No. 47 and No. 48, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, No. 49, disagreed to.

Clauses, No. 50 and No. 51, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, No. 52 and No. 53, agreed to.

Clause, No. 54, (Costs of certain civil and criminal proceedings to be paid out of poor rates). Amendment proposed, in P. 26. Is. 24. and 25. To leave out "subject to the approval of the Poor Law Commissioners." Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause—put, and Negatived. Amendment made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

To report progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had made further 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 sit for the purpose of considering the Amendments made to the Poor Law Amendment Bill.
Mr. George William Hope presented, pursuant Sierra Leone, to several Addresses to Her Majesty—A Return of the Number of Distressed Mechanics and Labourers: And, for a Depression in the Colony, of New South Wales, transmitting Reports of the Legislative Council relative to the Monetary Depression in the Colony, and the Petition of the distressed Mechanics and Labourers—And, for a Copy or Extract of a Despatch from the Governor of New South Wales, transmitting the last Annual Report of the Legislative Council of that Colony on Emigration.

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

The Slaughtering Horses Bill was, according to Slaughtering Order, read a second time; and committed to the Committee of Supply; and the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration upon this day two months; and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Juvenile Offenders Bill, and for the Committee of Supply; and the Bill to lie upon the Table.

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

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

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The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Juvenile Offenders Bill, and for the Committee of Supply; and the Bill to lie upon the Table.
Mr. Greene reported the Party Processions (Ireland) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Greene reported the Western Australia Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Greene reported the Farn Buildings Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

The Order of the day being read, for receiving the Parish Council Report on the Parish Constables Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be read To-morrow.

The Criminal Justice (Middlesex) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Mr. Greene reported the Loan Societies Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee to whom it was referred to consider of authorizing the Payment, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, of the Salary to the Assistant Judge of the Court of the Sessions of the Peace of the County of Middlesex, a Resolution; and the same was read, as follows:—

Resolved, That provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for the Payment of a Salary to the Assistant Judge of the Court of the Sessions of the Peace of the County of Middlesex, who may be appointed in pursuance of an Act of the present Session, for the better Administration of Criminal Justice in Middlesex.

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Criminal Justice (Middlesex) Bill, That they have Power to make provision therein, pursuant to the said Resolution.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee to whom it was referred to consider of authorizing the Payment, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, of the Salaries, Allowances and Expenses of the Commissioners, Accountants, Clerks and other Officers, to be appointed under any Act of the present Session, to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Turnpike Trusts in South Wales, and of advancing out of the said Consolidated Fund a Sum of Money for the purposes of such Act, a Resolution; and the same was read, as follows:—

Resolved, That provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for paying the Salaries, Allowances and Expenses of Commissioners, Accountants, Clerks and other Officers, to be appointed under an Act of the present Session, to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Turnpike Trusts in South Wales.
Metropolitan
Buildings Bill

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Metropolitan Buildings Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Instruction to the Committee on Metropolitan Buildings Bill, (That they have Power to make provision for the rates and walls thereof).

And the Question being proposed, That the words "Official Referees," stand part of the Question : The said proposed Amendment and Motion were, severally, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Wednesday the 31st day of this instant July.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Juvenile Offenders Bill ; and committed to a new Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill Clerk of the Crown in Chancery Bill, to amend so much of an Act of the fifth and sixth years of his late Majesty, as relates to the Salary of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery ; and to make other Provision in respect of the said Office : And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Copy of Report of the Commissioners of Revenue Inquiry, with an Appendix, Inquiry, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 23d day of May 1844, for Statements of the Counties in Scotland, from 1836 to 1842 inclusive, in which none of those sentenced to death for Murder were executed; stating, for each County and year, the Number of Persons sentenced to Death for Murder whose Sentences were commuted, the Number of Persons committed for Murder during the same year, and likewise in the following year;—Also, the Total Numbers for all the years collectively, and the Increase or Decrease per cent. on the Commitments in the years following the Commutations : And, of the Counties in Scotland, from 1836 to 1842 inclusive, in which all of those sentenced to Death for Murder were executed; stating, for each County and year, the Number of Persons executed for Murder, the Number of Persons committed for Murder during the same year, and likewise in the following year :—Also, the Total Numbers for all the years collectively, and the Increase or Decrease per cent. on the Commitments in the years following the Executions.

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

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Poor Law Amendment Bill.  

**(In the Committee.)**

**Clause, N° 55 and N° 56, amended, and agreed to.**

**Clause, N° 57, (Guardians under local Acts to hold their meetings once in every fortnight, and to act as a Board; Provided always, That when the relief of the poor has been hitherto administered in any parish by Guardians appointed under a local Act, and not by the Overseers of the Poor, if such parish, according to the last enumeration of the population published by authority of Parliament, contains more than twenty thousand persons, it shall not be lawful for the said Commissioners, after the passing of this Act, without the consent in writing of two-thirds at least of such Guardians, to declare such parish to be united with any other parish for the administration of the Laws for the Relief of the Poor, in any thing in the said first-recited Act to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided, however, That nothing herein contained shall prevent the said Commissioners from including any such last-mentioned parish in a district for providing and managing an asylum for the temporary relief of, and setting to work of destitute houseless poor, or from including such parish in a district for the audit of accounts under the provisions of this Act, except as hereinafter enacted).**

Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in P. 29. l. 39. To leave out from "Provided always" to the end of the Clause, in order to insert "That it shall not be lawful for the said Commissioners to interfere with the management of the poor in any parish containing more than twenty thousand inhabitants, where relief has hitherto been administered to the poor by Guardians under the provisions of a local Act, without first obtaining the consent, in writing, of at least two-thirds of such Guardians, or a majority of Rate-payers assembled in public meeting, called especially for that purpose," instead thereof.

**Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:**

The Committee divided:

**Tellers for the Yeas:**  
Mr. Young, 78.  
Mr. Pringle, 78.  
Mr. Monzez, 23.  
Mr. Spooner, 23.

**Question proposed, That those words be there added:**—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed: At the end of the Clause to add "Provided always, That the said Commissioners shall, by order under their hands and seal, upon application in writing of two-thirds of the Guardians elected for any parish in which the relief of the poor is now administered by a Board of Guardians or a Board of Trustees under a local Act, and which is united with any other parish or parishes for the administration of the Laws for the Relief of the Poor, if such parish, according to the enumeration of the population published by authority of Parliament, contains more than twenty thousand persons, to declare such parish to be separated from such union; and the relief of the poor shall thereafter be administered in such parish by a Board of Guardians elected according to the provisions of the Poor Law Amendment Act, or by a Board of Guardians or Trustees elected under a local Act, as the said Commissioners may direct."  

**Question proposed, That those words be there added:**—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

**Clause, as amended, agreed to.**

Another Amendment proposed: In the Committee.

**Petitions from Dorchester ; and, Stockport (Chairman); praying that the Savings Banks Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.**

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out "and," in order to insert "Provided also, That " where any two or more parishes situated within " the district of the Metropolitan Police, containing " together a population exceeding twenty thousand, " according to the last return made on the popula- " tion by authority of Parliament, have " been united for the purpose of rating or settlement " under the provisions of any local Act, and are " governed by Guardians or Directors under such " local Act, and have not been comprised in any " union formed under the provisions of the said " first-acted Act, and have not an auditor ap- " pointed under the provisions of the said first-re- " acted Act," instead thereof.

Question, That the word " and" stand part of Clause—put, and Negatived.

Proposed words inserted.

Other Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, No 59, agreed to.

Clause, No 60, (Clerks and Officers may conduct proceedings before Justices at petty or special ses- sions, on behalf of Boards of Guardians, although not certified attornies).

Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed, in P. 32. l. 4.

After " special " to insert " or quarter."

Question proposed, That " or quarter " be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

To report Progress, and ask leave to sit again.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had made further 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;

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee on Standing Orders, several Resolutions; and the same were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That in the case of the Drogheda Improvement Petition for leave to present a Petition for a Bill, the parties be permitted to present a Petition accordingly.

2. Resolved, That in the case of the Ayr Bridge (No. 2) Bill, Lords' Amendments on consideration of Report, the said Amendments are of such a nature as to justify the House in entertaining them, without the re-commitment of the Bill.

3. Resolved, That in the case of the Birkenhead Docks Bill, Lords' Amendments, the said Amend- ments are of such a nature as may be adopted by the House, if they shall think fit.

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

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Drogheda Improvement.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of Decoyes' Estate Bill, no Standing Or- ders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ladbroke's Estate Bill.

Sir William Heathcote reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of Ladbroke's Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Leeds Vicarage Bill.

Sir William Heathcote from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of Leeds Vicarage Bill, the Standing Orders relative to Bills of the first class had not been complied with.

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

A Petition of Inhabitants of Brandon, and its Mildenhall vicinity, in the county of Suffolk, stating certain Savings Banks matters relative to the proceedings of the Trustees of the Mildenhall Savings Bank; and praying that the law relating to Banks for Savings may be put on such a footing as will effectually save the depositors who lay up in them the savings of their honest industry, from being misled in future by any state- ments put forth under the authority of the trustees; and that the trustees may, in future, be held liable to make good the statements so put forth by their authority, and in reliance on which the savings of the depositors are placed in their hands, was pre- sented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Rigby Wason, Esquire, of Covecraft, Controverted in the county of Ayr, praying the House, before passing the Bill now before them, to amend the law relating to the Trial of Controverted Elections, to order the production of the Petitioner's evidence before the Select Committee on Controverted Elec- tions, or early in the ensuing session to appoint another Committee, who shall examine before them all parties who have suffered by and complain of the administration of the existing law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Abraham Wivel, of West-place, Damage by Fire Pershore-road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, praying (metropolis) that the Damage by Fire (Metropolis) (No. 2) Bill may pass into a law, and that a clause may be in- troduced therein, requiring parishes to have fire-escapes, so that in readiness such fire-escapes may be deemed most sufficient and convenient, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Holders of Railway Stock resident Railways Bill in the city of Exeter, and its neighbourhood, praying that the Railways Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Artists and Patrons of Art in Li- terature, and the Letters Press, praying the House to adopt measures for placing Art-Unions (established exclusively for the promotion of the Fine Arts) on a sound and per- manent basis, was presented, and read; and referred to the Select Committee on Art-Unions.

A Petition of Paul Penin, in the city of Norwich, Paul Penin. late a Printer in the West Norfolk Militia, complaining of being compelled to serve fifteen years and three months in the militia in lieu of five years, the period for which he was originally sworn in and enrolled; and praying for inquiry, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Titchmarsh ; Lichfield ; Wars- low and Upper and Lower Elkeston ; —Leek (two Petitions); — Holinsclough — Woodnewton — Bene- field; — Tansor; — Deene; — Loeveick; — Denethorpe; — Grindon; — Clapton (Northampton); — Fether- inghay;— Botterton;— and, Alstonefield; praying the House to take into consideration the service rendered by him exclu- sively for the benefit of his country, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Duncan Macintyre, Drysalter, in Dunsen Fort William, N. B., stating that on the 15th No- vember 1826, he rendered considerable services in detecting the embezzlement of barrack stores at Fort William; and praying the House to take into consideration the service rendered by him exclu- sively for the benefit of his country, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Post-office, that part of the Message from the Lords of the 9th day of this instant July, wherein their Lordships request
request that this House will be pleased to give leave to Lord John Russell, a Member of this House, to attend their Lordships, in order to his being examined before the Secret Committee appointed by their Lordships to inquire into the practice of detaining and opening Letters, under the Provisions of the Act 1 Vic. c. 36, and more particularly into the circumstances under which the Letters of Mr. Mazzini, a Literary Foreigner, and of Captain Charles Stolzman, a Pole, residing in England, have been opened;

And Mr. Speaker having informed the House, that he had received a Letter from Lord John Russell, stating that he had been detained in the country by illness in his family, and desiring him to signify his consent to attend the Committee of the Lords, as desired by their Lordships;

Resolved, That Lord John Russell 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 Lord John Russell to go to the House of Lords, as desired by their Lordships, if he think fit: And that Mr. Greene do carry the said Message.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to Her Majesty, to acquaint them, that this House, 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 Correspondence between Lord Chancellor Sugden and A. O'Driscoll, Esquire, a Magistrate of the County of Cork.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That it be an Instruction to the Secret Committee on the Post-office, that they do allow Thomas Slingsby Duncombe, Esquire, Member for the Borough of Finsbury, to attend before the said Committee, and produce and examine witnesses in support of the Petitions of Joseph Illazzini, a Literary Foreigner, and of Charles Stolzman, referred to the said Committee.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the word "That" to "end of the Question, in order to add the words "Thomas Slingsby Duncombe, Esquire, be one other Member of the said Committee; that that Question was put, and negatived upon a division; that he considered it was contrary to the usage and practice of the House, that a Question which had passed in the Negative should be again proposed in the same Session:—And the said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the Speaker, withdrawn.

Then the main Question being put; The House divided:

The Yeas to the new Lobby; The Noes to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the Mr. Thomas Duncombe, Yeas, Mr. A. O'Driscoll; Mr. Henry Baring; Noes, Mr. Young. 141. 51. So it passed in the Negative.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for constructing Tidal Basins, a Dock, and other Works at Birkenhead, in the County of Chester, and for other Purposes; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 38. 1. ult. After "grant" insert "all the estate, right, title and interest of Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors of and in." 

Pr. 34. 1. 22. After "Act" insert "all the estate, right, title and interest of Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors, of and in." 

Pr. 34. 1. 24. Leave out from "river" to "as" in l. 25.

Pr. 34. 1. 31. After "case" insert "the estate, right, title and interest of Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors, of and in." 

Pr. 36. 2. 13. Leave out from "same" to "which" in l. 16.

Pr. 37. 1. 10. After "lease" insert "the estate, right, title and interest of Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors, of and in." 

Pr. 42. 1. 23. After "to" insert "or from." 

Pr. 43. 1. 4. After "embankment" insert "or the dam." 

Pr. 44. 1. 9. After "thereto" insert "or therefrom." 

Pr. 44. 1. 14. After "embankment" insert "or the said dam." 

Pr. 44. 1. 34. After "thereto" insert "or therefrom." 

Pr. 44. 1. ult. After "or" insert "in any or either of the aforesaid cases or." 

Pr. 46. 1. 14. Leave out from "Poulton-cum-Seacombe" to "Be" in l. 17. 

Pr. 96. 1. 6. After "section" insert "to be posited as." 

Pr. 96. 1. 7. Leave out "referred to" and insert "mentioned." 

Pr. 96. 1. 28. After "repair" insert Clauses (A.), (B.), (C.), (D.), (E.) and (F.).

Clause (A.) "And be it Enacted, That the Commissioners for executing this Act shall make in the said sea-wall between Seacombe and Woodside, not less than two several and distinct slips or flights of stairs in such parts of the said wall, one between Seacombe Ferry and the large basin, the other between Woodside Ferry and the said basin, at nearly equal distances from each, both of which said walls and stairs shall be landings and embarking places for the accommodation of the public, and shall respectively be not less than Six feet wide and of easy ascent, and the public shall have free access thereto and therefrom; Provided nevertheless, that nothing hereinbefore or in this Act contained shall prejudice, diminish, alter or take away the rights and privileges of the Ferries of Woodside and Seacombe, or of either of them." 

Clause (B.) "And be it Enacted, That the Commissioners shall, before they commence the construction of the said sea-wall, extending from the said large tidal basin to near Woodside Ferry Slip, make the tidal basin on the north side of and adjoining the same slip for the accommodation of the coating trade of said port, of such dimensions as the Commissioners for executing the office of Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom shall direct, such direction to be signified in writing under the hand of the Secretary of the Admiralty, and by the conservators of the River Mersey expressed in 3 u 2 in
in writing under the hand of the acting conser-

vator of the said River, make, at the Seacombe

end of the said river wall, such further accommo-
dation for the coasting trade of the said port as
shall be thereby or lawful.

CLAUSE (B.) And be it Enacted, That the said Commissioners shall keep and maintain, by

dredging or otherwise, the said small tidal basin
near Woodside Ferry Pier, at a depth of six feet
at low-water at the entrance thereof, and at a
graduated depth from the said entrance to the
south western boundary of the said basin, as de-

fined on the said Plan, and so that low-water of
an ordinary spring-tide should freely flow up to
the said south western boundary, and shall gra-
dually slope the beach from the said boundary of
low-water for the space or area of six acres, and
maintain the same as and for a beaches ground.

CLAUSE (E.) And be it Enacted, That in the
meantime and until the tide harbour basin at
Woodside Ferry shall be completed and made fit
for the reception of coasting vessels, at least
twenty-five acres on the northern shore and
twenty-five acres on the southern side of Wallasey
Pool, shall be kept and be maintained in its pre-
sent state, and left free for the use of any such coast-
vessels as usually resort thereto, and no per-
tinent alteration of the works by this Act authorized which
can in any way affect the said beaching ground
of the said Pool, or prevent coasting vessels from
anchoring or lying therein, shall be commenced
and executed until the said tidal basin shall be
be fit and ready for the reception of the coating
vessels using the said Pool.

CLAUSE (F.) And be it Enacted, That it shall
tre be lawful for the Commissioners, and they are
hereby required, at their own cost, within two years
after the passing of this Act, to raise Woodside
Ferry Slip to a level with the sea-wall by this Act
authorized to be made.

Pr. 102. 2. 4. After “pounds” insert “Pro-
vided always, that nothing in this Enactment
contained shall be held to alter or affect in any
manner the provisions of an Act passed in the
present Session of Parliament, intituled, An Act
for enabling the Trustees of the Liverpool Docks
and Harbour of Liverpool.”

Pr. 102. 2. 5. Leave out “Pool-street” and in-
sert “Livingston-street”.

Pr. 106. 1. 4. Leave out “Be it Enacted, That”
and insert “and whereas since depositing the said
Plans and Sections an alteration in the line and
situation of the sea-wall adjoining the River Mer-
sey, between Seacombe and Woodside Ferries afore-
said, and also an alteration of several of the said
works as laid down and defined upon such Plans
and Sections, have been agreed upon and deter-
mined: BE it therefore Enacted, That the said
Plans, Sections and Books of Reference so depo-
sited shall remain with and be kept by the said Clerk
of the Peace; and that a Map or Plan describing
the said and situation of the said sea-wall and
other works respectively, as the same are intended
to be made by virtue of this Act, authenticated by
the signature of the Right Honorable the
Chairman of the Committees of the House of
Lords, together with Sections thereto respectively,
shall, within One calendar month after the Ad-
ministrations and the Lords Conservators have given
the consent thereto, be deposited with the said
Clerk of the Peace and,”

Pr. 106. 3. 8. After “Plans” insert “so to be
deposited.”

Pr. 149. 1. 8. After “provided” insert Clause
(G.)

CLAUSE (G.) “And be it Enacted, That it shall
be lawful for the said Commissioners, and they
are hereby required to make and enforce a bye-

law by which it shall not be lawful for any vessel
above two hundred tons burden to touch at or
use any tidal basin hereby provided for the ac-

commodation of coasting vessels, or any such
other basin as shall be hereafter provided by the
direction of the Admiralty.”

In the Schedules to the Bill:

Pr. 176. 1. 34. Leave out from “spaces” to “on”
1, penultimate and insert “by this Act reserved.”

Pr. 176. 1. ult. After “south” insert “sides,”
in the same line after “pier” insert “and slip.”

Pr. 177. 1. After “pier” insert “and slip.”

The said Amendments, being read a second

time;

(And it appearing that the Amendments in Pr. 96,
L. 6. l. 7, and the Clauses (A), (B), (C), (D), (E),
and (F) are to carry out more fully the intentions
of this House, and they agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Brotherton do carry the Bill
to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House
hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lord-
ships.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Brougham Message from
and Mr. Senior:

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords have agreed to the several Bills follow-

ing, with amendments, viz.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to exempt from the Three-and-

half per cent. Payment of Property Tax the Dividends on certain
Exemption Bills.

Annuities of Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum
per Annum, payable for the quarter of the year end-
ing the Tenth day of October One thousand eight hundred
and Forty-four:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to continue until the Vagrants
First day of October One thousand eight hundred and
Removal Bill.

and Forty-five, and to the end of the then Session of Parliament, Two Acts relating to the Removal of
Poor Persons born in Scotland and Ireland, and
chargeable to Parishes in England:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to amend and continue Prisons
until the First day of September One thousand (Scotland) Bill,
eight hundred and Sixty-one, and to the end of the
then next Session of Parliament, the Law with re-
spect to Prisons and Prison Discipline in Scotland:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to continue until the Turnpike Acts
First day of August One thousand eight hundred and Con-
ference Bill:

and Forty-five, and to the end of the then Session of Parliament, certain Turnpike Acts:

A Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway Delabole and
from Mellor, in the Parish of Minster, to Black
Minver Lowlands, in the County of Cornwall:

And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Wells Lighting
Act for lighting, paving, cleansing, widening and Improvement
Wells, in the Parish of Saint Michael, in Saint
Rock, in the Parish of Saint Michael, in Saint
Minor Lowlands, in the County of Cornwall: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act
for the Improvement of the Streets of the Parish of Wells,
in the County of Norfulk, for removing and pre-

nancing Nuisances therein, and for making new Streets or Roadways, with an Amendment to which
the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords request, That this House will be pleased House of
of Lords to communicate to their Lordsships, a Copy of the Parliament,
Report from the Select Committee appointed by this
House, to inquire into the present state of the Build-
ing of the New Houses of Parliament; together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Com-
mittee:—And then the Messengers withdraw. Resolved, That this House will send an Answer to the last part of the said Message by Messengers of their own
own:

And the Messengers were again called in; and
Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith:—And then they again withdrew.
The Order of the day being read, for the third reading of the ingrossed Bill to continue an Act of the second and third years of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act to extend and render more effectual for Five years an Act passed in the fourth year of His late Majesty George the Fourth, to amend an Act passed in the fiftieth year of His Majesty George the Third, for preventing the administering and taking Unlawful Oaths in Ireland; and a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, that the Bill be now read the third time; The Amendments following were proposed to be made to the Question; viz. To leave out the word "now," and, at the end of the Question, to add the words "upon this day three months." And the Question being proposed, that the word "now" stand part of the Question:—The said proposed Amendments were, 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:—And that the Title be,—An Act to continue for One year an Act of His late Majesty George the Fourth, to amend an Act passed in the fiftieth year of his Majesty George the Third, for preventing the administering and taking Unlawful Oaths in Ireland.

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

The House, according to the Order made this day, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Poor Law Amendment Bill.

No. 515.

(In the Committee.)

Clause, No. 61, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, No. 62 and No. 63, disagreed to.

Clauses, No. 64 to No. 68, agreed to.

Schedules (A.) and (B.), agreed to.

Clauses added.

Another Clause (Provided always, and be it further Enacted, That wherever Overseers shall have, for the first time, been separately appointed for any township or village, since the fourteenth day of August, A. D. and household of Heret and thirty-four, all persons who, in case such township or village had been a township or village maintaining its own poor from time immemorial, would have been legally settled in such township or village, shall be considered to have their place of settlement in such township or village notwithstanding, at the occurrence of the circumstances conferring any such right or settlement in such township or village was united with a larger district for the maintenance of the poor; and every such person shall or may be removed to such township or village, as to his or her place of last legal settlement)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, The said Clause shall be now read a second time—put, and Negatived.

Another Clause (And be it Enacted, That Boards of Guardians be empowered to permit the inmates to go out of union houses to seek employment during the day, subject to such regulations as they may deem expedient)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question, That the said Clause shall be now read a second time—put, and Negatived.

Another Clause (And be it Enacted, That in the case of any person being a widow, who shall have a legitimate child or children dependent upon her for support, and no illegitimate child born after the commencement of her widowhood, it shall be lawful for the Guardians of the union or parish to which such widow or widows may have become chargeable, to grant relief, if they shall see fit, to such widow or widows, although not residing within the union or parish in which she or they may have a legal settlement)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question put, That the said Clause be now read a second time:

The Committee divided:

Tellers for the [Mr. Barrington,]

Mr. Banke: ] 49.

Tellers for the [Mr. Young,]


Clause read a second time, and added.

Another Clause (And be it Enacted, That no poor person, being of good character, and beyond the age of sixty, applying for relief, shall be compelled to go into a workhouse, but that relief in aid of the maintenance of such person shall be given out of doors, when, from disability, they become fit and proper objects of relief)—brought up, and read the first time.

Motion made, and Question proposed, That the said Clause be now read a second time:

Motion, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause withdrawn.

Preamble read, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly; and the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration upon Monday next; and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Friday morning;

Veneris, 19° die Julii, 1844:

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Duchy of Cornwall l Assessable Manors Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly; and the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration upon Monday next; and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.

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Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly; and the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration upon Monday next; and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Lecturers and Parish Clerks Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene accordingly reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene accordingly reported a Resolution; and the same was read, as followeth:

Resolved, That it is expedient to reduce, under certain circumstances, the Duties payable upon Books and Engravings.

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. Greene and Mr. Gladstone do prepare, and bring it in.

The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to copyhold and explain the Acts for the Commutation of certain Manorial Rights in respect of Lands of Copyhold and Customary Tenure, and in respect of other Lands subject to such Rights, and for facilitating the Enfranchisement of such Lands, and for the Improvement of such Tenure, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which Amendments this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to ex--District Courts the Powers of the Act for encouraging the and Prisons Bill. Establishment of District Courts and Prisons, was, according to Order, read the third time; and the Amendment following was made to the Bill:

Pr. 4. 1. 25. After "division" insert Clause (A).

Clause (A). "And whereas by an Act passed in the year 1843, intituled, An Act for the better ordering of any Prison, until such time as a suitable establishment, it is provided, that it shall not be lawful to enlarge, build or rebuild any Prison, until one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State shall have approved the plan of such Prison or intended Prison; Be it Enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Secretary of State to appoint a proper person, to be Surveyor-general of Prisons for the purpose of advising the Justices and others having the superintendence of the construction of Prisons, and for reporting to the Secretary of State on the several plans which shall be sent to him for his approval as aforesaid, and for the performance of such other duties connected with the construction of Prisons as shall be from time to time entrusted to him by the Secretary of State."

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendment, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with an Amendment; to which Amendment this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Lecturers and Parish Clerks Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The
The ingrossed Bill to continue an Act of the tenth year of King George the Fourth, for providing for the Government of his Majesty's Settlements in Western Australia, on the Western Coast of New Holland, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to continue until the First day of December One thousand eight hundred and Forty-six, and to the end of the then next Session of Parliament, an Act of the tenth year of King George the Fourth, for providing for the Government of his Majesty's Settlements in Western Australia, on the Western Coast of New Holland.

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

The ingrossed Bill to amend the Law as to burning Farm Buildings, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Mr. Greene reported the Parish Constables Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

A Clause (For removing doubts as to the power of Justices to appoint constables in certain cases), was brought up and twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Justice (Middlesex) Bill;

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee for the purpose of making an Amendment to the Law, for compelling the Administration of Justice in the criminal cases, held in the County of Middlesex; and for enhancing the Penalties for resisting the Administration of Justice in such cases.

The House was also moved, That the Act of the present Session, c. 5, for transferring certain Annuities of Three pounds five shillings per Centum per Annum, and new Three pounds per Centum per Annum, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee for the purpose of making provision for paying off the Dissentients under the said Acts.

Ordered, That the additional Names for the division of Horncastle and Hill, in the county of Lincoln, added to the Land Tax Commissioners' Names Bill, 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, 19° die Julii ;
Anno 8° Victoriae Regni, 1844.

PRAYERS.

ORDERED, That all Committees be revived — Committees.

And that they have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Mr. Estcourt reported from the Select Committee standing on Standing Orders; a Resolution; and the same Orders;

Ordered, That, in the case of the Leeds Vicarage Leeds Vicarage Bill, the Standing Orders ought to be dispensed with;
Devaynes’ Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Sir James John Randall Mackenzie, of Scatwell, Baronet, to said certain Land and Estates belonging to him in Fee Simple, to his entailsd Estate, upon certain Terms and Conditions; and to borrow certain Sums of Money upon the Security of his entitled Estate, for Repayment of certain Claims for Money laid out, and to be laid out, in Improvements upon the said Estate, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Gibson Craig do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting in Trustees certain parts of the Entailed Estate of Seaford, to be sold, and the Price applied in Payment of the Entailer’s Debts, and the Surplus extending and altering some of the Provisions of the said Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, and for other Purposes connected therewith, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Gibson Craig do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for improving the Harbour and Quay of Walls, in the County of Nordefh, for extending and altering some of the Provisions of the Act relating to the said Harbour and Quay; and the same was read, as followeth:

“Pr. 3. 27. Leave out from ‘Norfolk’ to ‘which’ in 1. 29.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Resolved, That in the case of Railway Bills, if any Report made under the authority of the Board of Trade upon any Bill or the objects thereof be deposited in the office of any Clerk of the Peace or Sheriff Clerk, on or before the 30th day of November immediately preceding the Session of Parliament in which application for the Bill shall be made, shall on or before the same day be deposited in the office of the Railway Department of the Board of Trade.

Resolved, That in the case of Railway Bills a Copy of every Bill annexed to a Petition be deposited in the office of the Railway Department of the Board of Trade, on or before the day of presentation of the Petition to the House.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Mr. Bridge the further Proceeding upon the consideration of the (No. 5.) Bill. Report of the Committee on the said Bill brought up, and read a second time.

The Lords, thereby authorized, and Mr. Greene 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.

A Message, by Mr. Pullman, Yeoman Usher of the Black Rod, to.

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, do 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 Public and Private Bills therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Bills: Which Bills are as follow:

An Act to regulate the Issue of Bank Notes, and Bank of England certain Privileges for a limited time:

An Act to exempt from the Payment of Property Tax the Dividends on certain Annuities of Three pounds ten shillings per Centum per Annum, payable for the quarter of the year ending the Tenth day of October, One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four: An
An Act to extend the Line of the Garnkirk and Garnkirk, Glasgow Railway, to enable the Company to raise Glasgow and a further Sum of Money, and to alter and amend the Acts relating to the said Railway.

An Act for making a Railway from Meldon, in Delabole and the Parish of Minster, to Black Rock, in the Parish of the Stockton and the Church of St. Michael, in Saint Minver, Loveland, in the County of Cornwall:  

An Act for enabling the Trustees of the Liverpool Dock Company to construct additional Wet Docks and other Docks Bill.  

Works, and to raise a further Sum of Money, and for amending and extending Acts relating to the Docks and Harbour of Liverpool.

An Act for authorizing the Newport Dock Company to raise further Monies, and to make Sale of Dock Bill, the Docks and Works, and for amending certain Acts relating to the said Dock.

An Act for constructing Tidal Basins, a Dock Birkenhead and other Works at Birkenhead, in the County of Docks Bill.  

Chester, and for other Purposes: An Act for paving, lighting, draining, cleansing, and otherwise improving the Town of Southport, and for removing and preventing Nuisances and other Works at Birkenhead.

An Act for effecting the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonalty Burgess of the City of Coventry to make certain Improvements, and to provide a Residence for the Judges during the Assizes in the said City, and to City:

An Act for suspending until the Thirty-first day of August One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, and for providing for the Appointment of Judges during the Assizes in the said City.

An Act for amending the Acts relating to the erection of a Dock near the Nine Elms Station:  

An Act to enable the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Company to make a Branch Railway to Ashton-under-Lyne and Stalybridge, and to alter and enlarge the Powers of the said Company:

An Act to make a Branch Railway to Ashton-under-Lyne and Stalybridge:

An Act to enable the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Company to make a Branch Railway to Ashton-under-Lyne and Stalybridge, and to alter and enlarge the Powers of the said Company:

An Act to make Branch Railways to the Towns of Ashton-under-Lyne and Stalybridge:

An Act to extend the Line of the Manchester and Leeds Railway to the Towns of Ashton-under-Lyne and Stalybridge:

An Act to enable the Sheffield, Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester Railway Company to make a Branch Railway to Ashton-under-Lyne and Stalybridge, and to alter and enlarge the Powers of the said Company:

An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Taff Vale Railway, to authorize the alteration of certain Works thereto authorised, and the Formation of additional Works, and to enlarge the Powers of the Company:

An Act for making a Railway from Chelesey to Ipswich:

An Act to amend the Acts relating to the London and South Western Railway, and to authorize an Extension of the said Railway and other Works at or near the Nine Elms Station:  

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

The House, according to the Order made this day, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Tuesday next.

The House proceeded to take into consideration that part of the Message from the Lords of yesterday, wherein their Lordships 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, to inquire into the present state of the Building of the New Houses of Parliament; together with the Minutes of Evidence taken before the Committee.

Ordered, That a printed Copy of the said Report be communicated to the Lords, as desired by their Lordships in their said Message: And that Mr. Greene do deliver the same.

Petitions from Ballymacward; and, Crossmolina; praying that the annual grant for National Education in a discontinue, may be discontinued; were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Members and Friends of the Protestant Association;—Rincarran;—Fallow;—Tower Hamlets;—Clare (Suffolk);—Westminster;—Ballymacward;—Tering;—Norwich;—Otten Belechamp and Belchamp Saint Paul;—Ronaldkirk;—and, East and West Leake; praying the House to withdraw every kind of public support from the College of Maynooth,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Penfield, Glasgow;—and, Ballyrough; praying the House to pass a Bill, to declare valid, to all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages solemnized by Presbyterian ministers in Ireland, provided they shall have been solemnized and registered according to the published regulations of the Presbyterian Church,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Ballymacward, Diocese of Clonfert, praying that by the exclusion of Resident Clerics from Parliament, Ireland may be restored to her position as a Christian nation, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Novich;—Members and Friends of the Protestant Association;—East and West Leake;—and, Tering; praying that measures may be devised and taken for the suppression of Monasteries, and the final prohibition and banishment from the United Kingdom of Jesuits and members of Penitent Orders, communities or societies of the Church of Rome, bound by monastic or religious vows,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Ipswich Union, praying for the insertion of a Clause in the Poor Law Amendment Bill, recognizing the principle of allowing out-door relief to able-bodied labourers, and investing the guardians of the poor with full discretionary powers to carry such clause into effect, uncontrolled by the Poor Law Commissioners, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Attornies and Solicitors practising in the counties of Denbigh and Flint, praying that the Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Brotherton reported from the Select Committee, That they had examined (until the 16th and 17th 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, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee upon the Courts of Common Law Process Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee upon the Courts of Common Law Process (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The ingrossed Bill to extend the Powers of the Parish Court for the Appointment and Payment of Parish Stipends, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

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

Sir Robert Peel presented, by Her Majesty's Slave Trade Command,—Class A., Copy of Correspondence with the British Commissioners relating to the Slave Trade, 1843.

Class B.—Copy of Correspondence on the Slave Trade with Foreign Powers, Parties to Treaties under which captured Vessels are to be tried by mixed Tribunals, 1843.

Class C.—Copy of Correspondence on the Slave Trade with Foreign Powers, Parties to Treaties and Conventions under which captured Vessels are to be tried.
Supply.

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

Sinking Fund.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Rate of Increase of the Sinking Fund, from the first establishment of it by Mr. Pitt in 1786, to the close of the War in 1815, in periods of five years (in continuation of the Return laid before this House, 10th April last).

Pensions.

Sir George Clerk presented, pursuant to the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—A List of all Pensions granted between the 20th day of June 1843 and the 20th day of June 1844, and charged upon the Civil List.

Hawkers and Pedlars.

Sir George Clerk also presented, pursuant to Orders,—Returns showing the different Rates of Licences granted to Hawkers, the number of Licences issued according to each Rate, and the Total Amount received for such Licences, during each of the last Ten years;—And, of the Number of Persons convicted under the Hawkers' and Pedlars' Act, at General or Petty Sessions in England and Wales, during the year ending the 5th day of January 1844; and also the Number imprisoned during the same period for Non-payment of the Penalties imposed.

Customs.

Returns of the Names of all Officers of the Customs who have been suspended, superseded or dismissed, since June 1842, stating the date of the Entry of each Officer into the Service, the several Offices each Office has held, and how long in each; also, the Salary and Allowances of each Officer at the time of his suspension, supersession or dismissal; stating also the Names of such of these Officers as have been restored to the Service, and at what dates restored;—And, of the Names of all Individuals and Mercantile Houses who have been prosecuted at the suit of the Customs in connection with the late Frauds, since June 1842, or against whom Legal Proceedings have been commenced, the dates of the several Trials, with the results thereof.

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper respecting Pensions be printed.

Supply.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Order of the day for the Committee of Supply be now read.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Question, by leaving out from the words "That the" to the end of the Question, in order to add the words "an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, Inconsideration, representing to Her Majesty that there is reason to believe that the Inconsideration which has for some time prevailed in Norfolk, Sussex, Essex and Cambridgehire, is caused by deep discontent amongst the labouring population of those Counties; and praying Her Majesty to issue a Commission to inquire into the condition of the agricultural labourers in those Counties, and to ascertain what are the grievances from which they suffer," instead thereof.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;—The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Forty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for Public Education in Great Britain, in the year 1844.

2. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Seventy-two thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to enable the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland to issue Money for the Advancement of Education in Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845.

3. Motion made, and Question put, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighty thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Charge of the Roman Catholic College in Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845:

The Committee divided;—Tellers for the Yes, Mr. Young, 130; Yeses, Lord Arthur Lennox.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Milner Gibson, 41; Noses, Mr. Bright.

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;—The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(Subsidiary.)

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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, Incendiarism, representing to Her Majesty that there is reason to believe that the Incendiarism which has for some time prevailed in Norfolk, Sussex, Essex and Cambridgehire, is caused by deep discontent amongst the labouring population of those Counties; and praying Her Majesty to issue a Commission to inquire into the condition of the agricultural labourers in those Counties, and to ascertain what are the grievances from which they suffer," instead thereof.

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

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

Ordered, That the said Report be referred to the Committee.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Justice (Middlesex) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The House was moved, That the Act 5 Geo. 4, c. 106, to regulate the Irish Fisheries, might be read; and the same being read; Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the said Act: And that Lord Eliot and Mr. Attorney General for Ireland do prepare, and bring in.

The House was moved, That the Act 6 Geo. 4, c. 106, to regulate the Irish Fisheries, might be read; and the same being read; Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The House was moved, That the Act 5 Geo. 4, c. 106, to regulate the Irish Fisheries, might be read; and the same being read; Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Protection of Purchasers, &c. (Ireland) Bill; Resolved, That the House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Church Endowment Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Resolved, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Resolved, That provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for the Payment of the persons who may not have assented, or who may have dissolved, to the Terms contained in the Acts for the Transfer of certain £3, 10s. per Centum Annates. Resolution to be reported.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Protection of Purchasers, &c. (Ireland) Bill; Resolved, That the House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Protection of Purchasers, &c. (Ireland) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Resolved, That the Bill be read the third time upon Monday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Protection of Purchasers, &c. (Ireland) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee to consider the said Act; and the same being read; Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to amend the said Act: And that Lord Eliot and Mr. Attorney General for Ireland do prepare, and bring in.

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Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill Ecclesiastical for suspending the operation of the new arrangement of Dioceses, so far as it affects the existing Ecclesiastical Jurisdictions, and for obtaining Returns from and the inspection of the Registries of such Jurisdictions: And that Sir James Graham and Mr. Nicholl do prepare, and bring in.

The House was moved, That the Act 6 Geo. 4, c. Excise Licences 81, to repeal several Duties payable upon Excise (Stiled Spirits) Licenses in Great Britain and Ireland, and to impose other Duties in lieu thereof, and to amend the Laws for granting Excise Licenses, might be read; and the same being read; Resolved, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider the said Act.

A Petition of Philip Fennings, one of Her Most Excellent Mr. Rollys, &c. 1s. 1d. per Annum, for suspending the operation of the new arrangement of Dioceses, so far as it affects the existing Ecclesiastical Jurisdictions, and for obtaining Returns from and the inspection of the Registries of such Jurisdictions: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Sir

Pr. 1. 1. 4. After "preacher" insert "in the holy orders of deacon or priest of the united Church of England and Ireland." Pr. 2. 1. 1. After "aforesaid" insert "if he shall think fit." Pr. 1. l. 29. After "aforesaid" insert "if he shall think fit." Pr. 6. l. 34. Leave out from "thereto" to "provided" in 1. 36.

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.
Sir George Clark presented a Bill to reduce, under certain circumstances, the Duties payable upon Books and Engravings: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Monday next; and to be printed.

Mr. Manns Sutton presented, pursuant to Order, — Copies of the Long Panel or Jury List of the King's County, for the last Four years.

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

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Return relative to Murder (Ireland), which was presented upon Monday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Murder (Scotland), which was presented upon Wednesday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to New Churches, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour before two of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Luna, 22° die Julii;

anno 8° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

SYNOD OF CORRESPONDENCE.

Met on Monday last, at the house of Mr. M'Gibbon, King's Street, Dublin, for considering certain Proposals and Resolutions relative to the Conduct of the Trustees of the Church of Ireland, at the Union.

Ordered, That an Account of the Number of the Orphan Children in the Parishes and Unions in England and Wales; stating the Number of those Children under Fourteen years of age, who are dependent upon them for subsistence.

Ordered, That a Return of the Number of Widows of both Parents, under Fourteen years of age, at present in the Poor Law Union Workhouses of England and Wales, not incorporated in the Poor Law Unions; distinguishing the Males from the Females: — The like Return in respect to Children who have been deserted by their Parents: — A Return of the Number of Orphan Children, under Fourteen years of age, at present in the Poor Law Workhouses of England and Wales; distinguishing the Males from the Females: — The like Return in respect to Children who have been deserted by their Parents: — And, a Return of the Number of Widows at present receiving Out-door Relief from the various Parishes and Unions in England and Wales; stating the Number of their Children under Fourteen years of age, who are dependent upon them for subsistence.

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Ordered, That the Return of the Number of Orphans, under Fourteen years of age, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Murder (Scotland), which was presented upon Monday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time tomorrow.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Books and Engravings Bill; 

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

The Order of the day being read, for taking into further consideration the Report on the Poor Law Amendment Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be taken into further consideration upon Wednesday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the Consideration of the Banks Regulation Bill.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Murder (Scotland), which was presented yesterday, be printed.

The Order of the day being read, for discussing the Amendment to the Bill.

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

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Question, That "one penny" stand part of the
Clause,—put, and agreed to.
Clause amended, agreed to.
Clauses, N° 7 to N° 9, agreed to.
Clause added.
Preadable, and agreed to.
Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene
reported, That the Committee had gone through
the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.
Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Lynch and
Sir George Rose:
The Lords have agreed to the several Bills follow-
ing, without Amendment; viz.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Laws re-
lating to the Customs in the Isle of Man:
A Bill, intituled, An Act to amend and continue
for Five years, and to the end of the next Session
of Parliament, certain Acts relating to Linen, Hemp
and other Manufactures in Ireland: And also,
The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An
Act for making a Railway from the London and
Brighton Railway to Lewes and Hastings, and to
lay out of the Monies arising therefrom in the
Uses; to which Amendments the Lords de-
sire the concurrence of this House: And also,
The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An
Act for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against
the Mariners and General Life Assurance Com-
pany, with Amendments; to which the Lords,
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pany, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,
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Act for making a Railway from the London and
Croydon Railway, at Croydon, to Epsom, with
Amendments; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,
The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An
Act for enabling Trustees under the Will of the late
Mr. Jonathan Pasningham to grant Leases of the
Devised Estates, with Licenses to dig Brick Earth,
and to raise Monies upon Parts of the said Estates,
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sire the concurrence of this House: And also,
The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An
Act for facilitating and improving Joint Stock
Companies unable to meet their Pecuniary Engagements.

The House proceeded to take into consideration
the Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, in-
tituled, An Act for lighting, paving, cleansing,
widening and improving the Streets of the Town or
Parish of Wells, in the County of Norfolk, for re-
moving the Incumbrances therein, and for making
new Streets or Roadways; and the same
was read, as followeth;
"in the jurisdiction of the said Justice."
The said Amendment, being read a second time,
was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Chute do carry the Bill to the
Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath
agreed to the Amendment made by their Lord-
ships.

Ordered, That the Westminster and Lambeth Sus-
pension Bridge Bill be withdrawn.

Sir John Yarde Bulter reported from the Com-
mittee on Archibbut's Divorce Bill; That they had
examined the allegations of the Bill as to the Mar-
rriage of the parties, the adultery charged as the
ground for obtaining the Marriage, the verdict in
law, and the sentence of divorce in the Ecclesiasti-
cal Court; and, upon evidence satisfactory to the
Committee, found the same and the other allega-
tions to be true; and they saw no reason to make
any alteration in the Bill, or to treat of the case
on any other ground.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.
A Petition of Medical Practitioners resident in the counties of London and Antrim, in the (Ireland) Bill, praying that the Coroner (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Mercantile Companies, praying that the Companies Registration and Regulation Bill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of John Marshall, of Manchester, praying for an opportunity of being heard, by himself or counsel, until the House shall have granted the Petitioner or surgical arrangements for the United Kingdom, that no alteration in the charter must necessarily relate, either at the bar of the House, or in such other way as the House may please to direct, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the city of London, praying that Ireland may not be included in the Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Abbey, Strowery, diocese of Ross, and county of Cork, praying the House no longer to support the present system of Education in Ireland, but to provide for a system of Education as national, which will recognize the Book of God, in that place it ought to be contained. The Order for the House to resolve itself into the said Committee.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed to be left out stand part of the Question — It was resolved in the Affirmative.

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Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;—The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Four thousand four hundred and eleven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the School of Design, and for Aid to Provincial Schools, to the 31st day of March 1845.

2. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two thousand and six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries and Allowances granted to certain Professors in the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, to the 31st day of March 1845.

3. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two thousand three hundred and forty-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries of certain Officers in Scotland, and other Charges forly paid from the Hereditary Revenue, to the 31st day of March 1845.

4. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Five thousand and five hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of deepening and improving the Harbour of Portpatrick, in the year 1845.

5. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Six thousand, four hundred and eleven pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, in the year 1844, the Expense of Repairs to the College Buildings of Saint Salvator's and Saint Leonard's, in the University of Saint Andrews.

6. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eight thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying, in the year 1844, the Expense of completing the Monument erected in Trafalgar-square to the Memory of Lord Nelson.

7. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Seven thousand five hundred and twenty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of repairing the Damages at the Royal Gunpowder Manufactory, and for the conversion of Buildings for the reception of Military Offenders.

8. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Six thousand and nine hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to enable the Trustees of the British Museum to purchase, in the year 1844, certain Books, Manuscripts and Coins.

9. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to discharge the like Amount of Supplies granted for the Service of the year 1843, or for any preceding year.

10. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Five hundred thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expense of completing the South Sea Company Guarantee Fund, relating to the completion of the South Sea Company for the Loss of such Privileges; and to indemnify the said Company for the Loss of such Privileges.

11. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One hundred and forty-nine thousand eight hundred and twenty-three pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Disembodied Militia of Great Britain and Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845.

12. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Nine hundred and twenty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for repairing the Damages at the Royal Gunpowder Manufactory, and for the conversion of Buildings for the reception of Military Offenders.

Resolutions to be reported.

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Tuesday morning;

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Greene also acquainted the House, That he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- 

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Another Clause (By like consent and by consent of the Crown the Commission may extend to the rights of the Duchy in or under the sea, navigable rivers and ports), was brought up, and twice read; and made part of the Bill.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Mon-

And the House, according to Order, proceeded to take further consideration the Report on the Dutchy of Cornwall Assessionable Manors Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

The Order of the day being read, for the Comm-

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

Ordered, That provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for the Payment of such Sum as may be necessary to complete the South Sea Company Guarantee Fund, to the amount specified in the said Acts.

Resolution to be reported.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

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

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Protection of Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Privy Council Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Protection of Purchasers, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Protection of Purchasers, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Municipal Corporations Bill.

The ingrossed Bill to enable Barristers appointed under the Act 5 and 6 Will. 4, to arbitrate between Counties and Municipal Corporations, to submit a special Case to the Superior Courts, and to amend an Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, for amending the Law concerning Prisons, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Another ingrossed Clause (Making valid the appointment of Barristers before the passing of this Act), was brought up, and thrice read; and added to the Bill, by way of Rider.

Ways and Means.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee of Ways and Means.

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

Church Endowment Bill.

Mr. Greene reported the Church Endowment Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

Clerk of the Crown Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resided the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Savings Banks Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Savings Banks Bill.

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

Marriages Bill.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Marriages Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Land Tax (Commissioners' Names Bill.

The ingrossed Bill to appoint additional Commissioners for executing the Acts for granting a Land Tax, and other Rates and Taxes, was, according to Order, read the third time.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by leaving out the name of the Reverend George Thackeray;—Hemmingby.

And the Question being put, That the name of the Reverend George Thackeray—Hemmingby stand part of the Bill;—Vol. 99.

The House divided:—The Yeas, to the old Lobby.

The Noes to the new Lobby.

Tellers for the Yeas,—Lord Arthur Lennons;—Mr. Young.

Tellers for the Noes, Mr. Horsey;—Mr. Noes.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Justice Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee to whom Three and a half per Cent. was referred to consider of making provision for half per Cent. paying off Disentients under the Act of the present Session.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in, for transferring Three pounds ten shillings per Centum Annuity for the payment of the persons who may not have assented, or who may have disseanted, to the Terms contained in the Acts for the Transfer of certain £3. 10s. per Centum Annuities.

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. Greene, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring it in.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee to whom it was referred to consider the Act (Sale of Spirits) 6 Geo. 4, c. 81, to repeal several Duties payable upon Excise Licenses in Great Britain and Ireland, and to impose other Duties in lieu thereof, and also the Act of the present Session, c. 5, for transferring certain Annuitants of Three pounds ten shillings per Centum Annuity for the payment of the persons who may not have assented, or who may have disseanted, to the Terms contained in the Acts for the Transfer of certain £3. 10s. per Centum Annuities.

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Ordered, That a Bill be brought in, upon the said Resolution:—And that Mr. Greene, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring it in.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee to whom it was referred to consider the Act (Sale of Spirits) 6 Geo. 4, c. 81, to repeal several Duties payable upon Excise Licenses in Great Britain and Ireland, and to impose other Duties in lieu thereof, and also the Act of the present Session, c. 5, for transferring certain Annuitants of Three pounds ten shillings per Centum Annuity for the payment of the persons who may not have assented, or who may have disseanted, to the Terms contained in the Acts for the Transfer of certain £3. 10s. per Centum Annuities.

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. Greene, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring it in.
were instructed to consider of any arrangements advantageous to the public with regard to existing Railways, with the Companies generally, to which, in the Opinion of the Committee, Parliament might justly give its sanction; and who were further empowered to report the Minutes of Evidence taken before them to the House; That they had further examined into the manner of the Transfer of the House, 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.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, That this House do now adjourn; The House divided: The Yeas to the new Lobby; The Noes to the old Lobby; Tellers for the [Mr. Brotherton, Yeas: [Mr. Wynn: Tellers for the [Mr. Young, Noes, Lord Arthur Lennox: So it passed in the Negative.

Poor Relief (Gilbert's Act.)

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That Three be the Quorum of the Select Committee on Poor Relief (Gilbert's Act); and the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Sir George Clerk presented a Bill to transfer the Collection of the Duty on Licenses for Sale of Spirits to the Commissioners of Stamps from the Commissioners of Excise: And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to continue so much of an Act of the second and third years of Her present Majesty, as enables Justices to grant Warrants for entering places in which Spirits are sold, without License, in Ireland: And that Lord Eliot and Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, do prepare, and bring it in.

Treason of Licenses (Ireland) Bill.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to transfer the Collection of the Duty on Licenses to let Horses for Hire in Ireland from the Commissioners of Stamps to the Commissioners of Excise: And that Sir George Clerk and Mr. Pringle do prepare, and bring it in.

Fisheries (Ireland) Bill.

Lord Eliot presented a Bill to amend an Act of the sixth year of Her present Majesty, intitled, An Act to regulate the Irish Fisheries, and to empower the Constabulary Force to enforce certain Provisions respecting the Irish Fisheries: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Sir George Clerk presented a Bill to transfer the Collection of the Duty on Licenses to let Horses for Hire in Ireland from the Commissioners of Stamps to the Commissioners of Excise: 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 before two of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Martis, 23° die Julii; Anno 8° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Commissioners, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order,—Returns of the Name of each Union in England and Wales, formed in pursuance of the Poor Law Amendment Act, according to the Districts of the Assistant Commissioners; with the Name of each Assistant Commissioner; the Number of Parishes in each Union; the Area in Statute Acres (excluding the Witch Unions); and the Population of each Union:—And, for each year, from 1840 inclusive, of the Weekly Average Number of Paupers relieved in the Workhouse during each year; the Number of Medical Officers employed in each Union; the Aggregate Amount of their Salaries; the Aggregate Amount of Midwifery and Surgical Fees; the Total Amount paid to the Medical Officers in each year; the rate per head of Medical Expenses on the Population of each Union in each year; and any Augmentation or Diminution of the Salaries of Medical Officers since the 25th day of March 1843:—And then he withdrew.

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

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit Committees this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

The Leeds Vicarage Bill was read a second time; Leeds Vicarage commended.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Joint Stock Banks Regulation Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Joint Stock Companies (Ireland) Registration and Regulation Bill:—And the Bill was re-committed to a Committee of the whole House; and, at the time of suspending the Meeting, the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration upon Thursday next; and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.

Mr. Greene reported the Joint Stock Companies (Ireland) Registration and Regulation Bill:—And the Bill was re-committed to a Committee of the whole House; and, upon the Report of the Committee, the Bill, and made Amendments thereto:

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed; and read the third time upon Thursday next.

Mr. Greene reported the Railways Bill; and the Railways Bill Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed; and read the third time upon Thursday next.

Mr. Hans Hamilton reported from the Select Committee on Grand Jury Presentments (Dublin) Bill; That they had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

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.

Petitions of Trustees and Creditors under the Turnpike Tolls, Barnstaple Turnpike Act;—and, Trustees and Creditors under the Southmolton Turnpike Act; praying that the Coaches carrying passengers and luggage may not be exempted from the payment of Turnpike Tolls,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Thorpey reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions on Public Petitions; That they had examined the (forty-first Petitions presented upon the 15th and 19th 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.

A Petition of the Provost, Magistrates and Court of Office, of the city of Aberdeen, praying the House to cause
causes such measures to be adopted, that the London and other letters for the north of Scotland shall on their arrival in Edinburgh, be immediately sorted and despatched northward without delay, and that in the event of the London mail to Edinburgh being further accelerated by the adoption of the eastern line, such delay may be taken in the still earlier despatch of the mails from Edinburgh northward, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Guardians of the Poor of the Wellington Union, in the counties of Somerset and Devon, praying that the Poor Law Amendment Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Land-owners, Merchants and Inhabitants of the county of Mayo, praying that the Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Petition of George James Guthrie, relative to the new Charter of the Royal College of Surgeons in London, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Lady le Despencer's Estate Bill.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty to take into Her consideration the Report of the Metropolitan Commissioners in Lunacy to the Lord Chancellor, and presented to this House by command of Her Majesty: And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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, Copies of all Despatches and Correspondence that have passed between the Government and the Lieutenant Governor of Guernsey, from the 1st day of April last to the present time: And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Resolved, That this House approves of the various Quarantine relaxations of the Quarantine Laws and Regulations which have from time to time been introduced, and desires that such further relaxations may be urged upon the attention of Foreign Governments, and adopted at home, as may be found compatible with a due regard to the public health, and the Commercial Interests of the Community.

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 Statement of the equivalent advantages, if any, which have been granted to British Navigation by the Russian Government, in consideration of the Exemptions conceded by Her Majesty's Government to Russian Ships, by the second separate article of the Treaty of Saint Petersburg, of the 11th day of January 1843, which reserves to Russian Vessels the exemption from Navigation Duties during the first Three years, which is enjoyed by Vessels built in Russia, and belonging to Russian subjects: And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying for the removal of Mr. Alexander O'Driscoll from the Commission of the Peace; 3 x 2 And
And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning;

Mercurius, 24° die Iuli, 1844:

And the Question being put;

The House divided:

The Yeas to the new Lobby;

The Nays to the old Lobby;

Tellers for the Yeas: [Mr. Ross, Mr. Dillon Browne] 50.

Tellers for the Nays: [Mr. Young, Mr. Henry Baring] 92.

So it passed in the Negative.

Revenue
Inquiry.

Ordered, That the Minutes of the Evidence taken before the Commissioners of Revenue Inquiry, which were presented upon the 16th day of this instant July, be printed, for the use of Members only.

Timber Duties.

Ordered, That the Petition of Merchants and Importers of Dinner and other Wood Goods, relative to the Timber Duties, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

College of Surgeons.

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, Copies of all Correspondence between the head of the Navy Medical Department, Sir William Barnett, and the head of the Medical Department of the Army, Sir James M'Grigor, and the Secretary of State for the Home Department, on the subject of the Charter lately granted to the Royal College of Surgeons, and the manner in which it affects the affairs of their respective Services:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

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 to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, by the President of the Royal College of Surgeons, on the 15th day of March 1844, inclosing two Letters from Sir James M'Grigor and Sir William Barnett, on the nomination of a further number of Medical Officers in the Army and Navy to the Fellowships of that College; together with the Observations of the Council, explaining the principles upon which they proceeded in the preparation of the Schedule of Fellows of the Royal College of Surgeons.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are Fellows of the Royal College of Surgeons.

Private Partnerships Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Private Partnerships Bill;

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

Books and Engravings Bill.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Books and Engravings Bill;

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

Supply:

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions; and the same were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Forty thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for Public Education in Great Britain, in the year 1845.

2. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Seventy-two thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to enable the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland to issue Money for the Advancement of Education in Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845.

3. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eight thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the Charge of the Roman Catholic College in Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845.

4. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Four Schools of Design.

5. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two Professors thousand and six pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Expenses of the School of Design, and for Aid to Provincial Schools, to the 31st day of March 1845.

6. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two Officers thousand three hundred and forty-five pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the Salaries of certain Officers in the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, to the 31st day of March 1845.

7. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Five Pounds, and five hundred and twenty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for the Purchase of Pictures for the National Gallery, in the year 1845.

8. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Six British thousand and nine hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to enable the Trustees of the British Museum to purchase, in the year 1844, a Monument.

9. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eight Lord Nelson's thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying, in the year 1844, the Expense of completing the Monument erected in Trafalgar-square, to the Memory of Lord Nelson.

10. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Seven National thousand five hundred and twenty-four pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for the Conversion of Buildings, for the use of the British Museum.

11. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Six British thousand and nine hundred pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to enable the Trustees of the British Museum to purchase, in the year 1845, certain Books, Manuscripts and Coins.

12. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Eighty China thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray, to the 31st day of March 1845, the Charge of the Establishment of the British Settlement at Hong Kong, and of the Consular Establishments at the five Ports open to British Trade in China.

13. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Five Supplies hundred thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the like amount of Supplies granted for the Service of the year 1843, or for any preceding year.

14. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding One Half the thousand eight hundred and twenty-three pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Charge of the Demobilized Militia of Great Britain and Ireland, to the 31st day of March 1845.

15. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Nineteen Royal Gunpowder thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for the repair of the Damages at the Royal Gunpowder Manufactory, &c.

16. Resolved, That a Sum, not exceeding Two Officers hundred thousand pounds, be granted to Her Majesty, for the conversion of Buildings for the reception of Military Offences.

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

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in upon the Fourteenth Resolution; and that Sir Thomas Fremantle and Mr. Nicholl do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee to whom it was referred to consider the Act 53 Geo. 3, c. 57, to repeal the Provisions of former Acts granting exclusive Privileges of Trade to the South Sea Company, and to indemnify the said Company for the Loss of such Privileges, a Resolution; and the same was agreed to as follows:

Resolved, That provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain
Britain and Ireland, for the Payment of such Sum as may be necessary to complete the South Sea Company Guarantee Fund, to the amount specified in the said Acts.

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. Greene, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring it in.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee to whom it was referred to take into consideration the Act 17 and 18 Geo. 2, c. 7, intituled, "An Act for Provision of Ministers in Cities and Corporate Towns, and making the Church of Saint Andrew's, in the Suburbs of the City of Dublin, Presentative for ever," with a view to the repeal of so much thereof as relates to the payment of Ministers in Corporate Towns in Ireland; 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 Protection of Purchasers, &c. (Ireland) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The ingrossed Bill to explain and amend an Act for making better Provision for the Spiritual Care of Populous Parishes, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Mr. Greene reported the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill with the Amendments, be ingrossed, and read the third time this day.

Marriages Bill.

Mr. Greene reported the Marriages Bill; and the Amendments were read, as follow:

Pr. 1. l. 3. Leave out from " of " to " King."

Pr. 1. l. 11. Leave out from " the " to " second " in l. 12.

Pr. 1. l. 12. Leave out " years " and insert " year."


Pr. 1. l. 24. Leave out from " the " to " second " and in the same line leave out " years " and insert " year."

Pr. 1. l. 26. Leave out from " Majesty " to " intituled."

Pr. 1. l. ult. Leave out from " the " to " fourth," and in the same line leave out " years " and insert " year."

Pr. 2. l. 2. Leave out from " Majesty " to " intituled."

Pr. 2. l. 7. Leave out from " be " to " solemnized," in l. 8.

Pr. 2. l. 13. Leave out from " the " to " second " and in the same line leave out " years " and insert " year."

Pr. 2. l. 14. Leave out from " Majesty " to " And " in l. 15.

Pr. 2. l. 17. Leave out therefore, and in the same line leave out from " enacted " to " by " in l. 18.

Pr. 2. l. 19. Leave out from " good " to " " in l. 19.

Pr. 2. l. 19. Leave out from " good " to " to " in l. 20.

Pr. 4. l. 2. Leave out from " exceeding " to " by " in l. 24.

Pr. 4. l. 22. Leave out from " be " to " invalid," in l. 24.

Pr. 4. l. 24. Leave out from " invalid " to " by " in l. 25.

Pr. 4. l. 29. Leave out " always " and insert " also."

Pr. 5. l. 38. Leave out from " touching " to " the " in l. 39.

Pr. 6. l. 1. Leave out " all."

Pr. 6. l. 6. Leave out " all."

Pr. 6. l. 17. Leave out from " so " to " solemnized," in l. 18.

Pr. 6. l. 23. After " respectively " insert Clause (A.)

CLAUSE (A.) " And be it Enacted, That where a chapelry has been already or shall hereafter be assigned to any chapel under the provisions of the herebefore-recited Act, passed in the fifth year of the reign of King George the Third, and the Order in Council assigning such chapelry does not direct that Marriages may be performed in such chapel, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by any supplemental Order in Council, on a representation to be made to Her by the said Commissioners, with the consent of the bishop of the diocese, to order that Marriages may be performed thereafter in such chapel; and that all the fees arising therefrom or in a part thereof, should thereafter belong and be paid to the minister of such chapel, or after the next avoidance of the parish church, or that all or a portion of such fees should belong and be paid to the incumbent of such parish church; and all the laws in force relating to Banns of Marriage, and Marriages in district chapels, and the registering thereof, shall apply to Marriages performed under such supplemental Order in Council."

Pr. 6. l. 33. After " in " insert " copies printed by the Queen's Printer of."

Pr. 7. l. 1. Leave out from " making " to " thereof " in l. 11.

Pr. 7. l. 18. Leave out from " is " to " published " in l. 19.

Pr. 7. l. 28. Leave out from " Acts " to " And " in l. 29.

Pr. 7. l. ult. Leave out from " the " to " fourth " in Pr. 8. l. 1.

Pr. 8. l. 1. Leave out from " years " and insert " year."

Pr. 8. l. 16. Leave out from " the " to " seventh."

Pr. 8. l. 17. Leave out " years " and insert " year."

Pr. 8. l. 18. Leave out from " Majesty " to " intituled," in l. 19.

Pr. 8. l. 22. Leave out from " the " to " solemnization."

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Justice (Middlesex) Bill; Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker...
Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Three and a half per Cents. Dissentients Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Transfer of Licenses (Post Horses) (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Gentlemen who are appointed to prepare and bring in a Bill, pursuant to the 14th of the Resolutions which were this day reported from the Committee of Supply, That they do make provision therein, for the employment of the Non-commissioned Officers of the said Militia, in certain cases.

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 relating to an Order in Council, dated 1st April 1832, granting to Dutch Vessels the Privilege of Trading with the British Colonies.

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.

Sir Thomas Fremantle 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, Quarter Masters, Surgeons, Assistant Surgeons, Surgeons' Mates, and Seaman Officers 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 upon Friday next; and to be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Customs, which was presented upon Friday last, be referred to the Select Committee on Custom-House Frauds.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Poor Law (Orphan Children, &c.) which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to the Neighbourhood Union, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till one of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

**Mercurii, 24° die Iulii;**

Anno 8° Victoriae Regina, 1844.

**Prayers.**

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

The House proceeded to take into consideration London Gas Light Company; and the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for incorporating the London Gas Light Company; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 10. 1. 1. Leave out " clerk" and insert " secretary."
Pr. 11. 1. 16. Leave out from " each" to " and" in l. 17, and insert " general council."
Pr. 11. 1. 30. Leave out " ordinary meeting" and insert " general council."
Pr. 36. l. 22. Leave out " their" and insert " such."
Pr. 42. l. 13. Leave out " with" and insert " for the sale or supply of any matter or thing to."
Pr. 89. l. 32. After " works" insert " for the manufacture of Gas."
Pr. 129. l. 3. Leave out " Bray" and insert " Longtown."
Pr. 129. l. 4. Leave out " Morton" and insert " Norton."
Pr. 129. l. 25. After " bridges" insert " except for the purpose of laying service-pipes."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Greene 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 Brighten-Leaves and Hastings the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from the Railway Bill.

London and Brighton Railway to Lewes and Hastings, with a Branch therefrom, all in the County of Sussex; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 57. l. 50. Leave out from " Company" to " And" in l. 28. 1. 9.
Pr. 88. l. 18. Leave out from " fail" to " to" in l. 19.
Pr. 92. l. 30. Leave out from " contractors" to " shall" in l. 22.
Pr. 161. l. 20. Leave out from " passed" to " and" in l. ult.
Pr. 174. l. 37. Leave out reference and insert " referee."
Pr. 176. l. 19. Leave out " secretary" and insert " expediter."
Pr. 179. l ult. After " encroachments" insert " Clause (A.)."
Pr. 180. l. 12. Leave out " five" and insert " two," and in the same line and l. 15, after " hundred," insert " fifty."
Pr. 181. l. 29. Leave out from " give" to " notice" in l. 30, and insert " six weeks."
Pr. 181. l. ult. Leave out " five" and insert " ten."
Pr. 182. l. 13. Leave out from the second " or" to " is" in l. 14, and insert " six weeks."
Pr. 182. l. 17. Leave out " five" and insert " ten."
Pr. 211. l. 26. Leave out from " him" to " provided in" Pr. 213. l. 10.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Darby 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 Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from the London and Croydon Railway, at Croydon, to Epsom; and the same were read, as follows:

Pr. 85. l. 20. Leave out from " presuming" to " and " in l. ult.

Pr. 85. l. 23. Leave out from " of " of the " and " in l. 25, and insert " one re-investment in land, and the " necessary orders for that purpose shall be al- " lowed, unless the court be of opinion that the re- " investment of the money in more purchases of " land than one would be a proper application of " the money in case the same had been invested in " the names of trustees, and was to be laid out in " the purchase of land under the authority of the " court, and it shall be lawful for the court to order " the costs of any further re-investment of money " in land which they shall deem proper, and of the " necessary order for that purpose to be paid by " the Company, and also to order and adjudge the " costs of any re-investment not paid by the Com- " pany under the provisions hereinafter contained " to be paid by the Petitioner for such re-investment, " or such other person as the said court shall con- " sider, in the circumstances of the case, ought to " pay the same." 

Pr. 105. l. 14. Leave out from " party" to " and " in l. 16.

Pr. 105. l. 24. After " works" insert " so."

Pr. 213. l. 4. After " he " insert Clauses (A.) and (B.)

Clause (A.) " AND whereas the Company are " desirous of adopting the atmospheric principle of " traction, as likely to prove the most economical, " safe and speedy means of conveying passengers " along the Railway: BE it therefore Enacted, " That the necessary apparatus for that purpose " shall be laid down, used and duly maintained by " the Company on the said Railway: Provided al- " ways, that it shall be lawful for the Company, " with the consent of the Committee of Her Ma- " jesty's Privy Council for Trade and Plantations, " signed under the hand of the Secretary to the " said Committee, but not otherwise, to abandon " from or discontinue the use thereof." 

Clause (B.) " And be it Enacted, That the " stationary engines employed on the Railway shall " be constructed on the principle of consuming " their own smoke, and if any engine be not so " constructed, the Company shall forfeit Five pounds " for every day during which such engine shall be " unused." 

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

Ordered, That Mr. Manners Sutton 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 Bill, intituled, An Act for regulating Legal Proceedings by the Lords. 

Clauses (A.) and (B.)

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A Petition of the Lord Provost, Magistrates and
Council of the city of Edinburgh, praying the House
to exempt Scotland from the operation of the Courts
of Common Law Process and, Courts of Common
Law Process (Ireland) Bills, or otherwise to pass
into law a Bill conferring similar jurisdiction on the
Scottish Courts, was presented, and read; and ordered
to lie upon the Table.

Post-office.

A Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Coun-
cillors of the city of Durham, praying the House
to repeal the clause in the Act of Parliament, concern-
ing the power of opening letters entrusted to the
General Post-office, was presented, and read; and
ordered to lie upon the Table.

Corn Laws.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Committee
of the Sussice Society for the Protection of Agriculture,
praying the House to resist the efforts now making
by the Anti-Corn-Law League, and that no alter-
numeration whatever may be made in the existing Corn
Laws, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie
upon the Table.

Turnpike Trusts (South Wales) Bill.

Petitions of Richard Spurrell;—George Spurrell;
John James; and, Caleb Lewis; praying the
House to insert a clause in the Turnpike Trusts
(South Wales) Bill, providing remuneration or com-
pensation to the Petitioners, as Clerks to Trustees
of turnpike-roads, for the loss of their offices
under such Bill,—were presented, and read; and
ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Creditors on the Suspension Bridge
Branch of the Llandovery and Lampeter Turnpike-
road Trust, in the county of Carmarthens, praying that provision may be made in the said Bill for
paying off the principal and interest of sums ad-
vanced by subscriptions, and of a sum borrowed of
the Public Works Loan Commissioners in the year
1832,—was also presented, and read; and ordered
to lie upon the Table.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-
mittee on the Turnpike Trusts (South Wales) 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
"be an Instruction to the Committee, that they
have power to include highways and county
bridges within the provisions of the Bill," instead
thereof.
And the Question being put, That the words pro-
posed 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.

Instruction to the Committee that they have Power
to make provision, pursuant to the Resolution re-
ported on the 17th July — read.

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by para-
graph.

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSE, No 1, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 2 and No 3, agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 4 to No 6, amended, and agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 7 and No 8, agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 9, (Commissioners to ascertain and
estimate all debts).

Amendment proposed, in P. 5. 1. 35. To leave out
"and actual." Question, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—put, and agreed to.

Amendments made.

Another Amendment proposed: At the end of the
Clause, to add "Provided always, That in estimating

"the fair and actual value of every such one hun-
dred pounds of debt secured by mortgage or as-
signed of the tolls of such trust, the Commis-
sioners shall not award less than the sum which
any person being the bond fide holder of such
bond or assignment, or his testator or intestate,
in case of the holder having acquired the same
by bequest or intestacy, shall have actually paid
for the same."

Question, That those words be there added—
put, and Negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 10 to No 28, with Amendments to
several of them, agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 29, (Amount paid by Public Works
Loan Commissioners under this Act, with interest,
to be repaid by half-yearly annuity for thirty years).
P. 15. 1. 10. Proposed to fill the blank with "five
pounds five shillings."

Afterwards proposed to fill the blank with "four
pounds one shilling and two-pence."

Question proposed, That the blank be filled with
"four pounds one shilling and two-pence."—And,
by leave, withdrawn.
Blank filled with "five pounds five shillings."

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 30 to No 38, with Amendments to
several of them, agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 59, (Lime to be charged half toll).
Amendment made, in P. 25. 1. 84., by inserting
after "lime" the words "on conveying any lime
"to be used for the purposes of manure."

Another Amendment proposed: After "manure"
(to insert "or coal."

Question, That those words be there inserted
—put, and Negatived.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 60 to No 82, with Amendments to
several of them, agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 83, (Local Boards to be appointed,
called District Roads Boards).
Amendment proposed, in P. 37. 1. 17. To leave
out "said Commissioners" in order to insert "per-
sons who shall be rated to the relief of the poor
in the parish or places in which any such district"
shall lie, and who shall be resident therein;" in-
stead thereof.

Question proposed, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause:—Amendment,
by leave, withdrawn.

Amendments made.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

CLAUSE, No 84, disagreed to.

CLAUSE, No 85 to No 115, with Amendments to
several of them, agreed to.

Schedules read, and agreed to.

Clause added:

Preamble read, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene
reported, That the Committee had gone through the
Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. Brocketton reported from the Select Com-
bine Petitions for Private Bills; That in the Dame's Estate
case of the Bishop of London's Estate Bill, no Bill.
Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Dun-
Charitable Cheshire, in the county of Cheshire, and of the parish
of Calw, in said county, praying that the Cha-
ritable Donations and Bequests (Ireland) Bill may
not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and
ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition
A Petition of the Bailiffs, Wardens and Assistants of the Company of Weavers, London, praying that the Lecturers and Parish Clerks Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Tenant Farmers of Highworth and its vicinity, in the county of Wilts, and of Faringdon, in the county of Berks, and its vicinity, praying for the repeal of so much of the Property Tax Act, as makes it imperative on them to pay on half the amount of their rent, whether they gain any profit or not by their occupation, and also that the House will give them the right of appeal in the same manner as others enjoy it, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of a Labourer in the parish of Wood, for a tax on steam sawing, upon Wood sawn by steam, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Operative Wood-sawyers of Sheffield, praying for a tax on steam sawing, or upon Wood sawn by steam, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Board of Guardians of the Newtonallenvly Poor Law Union, county of Louth, praying, that the Board of Guardians of the said Union have received an order from the Poor Law Commissioners to pay 101. per annum towards the salary of an auditor appointed by them; and praying, that the Assistant Commissioner be directed to audit the accounts in future, without any change to the Union, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Borgue;--Renfrew;--Barhead;--Calton, Glasgow;--Cordross;--Kirkcolm (Preses);--Aberdeen;--Leswalt;-- Provincial Synod of Galloway (Moderator);--Udny;--Kirkcolm (Moderator);--and, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Free Church of Scotland; praying the House to declare valid, to all intents and purposes in law, all Marriages heretofore or hereafter to be solemnized by Presbyterian Ministers in Ireland, provided that all such Marriages shall be solemnized and registered agreeably to the published laws of the Irish Presbyterian Church, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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 Second Report made from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships to inquire into the Laws respecting Gaming: And that Mr. Bowerie do carry the said Message.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Copy of a Letter from the Governor General of India to T. P. Willoughby, Secretary to the Bombay Government, referring to his Letter dated the 11th day of July 1839, respecting the case of the Raja of Sattara:--And, Copy of a Letter from T. P. Willoughby, dated the 12th day of September 1839, to the Governor-General of India, referring to the Governor-General's Letter of the 12th day of July 1839, respecting the Raja of Sattara.

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the Operations of the Laws of Mortmain, and of the Restrictions which limit the Power of making Gifts and Bequests for charitable and religious Uses, have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House; together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them. Vol. 20.

Lord John Manners reported from the said Select Committee; and to whom several Petitions were referred; That they had examined 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.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Slaughtering Horses Bill. (In the Committee.)

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph.

Ordered, That the select Order be discharged.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Slaughtering a Committee upon the Slaughtering Horses Bill. (In the Committee.)

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments therein.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Friday next.

The Order of the day being read, for the second Appeal in reading of the Appeal in Criminal Cases Bill; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.
The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Report of the Poor Law Amendment Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (And be it Enacted, That when any two persons, being husband and wife, both of whom shall be above the age of sixty years, shall be received into any workhouse, in pursuance of the provisions of the said recited Act, or of this Act, such two persons shall not be compelled to live separate and apart from each other in such workhouse; and that to this end suitable and decent accommodation shall be provided in every workhouse for each man and his wife so of the ages aforesaid, any thing in the said recited Act, or in the rules or regulations for the government of any workhouse to the contrary notwithstanding): 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 (And be it Enacted, That when any two persons, being husband and wife, both of whom shall be under the age of sixty years, and either of whom shall, from infirmity of mind or body, require the attendance or assistance of the other of them, then and in such case two such persons shall have and be entitled to the benefit or privilege of the provision hereinafter contained, in regard to persons being husband and wife above the age of sixty years, any thing in the said recited Act or any rule or order to the contrary notwithstanding): 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 (And be it Enacted, That when any two persons, being husband and wife, both of whom shall be below the age of thirteen years of age, free access shall: to all children, being husband and wife, being of the same workhouse, and that to all children, not be separated from their mothers, being inmates of the same workhouse, and that to all children, being under the age of six years, free access shall be afforded for their mothers, being in the same workhouse, at all convenient times): And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time.

A Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (And be it Enacted, 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 (And be it Enacted, That the Commissioners do and shall take order for the due performance of religious services in each of such workhouses, and for that purpose do and shall appoint fit persons, being Clergymen of the Church of England, to act as Chaplains in such workhouses, and fix the amount to be paid to such Chaplains, and by way of salary or allowance for their services (which amount when so paid shall be paid out of the rates accordingly): Provided always, that no person who shall be so appointed to be a Chaplain for any workhouse shall act as such Chaplain unless he be approved for that purpose by the Bishop of the diocese within which such workhouse is situated): And the said Clause was brought up, and read the first time; And a Motion being made, and the Question being proposed, That the said Clause be now read a second time;

And the House having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

Order, That the Report be taken up into further consideration this day.

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

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Merchant into a Committee upon the Merchant Seamen Bill; Seamen Bill, and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker re-named the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto:

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly.

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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Com-Privy Council Privy Council Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the Com- Ways and Means Public Account of the Unfunded Debt Account, referred:

Ordered, That the Account of the Unfunded Debt Account, of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the Demands outstanding on 5th January 1844; distinguishing Exchequer Bills; Sums remaining unpaid, charged upon the Aids granted by Parliament and Exchequer Bills; Sums remaining unpaid, charged upon the Aids granted by Parliament and Exchequer Bills to be issued out of the Consolidated Fund; and distinguishing also such part of the Unfunded Debt and Demands as has been provided for by Parliament; together with the Account of Ways and Means remaining in the Exchequer, or to be received on the 5th January 1844, to defray such part of the Unfunded Debt, and Demands outstanding, as have been provided for; with Appendix, as was presented upon the 25th day of March last, be referred to the Committee.

Ordered, That the Account of Monies in the Ex- Monies in the chequer or remaining to be raised on the 5th day of Exchequer. July.
July 1844, to complete the Aids granted by Parliament for the years 1842 and 1843, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant July, be referred to the Committee.

Then the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(In the Committee.)

1. Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Sum of Six millions nine hundred and sixty-nine thousand eight hundred and fifty-six pounds, ten shillings and three pence, be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

2. Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, there be issued and applied to the Service of the year 1844, the Sum of One hundred and eighty-four thousand three hundred and twenty-nine pounds nine shillings and nine pence, being the Surplus of Ways and Means granted for the Service of preceding years.

a. Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Sum of Five hundred and fifty-six pounds, ten shillings and three pence, be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

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

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Green reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. Green 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.

The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Protection of Purchasers, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

The ingrossed Bill to amend so much of an Act for the fifth and sixth years of his late Majesty, as relates to the Salary of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, and to make other Provisions in respect of the said Office, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery Bill.

The Clerk of the Crown in Chancery Bill, intituled, An Act to declare the Law respecting the Publication of Banns of Matrimony, and the Celebration of Marriages, in Churches or Chapels to which Districts shall have been assigned under certain of the Church Building Acts, was, according to Order, read the third time; and the Amendments following were made to the Bill:

In the Title of the Bill:
L. 1. Leave out from “Act” to “Banns” in l. 2, and insert “concerning.”
L. 3. Leave out “of Matrimony,” and in the same line leave out from “and” to “Marriages” in l. 4.
L. 4. After “in” insert “certain districts,” and in the same line leave out from “Chapels” to the end of the Title.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which Amendments this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

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The Order of the day being read, for the Committee on the Criminal Justice (Middlesex) Bill.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Green reported the Ecclesiastical Jurisdictions Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Three-and-a-Half per Cent. Dissentients Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Green reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into the Committee upon the Grand Jury Presentments Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Green reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for Woods and Forests, and for auditing the Accounts of the Commissioners of Her Majesty’s Woods, Forests, Land Revenues, Works and Buildings: And that Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring in it.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to make and pass the said Address.

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased for Inventions.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to Her Majesty’s Most honourable Privy Council.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill for making and passing of the said Address.

Ordered, That this House will, To-morrow, resolve itself into Committee upon the Three-and-a-Half per Cent. Dissentients Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Green reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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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.

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Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

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Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased for Inventions.

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. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill for bringing in of the said Address.
Poor Law.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to the Poor Law, which were presented yesterday, be referred to the Select Committee on Poor Law Amendment Act (Medical Relief).

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Return relative to Prisoners for Debt, &c., which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Scilly Islands Mails, which was presented upon the 12th day of this instant July, be printed.

And then the House, having continued to sit till one of the clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

Jovis, 25° die Julii;
Anno 8° Victioriae Regn., 1844.

PRayers.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Wilenhall Chapel Estate Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on Hitchin's (or Punch's) Estate Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the Administration and Operation of the Law for the Relief of the Poor in Unions formed under the Act 22 Geo. 3. c. 83 (Gilbert's Act); and to report to the House their Opinion whether it is expedient that the said Unions should be maintained, have Power to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Mr. Barneby reported from the said Select Committee; and to whom several Petitions on the subject were referred; That they had considered the said Petitions; and that they had in compliance with the directions of the House made progress in the inquiry entrusted to them; and had taken evidence relative to several of the Unions incorporated under Gilbert's Act, but finding it impossible, in consequence of the advanced period of the Session, to complete their inquiry, or to secure the attendance of such a number of the Members of the Committee as would render any Opinion they might offer as to the expediency of maintaining the Unions formed under Gilbert's Act satisfactory to the House, the Committee had determined merely to report the Evidence taken before them up to the present time; to which they begg'd to call the attention of the House.

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

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Jovis, 26° die Julii;
Anno 8° Victioriae Regn., 1844.

Order'd, That there be laid before this House, a Poor Law. Copy of Mr. Walde's Reports to the Poor Law Commissioners, relative to the parishes calling themselves the Brassington Incorporation.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Titles Commencing with the following words:—Tithes, which have been confirmed by the Tithe Commissioners in the several Counties in England and Wales, from the 1st day of January to the 1st day of July 1844; specifying also, in each case, the Amount of Rent-charge agreed to be paid in lieu of Tithes, and showing whether the same be payable to Appropriatees, Impropriators or Clerical Incumbents:—And, of all Awards for the Commutation of Tithes, which have been confirmed by the Tithe Commissioners in the several Counties in England and Wales, from the 1st day of January to the 1st day of July 1844; specifying also, in each case, the Amount of Rent-charge awarded to be paid in lieu of Tithes; and showing whether the same be payable to Appropriatees, Impropriators or Clerical Incumbents:—Also, of all Apportionments of Rent-charges which have been confirmed, from the 1st day of January to the 1st day of July 1844 in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 501, of the present Session.

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Report on the Poor Law Amendment Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (And be it Enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Guardians of the poor to give a higher rate of outdoor relief than that now given, at their discretion, to aged people above sixty years of age, who have paid their poor rates): 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.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (And be it Enacted, That in the event of a married couple, or a single man or woman, possessing a cottage under the value of five pounds annual value, and having paid their poor rates, and being unable longer to work, they be eligible for out-door relief at the discretion of the Guardians): 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 new Lobby;
The Noes to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the Yeas:—Mr. Charles Napier; Mr. Redhead Yorke; Mr. Young; Mr. Henry Boring: 42.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (And be it Enacted, That from and after the Thirty-first day of March One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, the Commission appointed by an Act of 4 and 5 Will. 4. c. 76, intitled, "An Act for the Amendment and better Administration of the Laws relating to the Poor in England and Wales," shall cease and be abolished, and the several unions and union workhouses that have been created or established for the maintenance of the Poor, under the aforesaid or any other Acts relating to the relief of the Poor in England and Wales, shall be exclusively and solely under the management, power and control of the several Boards of Guardians, constituted and appointed for the management of each separate union or union workhouse, without any interference, power

power or control of the aforesaid Board of Commissioners: 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 new Lobby;
The Noes to the old Lobby.

Tellers for the Yeas: } Colonel Sibthorp. 8.
Mr. Spooner: } Mr. Young.
Tellers for the Noes: } Mr. Henry Baring: 81.

So it passed in the Negative.

Another Clause, (Guardians, by order of Commissioners, to appoint Collector of Poor’s Rates) was brought up, and twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (And be it Enacted, That the Commissioners do and shall order Boards of Guardians to take measures for allowing all paupers, not being members of the Church of England, to attend their respective places of worship, when within reasonable distance, at all reasonable times); And the said Clause was brought up and read the first time; and, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Another Clause was offered to be added to the Bill (And be it further Enacted, That whenever it shall appear to the Board of any district school that the space within such school is more than sufficient for the accommodation of poor children within the district for which such school shall have been built, it shall and may be lawful for such Board, subject to the approval of the Poor Law Commissioners, to make order for the admission of so many other children residing in the said district as shall seem expedient to such Board; and the weekly provision for the maintenance and education of such children shall be fixed by the Board at such rate as shall in their judgment be amply sufficient to cover every expense on account of such children): 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.

Another Clause (Relief to widows in certain cases), was brought up, and twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause, (Act to come into operation on the day after Her Majesty's Accession) was brought up, and twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Report be taken into further consideration this day.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Lynch and Sir George Rose:

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment; viz.

A Bill, intituled, An Act for the better Regulation of Colonial Posts:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to continue until the fifth day of April One thousand eight hundred and forty-six, Compositions for Assessed Taxes, and to amend certain Laws relating to Duties under the Management of the Commissioners of Stamps and Taxes:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to annex Detached Parts of Counties to the Counties in which they are situate, with an Amendment; to which Amendment the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And also,
The Lords communicate a Copy of the Second Report from the Select Committee of the House of Lords appointed to inquire into the Laws respecting Gaming;—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Ordered, That the Copy of the Second Report Gaming, from the Select Committee of the House of Lords appointed to inquire into the Laws respecting Gaming, which was this day communicated from the Lords, be printed.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Marriage of Susan Archbutt, the younger, Durrow Bill, Gentleman, with Mary Amelia, his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, was read the third time.

R ordered, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Elphinstone do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Sir John Yarde Buller reported from the Select Wilson's Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in Estate Bill, the case of Wilson's Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir John Yarde Buller reported from the Select Pasington's Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in Estate Bill, the case of Pasington's Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir John Yarde Buller reported from the Select Harris's Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in Estate Bill, the case of Harris's Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir John Yarde Buller reported from the Select Bowyer's Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in Estate Bill, the case of Bowyer's Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir John Yarde Buller reported from the Select Werrington, &c. Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in Estate Bill, the case of Werrington, &c. Estate Bill, the Standing Orders had been complied with.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

The Werrington, &c. Bills were read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Bowyer's Estate Bill was read a second time; Bowyer's Estate Bill, and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

A Petition from Gorey;—and, Castlebridge; pray Charitable that the Charitable Donations and Requests (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law,—were (Ireland) Bill presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition 3 3 3


The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Controverted Elections Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Bill read 1°; to be read 2°, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed.

Clauses, No. 24 to No. 45, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.

Clause, No. 46, (Election Petitions to be referred to the General Committee, and Lists of Petitions to be made.)

Amendment proposed: At the end of the Clause to add "Provided always, That although the return of any Member shall have been questioned before any Election Committee, and although such Committee may have declared and declared such Member to be duly elected to serve for the then existing Parliament, such finding and declaration shall not prevent subsequent Petitions, presented in conformity with the Sessional Orders of the House, being hereby expressly declared, that there is no limit to the number of Petitions or to the periods at which they may be presented against the returns of Members of Parliament.

Question, That those words be there added—put, and Negatived.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses, No. 47 to No. 101, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.

Schedule agreed to.

Preamble read, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, public Local Copies of any Memorial from the Corporation of Dublin, on the subject of Local Taxation, to his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, at or subsequent to the 1st day of November 1843:—Of any Communications upon the subject between his Excellency and the Commissioners for Paying Duties, and Lighting Dublin:—And, of the Commission issued by his Excellency, for the purpose of inquiring into the same subject, together with a Copy of the Report of the said Commissioners, and of any Communication addressed to his Excellency relating to such Report.

The House, according to the Order made this day, proceeded to take into further consideration of the Bill, as amended, to be reported.

An Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in P. 7. 1. 42., by leaving out the twelfth Clause, and the Amendment being proposed, That the said Clause stand part of the Bill:—The said proposed Amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn. Then Amendments were made to the Bill. Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, in P. 18. 1. 42., by inserting after the word "final" the words "Provided always, That when the relief of the poor has been hitherto administered in any parish or parishes by Guardians or Directors appointed under a local Act, and not by Overseers of the Poor, if such parish or parishes, according to the last enumeration of the population, published by authority of Parliament, contain more than twenty thousand persons, it shall not be lawful to include such parish or parishes in any such district for the audit of accounts; and in every such parish or parishes, provide such parish or parishes have not at present sent auditors elected under the provisions of an Act passed in the second year of the reign of King William the Fourth, intituled, 'An Act for the better Regulation of Vestries, and for the Appointment of Auditors of Accounts in certain Parishes of England and Wales,' the rate-payers thereof shall, within forty days after the passing of the Act, proceed to elect in vestry some one person who shall therewithforward act as sole Auditor of all accounts whatsoever of any Guardians or Directors, Vestrymen or other officers or boards having any control over any part of the parochial expenditure.
Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Lecturers and Clerks, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments do pass.

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

The ingrossed Bill for suspending the Operation of Eclesiastical Jurisdictions of the new Arrangement of Dioceses, so far as it affects the existing Ecclesiastical Jurisdictions, and for obtaining Returns from and the Inspection of the Registers of such Jurisdictions, was, according to Order, read the third time.

An ingrossed Clause (Meaning of the word "Registrar," was brought up, and thrice read; and added to the Bill, by way of Rider.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to suspend until the Thirty-first day of December One thousand eight hundred and Forty-seven, the Operation of the new Arrangement of Dioceses, so far as it affects the existing Ecclesiastical Jurisdictions, and for obtaining Returns from and the Inspection of the Registers of such Jurisdictions.

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

The ingrossed Bill to provide for paying off such Three-and-fourths of the Three pounds ten shillings per Centum Annuities and Government Debentures which are to be paid off, under two Acts passed in the present Session of Parliament, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Mr. Greene reported the Turnpike Trusts (South Turnpike Trusts Wales) Bill:—And the Bill was re-committed to a Committee of the whole House:—The House immediately resolved itself into the said Committee; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments therunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Criminal Justice (Midwives) Bill. (In the Committee.)

Instruction to the Committee, That they have Power to make provision, pursuant to the Resolution reported on the 17th July—read.

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postposed.

Clauses, No. 1 to No. 8, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.

Clause, No. 9. (That there shall be paid, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the sum of pounds to such Assistant Barrister, for a yearly salary).

Amendment proposed, in P. 3. ls. 14. and half per Centum Annuities Bill.
Question put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Clause;

The Committee divided:

Tellers for the [Mr. Young.]

Tellers for the [Mr. Brotherton.]

Noes, [Mr. William Williams.]

Blank filled with “one thousand two hundred.”

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause, No. 10, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, No. 11, disagreed to.

Clauses, No. 12 to No. 15, amended, and agreed to.

Clause, No. 16, agreed to.

Clauses added.

Preamble read, 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;

Federis, 26° die Julii, 1844:

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

The Marriages (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Report on the Joint Stock Banks Regulation Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Charitable Donations and Bequests (Ireland) Bill:

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Private Partnerships Bill:

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

The Books and Engravings Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

The Militia Pay Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for this day.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on Ways and Means; several Resolutions; and the same were read, as follow:

1. Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the Sum of Six millions nine hundred and sixty-nine thousand eight hundred and fifty-six pounds ten shillings and three pence, be granted out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

2. Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, there be issued and applied to the Service of the year 1844, the Sum of One hundred and eighty-four thousand three hundred and fifty-six pounds ten shillings and three pence, being the Surplus of Ways and Means granted for the Service of preceding years.

Ordered, That the Petition of John Heathcote, late Superintendent of Factories for the Manchester district, for inquiry into the circumstances of his dismissal from office, which was presented upon the 29th day of February last, be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for the Relief of Clerks to Attorneys and Solicitors who have omitted to enrol their Contracts; and for amending the Law relating to the enrolment of such Contracts, and to the disabilities of such Clerks, in certain cases: And that Sir George Clerk and Mr. Pringle do prepare, and bring it in.

Sir George Clerk presented, by Her Majesty’s Slave Trade, Command,—Copy of Instructions for the guidance of Her Majesty’s Naval Officers employed in the Suppression of the Slave Trade.

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

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill Customs (New South Wales), to clear up Doubts as to the Regulation and Audit of South Wales: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

Sir George Clerk presented a Bill for the Relief of Clerks to Attorneys and Solicitors who have omitted to enrol their Contracts; and for amending the Law relating to the Enrolment of such Contracts, and to the Disabilities of such Clerks, in certain cases: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer presented a Bill Consolidated Fund Bill, to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund, and certain other Sums, to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on Cheape’s Divorce Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill as to the marriage of the parties, the adultery charged as the ground for dissolving the Marriage, the interlocutory judgment in the action for criminal conversation, the inquiry of damages, the final judgment thereupon, and the sentence of divorce in the proper Ecclesiastical Court; and, upon evidence satisfactory to the Committee, found by Parliament for the Service of the years 1842 and 1843, he applied to the Service of the year 1844.

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. Greene, Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer and Sir George Clerk do prepare, and bring it in.

Mr. Greene reported the Transfer of Licenses (Post Horses) (Ireland) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

Mr. Greene reported the Grand Jury Presentments (Dublin) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time this day.

Ordered, That a Bill be brought in for the Relief of Clerks to Attorneys and Solicitors who have omitted to enrol their Contracts; and for amending the Law relating to the enrolment of such Contracts, and to the disabilities of such Clerks, in certain cases: And that Sir George Clerk and Mr. Pringle do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to Customs (New South Wales) to clear up Doubts as to the Regulation and Audit of South Wales: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.

Sir George Clerk presented a Bill for the Relief of Clerks to Attorneys and Solicitors who have omitted to enrol their Contracts; and for amending the Law relating to the Enrolment of such Contracts, and to the Disabilities of such Clerks, in certain cases: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time this day; and to be printed.
found the same and the other allegations to be true; and they saw no reason to suspect collusion between the parties; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.


Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Sir Thomas Fremantle presented, pursuant to Orders,—Returns of all Officers to whom Pensions had been granted for the loss of Limb, or Wounds equivalent thereto, and whose Pensions were subsequently purchased by the Government; stating the Name and Rank, and the Amount of Pension of each Officer; also the dates when such Pensions were purchased, and the Amount paid by Government for such Pensions; with a Calculation of the Profit or Loss resulting to the Public, so far as the same can be made out, up to the 31st day of March 1844:—And, of the Number of Chelsea and Ordnance Pensioners who obtained permission to commute their Pensions; showing the Number of those who actually commuted, and the Number of those who, not having received the full Amount of the commuted Allowance, were replaced on the Pension List; with a calculation of the Profit or Loss resulting to the Public, so far as the same can be made out, up to the 31st day of March 1844:—Also, a Statement showing the Amount paid in Commutation, the yearly Amount of the Pensions saved thereby, and the Profit resulting to the Public, after deducting the Sums paid in Canada to the commuted Pensioners and their families, who had emigrated to that Country, and all Charges that have been incurred in consequence of this measure.

Ordered, That the said Returns 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 Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Veneris, 26° die Julii;
Anno 8° Victoriae Reginæ, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Wilson's Estate Bill.

Wilson's Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Passingham's Estate Bill.

Passingham's Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Harris's Estate Bill.

Harris's Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Lady le Despencer's Estate Bill.

Lady le Despencer's Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Selection, that the Committees on Wilson's Estate Bill; Passingham's Estate Bill; Harris's Estate Bill; Bouyer's Estate Bill; Lady le Despencer's Estate Bill; and, Werrington, &c., Carnies Bill, may be appointed to meet, and sit, and proceed, upon Monday next.

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Gage's Divorce Bill was read a second time; and committed to the Select Committee on Divorce Bills.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee, that they do hear counsel and examine witnesses for the said Bill, and also that they do hear counsel and examine witnesses against the Bill; and the parties concerned think fit to be heard by counsel or produce witnesses.

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 their Lordships in the case of the said Bill:—And that Mr. Greene do carry the said Message.

A Petition of William Phelps, of Red Lion-square, Gage's, in the county of Middlesex, Gentleman, Solicitor for Thomas Foreman Gage, Esquire, was presented, and read; setting forth, That a Bill is now pending in the House, intituled, "An Act to dissolve the Marriage of Thomas Foreman Gage and Fanny Louisa, his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other Purposes therein mentioned"; that the said Bill has been read a second time in the House, and Orders have been made that it be an Instruction to the Select Committee to whom it has been referred, to hear counsel and examine witnesses for the Bill, and also to hear counsel and examine witnesses against the said Bill, if the parties concerned think fit to be heard by counsel or to produce witnesses; that the said Fanny Louisa Gage is, as the Petitioner believes, residing out of the United Kingdom, and was, on the 11th day of June last, served at Laussaune, in Switzerland, with an attested copy of the said Bill, together with the Order of the House of Lords for the second reading thereof in the said House; that it will be impossible to serve the said Fanny Louisa Gage personally with a copy of the said Bill and of the Orders of the House, in sufficient time to allow the said Bill to pass during the present Session of Parliament, and the Petitioner is apprehensive that the interests of the said Thomas Foreman Gage may suffer by the progress of the said Bill being delayed; that William Strickland Cookson, of Lincoln's-Inn, in the county of Middlesex, Gentleman, is the solicitor and confidential adviser of the said Fanny Louisa Gage, and as such, instructed his proctors to appear for her in the suit instituted by the said Thomas Foreman Gage against the said Fanny Louisa, his Wife, in the Consistory Court of London, for Divorce, on the ground of criminal conversation and adulterous behaviour; and the Petitioner believes that the said William Strickland Cookson has full authority to act as her solicitor and agent in all matters relating to the said Bill for Divorce; and praying that the service of the said Orders and of an official copy of the said Bill upon William Strickland Cookson may be deemed good service, and that personal service on the said Fanny Louisa Gage may be dispensed with, or that the House will be pleased to give such other relief in the premises as shall seem fit.

Ordered, That the said Petition be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the Petition be printed.

The Bishop of London's Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Selection, that the Committee on the said Bill may be appointed to meet, and sit, and proceed, upon Tuesday next.

A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of Land, Corn Laws, Tradesmen and Labourers within the Uckfield Petty Sessional District, in the county of Sussex, praying the House to resist the projects of the Anti-Corn Law League, and in consideration of the vast amount 4 A...
of capital and skill which has been expended in the improvement of land, preserve to the agriculturist the protection to which they are entitled, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Pettions from Carrick-on-Suir:—Clonenan;—Senna and Baldaverg;—Clonmilt;—Emilaid and Kilmore;—Bokerlahan;—Kilronane and Moglass;—Loughgall;—Maistrian;—Kildonyer;—Ballinakil;—Kilglass;—Inchierin;—Moneymore;—Saint John's;—Kilnog, and Raharra;—Upper Kilbride;—Kilbrann;—Kilcommon Erris;—Ballynooehan and Kilroghan;—Clara;—Borris O'Leigh;—Bristol;—Johnstown;—Dungourney;—Kildomine and other places;—Borrisokane and other places;—Ardena;—Lisrona and Poversatom;—Kileics;—Kilgeever;—Castletown;—Tipperary;—Upper Church and Drombene;—Rolleston and Ollatown;—Aiblon;—Kilnough;—Dragnan;—Cruselough;—Cloonbret;—Westport;—Clogier; (two Petitions);—Magog and Faughshannon;—Killeen;—fackpatrick;—Street;—Lorka;—Ariss;—Balleenowry;—Barrendaugh and Kilbride;—Kinney;—Casterlahan and Montor;—kennedy;—Magog and Moy;—Magog and Dyerogery;—Elphic;—Magee and Templeton;—Lismore;—Tyrrella, Cloong and Drumcoroad;—Donore and Rosnarry;—Kilglass;—Kilme;—Dromore;—Dromore and Moy;—Paracon and Dysertegny;—Fin;—Magog and Templety;—Clonlollan;—Clonlollan;—Clonlollan;—Serability;—Medello;—Kildalkey;—Kilmacau and Kilmichael;—Demholl and Anacarty;—Kilmabog;—Kild;—Newtown;—Donome and Moy;—Faith; and Dyerogery;—Elphic;—Magee and Templeton;—Lismore;—Tyrrella, Cloong and Drumcoroad;—Donore and Rosnarry;—Kilglass;—Moore;—Castlemear;—Saint Peter's and Drum;—and, Bradford (York); praying for the repeal of the Legislative Union between Great Britain and Ireland, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Aglish;—Emniscorthy;—and, Diocese of Ferns; praying that the Charitable Donations and Bequests (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Emniscorthy, in the parish of Saint Mary and county of Wexford, who, since his Election for the said Borough, hath accepted the office of Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's borough of Thomas William Chester Master, Esquire, for the Borough of Cirencester, in the room of Thomas William Chester Master, Esquire, for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Cirencester, in the county of Gloucestershire, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Amendment proposed, in P. 1. 1. 13. To leave out "three pounds five shillings" in order to insert "three pounds six shillings and eight-pence," instead thereof.

Question put, That "three pounds five shillings" stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided:

Tellers for the Yes, {Mr. Young;} 51.
Tellers for the Noes, {Mr. Henry Baring;} 46.

Clause agreed to.

Clause, N° 2. (After the twentieth day of November One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four, the interest payable to depositors by the Trustees or Managers of any Savings Bank shall not exceed the rate of two pounds fifteen shillings per centum per annum.)

Amendment proposed, in P. 2. 1. 22. To leave out "exceed the rate of" in order to insert "be less than," instead thereof.

Question put, That the words "exceed the rate of," stand part of the Clause.

The Committee divided:

Tellers for the Yes, {Mr. Young;} 58.
Tellers for the Noes, {Mr. Henry Baring;} 58.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses, N° 3 to N° 21, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.

Clauses added.

Preamble read, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Cirencester, in the county of Gloucestershire, for the electing of a Burgess to serve in this present Parliament for the Borough of Cirencester, in the county of Gloucestershire, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Controverted Elections Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed; and read the third time upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Savings Banks Bill.

In the Committee.

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed.

Clause, N° 1. (That on the twentieth day of November One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four, the interest payable on the receipts issued to the Trustees of Savings Banks by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt shall cease, and that from and after the said twentieth day of November all receipts issued prior to that day shall carry interest at the rate of three pounds five shillings per centum per annum.)

Mr. Thornewley reported from the Select Committee Public Petitions on Public Petitions; That they had examined the (forty-second Petitions presented upon the 22d and 23d days of Report) 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.
Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the allegations of the Petition presented upon the 20th day of June, in the last Session of Parliament, praying for further protection against the depredations of Dog-stealers in the Metropolis, with a view to correct the evils complained of therein, have Power to report their Observations thereupon to the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

_Lord Arthur Lennox_ reported from the said Select Committee that they had considered the matters referred to them; 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.

A Petition of Rowland Goldincock, of Hazel Hall, Shere, Guildford, Surrey, praying that the House, in consequence of the great difficulty in collecting parochial rates under an assessment of ten pounds, from the occupying tenant, will alter the law of assessment, and that all such tenants should pay rates on the property occupied by them, but that the landlord should ultimately be liable for the same, the tenant having a legal claim against the proprietor, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Matthew Phillips, Geographical and Civil Engineer and Surveyor, praying the House to enact a law that may be permitted to be hired by parochial authorities, and re-let at a fair farm rental, in quantities according to the number, the necessities and the industry of the inhabitants, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of High Constables.

A Petition of the High Constable for the hundred of Isleworth, in the county of Middlesex, praying that the House, in the alterations and amendments they are making in the Poor Law Amendment Bill, will empower and authorize Magistrates to remunerate and pay High Constables for their services, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Saint Luke, in the county of Middlesex, taking notice of the proceedings in the late State Trial in Ireland; and praying the House to do its utmost endeavours for the immediate liberation of Daniel O'Connell, Esquire, and the Traversers with him, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Cadogan Williams, suggesting various alterations in the Poor Law; and praying for their adoption, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of William Coulson, of Derby, complaining of the conduct of two magistrates of Derby, and a police officer, in inducing him to break the law, and then committing him to prison for two months; and praying the House to address Her Majesty to remove the said Magistrates from the Civil Department 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 on account of the Sums voted for the Army, Navy, Ordinance and Miscellaneous Services; also, Public Works, Bounties, Post-Office, the Quarantine and Warehousing 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. 194, of Session 1843). An Account of Sums paid out of the Consolidated Fund, for the establishment of it by Mr. Pitt in 1766, to the close of the War in 1815, in periods of Five years (in continuation of the Return laid before this House, 30th April last).

ORDERED, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and be printed.

ORDERED, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Total Number of Paupers in each Poor Law Union in England and Wales, in each of the years ending respectively on the 25th day of March 1841, 1842, 1843 and 1844, who were affected with Fever, Scarletina, Measles and Small Pox respectively, and the Number of Paupers so affected who died of the above Diseases, distinguishing the Number of Deaths under each form of Disease in each year.

ORDERED, That there be laid before this House, Poor Relief Returns of the Number of Paupers admitted into each Workhouse in Ireland, in the years ending the 25th day of March 1841, 1842, 1843 and 1844 respectively, distinguishing the Number of those not exceeding Seven years of age, those between Seven and Fifteen years of age, those between Fifteen and Fifty years, and the Number above Sixty;—Of the Number of Paupers affected with Fever, Scarletina, Measles and Small Pox respectively, in each Workhouse in Ireland, in each of the above years, and the Number of Paupers so affected who died in each Workhouse of the said Diseases, distinguishing the Number of Deaths under each form of Disease in each year. Of the Number of Persons successfully vaccinated in each Union in Ireland, under the operation of the Vaccination Extension Act, in the year ending the 25th day of March 1844, and of the Sums paid for such Vaccination in each Union;—And, of the Name and Population of every Poor Law Union in Ireland in which there is no Fever Hospital, and of the Name and Popula-
tion of every Union in which application has been made to the Poor Law Commissioners, to provide Relief for Poor Persons affected with Fever or other dangerous contagious Disease, under the sixteenth section of the Act 6 and 7 of Her present Majesty, c. 92, and of the instances, if any, in which such application has been granted.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Number of Lunatics from the Counties of Armagh, Down and Fermanagh, received into the District Lunatic Asylum at Armagh, in the two years ending the 1st day of July, 1844, with the Number of Applications for Admission from each County during the same period; also, a Return of the Number of Criminal Lunatics confined in the respective Gaols, on the 1st day of July, 1844.

Message from the Lords.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Lynch and Sir George Rose:

Mr. Speaker,
The Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment; viz.

A Bill, intituled, An Act for Disfranchisement of the Borough of Sudbury:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to extend the Powers of the Act for the Appointment and Payment of Parish Constables:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to continue until the end of the Session of Parliament next after the Thirty-first day of December, One thousand eight hundred and forty-six, and to the end of the then ensuing Session of Parliament, an Act of the tenth year of King George the Fourth, for providing for the Government of his Majesty's Settlements in the Isle of Wight, called Ventnor, and for establishing a Market therein, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for annexing to the united Bishopricks of Down, Connor and Dromore the House known as Down Estate Bill.

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Permit the Lords to borrow a certain Sum of Money upon the Security of his entailed Estates, for Repayment to him of a Portion of the Monies laid out by him in the Improvement of these Estates; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to endow the Trustees of the Will of Sir George Gervis, Baronet, deceased, to convey a Church at Bouremouth, in the County of Southampton, to Her Majesty's Commissioners for building New Churches, and to endow the same; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

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The Clerks to Attorneys Bill was, according to Clerks to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Spirits (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, Spirits read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Piccadilly Improvement Bill was, according Piccadilly to Order, read a second time; and committed to Improvement the Earl of Lincoln, Mr. Young, Captain Ross, Mr. Leader, Colonel Wood, Mr. Pringle, Mr. Master- man, Mr. Gally Knight, Colonel Fox, Sir Charles Lemon, and Five Members to be added by the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That Five be the Quorum.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit, and proceed, upon Monday next.

The Fisheries (Ireland) Bill was, according to Fisheries Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee the Military Pay into a Committee upon the Military Pay Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

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

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

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Ordered, That the Bill be an Instruction to the Committee, That they have Power to receive a Clause of Appropriation.

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The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole House; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

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.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, an Account of the Quantity of Refined Sugar, the Produce of Foreign Sugar refined in Bond, exported from London and the Outports of the United Kingdom; distinguishing the Ports from whence, and the Countries to which the same was exported, between the 5th day of January 1841 and the 5th day of July 1844 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 239, of Session 1841).

A Motion being made, That this House will, upon Monday next, resolve itself into a Committee, to consider of providing, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for Payment of Salaries and Expenses of Officers to be appointed under any Act of the present Session for registering Marriages in Ireland;

Sir James Graham, 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.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to the Army, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Luna, 29° die Julii;

Anno 8° Victoriae Reginae, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on Ramsden’s Estate Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on Gape’s Divorce Bill; That the Order of the day being read, for taking into consideration the Petition of William Phelps, of Red Lion-square, in the county of Middlesex, Gentleman, Solicitor for Thomas Foreman Gape, Esquire, praying that service of the Orders of the House, and a Copy of the Bill, in the case of Gape’s Divorce Bill, upon William Strickland Cookson, the agent of Mrs. Gape, may be deemed good service, which was presented upon Friday last:—The House proceeded to take the said Petition into consideration; and the same was again read. William Strickland Cookson was called in; and at the bar stated, that he had acted for Mrs. Gape, who is now in Switzerland, in all the Proceedings relating to this Divorce Bill, under a Power of Attorney signed by her.—And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That service of the Order of the House upon Mr. William Strickland Cookson, the agent of Mrs. Gape, and leaving an attested Copy of the said Bill with him, be deemed good service of the same upon the said Mrs. Gape.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Tralee Navigation and Harbour Bills; that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to willen hall authorize the Sale of certain Estates and Mines belonging to the Chapel of Willethall, in the Parish of Woblerhampton, in the County of Stafford, and to provide a Residence for the Incumbent of the Chapel, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Selection, That the Committees on the Leeds Vicarage; and, Ladbroke’s Estate Bills may be appointed to meet, and sit and proceed, To-morrow.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Leeds Vicarage Bill have leave to make their Report To-morrow.

Ordered, That the Committee on Ladbroke’s Ladbroke’s Estate Bill have leave to make their Report To-morrow.

Ordered, That the Committee on Bower’s Estate Bower’s Bill have leave to make their Report To-morrow.

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Ordered, That the Committee on Werrington, &c., Werrington, Corns Bill have leave to make their Report To-morrow.

Ordered, That the Committee on Harris’s Estate Harris’s Bill have leave to make their Report To-morrow.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Bishop of the Bishop of London’s Estate Bill have leave to make their Report To-morrow.

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A Petition of the Board of Commissioners of Police Smoke Prohibition for the city of Glasgow, praying the House to receive, consider the subject of the Prohibition of Smoke, and to appoint a Commission, with such powers as the House may deem meet, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Merchant Seamen Bill, &c. (In the Committee.)

Bill read 1°; to be read 2°, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed.

CLAUSE


The Lords, authorized by virtue of Her Majesty's Commission, for declaring Her Royal Assent to several Acts agreed upon by both Houses, do 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 Public and Private Bills therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Bills: Which Bills are as follow:  

An Act concerning Banns and Marriages in certain Districts, Churches or Chapels:  

An Act for Disfranchisement of the Borough of Sudbury:  

An Act further to stay, until the end of the next Session of Parliament, Proceedings in certain Actions under the Provisions of several Statutes for the Prevention of excessive Gaming, and to prevent any similar Proceedings being taken under those Statutes during such further limited Time:  

An Act for better regulating the Offices of Lecturers and Parish Clerks:  

An Act to extend the Powers of the Act for the Appointment and Payment of Parish Constables:  

An Act to repeal certain Acts for regulating the Trade in Butter and Cheese:  

An Act to continue until the First day of October Loan Societies One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, and to enable them to the end of the then Session of Parliament, the Act to amend the Laws relating to Loan Societies:  

An Act to continue until the Thirty-first day of December One thousand eight hundred and Fortye-five, and to and for facilitating the Enfranchisement of such Parishes or Districts, Churches or Chapels:  

An Act to amend and continue for five years, certain Acts relating to Linen, and for the end of the next Session of Parliament, certain Acts relating to Linen, Hemp and other Manufactures in Ireland:  

An Act to confirm and extend the Provisions of Gaspee Fishery Company, of the Provincial Parliament of Canada, in the seventh year of the reign of Her present Majesty, for incorporating the Gaspee Fishery Company, and Coal Mining Company:  

An Act for making a Railway from the London Bridge, Lewes and Brighton Railway to Lewes and Hastings, with a Branch therefrom, all in the County of Sussex:  

An Act for making a Railway from the London Bridge and Croydon Railway, at Croydon, to Epsom:  

An Act for improving the Harbour and Quay of Wells Harbour, in the County of Norfolk, and for extending and Quay Bill:  

An Act for lighting, paving, cleansing, widening, and altering some of the Provisions of the Act relating to the said Harbour and Quay:  

An Act for lighting, paving, cleansing, widening and improving the Streets of the Town or Parish of Wells, in the County of Norfolk, for removing and preventing Nuisances therein, and for making new Streets or Road-ways:  

An Act for incorporating the London Gas Light Company:  

An Act for regulating Legal Proceedings by or against the Mariners and General Life Insurance Company, and for granting certain Powers to the said Company:  

An Act to enable Sir John Randall Mackenzie's Entailed Estates, and Estates belonging to him, in fee simple, to his Entailed Estate, upon certain Terms and Conditions, and to borrow certain Sums of Money, upon Security of his Entailed Estate, for Re-payment of certain Claims for Money out laid, and to be laid out in Improvements upon the said Estate:  

An Act for vesting in Trustees certain Parts of Mackenzie's Entailed Estates of Newfirth, to be sold, and the (Seaview) Estate Bill, Price applied in Payment of the Entailer's Debts, and the Surplus to be laid out in the Purchase of other Lands, for enabling the Heiress in Possession to borrow a Sum of Money, on the credit of the said Entailed Estates, and for other Purposes connected therewith:  

An Act to dissolve the Marriage of Samuel Archibald, the younger, gentleman, with Mary Amelia, his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other Purposes therein mentioned.
The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law as to burning Farm Buildings; and the same was read, as follows:

Pr. 3. 1. 14. After "person" insert Clause (A.)
Clause (A.) "And be it Enacted, That every male person under the age of eighteen years, who shall be convicted of any offence under this Act, shall be liable, at the discretion of the court before which he shall be convicted, in addition to any other sentence which may be passed upon him, to be publicly or privately whipped in such manner and as often, not exceeding thrice, as the court shall direct."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to annex Detached Parts of Counties to the Counties in which they are situated; and the same was read, as follows:

Pr. 1. 1. 4. Leave out from "county" to the first "and" in 5. 6.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to ensure Transfersquare, in the City of Westminster; and the same was read, as follows:

Pr. 1. 1. 13. After "expense" insert "and"
"whereas upwards of twenty thousand pounds have been collected by private subscription, and expedited towards the erection of a column in the said Square, to commemorate the public services of the late Admiral Lord Nelson of the Nile."

The said Amendment, being read a second time; The Amendment following was made thereunto; viz. Leave out "Admiral Lord Nelson of the Nile," and insert "Vice Admiral Lord Viscount Nelson" instead thereof.

And the said Amendment so amended, was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Sir John Yarde Buller reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of Lord Lovat's Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Hitham, the Guardian of Henry Peach Keighley Peach, an orphan, to sell the next Presentation to the Rectory and Parish Church of Aldbrough, in the County of Yorkshire, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

A Petition of the President of the Trustees and Savings Banks Managers of the Savings Bank established at Ely, Bill, in the county of Suffolk, praying that the Savings Banks Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Inchicrowan:—B. J. Lowke, Charitable and others; and Patrick McFee, and others; praying that the Charitable Donations and Bequests (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Elizabeth Pigott, Widow of Robert Robert Pigott, Esquire, deceased, praying for inquiry into the circumstances attending the stoppage of the pension of her late husband, an officer of excise in Ireland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Robert Robison, Esquire, late Captain Robert Robison, in Her Majesty's Army, praying the House to insert a clause in the Railway Bill to extend the exemption, so that no tax shall be levied upon receipts from the conveyance of passengers at fares not exceeding one penny per mile, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Arbroath and Forfar Railway Company, praying the House to insert a clause in the Railways Bill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Glasgow and Ayr Union West of Scotland Association for the promotion of the Fine Arts, praying that the Art-Union Bill may pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Earl of Lincoln reported from the Select Committee on the Piccadilly Improvement Bill, that they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Mr. Brotherton reported from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the mode of administering Medical Relief to the Sick Poor under the provisions of the Poor Law Amendment Act, and to report their Opinion thereupon, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them; and to whom several Petitions were referred, and who were empowered to report from time to time; that they had further considered the matters to them referred; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the
the House, together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

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

Mr. Gladstone presented, pursuant to Order,—

A Return of the Number and Tonnage of all British and Foreign Vessels entering and departing from the Ports within the limits of all the Consular Stations in the United States of America, and the Value of their respective Cargoes inwards and outwards, for the years ended the 31st day of December 1839, 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843.

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

Mr. Densmore reported from the Committee on the Monkland Railways (No. 2.) (re-committed) Bill; and to whom the Petition of the Garnikirk Railway Company, presented on the 10th day of this instant July, was referred; That they had heard counsel in support of the said Petition, and had also heard counsel in favour of the Bill; which they had directed him to report to the House, without any further Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing, in columns and detail, the application of the several Grants of Money for Port Patrick Harbour, in continuation of the last Return made to Parliament; also, the items of the Estimate to which the Sum of £ 5,500, granted in the present Session, is to be applied, with the Sums in each year for Engineers' Charges, distinguished from others, and the Names of the Engineers.

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 Receipt of every Harbour in the United Kingdom, for each of the last Three years, stating the several heads of Income, the Authority by which the same are levied; and of the Expenditure for each of the same years, stating the several heads of Expenditure, and the Amount of each head in each of those 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.

Viscount Howick reported from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the state of the Colony of New Zealand, and into the Proceedings of the New Zealand Company, and to report the Minutes of Evidence, and their Opinion thereupon, to the House; and to whom two Petitions were referred; 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.

The ingrossed Bill to amend the Law for the Trial of Controverted Elections of Members to serve in Parliament, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Mr. Greene reported the Books and Engravings Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the several Establishments maintained for the Prevention of Smuggling in the United Kingdom in each of the years 1842 and 1843; stating, under separate heads, the Expense in Wages, Salaries, Vessels, Houses, &c.; the Expense of Prosecutions by the Departments of Customs and Excise; the Amount of Produce of Seizures of Smuggled and Illegal Goods, the Shane paid to the Officers seizing them, and the Amount remaining to the Crown; also, all other incidental Charges, so as to exhibit the entire Charge, according to the Order of the House of the 7th day of July 1825.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself Consolidated into a Committee upon the Consolidated Fund Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Commons into a Committee upon the Grand Canal (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Commons into a Committee upon the Woods and Forests Accounts Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Commons into a Committee upon the Woods (New South Wales) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Commons into a Committee upon the Clerks to Attornies Bill; Attornies Bill. and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Commons into a Committee upon the Consolidated Fund Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

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

Mr. Greene reported the Slaughtering Horses Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to; and House Bill. a Clause (Limitation as to summary proceedings), No. 555. was brought up, and twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Another Clause (Appeal to Quarter Sessions), was brought up, and twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be engrossed; and read the third time upon Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Duckworth Message from and Mr. Russell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment; viz.

A Bill, intitled, An Act for widening, repairing Ayr Bridge and maintaining the Bridge of Ayr, commonly (No. s.) Bill. called the New Bridge, leading across the River 4 B Ayr,
Ayr, at the Royal Burgh or Town of Ayr, in the County of Ayr, and for other Purposes in relation thereto:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to alter, amend, enlarge and in part repeal the Acts relating to the Wishaw and Colness Railway: And also, The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law relating to Aliens; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making new Docks and other Works connected therewith, to the present Docks at Kingston-upon-Hull, and for amending the Acts relating to such last-mentioned Docks, with Amendments: to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Protection of Purchasers, &c. (Ireland) Bill.

Mr. Greene reported the Protection of Purchasers, &c. (Ireland) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

A Clause, (Compensations to officers and others interfered with by this Act), was brought up, and twice read; and made part of the Bill.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill.

Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill, by adding at the end of the Thirty-fourth Clause, the words "Provided further, that it shall " and may be lawful for the Court of Exchequer," and to consolidate, by their order to be made in " that behalf, and notified to the Lords Commis- " sioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, the said office " to which the said average sum shall be paid to the " Lords and Commons of the United Kingdom of " Great Britain and Ireland; " and the remaining sum " always, that the provisions of this Act shall not " extend to authorize the order for the service of " any such writ of summons as aforesaid, in any " action to be commenced in any of the said Courts " in any case where the person or persons against " whom such action is to be commenced or prose- " cuted, or such writ of summons shall be proposed " to be issued, shall be resident within that part of " the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ire- " land, which is called Scotland."

Mr. Greene reported the Courts of Common Law Act of Consol- " dated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great " Britain; and the Amendments were read, as follow:

Pr. 2. 1. 11. After " Court" insert " and that " such person was domiciled in England when such " cause of action arose."

Pr. 2. 1. 35. After " Court" insert " Provided " always, that the provisions of this Act shall not " extend to authorize the order for the service of " any such writ of summons as aforesaid, in any " action to be commenced in any of the said Courts " in any case where the person or persons against " whom such action is to be commenced or prose- " cuted, or such writ of summons shall be proposed " to be issued, shall be resident within that part of " the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ire- " land, which is called Scotland."

Pr. 19. 1. 29. First blank filled with " first" and second blank with " September."

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

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

Mr. Greene reported the Courts of Common Law Act of Consol- " dated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great " Britain; and the Amendments were read, as follow:

Pr. 2. 1. 5. After " Ireland" insert " and that " such person was domiciled in Ireland when such " cause of action arose."

Pr. 2. 1. 8. Leave out " is" and insert " has been " for six calendar months at the least next before " the making of such affidavit."

Pr. 2. 1. 29. After " Court" insert " Provided " always, that the provisions of this Act shall not " extend to authorize the order for the service of " any such writ of summons as aforesaid in any " action to be commenced in any of the said Courts, " in any case where the person or persons against " whom such action is to be commenced or prose- " cuted, or such writ of summons shall be proposed " to be issued, shall be resident within that part of " the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ire- " land, which is called Scotland."

Pr. 17. 1. 1. Blank filled with " first."

Pr. 17. 1. 2. Blank filled with " September."

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

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second Charitable Donations and Bequests (Ireland) Bill; And a Motion being made, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read a second time; the House divided:

Yea, 64; Nays, 36.

The Yeas to the old Lobby; The Noes to the new Lobby.

Tellers for the Yeas, Mr. Young, Mr. Somers. 71.

Tellers for the Nays, Lord Arthur Lennox, Mr. Dillon Brown, Mr. Somers. 5.

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 Thursday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee, to consider of providing out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for payment of Salaries and Expenses of Officers to be appointed under any Act in the present Session for registering Marriages in Ireland.

Ordered, That Provision be made, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for the Payment of the Salaries
of the Officers, and the Expenses of the General Register Office, which may be established in pursuance of any Act of the present Session for Marriages in Ireland, and for registering such Marriages.

Resolution to be reported.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Marriages (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly.

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 Order of the day being read, for the second reading of the Private Partnerships Bill;

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

Mr. Greene reported the Savings Banks Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Spirits (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Fisheries (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. Greene reported the Militia Pay Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

Mr. Greene reported the Privy Council Bill; and the Amendments were read, as follow:

Pr. 6. l. 37. Leave out " declared and."  
Pr. 1. l. 24. Leave out from " be " to " repealed " in l. 25, and in l. 25, after " repealed " insert Clause (A.).

Clause (A.). " And be it Enacted, That so much " of the said Act of the first year of the reign of " King George the First as provides, that no person " shall hereafter be naturalized unless in the Bill " exhibited for that purpose there shall be a clause " or particular words inserted to declare that such " person shall not thereby be enabled to be of the " Privy Council, or a Member of either House of " Parliament, or to take any office, either civil or " military, or to have any grant of lands, tenures, " or hereditaments from the Crown to himself " or any other person in trust for him, and that " no Bill of Naturalization shall hereafter be re- " ceived in either House of Parliament unless such " clause or words be first inserted, be repealed."

Pr. 2. l. 34. After " heirs " insert " executors."

Pr. 4. l. 13. Leave out from " enjoy " to " all," in l. 17.

Pr. 4. l. 37. Leave out from " to " to " a " in l. penult., and insert " one of Her Majesty's prin- " cipal Secretaries of State."

Pr. 5. l. 13. Leave out from " State " to the first " to " in l. 14.

Pr. 5. l. 21. Leave out from " State " to " who " in l. 22.

Pr. 5. l. 27. Leave out " nisi-eqcus."

Pr. 5. l. 34. Leave out from " State " to " if " in l. 35.

Pr. 8. l. ult. Leave out " for " the Home Depart- " ment."

Pr. 9. l. 9. In Clause (A.), added by way of 

Rider to the Bill:

L. 11. Leave out from " Act " to the end of the 

Clause.

Pr. 10. l. 9. After " Act " insert Clause (B.).

Clause (B.). " And be it Enacted, That any " woman married or who shall be married to a na- " tural-born subject or person naturalized, shall be 

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Lord Lovat's Estate Bill. 

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for better lighting, paving, cleansing, and otherwise improving Part of the Parish of Neston, in the Isle of Wight, called Ventnor, and for establishing a Market therein; and the same were read, as follow: 

P. 69. l. 33. Leave out " by the Clerk of the Peace."

Pr. 94. l. 17. Leave out " road " and insert " place."

Pr. 140. l. 5. Leave out " may " and insert " shall."

Pr. 166. l. 2. Leave out " purchase " and insert " purchaser."

Pr. 189. l. 13. Leave out " brought " and insert " bought."

Pr. 194. l. 35. After " to " insert " the."

Pr. 211. l. 4. Leave out " shall " and insert " may."

Pr. 211. l. 5. After " award " insert " any part thereof not exceeding, " and in the same line leave out " thereof."

Pr. 211. l. 6. Leave out " other half " and insert " remainder, or the whole, in case no part shall be awarded to the informer."

Pr. 213. l. 10. Leave out from " vacated to " nor " in l. 11., and in l. 11. leave out " shall the same."

Pr. 213. l. 13. After " courts " insert " for want of form."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Brotherton do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ventnor Improvement Bill. 

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for better lighting, paving, cleansing, watching, regulating and improving the Town of Rochdale and the Environs thereof, in the County Palatine of Lancaster; and the same were read, as follow: 

P. 2. l. penult. Leave out " said."

Pr. 6. l. 23. After " under " insert " the said recited Act or."

Pr. 8. l. 5. Leave out " at an election."

Pr. 8. l. 54. Leave out " said."

Pr. 9. l. 29. After " steady, " insert " and the clerk to the Commissioners shall, by placards to be posted in conspicuous places in the said town, forthwith give public notice of every such appointment."

Pr. 11. l. 22. After " and " insert " every."

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Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Selection, That the Committees on Gervis's Estate, Bishop of Down, Connor and Dromore's Estate, and Lord Lovat's Estate Bills, may be appointed to meet, and sit and proceed, upon Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Committee on Gervis's Estate Bill have leave to make their Report upon Thursday next.

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Pr. 11. l. 26. Leave out " persons " and insert " person."

Pr. 11. l. 27. Leave out " their respective places " and insert " his place."

Pr. 11. l. 30. Leave out " their names " and insert " his name."

Pr. 12. l. 1. After " inspected " insert " at all reasonable times, without fee, and copies thereof may be had on payment of sixpence for every one hundred words."

Pr. 12. l. 13. Leave out " without fee."

Pr. 12. l. 6. After " inspection " insert " or to furnish such copies."

Pr. 12. l. 36. Leave out " at " and insert " on."

Pr. 14. l. 6. and 7. After " person " insert " and the voting papers shall be kept in the office of the Clerk to the Commissioners during six months at the least after every such election, and the Clerk to the Commissioners shall permit any person duly qualified to vote in the election of Commissioners to inspect the voting papers of any year, on payment of one shilling for every search."

Pr. 14. l. 13. Leave out " said."

Pr. 17. l. 2. After " rates " insert " for the time being," and in the same line after " Act " insert " or (as the case may be) under an Act passed in the sixth year of the reign of King George the Fourth, intituled, 'An Act for lighting, cleansing, watching and regulating the Town of Rochdale, in the County Palatine of Lancaster.]

Pr. 18. l. 31. After " same " insert " or."

Pr. 21. l. 5. Leave out " said."

Pr. 21. l. 12. Leave out " said."

Pr. 22. l. 33. Leave out " first giving."

Pr. 22. l. 34. After " thereof " insert " being first given."

Pr. 23. l. 31. Leave out " April " and insert " May."

Pr. 24. l. 20. Leave out " said."

Pr. 27. l. 29. Leave out " said."

Pr. 27. l. 29. Leave out " into " and insert " in."

Pr. 28. l. 16. Leave out " such " and insert " the."

Pr. 32. l. 7. After " kept " insert " by their clerk."

Pr. 33. l. 6. After " collector " insert " surveyor."

Pr. 33. l. 11. Leave out " clerk, " and in the same line and l. 12. after " treasurer " insert " clerk, " and in l. 12. after " collector " insert " surveyor."

Pr. 33. l. 17. Leave out from " every " to " notice " in l. 19., and insert " treasurer, clerk, collector, surveyor or assessor."

Pr. 33. l. 31. Leave out from " such " to " and " in l. 33., and insert " treasurer, clerk, collector, surveyor or assessor."

Pr. 35. l. 16. After " clerk " insert " surveyor."

Pr. 41. l. 32. Leave out " April " and insert " May."

Pr. 37. l. 25. Leave out " signature " and insert " signing."

Pr. 66. l. 2. Leave out " said."

Pr. 66. l. 12. Leave out " said."

Pr. 67. l. 16. Leave out " his late Majesty."

Pr. 67. l. 33. Leave out " his Majesty."

Pr. 72. l. 19. Leave out " Company and insert " Commissioners."

Pr. 75. l. 7. Leave out " proceeding " and insert " proceedings."

Pr. 91. l. 3. After " in " insert " the."

Pr. 115. l. 26. Leave out " hereby " and insert " thereby."

Pr. 127. l. 19. Leave out from " Commissioners " to " and " in Pr. 128. l. 6.

Pr. 137. l. 22. Leave out " to " and insert " from."

Pr. 137. l. 33. Leave out " or."

Pr. 142.
In the Schedules to the Bill:

Pr. 302. 1. 8. Leave out "by" and insert "in" a "pursuance of."

Pr. 303. 1. 3. After "satisfied" insert "[the a principal sum to be repaid at the end of y years from the date hereof (in case any period be agreed upon for that purpose).]"

Pr. 304. 1. 31. Leave out "and" and insert "am."

Pr. 305. 1. 38. After "I" insert "have."

Pr. 306. 1. 39. In the third column, leave out "Dreary" and insert "Dreary."

Pr. 306. 1. 39. In the third column, leave out "Ramish" and insert "Barmish."

Pr. 308. 1. 32. In the third column, leave out "Ramish" and insert "Barmish."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Bright do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to dis-charge the Marriage of John Cheape, Esquire, a Divorce Bill. Lieutenant Colonel in the Military Service of the Honourable East India Company, with Amelia Frances Chicheley Cheape, his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Leeds Vicarage Bill have leave to make their Report To-morrow, Bill.

Petitions of John Hindle, Weaver, Church-street, Hyde ; and, William Carr, Calico-Opinion, printer, Butler-street, Manchester; praying the House
The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to authorize, in certain cases, the Service of Process issuing out of Her Majesty's Courts of Common Law in Ireland on Persons resident out of the Jurisdiction of the said Courts, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be in lieu of Private Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which Amendments this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The ingrossed Bill to defray the Charge of the Militia Pay, Clothing and Contingent and other Expenses Bill, of the Disembodied Militia in Great Britain and Ireland, to grant Allowances, in certain cases, to Subaltern Officers, Adjutants, Paymasters, Quarter Masters, Surgeons, Assistant Surgeons, Surgeons' Mates and Serjeant Majors of the Militia, and to authorize the Employment of the Non-commissioned Officers, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to defray unto the First day of August One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, 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, Quarter Masters, Surgeons, Assistant Surgeons, Surgeons' Mates and Serjeant Majors of the Militia, and to authorize the Employment of the Non-commissioned Officers.

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

The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Privy Council amending an Act passed in the fourth year of the Bill’s reign of his late Majesty, intituled, “An Act for the better Administration of Justice in His Majesty’s Privy Council,” and to extend its Jurisdiction and Powers, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be in lieu of Private Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which Amendments this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Tralee Navigation and Harbours Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. Greene reported the Consolidated Fund (Appropriation) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be in lieu of Private Bill.

Mr. Greene reported the Woods and Forests Accounts Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be in lieu of Private Bill.

Mr. Greene reported the Grand Canal (Ireland) Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be in lieu of Private Bill.
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 columns, of the Number of Con-
victs, of each Sex respectively, confined in Prisons
in the United Kingdom, distinguishing the Number
whose State of Health renders them unfit to be re-
moved from this Country under the Sentences of
Transportation which have been passed upon them,
showing the Places of their Confinement; also, the
Period of Confinement in this Country which by
law or by Usage is imposed upon such Convicts as
being equivalent to the Terms of Seven, Ten and
Fourteen years' Transportation, and also to Trans-
portation for Life.

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 Poor Law
Return of the Number of Days each Poor Law Commissioner
has sat in discharge of his Official Duty at the Office appointed for such Official Sit-
tings, or at any other Place, for the same Purpose:
—Also, a similar Return of the Number of Days
each Assistant Poor Law Commissioner has been
engaged in the discharge of his Official Duty, the
Place and Periods at which those have been per-
formed respectively, whether at the Office of the
Central Board of Commissioners, or in Visits and
Inspections, or other matters of Official Duty, at
the different Unions or Union Workhouses through-
out England and Wales, the Number of Days em-
ployed therein, and the Amount of Expenses incurre-
d by each Assistant Poor Law Commissioner, in trav-
elling or in other incidental Expenses relating thereto.

The Order of the day being read, for the second insolv-
ent Debtors Bill;

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

The Order of the day being read, for the second Pri-
vate Partnerships Bill;

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

Petitions from Leeds; and, Bradford (York); insolvent
praying that the Insolvent Debtors Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands,—were presented,
and read, and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Duckworth Message from
and Mr. Russell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to continue until the First day of June One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, an Act of
the second and third years of his late Majesty, for restraining for Five years, in certain cases, Party
Processions in Ireland, without any Amendment:
And also,
The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made to the Bill, intituled, An Act to grant the Law respecting the Publication of Banns of Marriage and the Celebration of Marriages in Churches or Chapels to which Districts shall have been assigned under certain of the Church Building Acts, without any Amendment: And also,
The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made to the Bill, intituled, An Act for better regulating the Offices of Lecturers and Parish
Clerks, without any Amendment, and also,
The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made to the Bill, intituled, An Act to declare the Law respecting the Publication of Banns of Marriage and the Celebration of Marriages in Churches or Chapels to which Districts shall have been assigned under certain of the Church Building Acts, without any Amendment: And also,
The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made to the Bill, intituled, An Act for better regulating the Offices of Lecturers and Parish
Clerks, without any Amendment, and also,
The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from the River Dee, in the County of the City of Chester, to Wrexham, in the County of Denbigh, to be called “The North Wales Mineral Railway,” with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, the Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for making and maintaining a Railway from the City of Dublin to the Town of Castle, with a Branch to the Town of Carlow, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, the Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to simplify the Transfer of Property; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, the Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for facilitating Arrangements between Debtors and Creditors; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, the Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Marriage of William Hough, a Major in the Military Service of the Honourable East India Company, with Sophia, his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other Purposes; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, the Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for authorizing the Sale of certain Estates in the Counties of Meath and Cavan, limited by the Settlement executed on the Marriage of Pierce Morton and Louisa Morton, otherwise Somerville, his Wife, and for applying the Monies thence arising in Payment of Incumbrances affecting the said Estates prior to said Settlement; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: — And then the Messengers withdrew.

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Duckworth and Mr. Russell; Mr. Speaker, the Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to explain an Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, for the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen’s Land, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: — And then the Messengers withdrew.

Hough’s Divorce Bill was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time tomorrow.

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 Depositions transmitted from India, and a Copy of the Minutes of the Evidence taken before their Lordships on the second reading of the said Bill: — And that Mr. Greene do carry the said Message.

Morton’s Estate Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

THE House proceeded to take into consideration Hull Docks Bill.

Fine Arts.

A Petition of Members of the Institute of the Fine Arts, suggesting that a spacious hall be erected in London, for the reception of fine casts from all the master works of sculpture of the world; that this hall be, during the day, open to the public generally, but in the evening be confined, under proper regulations, to artists and lovers of art, thus establishing a place of mutual intercourse between the encouragers and cultivators of art, which must naturally lead to their reciprocal advantage; and praying that the House will be pleased to take the premises into consideration, and adopt measures for carrying its objects into execution, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Fine Arts.

A Petition of the President and Secretary of the Society of Ancient Art, in Dublin, praying that the House will grant to the Irish people, as a national trust, an edifice suited to contain a comprehensive collection of sculptural and architectural casts and models, and that the House will further extend its liberality by presenting them with a series of casts, taken from fresh moulds of such of the national treasures of ancient art in the British Museum, as the Petitioners shall select for the purpose, leaving to the Petitioners and the Irish public to perfect the collection, by the purchase of casts from works only to be found in foreign galleries, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That a dutiful Address be presented to Her Majesty, praying Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to take into Her favourable consideration the Prayer of the Petitions of Members of the Institute of the Fine Arts; and, the President and Secretary of the Society of Ancient Art in Dublin, praying for the establishment of Galleries for the reception of Casts of Sculpture and Architecture, Ancient and Christian:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Notice being taken, that Forty Members were not present,—The House was adjourned till To-morrow.

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Anno 8° Victoris Reginis, 1844.

Prayers.

Kingston-upon-Hull Docks Bill. THE House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making new Docks and other Works connected therewith, in addition to the present Docks at Kingston-upon-Hull, and for amending the Acts relating to such last-mentioned Docks; and the same were read, as follow:—Pr. 29. 1. 28. Leave out "transmitted" and insert "submitted." Pr. 29. 1. 29. Leave out from "Company" to "before" in 1. 50. Pr. 29. 1. 32. Leave out "first." Pr. 119. 1. 3. Leave out from "thereto" to "and" in 1. 8, and insert "and after the expiration of Ten years from the passing of this Act, all the powers hereby granted to the Company for executing the Docks shall cease to be exercised, except as to so much of the Docks as shall then be completed." Pr. 156. 1. 17. Leave out "Three" and insert "not less than Two." Pr. 128. 1. 16. Leave out "Her Majesty's" and insert "the." Pr. 128. 1. 17. Leave out "and service" and insert "of the said batteries and works of defence."
A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for enlarging the Powers contained in the Will of William Harris, Esquire, deceased, for authorizing the laying out of the Monies arising therefrom in the purchase of other Estates to be settled to the same Uses, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Sir John Yarde Butler do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for enabling Trustees to sell the Estates devised by and settled to the Uses of the Will of William Harris, Esquire, deceased, and for authorizing the laying out of the Monies arising therefrom in the purchase of other Estates to be settled to the same Uses, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Sir John Yarde Butler do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills have leave to sit, and proceed, and to make their Report this day, upon Morton's Estate Bill.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit, and proceed, and to make their Report To-morrow.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Then the Bill was read the third time.

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

Mr. Greene reported the South Sea Company Bill, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be, An Act to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund, and certain other Sums, to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Mr. Greene reported the Tralee Navigation and Harbour Bill; and the Amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene reported the Tralee Navigation and Harbour Bill.

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

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for enquiring into the same, and inflict such punishment on the offenders as will effectually prevent all such proceedings in future, was presented, and read; and prayed the House to institute an investigation of such Contracts, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament.

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

The ingrossed Bill to continue so much of an Act of the second and third years of Her present (Ireland) Bill, Majesty as enables Justices to grant Warrants for entering Places in which Spirits are sold without License in Ireland, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass: And that the Title be, An Act to continue for Five years so much of an Act of the second and third years of Her present Majesty, as enables Justices to grant Warrants for entering Places in which Spirits are sold without License in Ireland.

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

The ingrossed Bill to widen and improve Pecially the City of Westminster, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The ingrossed Bill for auditing the Accounts Woods and Forests, Land Revenues, Works and Buildings, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The ingrossed Bill in Ireland, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

The Bill, with the Amendments, be, An Act to widen and improve Pecially the City of Westminster, be now read the third time;

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

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

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

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.

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

Ordered, That the Bill, with the Amendments, be ingrossed; and read the third time To-morrow.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.
Lands Tax Commissioners' Names Bill.

Mr. Speaker, The Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment, viz.:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to appoint additional Commissioners for executing the Acts for granting Land Tax, and other Rates and Taxes:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for paying off such of the Three Pounds Ten Shillings per Centum Annuities and Government Debentures, which are to be paid off under two Acts passed in the present Session of Parliament:

The Lords have passed a Bill, intituled, An Act for effecting an Exchange of the entailed Estate of Rosshall, belonging to the Right Honourable James Edward Lord Cranstoun, situated in the County of Sutherland, for certain Lands in the County of Kinross, belonging to James Matheson, Esquire, of Achany; to which the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Lord Cranstoun's Estate Bill.

Lord Cranstoun's Estate Bill was read the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit, and proceed, and to make their Report To-morrow.

Leeds Vicarage Bill.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on the Leeds Vicarage Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be taken into further consideration upon Friday next.

Morton's Estate Bill.

Mr. Brotherton reported from the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills; That in the case of Morton's Estate Bill, no Standing Orders were applicable.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Morton's Estate Bill.

Morton's Estate Bill was read a second time; and committed.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of Selection.

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee of Selection, that the Committee on the said Bill may be appointed to meet and sit, and proceed, upon Friday next.

Ordered, That the Committee on the said Bill have leave to make their Report upon Friday next.

Gape's Divorce Bill.

Mr. Hoyer reported from the Committee on Gape's Divorce Bill; That they had examined the allegations of the Bill as to the Marriage of the parties, the adultery charged as the ground for dissolving the Marriage, the verdict at law, and the sentence of Divorce in the Ecclesiastical Court; and, upon evidence satisfactory to the Committee, found the same to be true; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, with Amendments; and the same were read, as follows:

Pr. 7. 1. 26. After " Demands" insert " if any "

Pr. 7. 1. 50. Leave out " or entitled."

Pr. 8. 1. 8. After " Gape" insert " now."

Pr. 8. 1. 5. Leave out " to " and insert " unto."

Pr. 8. 1. 13. Leave out " title or " and insert " titles and."

Pr. 8. 1. 17. Leave out " q " and insert " and."
A Petition of William Blaxland, of Birmingham, praying the House to permit all articles of food to be sold outside the Queen's warehouses at the same prices as within, and entirely free from all Customs dues or Excises whatsoever, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Earl of Lincoln presented a Bill to empower Her Majesty's Commissioners of Woods to form a Terrace and Embankment, with convenient Landing Places for the Public, on the Middlesex Shore of the River Thames, between Westminster and Blackfriars Bridges: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon this day three months; and to be printed.

Official Houses and Buildings. Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty that She will graciously please to give directions, that there be laid before this House, Returns of the Number of Slave Vessels arrived in the Transatlantic States since 1814, their Names, Description (as Brig, Schooner, or Ship, &c.), Masters' Names, Tonnage, Armament, Number of Crew, National Flag, whether empty or with Slaves (whose number are to be stated), the Loss by Death on the Voyage, from what part of Africa arrived, the Length of Passage, and Date of Arrival, so far as these Particulars are known to Her Majesty's Government: — Also, the Number of all Vessels clearing from Transatlantic Ports for Africa, and all Vessels clearing from Transatlantic Ports for other parts, and suspected of an intention of engaging in the Slave Trade, since 1814, their Names, Description, Masters' Names, Tonnage, Armament, Number of Crew, National Flag, whether empty or with Cargo, and to what alleged Destination, and date of Departure, so far as these Particulars are known to Her Majesty's Government: — Of all the Persons residing in such Houses and Buildings, specifying the Names and Official Designations of such Persons (distinguishing as to Houses or Apartments), and showing the extent and estimated yearly Value of their respective Occupations; — And, of all Public Officers who are in the enjoyment, at the public expense, of Residences detached from their respective Offices, or who are in the receipt of Allocations in lieu of Official Residences, specifying the appropriate Names and Official Designations, and the Amount of the Allowance in each case: — The same for Ireland: — And, the same for 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.

Art-Unions Bill. Resolved, That this House will, this day, resolve itself into a Committee upon the Art-Unions Bill.

Savings Banks Bill. Ordered, That the Savings Banks Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

Fisheries (Ireland) Bill. Ordered, That the Report on the Fisheries (Ireland) Bill be received this day, Vol. 99.

The ingrossed Bill to amend and render more effectual an Act of the twenty-sixth year of George IV. to supply an Omission in an Act of the sixth and seventh years of Her present Majesty, for amending and continuing the Laws in Ireland relative to the Registering of Arms, and the Importation, Manufacture and Sale of Arms, Gunpowder and Ammunition: — And that Lord Eliot and Mr. Attorney General for Ireland do prepare, and bring it in.

The House, according to the Order made this day, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Art-Unions Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received tomorrow.

Lord Eliot presented a Bill to supply an Omission in an Act of the sixth and seventh years of Her present Majesty, for amending and continuing the

No. 563 Laws
The House proceeded to take into consideration North Wales Mineral Railway Bill.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for enabling James Weller Ladbrooke, Esquire, and others, to grant Building Leases of Lands in Kensington, Paddington, Notting Barns and Westbourne, in the County of Middlesex, and for other Purposes relating thereto, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendment, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making a Railway from the River Dee, in the County of the City of Chester, to Wrexham, in the County of Denbigh, to be called "The North Wales Mineral Railway"; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 146. l. 14. After "lands" insert "Provided also, that nothing herein contained shall authorize the Company, in the construction of the said Railway through the property of the said dean and chapter, to prejudice, diminish, alter or take away any of the rights, privileges, powers or authorities vested in the "Chester and Holyhead Railway Company, as established and incorporated by an Act passed in the present Session of Parliament, intituled, "An Act for making a Railway from Chester to Holyhead."

Pr. 172. l. 8. Leave out "hereinafter" and insert "hereinafter mentioned Lows."

Pr. 189. l. 36. After "bridge" insert "or arch."

Pr. 189. l. 38. Leave out "and" and insert "arch or."

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.
The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for authorizing the Endowment of the Curacies of Werrington and Saint Giles-in-the-Heath, in the County of Devon, and the Alienation and Conveyance of the Rights of Patronage of the same Curacies respectively, to persons who shall further endow the same, and for other Purposes relating thereto, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Sir John Yard Butler do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to examine into the present state of the Tobacco Trade, and to inquire what effects have been produced by the changes in the Laws relating to it, and whether any and what legislative measures compatible with the general interests of the country may be advisable, in order to promote the Trade, or to check Smuggling in Tobacco; and to report their Observations thereupon to the House, have Power to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Mr. Hume reported from the said Select Committee; and to whom several Papers, together with a Petition for reduction of duty, were referred. 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.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for making and maintaining a Railway from the City of Dublin to the Town of Cashel, with a Branch to the Town of Carlow; and the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, by way of Rider (That whenever the sum payable on such deposit) and the said Clause was put, That the said Clause be now read a second time.

Ordered, That Mr. Hayter do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for authorizing the Trustees of the Will of William Atkins Esquire, deceased, to grant Building, Improving and other Leases of certain Estates at Clapton, in the County of Surrey, devised by the said William and the second Codicil thereto, to the Trustees therein named, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Hume do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The ingrossed Bill to extend the Time limited by Trade Navigation and Harbour Bill.

Ordered, That the said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. O'Conor Don do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

The ingrossed Bill to extend the Time limited by Trade Navigation and Harbour Bill.

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.

Then Amendments were made to the Bill.

Ordered, That the Bill do pass.
Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Marriages (Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee).

Instruction to the Committee, that they have Power to make provision, pursuant to the Resolution reported on the 30th July—read.

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed.

Clause, No. 1, (After 31st of March 1845, all rules prescribed by the Rubrick to continue to be observed. Marriages shall be solemnized on production of Registrar's certificate).

Amendment proposed: At the end of the Clause to add, "Provided always, That two or more credible witnesses shall be present at every marriage so solemnized by such person in holy orders."

Question proposed, That those words be then added:—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses, No. 2 to No. 4, agreed to.

Clause, No. 5, amended, and agreed to.

Clauses, No. 6 and No. 7, agreed to.

Clause, No. 8, (Minister to grant licenses for marriages to be solemnized in Presbyterian meeting-houses, and for every license five shillings to be paid).

Amendment proposed, in P. 4. l. 32. To leave out "five" in order to insert "two," instead thereof.

Question, That "five" stand part of the Clause—put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses, No. 9 to No. 29, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.

Clause, No. 30, (Marriages may be celebrated in registered places, before the Registrar and two witnesses, on any day except Sunday).

Amendment proposed, in P. 12. l. 4. To leave out "except Sunday."

Question, That the words "except Sunday" stand part of the Clause—put, and agreed to.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses, No. 31 to No. 85, with Amendments to several of them, agreed to.

Schedules (A.) to (G.), agreed to.

Preamble read, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for vesting Parts of the Estates of William Denogens, Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, upon Trust to be sold; and for paying off a Mortgage Debt of Eight thousand two hundred Pounds, due to James Por-kinsos, Esquire, out of the first Purchase Monies, and for laying out the Residue of the Purchase Monies, under the direction of the Court of Chan-cery, in the Purchase of other Estates, to be settled to the same Uses, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Order made upon the 22d day of July last, That Five be the Quorum of the Select Committee on Standing Orders Revision, was read, and discharged.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Mr. Greene reported the Art-Unions Bill; and Art-Unions Bill.

The Amendments were read, as follow:

Pr. 1. Is. 1 and 2. Leave out "and may here-" after here be.

Pr. 1. 15. After "associations" insert "or for"

"raising sums of money by subscription, to be dis-tributed by lot as prizes amongst the members,"

"subscribers or contributors forming part of such association, on the condition, nevertheless, that"

"such prizes be expended solely and entirely in"

"the purchase of pictures or other works of art;"

and whereas other persons, either conjointly or separately, have also obtained funds from sub-scribers, on condition of such persons distributing"

"by lot, or otherwise, certain pictures, engravings"

"or other works of art among the subscribers last aforesaid."

Pr. 2. 1. 4. After "or contributors" insert "dis-"

"tributors."

Pr. 2. 1. 14. After "liable" insert "or to which"

"they may become liable."

Pr. 2. 1. 17. Leave out from "such" to "Be"

in l. 17, and insert "their proceedings as aforesaid."

Pr. 2. 1. 28. After "subscribers" insert "dis-"

"tributors."

Pr. 3. 1. 2. Leave out "January" and insert "May."

Pr. 3. 1. 7. Leave out from "lot" to "and" in Pr. 4. l. 7.

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

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

Mr. Hogg reported from the Committee on Hough's Divorce Bill: That they had examined Divorce Bill; the allegations of the Bill as to the Marriage of the parties, the adultery charged as the ground for dissolving the Marriage, the interlocutory judgment in the action for criminal conversation, the inquiry of damages, the final judgment thereupon, and the sentence of Divorce in the proper Ecclesiastical Court; and, upon evidence satisfactory to the Committee, found the same and the other allegations to be true, and they saw no reason to suspect collusion between the parties; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, with Amendments; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 6. l. 25. After "demands" insert "(if any)"

"at common law or by custom, which she might"

"claim, by, through or in consequence of her mar-
riage with the said William Hough."

Pr. 7. 1. 13. Leave out "title or" and insert "titles and."

Pr. 7. l. 17. After "real" insert "freehold."

Pr. 7. l. 29. After "Sophia" insert "or the said"

"William Hough in his right is now entitled to or"

"interested in, or in which the said Sophia."

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee, to consider of the Provision to be made out of the Consolidated Fund for the Payment of the Salaries of the Secretaries, and for defraying the other Expenses of the Commissioners of Charitable Associations, on the condition, nevertheless, that the Commissioners may be appointed in pursuance of any Act of the present Session.

(To 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 the Salaries of the Officers and the Expenses of the Commissioners.
Debtors Bill, Insolvent Lord's Day.

A Petition of Clergy, Churchwardens, Overseers and Inhabitants of the parish of Saint Anne, Limehouse, complaining of the public exposure of articles for sale on the Lord's Day, whether in shops, markets or otherwise; and praying the House to adopt measures for carrying into effect the existing laws upon that subject, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Prisoners for Debt in the Queen's Prison, praying that the Insolvent Debtors Bill may pass into a law; and also, that the late Queen's Prison Act may be forthwith repealed, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the city of Both, praying that the further consideration of the Insolvent Debtors Bill may be postponed till next Session of Parliament, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Samuel Gordon, of Aungier-street, Dublin, complaining of injuries inflicted on him by officers in the Irish Court of Chancery, and praying for relief, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Minister and Churchwardens and Inhabitants of the hamlet of Welby, Leicester-shire, praying that the Dissenters' Chapels Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of John Young, of Ludgate-street, in the city of London, Publisher, Charles Londeaer, of Southampton-street, Fitzroy-square, in the county of Middlesex, Esquire, and Andrew Biggs Wright, of Hertford-street, Westbourne-green, Boyne-water, in the county of Middlesex aforesaid, Esquire, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel or agents, against certain parts of the Art-Unions Bill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Medical Officers of the Horse and Foot Guards, praying that they may be heard, by their counsel, against the recent Charter granted to the Royal College of Surgeons of England, was presented, and read; and ordered to 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 Copy of Letter addressed, on the 31st day of July, by the President of the College of Surgeons to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, on the subject of the Charter lately granted by Her Majesty to the Royal College of Surgeons of England, together with its Insclosure.

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.

The ingrossed Bill for completing the Guarantee South Sea Fund of the South Sea Company, for advancing for Company Bill, the Public Service part of the unclaimed Stock and Dividends in the hands of the said Company, and for regulating the allowance to be paid for the management of the South Sea Stock and Annuities, was, according to Order, read the third time; and Amendments were made to the Bill.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Petition, return, showing the number of aged and infirm Papuans relieved in A.S. Unions, under the administration of the Poor Law Amendment Act in England and Wales, during the quarters ended Lady-day 1838 and 1843 respectively.

The ingrossed Bill to amend an Act of the sixth Fisheries year of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act to Ireland Bill, regulate the Irish Fisheries, and to empower the Constabulary Force to enforce certain Provisions respecting the Irish Fisheries, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

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The Arms (Ireland) Bill was, according to Order, Arms (Ireland) Bill. read a second time; and committed to a Committee Bill, of the whole House, for To-morrow.

A Motion was made, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for confirming and carrying into execution certain Articles of Agreement made and entered into between Charles James Lord Bishop of London, Thomas Thistlethwayte, Esquire, Thomas Somers Cocks, Esquire, Christopher Hodgson, Esquire, the Company of Proprietors of the Grand Junction Canal, and the Grand Junction Waterworks Company, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, be now read the third 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 the third time:—The Bill was accordingly read the third
A Message from the Lords.  

Prize Council Bill.  

Roman Catholic Penal Acts Repeal Bill.  

Duke of Hamilton and Brandon's Estate Bill.  

Western Australia.  

Lord Cranstoun's Estate Bill.  

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, the Statistical Tables and Supplemental Report prepared by the Metropolitan Commissioners in Lunacy.

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 the Amount of Horse Power ordered for Her Majesty's Steam Vessels, and the Number of Vessels to which it has been applied, between the 1st day of April 1839 and the 31st day of August 1841.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Charitable Donations and Bequests (Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph.

Preamble postponed.

Clause No. 1, agreed to.

Clause No. 2, amended, and agreed to.

Clause Nos. 3 to 5, agreed to.

Clause No. 6, That all matters concerning the doctrine, discipline or constitution of the United Church of England and Ireland, or of any body of Protestant Non-conformists, shall be in question before the said Commissioners, consisting of those Commissioners who are Protestants; and that all the matters concerning the doctrine, discipline or constitution of the Church of Rome, which shall be in question before the said Commissioners, shall be referred to a Committee of the said Commissioners who profess the Roman Catholic Religion.

Amendment proposed in P. 3. 1. 6. After "free" or "land" to insert "which shall be in question before the said Commissioners, consisting of those Commissioners who belong to the said Church, and that all matters concerning the doctrine, discipline." Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment proposed, in P. 3. 1. 1. After "Roman Catholic Religion" to insert "of whom three shall be Archbishops or Bishops of the Roman Catholic Church."

Question put, that those words be there inserted;—The Committee divided:—Tellers for the Yeas:—[Mr. Shiels, Mr. Dillon Bronze;] 14. Tellers for the Noes:—[Mr. Pringle, Mr. Gaskell;] 16.

Another Amendment proposed, in P. 3. 1. 1. After "Roman Catholic Religion" to insert "three of whom shall always be Roman Catholic Visitors of Maynooth." Question proposed, That those words be there inserted.—Amendment, by leave, withdrawn.

Another Amendment made.

Another Amendment proposed:—At the end of the Clause to add, "Provided always, That if any question shall arise as to who is the Roman Catholic Priest or other Roman Catholic Clergyman entitled to the benefit of any such grant or bequest as aforesaid, the same shall be determined by a certificate from the Roman Catholic Bishop, who in the ecclesiastical superior of the person who may be so entitled; and if any question shall arise as to who is the Bishop so entitled to give such certificate, the same shall be determined by a certificate;"
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Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the
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Mr. Hodgson Hinde and Mr. Ord do prepare, and bring it in.

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"his office; and every elective member of the said Council who shall sit and vote in the said Council, after the election of a speaker, before making such declaration as aforesaid, shall be liable, for every day on which he shall so offend, to a penalty of pounds; and if he shall not be qualified according to the true intent and meaning of the said recited Act, his election shall be void, and a new writ shall be issued to elect another member in his stead."

Pr. 3. 1. 29. Leave out "and the same is hereby." Pr. 3. 1. 25. Leave out "therein" and insert "in the said recited Act." Pr. 4. Is. 12. and 13. Leave out "be declared" and insert "declare."

"in the said recited Act, he shall declare that he shall have previously received instructions on the part of Her Majesty to assent, and to which he shall have assent accordingly." In the Title of the Bill:

Pr. 5. 1. 1. Leave out from "explain" to "for" in l. 2., and insert "and amend the Act." The said Amendments, as far as Clause (B.), being read a second time, were agreed to.

Clause (C). "And whereas by the said recited Act it is provided, that certain Bills shall in every case be reserved by the Governor for the signature of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon and the intent of such provision was to insure that such Bills as aforesaid should not be assented to by the Governor without due consideration; Be it Enacted, That it shall not be necessary for the Governor to reserve any such Bill for the signature of Her Majesty's pleasure thereon, from which, in the exercise of his discretion, as limited in the said recited Act, he shall declare that he will assent thereunto."

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on Morton's Morton's Estate Bill. That they had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the Parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment. Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

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A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for an Administration of the Trustees of the Bill of George Williams. A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Lord Lovat's-Thomas Alexander Baron Lovat to borrow a certain Estate Bill. Tapps Gervis, Baronet, deceased, to convey a Church to the House. Ordered, That the Bill do pass. Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment. Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment. A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Lord Lovat's-Thomas Alexander Baron Lovat to borrow a certain Estate Bill. Sun of Money upon the Security of his Entailed Estates, for Re-payment to him of a Portion of the Monies laid out by him in the Improvement of these Estates, was read the third time. Resolved, That the Bill do pass. Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment. A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Lord Lovat's-Thomas Alexander Baron Lovat to borrow a certain Estate Bill. Sun of Money upon the Security of his Entailed Estates, for Re-payment to him of a Portion of the Monies laid out by him in the Improvement of these Estates, was read the third time. Resolved, That the Bill do pass. Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment. A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Lord Lovat's-Thomas Alexander Baron Lovat to borrow a certain Estate Bill. Sun of Money upon the Security of his Entailed Estates, for Re-payment to him of a Portion of the Monies laid out by him in the Improvement of these Estates, was read the third time. Resolved, That the Bill do pass. Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment. A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Lord Lovat's-Thomas Alexander Baron Lovat to borrow a certain Estate Bill. Sun of Money upon the Security of his Entailed Estates, for Re-payment to him of a Portion of the Monies laid out by him in the Improvement of these Estates, was read the third time. Resolved, That the Bill do pass. Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment. A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to enable Lord Lovat's-Thomas Alexander Baron Lovat to borrow a certain Estate Bill. Sun of Money upon the Security of his Entailed Estates, for Re-payment to him of a Portion of the Monies laid out by him in the Improvement of these Estates, was read the third time. Resolved, That the Bill do pass. Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.
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Pr. 21. I. 3. After "order" insert "under this " Act."

Pr. 21. I. 29. After "and" insert "also."

Pr. 21. I. 22. After "the" insert "said."

Pr. 21. I. 38. After "know" insert "then."

Pr. 22. I. 28. After "Ecclesiastical" insert "fees."

Pr. 25. I. 37. After "such" insert "newly " constituted."

Pr. 25. I. 38. After "exercise" insert "in ad-

Pr. 25. I. 39. After "of the" insert "or here-

Pr. 25. I. 19. Leave out from "the" to "So-

Pr. 27. I. 9. After "payable" insert Clause (A).

CLAUSE (A). "And be it Enacted, That nothing " herein contained shall affect any of the powers " authorities and provisions contained in the thirdly " herein-rectified Act for providing additional burial " grounds in the said parish of Leeds, and that all " surplice fees and dues reserved and made payable " on each interment under and by virtue of the " said Act shall be and remain payable as if this " Act had not been passed: Provided, always, that " it shall be lawful, by the authority hereinafter " mentioned, to determine and direct in such a man-

Pr. 30. I. 35. Leave out "last-mentioned" and "insert "first hereinafter recited."

Pr. 31. I. 36. After "seal" insert "accompanied " by a certificate, under the hand of their treasurer " and secretary for the time being, that the title to " the purchased premises has been approved and " a conveyance executed or about to be executed to " his satisfaction."

Pr. 31. I. 38. After "all" insert "and every."

Pr. 33. I. 20. After "of" insert "the whole or."

Pr. 33. I. 21. Leave out from "of" to "belong-

Pr. 33. I. 23. Leave out "said" and insert "Vicar and."

Pr. 33. I. 24. After the first or "insert " be-

Pr. 33. I. 25. After "the" insert "limits of " the."

Pr. 33. I. 27. After "Leeds," insert "or hold " in trust for or towards the repairs and incidental " expenses of any such church or chapel, or for " either or any of such purposes, so far as jointly " with or upon any other trust whatsoever.

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Pr. 33. I. 31. Leave out "the" and in the same line leave out from "advantage" to "in." in I. 36.

Pr. 33. I. 38. Leave out "them" and insert "the said Commissioners."

Pr. 33. I. 33. Leave out from "of" to "Vicar-

Pr. 34. I. 1. Leave out from "Leeds" to "with " in I. 3.

Pr. 34. I. 7. Leave out "all other cases" and "insert the case of land or buildings belonging to " or held in trust for any other of the said churches " or chapels as aforesaid."

Pr. 34. I. 8. After "Incumbent" insert "there-

Pr. 34. I. 10. After "land" insert "or build-

Pr. 34. I. 12. Leave out from "from" to "held " in I. 14, and insert "every such sale shall be paid " to the treasurer and secretary for the time being " of the said Commissioners, and his receipt shall " be a sufficient discharge to the person or persons " paying the same from all responsibility respect-

Pr. 34. I. 15. Leave out from "from the" to "shall " in I. 16, and insert "exclusive benefit of the Vicar " of Leeds for the time being, and as soon as con-

Pr. 34. I. 16. Leave out from "with" to "be " in I. 17, and insert "the consent of the Trustees of " the advowson."

Pr. 34. I. 18. Leave out "them" and insert "the said Commissioners."

Pr. 34. I. 20. Leave out "of Leeds or."

Pr. 34. I. 31. Leave out from "Leeds" to "to " in I. 22, and insert "and his successors," and in the same line after "amount" insert "at the time " of such endowment.

Pr. 34. I. 35. After "fees" insert "tithes, " and of the residence for the time being belonging " to the said Vicarage for ever thereafter for the " benefit of the said Vicar."

Pr. 34. I. 27. Leave out "them" and insert "the said Commissioners."

Pr. 34. I. 32. Leave out "curates" and insert "curate."

Pr. 34. I. 35. Leave out "them" and insert "the said Commissioners."

Pr. 35. I. 9. Leave out including any and "insert or."

Pr. 35. I. 10. Leave out "thereon."

Pr. 35. I. 12. After "chapels" insert "solely " or held upon any of the joint trusts aforesaid.

Pr. 35. I. 16. After "respectively insert "and " to the other purposes respectively."

Pr. 35. I. 17. Leave out "lands" and insert "land."

Pr. 35. I. 18. Leave out "belonged or."

Pr. 35. I. 19. Leave out from "trust" to "And " in I. 22, and insert "in the proportions of " or as near as may be thereto, in which the same or " the rents and profits thereof have been heretofore " applied," and also insert Clause (B).

Clause (B). "And be it Enacted, That it shall " be lawful for the said Commissioners to provide " a suitable house of residence for the Vicar of Leeds, " or of Saint Peter, Leeds, as the case may be, or " for the Incumbent of the church of any and every " other of the parishes to be constituted as afore-

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"said, in lieu of the vicarage house or other the house of residence belonging thereto respectively, or (if any), which shall not be within the limits of such newly-constituted parish, or which shall be considered until or inconvenient for residence, together with offices, out-buildings and land, not exceeding in the whole Five acres, such houses respectively to be situate within the limits of the districts so respectively to be set out and declared or set out and constituted as such parish, and as near as circumstances will admit to the church belonging thereto, and, for the said last-mentioned purpose, to exchange any land or buildings belonging to such church, or to apply any part of the proceeds arising by sale thereof as hereinafter mentioned, for or in or towards the purchase or erection of any such house of residence, offices, out-buildings and land; and every such house of residence, with the offices, out-buildings and land (if any) belonging thereto which shall be so taken in exchange or purchased as aforesaid, shall be conveyed and assured unto the said Vicar or Minister or Incumbent of such church or chapel respectively, as the case may be, and his successors for ever.

Pr. 39. l. 20. Leave out " enabled " and insert " enables."

Pr. 39. l. 34. After " shall " insert " be made to the Bishop of Ripon and his successors, and shall or may."

Pr. 41. l. 26. Leave out " or " and insert " under the provisions of this Act, nor shall."

Pr. 42. l. 15. After " made " insert " entirely."

Pr. 43. l. 7. Leave out from " Commissioners" to " right " in l. 8, and insert " a desire to retain the"

Pr. 43. l. 9. Leave out " his."

Pr. 43. l. 10. Leave out from " during " to " the."

Pr. 44. l. 39. After " situate " insert " Provided always."

Pr. 45. l. 35. Leave out " or " and insert " of."

Pr. 46. l. 26. Leave out " nor " and insert " or."

Pr. 48. l. 7. Leave out " and."

Pr. 50. l. ult. Leave out " when " and insert " in the case of."

Pr. 51. l. 1. Leave out from " monies " to " vested " in l. 2.

Pr. 51. l. 11. Leave out " and " and insert " if."

Pr. 51. l. 57. Leave out from " expedient " to the end of l. 36. Pr. 53., and insert Clause (C.)

CLAUSE (C.). And shall be it Enacted, That in the case of any monies held by or vested in any person or persons body corporate upon any trust or trusts for the benefit of or as an endowment or stipend for the Incumbent or Minister, or for or towards the repairs and incidental expenses, of any church or chapel, until such time as such newly-constituted parish, or which shall have become a parish church under the provisions of this Act, and then for the benefit of the Vicar of such parish; and as soon as conveniently may be thereafter such monies, lands, tenements, hereditaments or rent-charge shall be conveyed to and vested in such Vicar and his successors, and the rents, issues and profits of such lands, tenements, hereditaments and rent-charge as shall have been purchased with monies or proceeds heretofore applied, or which shall have been hereby divided, apportioned or set apart for or to be applied towards the repairs and incidental expenses of any church or chapel shall be conveyed to and vested in the churchwardens and their successors, the annual produce to be applied by them in and about such repairs and incidental expenses, in such manner as by the said Commissioners shall be determined and directed.

Pr. 54. l. 12. Leave out " legally."

Pr. 54. l. 14. Leave out from " lawful " to " with."

Pr. 54. l. 18. Leave out from " premises " to " may " in l. 19.

Pr. 54. l. 19. Leave out " invested " and insert " vested."

Pr. 54. l. 22. After " respectively " insert " if " more than two."

Pr. 54. l. 27. Leave out " vest."

Pr. 54. l. 31. After " expenses " insert " shall be conveyed to and vested."

Pr. 55. l. 1. Leave out from " and " to " the " in l. 2, and in l. 2, after " residue " insert " shall be conveyed to and vested," and in the same line after " Vicar " insert " Minister or Incumbent."

Pr. 55. l. 3. After " successors " insert Clause (D.)

CLAUSE (D.) And be it Enacted, That the " purchase, grant, release, conveyance or other assurance of any land, buildings, hereditaments, rent-charge, pews or seats authorized or directed to be made or executed by or under the provisions of this Act shall be good and valid without any license or writ of ad quod damnum, the statutes of mortmain or any other statute or law to the contrary notwithstanding."

Pr. 55. l. 6. Leave out from " parish " to " as."

Pr. 55. l. 25. Leave out from " Act " to " and " in l. 26.

Pr. 55. l. 36. Leave out from " relate " to the end of l. 7. Pr. 40., and insert Clause (E.)

CLAUSE (E.) And be it Enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Bishop of the diocese, and he is hereby directed, at such time and in such manner as he may see fit, to establish and fix a scale of
of the fees to be taken in the parishes to be con-
stituted under the provisions thereof, for the pub-
lication of banns, and the solemnization and per-
formance of marriages, churchings and burials
respectively; and it shall not be lawful for the
Vicar of any such parish thereafter to demand or
receive any other or larger fee for such duties and
offices respectively, nor at any time to demand
any fee for the performance of any baptism or
"for the registration thereof."

In the first Schedule:
Pr. 59. l. 5. In the fifth column leave out "one
thousand two hundred" and insert "one thousand
five hundred."
Pr. 59. i. ult. In the sixth column leave out
"vacant" and insert "Reverend Hugh Martin
Short."

In the second Schedule:
Pr. 60. l. 13. Leave out from "Act" to "here"
in l. 16., and in l. 10. leave out "the title of," and
insert "describe."
Pr. 60. l. 17. Leave out from "Act" to "do" in
l. 22., and insert "describing."
Pr. 60. l. 23. Leave out "on" and insert "or," and
in the same line, at the end of the blank, insert
"if a corporation."
Pr. 60. l. 26. After "paid" insert "or if the pew
or seat is to be conveyed without valuable consi-
deration, do hereby freely and voluntarily and
without any valuable consideration."
Pr. 60. l. 27. Leave out from "Bishop" to "of"
in l. 28., and in the same line leave out from "Ri-
polls" to "all" in l. 29., and insert "and his suc-
cessors."
Pr. 60. l. 32. After the second "or" insert "a."
Pr. 60. l. 33. Leave out "here describe" and
insert "identifying."
Pr. 60. l. 34. Leave out of the pew or seat
and insert "thereof respectively."
Pr. 60. l. 35. Leave out "identify" and insert
"identifying."
Pr. 60. l. 36. Leave out "as far as may be."
Pr. 60. l. 38. Leave out from the "the" to "in"
in l. ult., and insert "same."
Pr. 61. l. 3. Leave out "to be constituted" and
insert "whereof the said church [or chapel] will be
or is the parish church."
Pr. 61. l. 4. Leave out from "Act," at the end
of l. 4., to "subject" in l. 6., and after "subject"
insert "nevertheless."
Pr. 61. l. 7. Leave out from "disposal" to "of"
in l. 8., and leave out from "the" in l. 8. to "for"
in l. 9., and insert "ordinary.
Pr. 61. l. 10. Leave out "as ordinary" and in-
sert "if here add an appropriate reservation, if any
is to be made, under the provisions of this Act,
in that behalf, of a right for life or during inhabi-
tancy in the parish. In witness, &c."

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

A Petition of Joseph Gaylor, of No. 2, Goswell-
street, in the city of London, complaining of the
overloading of Omnibuses, and the carelessness and
misconduct of many of the drivers and conductors of
these vehicles; and praying the House to take the
matter into consideration, with a view of appointing
competent persons, similar to those in France, and
also to use other measures for protecting the public
from dangers arising therefrom, was presented, and
read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Members of the Committee of the Marriages
Congregational Union of Ireland, praying that the (Ireland) Bill,
Marriages (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law,
as it now stands,—were presented, and read; and ordered
to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That Mr. Speaker do issue his Warrant Dudley Writ.
to the Clerk of the Borough, to make out a new Writ
for the election of a Burgess to serve in this present
Parliament for the Borough of Dudley, in the room of
Thomas Hueske, Esquire, who, since his election
for the said Borough, hath accepted the office of
Steward or Bailiff of Her Majesty's Three Chalmer
Hundreds of Stoke, Desborough and Bonenham, in
the county of Buckingham.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee to
whom it was referred to consider of the provision to
be made out of the Consolidated Fund, for the Pay-
ment of the Salaries of the Secretaries, and for de-
fraying the other Expenses of the Commissioners of
Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland.

A Petition of the Revd. Mr. John Robinson, con-
cerning the granting of a License for marriage,
who may be appointed in pursuance of any Act of
the present Session, A Resolution; and the same
was read, as followeth:

Resolved, That provision be made, out of the
Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great
Britain and Ireland, for the Payment of the Salaries
of the Officers and the Expenses of the Commissioners of
Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland, in pursuance of any Act of the present
Session for the more effectual application of Cha-
ritable Donations and Bequests in Ireland.

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Commit-
tee on the Charitable Donations and Bequests
(Ireland) Bill, That they have Power to make pro-
vision therein, pursuant to the said Resolution.

Mr. Greene reported the Marriages (Ireland) Bill; Marriages
and the Amendments were read, as follow:
Pr. 1. l. 16. After "the" insert "thirty," and
leave out "January" and insert "March."
Pr. 1. l. 18. Leave out from "five" to "all" in
l. 20.
Pr. 1. l. 25. After "observed" insert "except as
heretofore provided."
Pr. 2. l. 1. Leave out from "that" to "and" in
Pr. 3. l. 27, and insert "the giving of notice to the
Registrar, and the issue of the Registrar's certificate
for marriage without license as hereinafter men-
tioned, may be used, and shall stand instead of
the publication of banns, to all intents and pur-
poses, where no such publication shall have been
made; and every person in holy orders of the
United Church of England and Ireland shall be
bound to solemnize marriage on production of
such certificate, in like manner as he is required
to do by any law or canon now in force, after due
publication of banns, so, nevertheless, that the
church wherein any marriage according to the
rites of the United Church of England and Ire-
land shall be so solemnized shall be within the
district of the Registrar by whom such certificate
as aforesaid shall have been issued," and insert
Clauses (A.) and (B.)

Clause (A.) "And be it Enacted, That nothing
in this Act contained shall affect the right of the
Archbishop of Armagh and his successors, and
his and their proper officers, to grant special
licenses to marry at any convenient time or place,
or, except as hereinafter provided, the right of any
Surrogate or other person now having authority to
grant licenses for marriage, to perform, that
Surrogate or other person now having authority
to grant licenses for marriages shall grant any
 licenses.
"license for marriage, not being a special license, 
"until seven days after notice shall have been given 
"by either of the parties who shall have resided for 
"not less than seven days then next preceding in 
"the parish named in that notice, under his or her 
"hand, in the form of Schedule (A) to this Act 
"annexed, or to the like effect, to such Surrogate 
"or other person having authority to grant licenses 
"as aforesaid, which notices he shall file and keep 
"with the records of his office, and he shall also 
"forthwith enter a true copy of such notices fairly 
"inserted, so to be for that purpose furnished to 
"him by the Registrar-general hereinafter men- 
"tioned, to be called The Marriage Notice Book,
"which book shall be open at all reasonable times 
"without fee to all persons desirous of inspecting 
"the same; and such Surrogate or other person 
"shall forthwith send a copy of such notice to the 
"Incumbent or Incumbents of the parish or parishes 
"in which the parties intending marriage dwell; 
"and for entering every such notice the Surrogate 
"or other person shall be entitled to have a fee of 
"one shilling over and above the accustomed fee 
"for granting the license; and after the said thirty-
"days are expired, no person applying for any 
"such license shall be required to give any security 
"by bond or otherwise before the grant of such 
"license; and whenever a marriage shall not be 
"had within three calendar months after the notice 
"shall have been so given to the Surrogate, or 
"other person as aforesaid, the notice, and any 
"license which may have been granted thereupon, 
"shall be utterly void."

CLAUSE (B.) "And be it Enacted, That nothing 
in this Act contained shall affect any marriages 
by any Roman Catholic Priest, which may now 
be lawfully celebrated, nor extend to the regis-
tration of any Roman Catholic chapel; but such 
marriges may continue to be celebrated in the 
same manner and subject to the same limitations 
and restrictions as if this Act had not been 
passed."

Pr. 3. 1. 33. Leave out from "by" to "or" in 
1. 34. and insert "the license of a Presbyterian 
Minister."

Pr. 4. Is. 9. and 10. Leave out "as aforesaid" and 
insert "of a Presbyterian Minister."

Pr. 4. 1. 15. After "that" insert "in either 
case."

Pr. 4. 1. 19. After "said" insert "three.
Pr. 4. Is. 19 and 20. Leave out "January" and 
insert "March."

Pr. 4. 1. 22. After "solenomized" insert "by a 
Presbyterian Minister."

Pr. 4. 1. 26. After "published" insert "by 
or in the presence of a Presbyterian Minister."

Pr. 4. 1. 36. Leave out "the" and insert "any-
such."

Pr. 5. 1. 37. After "marriage" insert "by a 
Presbyterian Minister."

Pr. 5. 1. 2. After "married" insert "by a 
Presbyterian Minister."

Pr. 5. Is. 14. and 15. Leave out "publishing 
such banns" and insert "by or in whose pre-
ence such banns shall be published."

Pr. 5. 1. 18. Leave out from "and" to "mar-
riage" in 1. 21, and insert "any such."

Pr. 5. 1. 21. After "marriage" insert "by a 
Presbyterian Minister."

Pr. 5. 1. 31. After "whom" insert "or in whose 
presence."

Pr. 5. 1. 37. and 38. Leave out "Provided 
always."

Pr. 5. 1. ult. Leave out from "publish" to 
"unless" in Pr. 6. 1. 2, and insert "or allow to 
be published any banns of matrimony in any Pres-
byterian meeting-house of which he is Minister."

Pr. 6. 1. 4 Leave out "seven" and insert 
"six."
in 1. 38., and insert Clauses (D.) and (E.)

"To have a fee of one shilling."

every such certificate the Registrar shall be entitled under age lawfully appointed, or one of them; and in case there shall be no such guardian or guardians, then of the mother of such party, if unmarried; and if there shall be no mother unmarried, then of the guardian or guardians appointed by the Court of Chancery, if any or one of them; and every person whose consent to a marriage by license is required as aforesaid, shall be authorized to enter a caveat against the issue of license by any person empowered by this Act to grant licenses, and shall be also authorized to forbid the publication of banns in any church or chapel, or to grant licenses, and shall be also authorized to forbid the issue of the Registrar's certificate.

Clause (E.) Provided always, and be it Enacted, That if the father or fathers of the parties to be married, or one of them, so under age as aforesaid, shall be non compos mentis, or the guardian or guardians, mother or mothers, or any of them, whose consent is made necessary as aforesaid, shall be married, or one of them, so under age as aforesaid, shall be non compos mentis, or in parts beyond the seas, or shall unreasonably or by undue motives refuse or withhold his, her or their consent to a proper marriage, then shall be lawful for any person desirous of marrying, in any of the before-mentioned cases, to apply by petition to the Lord Chancellor or the Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal of Ireland for the time being or Master of the Rolls, who shall be empowered to proceed upon such petition in a summary way; and in case the marriage proposed shall upon the examination appear to be proper, the said Lord Chancellor, Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal for the time being, or Master of the Rolls, shall judicially declare the same to be so; and such judicial declaration shall be deemed and taken to be as good and effectual, to all intents and purposes, as if the father, guardian or guardians or mother of the person so petitioning, had consented to such marriage.

"An Act to enable the parties to marries, or to be married, or one of them, so under age as aforesaid, to have a fee of one shilling."

Pr. 27. 1. ult. Leave out "provided" and insert "and" and the said license shall be construed to extend to and authorize marriages in such chapels before the presence, from the parties married the sum of ten shillings if the marriage shall be by license, and otherwise the sum of five shillings.

Pr. 25. 1. 7. Leave out from "building" to "And" in l. 54, and insert Clause (F).

Clause (F.) And be it Enacted, That the Registrar shall be entitled, for every marriage which shall be solemnized under this Act, in the presence, to have from the parties married the sum of ten shillings if the marriage shall be by license, and otherwise the sum of five shillings.

Pr. 20. 1. 3. Leave out "one" and insert "other."

Pr. 27. 1. ult. Leave out "provided" and insert "and" and the said license shall be construed to extend to and authorize marriages in such chapels before the presence, from the parties married the sum of ten shillings if the marriage shall be by license, and otherwise the sum of five shillings.

Pr. 29. 1. 1. After "sacrament" insert Clause (G).

Clause (G.) And be it Enacted, That all fees, dues and other emoluments on account of the solemnization of marriages which belong to the Incumbent or Clerk respectively of any church or chapel in any parish or district within which the solemnization of marriages shall be authorized as aforesaid, shall respectively be received until the avoidance of such church or chapel next after the passing of this Act, for and on account of such Incumbent, and until the vacancy in the office of Clerk next after the passing of this Act, or for and on account of such Clerk, and be paid over to them, except such portion of the fees, dues or other emoluments as the said Bishop of the diocese, with the consent of the said Incumbent and Clerk respectively, shall in such aforesaid said license assign to the Minister and Clerk respectively of the chapel in which the solemnization of marriages shall be authorized as aforesaid; and that it shall be lawful for the said Bishop, in "and by such license, without any such consent, to declare that from and after such next avoidance or vacancy respectively, the whole or such part of the fees, dues and other emoluments on account of the solemnization of marriages in such last-mentioned chapel as shall be specified in such license, shall be receivable and the same shall thenceforth be received by or for the Minister and Clerk of such chapel respectively."

Pr. 23. 1. 18. After "building" insert "and for" and clause (H).

Clause (H.) And be it Enacted, That every building or chapel in any parish or district within which the solemnization of marriages shall be authorized as aforesaid, shall in such aforesaid said license assign to the Minister and Clerk respectively of the chapel in which the solemnization of marriages shall be authorized as aforesaid; and that it shall be lawful for the said Bishop, in "and by such license, without any such consent, to declare that from and after such next avoidance or vacancy respectively, the whole or such part of the fees, dues and other emoluments on account of the solemnization of marriages in such last-mentioned chapel as shall be specified in such license, shall be receivable and the same shall thenceforth be received by or for the Minister and Clerk of such chapel respectively."

Pr. 27. 1. ult. Leave out "provided" and insert "and" and the said license shall be construed to extend to and authorize marriages in such chapels before the presence, from the parties married the sum of ten shillings if the marriage shall be by license, and otherwise the sum of five shillings.

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Pr. 23. 1. 18. After "building" insert "and for" and clause (H).

Clause (H.) And be it Enacted, That every building or chapel in any parish or district within which the solemnization of marriages shall be authorized as aforesaid, shall in such aforesaid said license assign to the Minister and Clerk respectively of the chapel in which the solemnization of marriages shall be authorized as aforesaid; and that it shall be lawful for the said Bishop, in "and by such license, without any such consent, to declare that from and after such next avoidance or vacancy respectively, the whole or such part of the fees, dues and other emoluments on account of the solemnization of marriages in such last-mentioned chapel as shall be specified in such license, shall be receivable and the same shall thenceforth be received by or for the Minister and Clerk of such chapel respectively."

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Pr. 25. 1. 7. Leave out from "building" to "And" in l. 54, and insert Clause (F).

Clause (F.) And be it Enacted, That the Registrar shall be entitled, for every marriage which shall be solemnized under this Act, in the presence, to have from the parties married the sum of ten shillings if the marriage shall be by license, and otherwise the sum of five shillings.
Pr. 44. 1. 19. After "Provided" insert "and" and the cost of all such books and forms shall be paid by the High Constable out of the county fund.

Pr. 44. 1. 20. After "Provided" insert "and" and the cost of all such books and forms shall be paid by the High Constable out of the county fund.

Pr. 45. 1. 30. After "Licensed" insert "and the Registrar-General," and leave out from "marriages" to "in" in 1. 17. and insert "in the case of marriages by Roman Catholic Priests, which may now be lawfully celebrated."

Pr. 46. 1. 21. Leave out "or other place." and insert "or notice or.

Pr. 47. 1. 17. Leave out from "place" to "other" in l. 19.

Pr. 47. 1. 19. After "the" insert "church or chapel or certified Presbyterian meeting-house in which banns of matrimony between the parties shall have been duly and lawfully published or specified in the license where the marriage is by license, or the."

Pr. 47. 1. 21. Leave out "or other place." and insert "or notice or.

Pr. 47. 1. 23. After "such" insert "notice or.

Pr. 47. 1. 44. After "said" insert "Thirty," and leave out from "of" to "in" in 1. 17. and insert "March."

Pr. 47. 1. 37. Leave out from "place" to "other" in l. 19.

Pr. 48. 1. 3. After "Enacted" insert "That an Act for the more effectually preventing Clan- dealers, and for the register of births, deaths, and marriages in the absence of the Registrar, shall be guilty of felony."

Pr. 48. 1. 5. Leave out "all" and insert "such," and leave out from "marriages" to "and" in 1. 17.

Pr. 49. 1. 5. Leave out from "supplied" to "and" in l. 11.

Pr. 49. 1. 36. After "same" insert "on payment of the fee hereinafter mentioned (that is to say), for every search extending over a period not more than one year, the sum of one shilling, and six-pence additional for every additional year, and the sum of Two shillings and six-pence for every single certificate."

Pr. 50. 1. 8. After "Registrar" insert "on payment of the fees hereinafter mentioned (that is to say), for every certificate and for the general search the sum of Five shillings, and for every particular search the sum of One shilling, and for every such certificate the sum of Two shillings and six-pence."

Pr. 50. 1. 22. After "cates" insert "and for every general search of the said indexes shall be made on one of the forms to be furnished to him as aforesaid by the Registrar-General, a true copy certified by him as aforesaid, in the form of Schedule (F.) annexed to this Act, of all the entries of marriage in the register-book kept by him since the last certificate, the first of such certificates to be given in the month of July One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, and to contain all the entries made up to that time; and if there shall have been no marriage entered therein since the last certificate, shall certify the fact under his hand."

Pr. 51. 31. Leave out from "received" to "if" in l. 35., and insert "and the Registrar-General."

Pr. 51. 1. Leave out "he."

Pr. 51. 5. Leave out from "supplied" to "and" in l. 11.

Pr. 52. 1. Leave out from "the” to “form” in l. 28., and insert “passing of this Act."

Pr. 53. 1. 9. Leave out "church or chapel." and insert "any Presbyterian Minister and insert "person every."

Pr. 53. 1. 31. Leave out "without" and insert "unless after."

Pr. 54. 1. 28. Leave out "forbidden as aforesaid" and insert "lawfully forbidden by some person authorized as aforesaid."

Pr. 54. 1. 37. Leave out "forbidden as aforesaid" and insert "in the case of marriages by Roman Catholic Priests, which may now be lawfully celebrated."

Pr. 55. 1. 13. After "being and leaving out from "every" to "in" in 1. 17. and insert "in the case of marriages by Roman Catholic Priests, which may now be lawfully celebrated."

Pr. 55. 1. 15. After "said" insert "Thirty," and leave out from "of" to "in" in 1. 17. and insert "March."

Pr. 56. 1. 2. After "license" insert "of the Arch-

Pr. 56. 1. 8. Leave out "forbidden as aforesaid" and insert "lawfully forbidden by some person authorized as aforesaid."

Pr. 56. 1. 28. Leave out "forbidden as aforesaid" and insert "in the case of marriages by Roman Catholic Priests, which may now be lawfully celebrated."

Pr. 57. 1. 15. After "said" insert "Thirty," and leave out from "of" to "in" in 1. 17. and insert "March."

Pr. 58. 1. 2. Leave out "Provided always.

Pr. 59. 1. 17. Leave out the word "and" after "after the said Thirty-first day of March, an Act passed by the Irish Parliament, in the ninth year of the reign of King George the Second, intituled, "An Act for the more effectually preventing Clan- dealers, and for the register of births, deaths, and marriages in the absence of the Registrar, shall be guilty of felony."

Pr. 59. 1. 23. After "them" insert "and the Lord High Treasurer or Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any Three of them, shall fix the salary of the Registrar-General, so that the said officers, clerks and servants in the said office shall at any time exceed the sum of Eight hundred pounds yearly, and shall fix the salaries of the officers, clerks and servants in fit proportion, according to the duties they may have to perform," and insert Clause (H).
for every such certified copy the sum of Two shil-
ings and six-pence, and no more shall be paid to
the Registrar-general or such other officer as shall
be appointed for that purpose on his account.
Pr. 56. 1. 33. After "office" insert "and which
shall it shall not be necessary to prove."(Post Horses)
Pr. 51. 1. 16. After "said" insert "thirty."
Pr. 51. 1. 17. Leave out "January" and insert
"March."
Pr. 58. 1. 18. After "be" insert "and shall be
adjudged and."

In the Schedules:

Pr. 59. 1. 11. Leave out "profession" and insert
"condition."
Pr. 60. 1. 14. Insert "parish of Maryborough."
Pr. 64. 1. 5. Leave out "the marriage" and insert
"set a. and leave out "of and insert kept" for
that purpose in."
Pr. 64. 1. 7. After "parties" insert "who is
and has been for the last calendar month."
The said Amendments, being read a second time,
were agreed to.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into
a Committee upon the Insolvent Debtors Bill; and,
after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed
the Chair:

Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be printed.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Com-
mmittee of the whole House, for Monday next.

A Motion being made, That this House will, To-

A Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize, in certain cases, the Service of Process issuing out of Her Majesty's Courts of Common Law at West-

Ordered, That this House doth agree to a Con-
fERENCE with the Lords, as desired by their Lord-
ships.

And the Messengers were again called in; and
Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith: And then
they again withdrew.

Resolved, That this House doth agree to a Con-
fERENCE with the Lords, as desired by their Lord-
ships.

And the Messengers were again called in; and
Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith:—And then
they again withdrew.

Ordered, That Mr. Cripps, Mr. Pringle, Mr. Man-
cers Sutton, Mr. Arkwright, Mr. Escott, Mr. Bou, Common Law
Mr. Aglionby, Mr. Redhead Yorke, Mr. Process Bill.
Thomas Duncombe, Mr. Estwite, Mr. Kemble, Mr.
Brotherton, Mr. Ireland Blackburne, Mr. Beckett
Denison, Mr. Christie, Mr. Aldam, Mr. Dinett, Mr.
Spooner, Mr. Wren and Mr. Morgan John O'Con-

Then the names of the Managers were called over;
and they went to the Conference:—And being re-
turned;

Mr. Cripps reported, That the Managers had met the Lords at the Conference, which was man-
ged on the part of the Lords by the Earl Dela-
sore, who acquainted the Managers on the part of
the Commons, that the Lords being desirous at all
times of maintaining a good correspondence with
the House of Commons, had desired this Conference,
in order to communicate to them the Reason which
has induced the Lords to disagree to one of the
Amendments made by the Commons to the Bill,
intituled, An Act to authorize, in certain cases, the
Service of Process issuing out of Her Majesty's Courts of Common Law at Westminster, on Persons resident out of the Jurisdiction of the said Courts:

Ordered, That Mr. Cripps, Mr. Pringle, Mr. Mans-
cers Sutton, Mr. Arkwright, Mr. Escott, Mr. Bou, Common Law
Mr. Aglionby, Mr. Redhead Yorke, Mr. Process Bill.
A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Duckworth and Mr. Russel.

The Lords desire a present Conference with this House, in the Committee-room No. 2, upon the subject-matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, "An Act to authorize, in certain cases, the Service of Process issuing out of Her Majesty's Courts of Common Law in Ireland on Persons resident out of the Jurisdiction of the said Courts."—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Resolved, That this House doth agree to a Conference with the Lords, as desired by their Lordships.

And the Messengers were again called in; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith.—And then they again withdrew.

Ordered, That Mr. Cripps, Mr. Pringle, Mr. Mannering, Mr. Arberight, Mr. Eccott, Mr. Dowerie, Mr. Aglanby, Mr. Redhead, Mr. Thomas Ducombe, Mr. Eastawe, Mr. Kemble, Mr. Brokerton, Mr. Ireland Blackburne, Mr. Bockett Denison, Mr. Christie, Mr. Aldam, Mr. Dirett, Mr. Spooner, Mr. Wenon and Mr. Morgan John O'Connell do manage the Conference.

Then the Names of the Managers were called over; and they went to the Conference:—And being returned.

Mr. Cripps reported, That the Managers had met the Lords at the Conference, which was managed on the part of the Lords by the Earl Delanarr; who acquainted the Managers on the part of the Lords by the Earl Denison, that the Messengers had brought back the Bill, and that they had brought back the Bill, and Amendments.

Ordered, That the said Reason be taken into further consideration upon Tuesday next.

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Marriage of Thomas Foreman Gape with Fanny Louisa, his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which Amendments this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Lord Granville Somerset reported from the Select Standing Orders Committee appointed to consider whether any and what alterations in the Standing Orders of the House respecting Private Bills, the experience of the present Session may show to be desirable; That they had examined the matters to them referred; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

Ordered, That the Report be taken into further consideration upon Tuesday next; and be printed.

Sir James Graham reported to the House, That Answer to their several Addresses of the 10th, 11th, 16th, 15th, 23d, 24th, 25th, 29th, 30th and 31st days of July last, and the 1st day of this instant August (That Her Majesty would be graciously pleased to give directions that the Papers therein mentioned might be laid before this House), had been presented to Her Majesty; and that Her Majesty had commanded him to acquaint this House, that She will give directions accordingly.

Mr. Gladstone presented, pursuant to an Address from the House to Her Majesty,—Copies or Extracts of any Correspondence relating to an Order in Council dated 1st April 1835, granting to Danish Vessels the Privilege of trading with the British Colonies.

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

Mr. Thornely reported from the Select Committee Public Petitions on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented from the 24th to the 30th days of July last, both inclusive; and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

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

A Petition of George Payne Andrews, formerly of Queen's Prison, Birchin-lane, Cornhill, Attorney-at-Law and Notary Public, and one of the Solicitors of the High Court of Chancery, but for upwards of eleven years a Prisoner, first in the Flood, and then, by general transfer, in the Queen's Prison, where he still remains upon double arrest in execution for an extinguished demand of 1071 l. 19s. 2d. for costs of dismissal of his bill in Chancery, praying that a Committee may be formed, with the usual powers, for examining the rules framed for the government and regulation of the Queen's Prison, under the Act of the 5th year of Her present Majesty, and report thereon, in order to the revision and alteration and improvement thereof by any new rules, or otherwise, adapted to general or special cases in the removal of grievances arising out of the present rules, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of William Bridges, and others, sug. Railways respecting the use of Payne's Patent Process for the (Ireland) preservation of wood to be used in the construction of Railways in Ireland; and praying the House
The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Charitable Donations and Bequests (Ireland) Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Instruction to the Committee, that they have Power to make Provision, pursuant to the Resolution reported this day—read.

Clauses added.

Preamble read, and agreed to.

Bill, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene reported the Bill accordingly; and the Report was ordered to be taken into further consideration To-morrow; and the Bill, as amended, to be printed.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Debts and Creditors (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Arms (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made Amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Debtors and Creditors (Ireland) Bill; and, after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

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

The Private Partnerships Bill was, according to Private Part-Order, read a second time; and committed to a Select Committee of the whole House, for this day month.

A Motion was made, and the Question being put, Savings Banks. That this House will, early in the ensuing Session, take into consideration the following Resolutions respecting the Savings Banks of the United Kingdom:

1. That there has been received by the National Debt Commissioners from the Trustees of the Savings Banks and Friendly Societies in the United Kingdom, from the 6th August 1817 to the 30th November 1849, the Principal sum of £ 30,633,233 7 5 P.P. 463 1641.

That the Interest placed to their credit and made Principal within the same period, has been £ 45,947,089 19 8.

Showing the aggregate sum credited them to have been £ 15,113,849 19 8.

Leaving
Leaving due to the Trustees on the 29th November 1843, the sum of 29,853,555 17 10.

2. That the amount due by the Commissioners on 29th November 1843, being, as above stated 29,853,555 17 10
And on 20th November 1842, being 29,853,555 17 10

Shows an increase in the amount of liabilities within the year ended the 20th November 1843, of 6,197,669
And that the increase in the amount of liabilities within the year ended the 20th November 1842, being 6,197,669 10 5

Shoens an excess of increase in 1843 over that in 1842 of 967,768 7 0

3. That since the 20th November 1843, the amount of the liabilities of the Commissioners to the Trustees must have further very considerably increased, because between the 12th December 1842 and 15th May 1844, the Commissioners have expended the large aggregate sum of 1,552,973 1 17s. 11 d. on the purchase of Stock and Exchequer Bills on account of the fund for the Banks for Savings, having bought with that money on the 12th, 18th, 19th, 20th and 21st December 1842 sums aggregating to 45,000, £. 2,603,639. and adding to the amount, of the public debt; and it appears that the amount of-

Stocks at prices varying from 961 to 1001, besides 15,300 1. 3 per cents. Stock to the permanent fund of the Savings Banks (including the sum of 10,0001. on the 20th May 1844, and from 30th October 1828 to 4th October 1844, is shown in the annexed Statement (marked A.), from which it appears that the amount of-

Three per cent. Stock sold was, £. 7,155,051 7, 3 per cents. Stock to the permanent fund of the Savings Banks, deposited with the Commissioners, was £. 7,155,051 7 3 per cents. Stock sold was, £. 7,155,051

Exchequer Bills paid off, while it appears that the amount of-

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8. That the whole of the money due by the Commissioners to the Trustees (amounting, as above shown, to 29,853,555 17 10 on 20th November 1843, and since considerably increased from the capitalization of interest on the 20th November 1843, on the large payments which must have been made by the Trustees to the Commissioners between these two dates, to justify their extensive purchases of Stock and Exchequer Bills already alluded to) is by the existing law payable in cash, &c. sums under 10,0001. at five days' notice, and sums above 10,0001. at fourteen days' notice, but no draft is to be presented for payment, bearing the same date upon any one day, on the account of the Savings Bank or Public Society, exceeding in amount the principal sum of 10,0001.

10. That, according to this regulation, the Trustees of each Bank and Society may, in times of political excitement and monetary panic, thus legally make large demands for cash upon the Commissioners, thereby risking a heavy loss to the Government, and greatly inconveniencing, if not seriously endangering, the public credit.

11. That according to the existing law, the Commissioners may buy Government Securities on account of the Trustees, and also exchange them, when and in whatever manner they may think fit, and they may also sell Securities, both with and without reference to the demands made upon them for cash by the Trustees, and with the proceeds of the sales of one description of Security they may purchase another.

12. That the extent to which Stock and Exchequer Bills have been sold and pur chased by the Commissioners, and Exche quer Bills paid off, on account of the Trustees in each year since the passing of the Act 6 Geo. IV. c. 29 (10th July 1829), under the authority given by sections 50 to 57 of that Act, and section 23 of the Act 3 Will. IV. c. 14 (10th June 1833), up to 20th May 1844, is shown in the annexed Statement (marked A.), from which it appears that the amount of-

Three per cent. Stock sold was, £. 47,155,631 Three and-a-Half per cent. Stock sold was, £. 19,031,000
And Exchequer Bills sold and paid off, was £. 13,041,559
And Exchequer Bills sold and paid off, was £. 10,541,559

Showing the aggregate amount of the transactions in Stock and Exchequer Bills to have been £. 49,555,201

And the amount realized by such sales, and by the Exchequer Bills paid off, was £. 29,891,333 5 9

13. That it appears from the Parliamentary Papers from which the Statements below referred to has been prepared, that from 30th October 1828 to 4th October 1844, the drafts on the Savings Bank and for the purchase of Stock and Exchequer Bills for the purchase of Stock and Exchequer Bills, with the proceeds of the sales of Stock and Exchequer Bills since the passing of the Act 5 Geo. IV. c. 92 (26th July 1828) up to the 20th May 1844, is shown in the annexed Statement (marked B.), from which it appears that the amount of-

Stocks at prices varying from 961 to 1001, besides 15,300 1. 3 per cents. Stock to the permanent fund of the Savings Banks, deposited with the Commissioners, was, £. 7,155,051

And the amount realized by such sales, and by the Exchequer Bills paid off, was £. 29,890,345 5

Showing the aggregate amount of money transactions connected with such sales and purchases to have been £. 49,840,831 10 9

14. That in addition to the power over the funds of the Trustees already alluded to, the Commissioners may, according to the existing law, convey any Exchequer Bills purchased or taken on them to the amount of the excess, and convert the amount of them into Stock, thereby changing the nature, and adding to the amount of the Public Debt; and it appears that Her Majesty's Ministers have, through the agency of the Commissioners, most extensively exercised these extraordinary and unconstitutional powers, having since 24th February 1827 and the 20th November 1842, been admitted in this way an amount of £. 6,043,169 14 10

Showing an excess of cash realized by the Commissioners, beyond the amount required to meet the drafts upon them of the Trustees, of £. 6,043,169 14 10

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15. That
15. That of the amount of 7,927,934l. 17s. 11d. 3 per cent. Stock so created, the sum of 2,231,668l. 9s. 5d. created since 25th May 1841, has been stated to have been created under special power given by the Acts 5 Vic. c. 8, and 5-6 Vict. c. 6.

P. P. 453. 1844. 16. That the Commissioners have paid and credited to the Trustees from the 9th August 1817 to the 29th November 1843, as interest on the money deposited with them, the sum of £15,115,949 19s. 6d. While they have received as interest on the securities held by them on account of the Trustees up to the 10th October 1843, the sum of £12,942,567 7s. 2d.

Showing an amount of interest credited to the Trustees by the Commissioners, exceeding that received by them, of £2,171,102 12s. 6d.

17. That the annual charge or loss to the Government from the present rate of interest credited by the Commissioners to the Trustees has lately very rapidly increased, and must still continue to increase in proportion to the increase in the amount of money invested by the Trustees, so long as the rate of interest on the investments of the Commissioners exceed that paid by the Commissioners on the investments of the Trustees, the charge or loss for the year ended 20th November 1842, being 562l.

Showing the total due to individual Depositors, £2,425,687.

And with reference to the Annuities, it appears that of the total sum paid for the purchase of Savings Banks' Annuities from 5th April 1834 to 5th April 1844, £470,818 19s. 2d. have been paid by annuities, and the sum paid for Annuities by annual payments, has been only £10,974 6s. 5d.

22. That although it is stated in the Preamble of the 9 Geo. IV. c. 93, for Savings, that the Trustees and Managers of Savings Banks legally established may receive from a Depositor or other person entitled to become a Depositor in a Savings Bank any sum for the payment of an Annuity, &c., (from which it is inferred that the benefits intended by those Acts were to be confined to the strictly industrious classes), it is very desirable that the Commissioners should, in the case, hereinafter from P. P. 453. 1844, the only public document at all bearing on the subject, it appears, with reference to deposits, that on 20th November 1849, the sum due to individual Depositors, with balances under 50l. each, was £10,735,179.

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22. That whilst it is highly importe to the best interests of the country that the Government should continue to afford encouragement and protection to the prudential investment and safe custody of the small savings of the really industrious classes, it is proper that such assistance should be afforded without great loss to the Government, and with as little danger as possible to the public credit; but if the present system be continued, there must necessarily be great eventual loss to the public, whether the prices of the funds rise or fall, because, if, through panic or any other cause, the funds fall in price, it will be impossible to realise from the securities now in the names of the Commissioners a capital sufficient to repay the Trustees the amount due to them; and, the inducements to Depositors to call for their money will be great in proportion to the fall in the funds, and to the amount of their balances respectively in the Savings Banks, and if the funds rise in price, the investment of further sums to be received from Depositors, and of the dividends on the Stock already standing in the names of the Commissioners, must increase the yearly loss to the Government from the present rate of interest.

24. That, therefore, this House, in considering the expediency of amending the existing Savings Banks Acts, will be willing to apply themselves to the purpose not only of attracting the public from a portion of the present annual charge with reference to the interest paid by the Commissioners to the Trustees of the Savings Banks, but also of preventing great eventual loss to the public with reference to the capital deposited in Savings Banks, by not modifying the powers of the Commissioners over such capital, and by other arrangements; and further, of enforcing such regulations for the internal management of the Savings Banks as may ensure uniformity in their proceedings, prevent all abuses in them, and render them.
them, as originally contemplated by their founders, institutions for the safe custody and increase solely of the small savings of the really industrious classes.

STATEDMENTS referred to in the foregoing Resolutions.

(A.)

Statement of the Amounts of Stocks and Exchequer Bills sold and bought by the National Debt Commissioners in each year since the passing of the Act 6 Geo. IV. c. 92, (20th July 1828), to 20th May 1844, on account of the Fund for the Banks for Savings.

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(B.)

Gross Amount of all Sums (Principal and Interest) paid by the National Debt Commissioners to the Trustees of Savings Banks and Friendly Societies.

From 6th August 1817 to 20th November 1822 £ | £ | £ | 12 1 1
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| 6th Aug. 1817 | - | - | - | - |
| 20th Nov. 1822 | - | - | - | - |
| Difference being paid between 20th November 1822 and 20th November 1844 | - | - | - | - |

Account of all the Additions made to the Public Debt by Exchequer Bills, funded since the passing of the Act 6 Geo. IV. c. 92, (20th July 1828), up to 30th May 1844, on account of the Fund for the Banks for Savings.

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It passed in the Negative.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented a Bill to simplify the Form and diminish the Expense of obtaining Fudal Investiture in Heritable Subjects in Scotland: and the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon this day month; and to be printed.

Sir George Clerk presented a Bill to facilitate the Heritable Transmission and Extinction of Heritable Securities for Debt in Scotland: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon this day month; and to be printed.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Copy of the Third Report of the Coeyhold Commissioners to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, pursuant to the Act 4 and 5 Vic. c. 35, s. 3.

Copy of the Tables of Criminal Offenders for the Criminal year 1844, reported by Her Majesty's Advocate for Scotland.


Copy.—Poor Law Inquiry (Scotland).—Appendix Poor Law Part IV. V, VI. and Part VII, being an Alphabetical Index.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to Poor Relief the directions of several Acts of Parliament,—Copies (Ireland) of Four Orders of the Poor Law Commissioners to Unions in Ireland, dated 9th June 1844 (2 of the said Orders) and 27th June 1844 (1 of the said Orders).

Abstracts of the Statements of Accounts of Berkshire, Nottingham, Lincoln, Stratford and Worcester, for the years, from 1st September 1843 to 31st August 1844.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to Manchester several Addresses to Her Majesty,—Return to an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 33rd day of April last, for a Return of the Aggregate Amount of all Fees taken at any of the Courts of Petty Sessions held within the Division of Manchester ; distinguishing the Fees respectively taken at the New Bailey Court House at Salford, at the Town Hall at Salford, at Worsley and at Thoscrod; also, an Account of the way in which such Fees are disposed of, for the years ending on the 1st day of February 1841, 1842, 1843 and 1844.

A Return of the Date of Incorporations of all Gilbert Unions. Gilbert Unions, whether dissolved or not. A Return.
A Return of all Fees taken or demanded from Defendants in Misdemeanors, by the Clerks of Assize and Clerks of the Peace in England and Wales, at the last Assizes and two last Quarter Sessions respectively.

Copy of the Report made by the Commissioner appointed to inquire into the Affairs of the Corporation of the Borough of Queenborough.

Mr. Manser Sutton also presented, pursuant to Orders. — Returns from the Principal Officers of the several Courts of Law in Ireland, of Copies of the several quarterly Accounts submitted to and certified by the Judges of the said Courts respectively, in the years 1839, 1840, 1841 and 1842, of Sums incurred for Clerks employed in the Officers of the said Courts, and as and for the Expenses of Coals, Candles and all other Expenses of the said several Offices, and in the several Chambers of the said Courts, including the Remuneration of the Court-keeper and Stationery, and for additional Clerks employed in the said Offices respectively, and for further or increased Payment to any Clerks employed in the said Offices respectively, and (in the Civil Side of the Court of Queen's Bench) for the Salary of the Clerk in the Office of the Taxing Officers: — From the Paymaster of Civil Services in Ireland, of the Sums paid through his Office in each Quarter of the years 1839, 1840, 1841 and 1842, to the several Officers and Clerks of the Superior Courts of Common Law in Ireland; and also of the Sums paid upon the Certificates of the Judges of said Courts, for Incidental and other Expenses, specifying the Names of the Persons to whom paid, and the Amount paid to each: — And, from the Commissioners of Stamps, or the proper Officers of the Stamp Office, Dublin, of all Sums received by the Commissioners of Stamps, by, from or under the Duties made payable by the Act 1 and 2 Geo. 4, c. 112, called the Law Fund Duties, in each of the years 1839, 1840, 1841 and 1842, distinguishing so much of the said Duties as was paid in by the several Officers of the Superior Courts of Law in Ireland, from time to time, in each such year.

Mr. Coppinger. Copies of the Correspondence between Henry Stephens, Esquire, Secretary to the Lord Chancellor of Ireland, and Thomas Stephen Coppinger, Esquire, of Midleton, in the County of Cork, relative to the removal of the latter from the Commission of the Peace.

Returns of all Agreements for the Commutation of Tithes, which have been confirmed by the Tithe Commissioners in the several Counties in England and Wales, from the 1st day of January to the 1st day of July 1844; specifying also, in each case, the Amount of Rent-charge agreed to be paid in lieu of Tithes, and showing whether the same be payable to Appropriators, Impropriators or Clerical Incumbents: — Of all Awards for the Commutation of Tithes, which have been confirmed by the Tithe Commissioners in the several Counties in England and Wales, from the 1st day of January to the 1st day of July 1844; specifying also, in each case, the Amount of Rent-charge awarded to be paid in lieu of Tithes; and showing whether the same be payable to Appropriators, Impropriators or Clerical Incumbents: — Of all Apportionments of Rent-charges which have been confirmed, from the 1st day of January to the 1st day of July 1844 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 501, of the present Session).

Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Queenborough Corporation be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

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PRAYERS.

R. Austin, from the Office of the Poor Law Poor Law Commissioners, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order. — A Return, showing the Number of aged and infirm Paupers relieved in 585 Unions, under the administration of the Poor Law Amendment Act in England and Wales, during the quarters ended Lady-day 1838 and 1843, respectively: — And then he withdrew.

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

A Bill from the Lord, intituled, An Act to disallow the Marriage of William Henly, a Major in Devon Bill, the Military Service of the Honourable East India Company, with Sophia his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other Purposes, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Sir John Yardle Buller do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same with Amendments; to which Amendments this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Private Bills which, in the present Session, have been treated as opposed Bills, distinguishing those against which no one appeared before the Committees, together with the Number of Days which the Committee on each such Bill has sat; the Names of the Members selected, and the Number of Days on which each Selected Member has served on such Committee; Number of Petitions for Bills presented in conformity with the Sessional Orders; Number of Petitions for leave to present a Petition; Number of Petitions referred to the Standing Orders Committee; Number of Cases in which the Parties were allowed to proceed with the Bill; Number of Bills read a first time; Number of Bills read a second time, and committed; Number of Bills reported.

Mr. Greene reported from the Committee on Lord Cantelupe's Estate Bill; That there had examined the allegations of the Bill, and found the same to be true; and that the parties concerned had given their consent to the Bill, to the satisfaction of the Committee; and that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Hurst Green Petty Sessions Dis-Com Law. Missions, for the House to resist the projects of the Anti-Corn-Law League; and in consideration of the vast amount of capital and skill which has been expended in the improvement of land, preserve to the agriculturist and his labourers the protection to which they are entitled, — were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions of Debtor Prisoners in Dorchester Prison, with Sophia his now Wife, and at the bar presented, pursuant to Order. — A Return, showing the Number of aged and infirm Paupers relieved in 585 Joint Petitions of Debtor Prisoners in the county gaol at Brecon; — and, Debtor Prisoners in the prison for the town and county of the town of Southampton; praying the House to pass a law abolishing Imprisonment for Debt, — were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for Marriages in Ireland, and for registering such Marriages (Ireland) Bill, was read, and ordered to be printed.

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Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords, and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which Agreement the House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House, according to Order, resolved 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 Compensations for any Fees and Emoluments which may be sustained under any Act of the present Session to limit the power of arrest upon final process.

(In the Committee.)

Resolved, That provision be made out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for Payment of Compensations for any losses of Fees and Emoluments which may be sustained in consequence of any Act of the present Session, to limit the power of arrest upon final Process.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, that the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received upon Monday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Report on the Charitable Donations and Bequests (Ireland) Bill; and the Amendments were read, as follow:

Pr. 2. l. 15. After "Ireland" insert for the "time being," and in the interleaving, after "Ireland" insert for the "time being."

Pr. 2. l. 19. After "Ireland" insert for the "time being."

Pr. 2. l. 20. After "be" insert "from time to time."

Pr. 4. l. 3. Leave out "both" and insert "all."

Pr. 4. l. 11. Leave out from "that" to "of" in 1. 13, and insert "the consideration of all charitable Donations and Bequests, and of matters relating to them, in which any question shall arise before the said Commissioners concerning the usages or discipline."

Pr. 4. l. 16. Leave out from "nonconformists" to "shall," in 1. 18.

Pr. 4. l. 21. Leave out from "that" to "shall" in 1. 26, and insert the consideration of all charitable Donations and Bequests, and of matters relating to them, in which any question shall arise before the said Commissioners, concerning the usages or discipline of the Church of Rome.

Pr. 5. l. 9. Leave out from the "the" to "of" in 1. 10, and insert "usages or discipline."

Pr. 5. l. 22. After "Act" insert "Provided always, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to limit or affect the jurisdiction of any court of law or equity;" and insert Clauses (A.) and (B.

Clause (A.) "And be it Enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other chief governors of Ireland, with the consent and approbation of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, from time to time to appoint, during his pleasure, a Secretary or Secretaries to the said Commissioners, and also such officers, clerks and servants as may be necessary for the purposes of this Act; and the said Commissioners of Her Ma-

Pr. 12.
Mr. Coppinger reported from the Committee on the Transfer of Property Bill; and the Amendments were read, as follow:

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Mr. Greene reported the Transfer of Property Bill; and the Amendments were read, as follow:

The ingrossed Bill to supply an omission in an Act of the sixth and seventh years of Her present Majesty, for amending and continuing the Laws in Ireland relative to the Registering of Arms, and the Importation, Manufacture and Sale of Arms, Gun-powder and Ammunition, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for empowering the House of Commons to raise a Grant of Money, and for authorizing the Sale of certain Estates in the Counties of Meath and Cavan, limited by the Settlement executed on the Marriage of Pierre Morton and Louise Morton, otherwise Somerille, his Wife, and for applying the Monies thence arising in Payment of Incumbrances affecting the said Estates prior to said Settlement, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

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Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, Improvement Bill, intituled, An Act, for paving, lighting, cleansing, watering, regulating and otherwise improving the Town and Borough of Swansea, in the County of Glamorgan, and for removing and preventing Nuisances and Annoyances therein; and the same were read, as follow:

Ordered, That Mr. Coppinger do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, without Amendment.

Ordered, That the Amendments made by the Lords to the County Coroner Bill be taken into consideration upon Monday next.

Ordered, That the said Amendments be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Poor Relief (Ireland), which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Gilbert Unions, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That an Abstract of the Return relative to Fees in Misdemeanors, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Mr. Copinger, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Tithe Commutation, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.
Petitions from Bristol Chamber of Commerce Insolvent (President); and, Manchester; praying that the In-Debtors Bill solvent Debtors Bill may not pass into a law, as it now stands, as it were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Division of the Return of the Number of Days on which the House of Commons sat in the Session of 1844; stating the Total Number of Hours occupied in the Sittings of the House, and the Average Time; and also distinguishing the Number of Nights on which the House sat, and the Number of Hours after Midnight (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 599, of Session 1843).

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Division of the Return of the Number of Divisions in the Session of 1844, 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 also the Divisions on Private Bills from Public; and also the Number of Divisions before and after Midnight.

Petitions from the Province of Connaught:—Mal-Charlton

linahone;—Davidstown;—Pomeroy;—Kilcomack

and Requests

— Mastrim;— Clifden;— Baileick;— Annaduff;— (Ireland) Bill.

Dromoland;—Castlomoonwoche;—Clonataggly;

brill;— Kilkfan and Rathke;— Killbride and Killea-

agh; — Mullagh;— Kildyart and Kildad enn;—

Clamonl;— Aghnamullen West;— Donighmore;

Kilbeana;— Killmohan;— Shanagolden and other

places;— Gore Bridge and Paulstown;— Askahob;—

Caheragh;— Callan;— Rasharkin;— Fanghak-

vane; — Neutonwards;— Duaderrin;— Clones;—

Marken and other places;— Irin and Bourndill;—

Killarney;— Edenderry;— Killeiver;— Killozore.

CLAUSE (A.) “AND whereas it may be con-

vinient that a portion of the traffic of the Rail-

way should be conveyed to and from the London

and Croydon Railway over the London and Greenwich Railway:

BE it Enacted, That it shall be lawful for the

Company, with the consent in writing of the Lon-

don and Greenwich Railway Company under their

common seal, to lay down and construct, either

wholly or in part at their own expense, upon or

by the side of their present Railway, an additional line

of rails with the apparatus necessary for the pur-

pose of applying the atmospheric principle of

traction to carriages and traffic on the said Rail-

way, and that to that end.”

CLAUSE (B.) “And be it Enacted, That the

stationary engines connected with the atmos-

pheric apparatus employed on the Railway, shall

be constructed on the principle of containing

their own smoke, and if any such engine be not

so constructed, the Company shall forfeit Five

pounds for every day during which such engine

shall be used.”

Pr. 18. 1. 7. After “shares” insert “to be is-

sued in manner aforesaid.”

The said Amendments, being read a second time,

were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Bills

A Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to au-

thorize the Division of the Parish and Vicarage of

Leeds, in the County of York, into several Parishes and Vicarages, was read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Beckett do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which Amendments this House doth desire the con-

surance of their Lordships.

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Ballaghmeen;—Ardrbroock;— Cloonbrock;—West Tuilaghbally;—Killeana;—Tuosset;—Steen;—Cathroonlick;—Ballaghmoo;—Kilturtle;—Stranorlar;—League;—Kilkenny;—Kilavaran and Stobannon;—Killeenwoy;—Kilanne;—Hospital and Herberston;—Casterahans and Mountonnamoyle;—Donkhill and Ansecory;—Inniskeen;—Achill;—Kells;—Eamtrick;—St. Patrick's and Monoleen (Limerick);—Danesfort;—Clonmen;—Ardrath;—Neuemarket (Cork);—Lorvarc and Galloon;—Termomangan;—and, Youghal;—praying that the Charitable Donations and Bequests (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Roman Catholic Penal Acts Repeal Bill,
A Petition of Members of the Protestant Confederation of the town of Birmingham, and of the Protestants of Birmingham generally, praying that the Roman Catholic Penal Acts Repeal Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Corn Laws.
A Petition of Owners and Occupiers of land, Tradesmen and Labourers within the Hailsham and Pevensey Petty Session district, in the county of Sussex, praying the House to resist the projects of the Anti-Corn-Law League, and in consideration of the vast amount of capital and skill which has been expended in the improvement of land, preserve to the agriculturist and his labourers, that protection to which they are entitled, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Roman Catholic Penal Acts Repeal Bill.
The Roman Catholic Penal Acts Repeal Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tomorrow.

Committee.
Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit, this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

Charitable Donations and Bequests (Ireland) Bill.
The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act for the more effectual Application of Charitable Donations and Bequests in Ireland, was, according to Order, read the third time.
Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.
Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which Amendments this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Transfer of Property Bill.
The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to simplify the Transfer of Property, was, according to Order, read the third time.
Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.
Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which Amendments this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Insolvent Debtors (Compensation.)
Mr. Greene reported from the Committee to whom it was referred to consider of authorizing the Payment, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, of Compensations for loss of any Fees and Emoluments which may be sustained under any Act of the present Session to limit the Power of Arrest upon Final Process.

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Insolvent Debtors Bill, that they have Power to make provision therein, pursuant to the said Resolution.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Insolvent Debtors Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Bill read 1st; to be read 2nd, paragraph by paragraph.
Preamble postponed.
Clauses numbered.
Clauses added.
Clause, (Remuneration to Thomas Acton Warburton,) as amended, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for Payment of Compensations for any losses of Fees and Emoluments which may be sustained in consequence of any Act of the present Session to limit the Power of Arrest upon Final Process.

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

Ordered, That it be an Instruction to the Committee on the Insolvent Debtors Bill, that they have Power to make provision therein, pursuant to the said Resolution.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee upon the Insolvent Debtors Bill.

(In the Committee.)

Bequests (Ireland) Bill.
A Petition of Members of the Protestant Confederation of the town of Birmingham, and of the Protestants of Birmingham generally, praying that the Roman Catholic Penal Acts Repeal Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit, this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

The Roman Catholic Penal Acts Repeal Bill was, according to Order, read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tomorrow.

Ordered, That all Committees have leave to sit, this day, till five of the clock, during the sitting of the House.

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

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration County the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law respecting the Office of County Coroner; and the same were read, as follow:
Pr. 18. 1. 21. Leave out from " holden" to "And," in Pr. 21. 1. 16.
Pr. 21. 1. 17. Leave out " said." Pr. 21. 1. 18. Leave out " the said." Pr. 21. 1. 26. Leave out " said," and in the same line leave out so as assembled in," and insert " of the peace in their." Pr. 21. 1. 27. Leave out " as aforesaid," and insert " assembled for the county, riding, division " or liberty where such inquisition would have been taken, or the major part of them." The said Amendments, being read a second time, were 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.

A Petition of Contractors for the Erection of Union Workhouses in Ireland, praying the House to direct the Commissioners Bill, as amended, to be reported.

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.

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be obtained, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Bishop, Clergy and Lay Members of the United Church of England and Ireland, in the united Dioceses of Down and Connor and Dromore, praying the House to devise means for enabling the Bishops, Clergy and Members of the United Church of England and Ireland, in Ireland, to educate the children of the poor in accordance with their own sense of duty and in conformity with the principles of the Established Church, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—Abstracts of the General Statements of the Income and Expenditure of the several Turnpike Trusts in England and Wales, for the year 1842.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to several Addresses to Her Majesty,—A Copy of a Letter addressed to the Secretary of State for the Home Department by the President of the Royal College of Surgeons, on the 15th day of March 1844, including two Letters from Sir James M‘Griege and Sir William Burnett, on the Nomination of a further Number of Medical Officers in the Army and Navy to the Fellowships of that College; together with the Observations of the Council, explaining the principles upon which they proceeded in the preparation of the Schedule of Fellows of the Royal College of Surgeons.

A Copy of Letter addressed, on the 31st day of July, by the President of the College of Surgeons, to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, on the subject of the Charter lately granted by Her Majesty to the Royal College of Surgeons of England, together with its Inclosure.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Titles of all Public Bills introduced in the course of the present Session; the Date of their several Stages; distinguishing those introduced from the House of Lords.—And, the same for the years 1838, 1839, 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843.

Ordered, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, stating the date of entry of each Officer into the Navy, and the dates of the several Commissions which they have successively attained (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 449, of Session 1843).

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

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.

Because in 1836, the Commissioners appointed to inquire into the County Rates reported, that the payments to Coroners were inadequate to their services.

Because such payments are now inadequate. Because by the present Bill a Coroner is incapacitated from acting professionally in prosecutions where he shall have sat as Coroner in the same case.

Because if the Bill should be passed with the said Amendments, there would be further restrictions without any equivalent in the emoluments of Coroners, whom the Commissioners reported as inadequately paid in 1836.

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 Mr. Darby do go to the Lords, and desire the said Conference.

The House was moved, That the Order made upon Thursday last, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Amount of Horse-power ordered for Her Majesty's Steam Vessels, and the Number of Vessels to which it has been applied, between the 1st day of April 1839 and the 31st day of August 1841, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Navy. Returns of the Amount of Horse-power ordered for Her Majesty's Steam Vessels between the 1st day of April 1839 and the 31st day of August 1841, and the Number and Tonnage of Vessels to which it has been applied or is intended to be applied: And, of the Amount of Horse-power ordered for Her Majesty's Steam Vessels between the 1st day of September 1841 and the 1st day of July 1844, and the Number and Tonnage of Vessels to which it has been applied, or is intended to be applied.

Mr. Sidney Herbert presented, pursuant to Order, Navy. —Returns of the Number of Officers of the Royal Navy on the 1st day of January 1844 of each Rank, from Admiral to Lieutenant inclusive, and distinguishing the Number of each Rank employed afloat from Admiral to Lieutenant inclusive, and distinguishing those on Full Pay from those on Half Pay at the time of their Promotion—And, of the Names of Officers of the Royal Navy, from the Rank of Midshipman, both inclusive, promoted or on since the 8th day of March 1844, distinguishing those on Full Pay from those on Half Pay at the time of their Promotion; stating the date of entry of each Officer into the Navy, and the dates of the several Commissions which they have successively attained (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 449, of Session 1843).

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

Ordered, That the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the expediency of facilitating the Inclosure and Improvement of Commons and Lands held in Common, the exchange of Lands, and the division of intermixed Lands, and into the best means of providing for the same, and to report their Opinion thereupon to the House, have Power to report the Minutes of the Evidence taken before them.

Lord Worsley reported from the Select Committee; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and had agreed to certain Resolutions, which they had directed him to report to the House; together with the Minutes of the Evidence taken.
of all applications for the Inclosure of Land, and the carrying of the same into operation, to some central body to whom all local functionaries should be responsible, but that the sanction of Parliament in regard to all Inclosures authorized by a Central Board of Commissioners should be requisite before their decision should have legal effect.

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

A Petition of Inhabitants of Greenock, praying the Health of House to take into consideration the Statutory State Towns, and to adopt measures for the improvement thereof, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Inhabitants of Drumlane Upper Registration Division, in the county of Cavan, praying the that the Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Creggan;—Upper Creggan;—Valtham with Ballislaherry; praying for the repeal of the Irish Legislative Union between Great Britain and Ireland, were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Guardians of Vagrants the South Dublin Union, praying the House to remove the provisions of the Act 3 and 4 Will. 4, c. 40, authorizing the forcible transmission of Irish Paupers from England to Ireland, and to pass an Act giving to every native of Ireland who shall have resided five years, or upwards, in any parish, township or other place maintaining its own poor in England, a legal right to relief, and that no child born of Irish parents in England shall, under any circumstances, be sent by force to Ireland, under the provisions of any Poor Law Act, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Guardians of Lunatic Asylums the South Dublin Union, praying for the establishment of Provincial Lunatic Asylums in Ireland, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir William Horne Message from the Lords, Mr. Russell:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to continue for One year, an Act of the second and third years of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act to extend and render more effectual, for Five years, an Act passed in the fourth year of his Majesty George the Third, for preventing the administering and taking unlawful Oaths in Ireland, without any Amendment: And also, The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Church Endowments (Ireland) Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Turnpike Trusts Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Turnpike Trusts in South Wales, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Metropolitan Act for regulating the Construction and the Use of Buildings Bill, Buildings in the Metropolis and its neighbourhood, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Church Endowments (Ireland) Bill. Provision for the Spiritual Care of Populous Parishes, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Ordered,
Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for consolidating in one Act certain Provisions usually inserted in Acts, with respect to the constitution of Companies incorporated for carrying on Undertakings of a public nature: And that Mr. Gladstone, Lord Granville Somerset and Mr. Greene do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill for consolidating in one Act certain Provisions usually inserted in Acts authorizing the making of Railways: And that Mr. Gladstone, Lord Granville Somerset and Mr. Greene do prepare, and bring it in.

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Mr. Darby reported, That having been with the Lords, to desire a Conference on the subject-matter of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law respecting the Office of County Coroner:—The Lords gave for answer, that they will send an Answer by Messengers of their own.

The House was moved, That the several Acts relating to the Merchant Seamen's Fund might be read.

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

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Ordered, That the Report do lie upon the Table.

Mr. Gladstone presented a Bill for consolidating in one Act certain Provisions usually inserted in Acts authorizing the making of Railways: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon this day two months; and to be printed.

Mr. Gladstone presented a Bill for consolidating in one Act certain Provisions usually inserted in Acts authorizing the taking of Lands for Undertakings of a public nature: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon this day two months; and to be printed.

Mr. Gladstone presented a Bill to amend the Merchant Seamen’s Fund, cases, of Merchant Seamen, their Widows and Children: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon this day two months; and to be printed.

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

Viscount Sandon reported from the Committee of Post-office, Secretary appointed to inquire into the state of the Law in respect to the detaining and opening of Letters at the General Post-office, and into the mode under which the authority given for such detaining and opening has been exercised; and to report their Opinion and Observations thereupon to the House; and to whom several Petitions were referred; That they had considered the matters to them referred, and had directed him to make a Report thereof to the House.

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, showing the Total Annual Value of Real Property in each Parish of each County of England and Wales assessed to the Property and Income Tax, for the year ending April 1843; distinguishing Prices of, and Per-cent-age Duty on Foreign and Colonial Staves, in the years 1840, 1841, 1842, and in each of the past months of the present year, so far as the same can be ascertained.

Mr. Gladstone accordingly presented the said Accounts.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House Furniture, an Account of the declared Value of Furniture exported from the United Kingdom, in the years 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843.

Mr. Gladstone accordingly presented the said Account.

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

Mr. Gladstone presented a Bill for consolidating in one Act certain Provisions usually inserted in Acts authorizing the making of Railways: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon this day two months; and to be printed.

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Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Wheat, a Return of the Quantity of Wheat imported from the United States into Canada, from the 11th day of October 1843 to the 31st day of July 1844, both inclusive:—Also, the Quantity of Wheat and Flour imported from Canada into Great Britain and Ireland, distinguishing the Quantity into each, from the same period to the same period.
Resolved, 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 House, a Return, showing the Total Annual Value of Real Property in each Parish of each County in Scotland, as assessed to the Property and Income Tax, for the year ending April 1843; distinguishing that on Lands, Dwelling-houses, Mines, Quarries, Iron Works, Monuments and other Profits, Fisheries, Canals and Railways.

Resolved, 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 House, Returns, showing the Total Amount of County Rates, Poor and Highway Rates, levied in each Parish in England and Wales, for the year ending the 25th day of March 1843, and the Proportion in the Pound which these Rates bear to the whole Value of Real Property in each Parish respectively, as assessed to the Property and Income Tax, for the year ending April 1843.

Resolved, 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 House, Returns, showing the Amount of Stipend was assessed to the Property or Income Tax, in the Ministers' Stipend, on which the Parochial Minister to give directions that there be laid before this House, Returns, showing the Total Amount of Value of Real Property in each Parish respectively, to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Report which, upon Friday last, was made from the Select Committee appointed to consider whether any and what alterations in the Standing Orders of the House respecting Private Bills, the experience of the present Session may show to be desirable; and the same was read, as followeth;

I. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

1. That a Committee be appointed at the commencement of every Session, consisting of Forty-two Members, of whom Five shall be a Quorum, of each case shall in the judgment of the Committee, and in such proportion, as the circumstances specially relates, and of such number of "Selected Members" or that Division of a County to which the Bill especially relates, and of such number of " Selected Members" not locally interested in the Bill in progress, and in such proportion, as the circumstances of each case shall in the judgment of the Committee.

2. That the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills have leave to divide themselves into Sub-Committees, each consisting of Seven Members at the least, and to make regulations for the transaction of business.

3. That a Committee be appointed at the commencement of every Session, consisting of Twelve Members, including the Chairman of the Committee and of the Sub-Committees on Petitions for Private Bills, of whom Three shall be a Quorum; and such Committee shall be denominated "The Select Committee on Standing Orders which the House had sanctioned by an Order of the Lords.

4. That a Committee be appointed at the commencement of every Session, consisting of Eleven Members, including the Chairman of the Committee and of the Sub-Committees on Petitions for Private Bills, of whom Five shall be a Quorum.

5. That the Committee on every "Opposed Private Bill," not being a Divorce Bill, shall consist of the Members on The Speaker's List of that County and of the Chairmen of the Committee and of the Sub-Committees on Petitions for Private Bills, of whom Three shall be a Quorum; and such Committee shall be denominated "The Committee of Selection."
of Selection require, of which Committee Fire (including the Quorum of selected Members) shall be a Quorum.

6. That the Committee on every "Unopposed Private Bill," not being a Divorce Bill, and which shall have originated in this House, shall consist of the Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means, together with the Members ordered to prepare and bring in the Bill; and that the Committee on every "Unopposed Private Bill," not being a Divorce Bill, which shall have been brought from the House of the Lords, shall consist of the Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means, and of not less than Two other Members to be named by the Committee of Selection; and that the Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means shall be the Chairman of the Committee on every "Unopposed Private Bill," not being a Divorce Bill; and that such Chairman and One of such other Members shall be the Quorum required to be present during the whole progress of the Bill through such Committee.

7. That a Committee be appointed at the commencement of every Session, consisting of not more than Fifteen Members, of whom Five shall be a Quorum; and such Committee shall be denominated "The Select Committee on Divorce Bills."

8. That after any Committee on a Private Bill shall have been formed, no Members be added thereunto, unless by special Order of the House.

II. DUTIES OF COMMITTEES.

DUTY OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS FOR PRIVATE BILLS.

9. That the compliance with the following Standing Orders shall be proved before one of the Sub-Committees of the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, and any parties shall be at liberty to appear and be heard, by themselves, their agents and witnesses, upon any Petition which may be referred to such Committee, complaining of a non-compliance with the Standing Orders, provided the matter complained of be specifically stated in such Petition, and that such Petition be presented Three clear days before the first meeting of such Sub-Committee.

Standing Orders may be proved.

10. That in the case of any application for a Private Bill relating to England, the Committee may admit proof of the compliance with the Standing Orders which refer to the affixing to the Church-doors the requisite Notices, on the production of affidavits sworn before any Justices in Petty Sessions assembled, for the division within which the Churches on which the Notices have been affixed shall be respectively situated.

11. That in the case of any application for a Private Bill relating to Scotland, the Committee may admit proof of the compliance with the Standing Orders of this House, on the production of affidavits sworn before any Sheriff Depute or his Substitute there, whose Certificate shall be admitted as evidence of such proof having been made, unless the Committee shall require further evidence.

Standing Orders may be proved.

12. That in the case of any application for a Private Bill relating to Ireland, the Committee may admit proof of the compliance with the Standing Orders of the House, on the production of affidavits sworn before any Judge or Assistant Barrister of that part of the United Kingdom, whose Certificate shall be admitted as evidence of such proof having been made, unless the Committee shall require further evidence.

Sub-Committee may be appointed.

13. That when the Sub-Committee shall report to the House that the Standing Orders have not been complied with, they do report the facts upon which their decision is founded, and any special circumstances connected with the case.

14. That Notices be given in all cases where Application is intended to be made for leave to bring in a Bill relating to the subjects included in any of the following Classes:—

1st CLASS: Burial Ground, making, maintaining or altering.
Church or Chapel, building, enlarging, repairing or maintaining.
City or Town, paving, lighting, watching, cleansing or improving.
Crown, Church or Corporation Property, or Property in Trust for Public or Charitable Purposes.
Fishery, making, maintaining or improving.
Land, including draining or improving.
Market or Market-place.
Local Court, constituting.
Market or Market-place, erecting, improving, repairing, regulating.
Poor, maintaining or employing.
Poor Rate.
Stipendiary Magistrate or any Public Officer, Payment of, if not out of County Rate.

2d CLASS: Making, maintaining, varying, extending or enlarging any
Aqueduct.
Archway.
Bridge.
Canal.
Cut.
Dock.
Derry.
Tunnel.
Harbour.
Waterwork.

3d CLASS: Continuing or amending an Act passed for any of the purposes included in this or the two preceding Classes, where no further work was done as was authorized by a former Act is proposed to be made.
Country, incorporating or giving powers to.
County Rate.
County or Shire hall, Court-house.
Grave or House of Correction.
Letters Patent, confirming, prolonging or transferring the Term of.
Powers to sue and be sued, conferring.
Stipendiary Magistrate, or any Public Officer, Payment of, if out of County Rate.

15. That such Notices be published in three succeeding Weeks in the months of October and November published, or either of them, immediately preceding the Session of Parliament in which Application for the Bill shall be made, in the London, Edinburgh or Dublin Gazette, as the case may be, and in some one and the same Newspaper of the County in which the City, Town or Lands to which such Bill relates shall be situate; or if there be no Newspaper published therein, then in the Newspaper of some County adjoining or near thereto; or if such Bill do not relate to any particular City, Town or Lands, in the London, Edinburgh or Dublin Gazette only, as the case may be; and that all Notices required to be inserted in the London, Edinburgh or Dublin Gazette, be delivered at the office of the Gazette in which the insertion is required to be made, during the usual office hours, at least Two clear days previous to the publication of the Gazette, and that the receipt of the Printer for such Notice shall be proof of its due delivery.

16. That if it be the intention of the Parties to apply for leave to bring in a Bill, to obtain powers by or under the Act to be made for the compulsory purchase of Lands or Houses, or to levy any Tolls, Rates or Duties, or to alter any existing Tolls, Rates or Duties, or to confer, vary or extinguish any exemptions from payment of Tolls, Rates or Duties, or any other rights or privileges, the Notices shall specify such intention.

17. That on or before the 31st day of December Application to bring in a Bill by Owners, &c. shall be made by the 31st of January next, in which any Lands or Houses are intended to be taken, or an extension of the time granted by any former
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FIG. 1.

PARISH MAP.

FIG. 2.

RATE OF INCLINATION ONE IN 40.

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HORIZONTAL G

RATE OF INCLINATION ONE IN 250.

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TUNNEL 350 YDS.

Figures 3 and 4 show the route of the Public Road and the Trench for the Leased Land. Figures 5 and 6 display the enlarged plans at certain points.

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former Act for that purpose is sought, application in writing (and in cases of Bills included in the second class, in the form as near as may be, set forth in the Appendix marked (A.)), to be made to the Owners or reputed Owners, Lessees or reputed Lessees, and Occupiers, either by delivering the same personally, or by leaving the same at their usual Place of Abode, or in their absence from the United Kingdom with their Agents respectively, of which application having been duly delivered or left as aforesaid; and that separate Lists be made of the Names of such Owners, Lessees and Occupiers, distinguishing which of them have assented, dissenting or are neuter in respect thereto. (See as to depositing said Lists in Private Bill Office, No. 127.)

Orders specially relating to Bills of the First Class.

18. That in cases of Bills included in the First Class, Notices shall also be affixed to the Outer Doors of the Churches of every Parish adjoining that in which the Bill is intended to be made, maintained, varied, enlarged, or extinguished, on or before the thirty-first day of December immediately preceding the Session of Parliament in which Application for the Bill shall be made, shall be deposited in the Office of any Clerk of the Peace or Sheriff Clerk, or on or before the 30th day of November immediately preceding the Session of Parliament in which the First Reading thereof shall be given, together with a Book of Reference containing the Names of the Owners or reputed Owners, Lessees or reputed Lessees, and Occupiers of such Lands respectively; and in the case of Bills relating to Turnpike-roads, Cuts, Canals, Reservoirs, Aqueducts and Railways, a Section and Duplicate thereof, as hereinafter described, shall likewise be deposited with such Plan and Duplicate.

23 a. That in the case of Railway Bills, a Copy of Plans, &c., at of all Plans, Sections and Books of Reference, required by the Orders of the House to be deposited in the Office of any Clerk of the Peace or Sheriff Clerk, or on or before the 30th day of November immediately preceding the Session of Parliament in which Application for the Bill shall be made, shall be on or before the same day be deposited in the Office of the Railway Department of the Board of Trade.

24. That where it is the intention of the Parties Lands within the line of the proposed Work, the limits of such deviation shall be defined upon the Plan, and all Lands included within such limits shall be marked thereon, and that in all cases, excepting where the whole of such Plan shall be upon a scale of not less than a quarter of an inch to every 100 feet, an additional Plan of any Building, Yard, Court-yard or Buildings, &c., Land within the curtilage of any Building, or of any Ground cultivated as a Garden, either on the original or enlarged line or included within the limits of the said deviation, shall be laid down on the said Plan or on the additional Plan deposited therewith, upon a scale of not less than a quarter of an inch to every 100 feet. (See Fig. 3.)

25. That the Section be drawn to the same horizontal scale as the Plan, and to a vertical scale of not less than one inch to every 100 feet, and shall show the surface of the ground marked on the Plan, and the intended level of the proposed Work, and a datum horizontal line, which shall be the same throughout the whole length of the Work, or any Branch thereof respectively, and shall be referred to some fixed point stated in writing on the Section, near either of the termini. (See Line D. D., Fig. 2.)

26. That the Clerks of the Peace or Sheriff Clerks, or their respective Deputies, do make a Memorial in writing upon the Plans, Sections and Books of Reference so deposited with them, denoting the time at which the same were lodged in their respective offices, and do at all seasonable hours of the day permit any person to view and examine one of the same, and to make copies or extracts therefrom; and that one of the two Plans and Sections so deposited, be sealed up and retained in the possession of the Clerk of the Peace or Sheriff Clerk until called for by Order of one of the two Houses of Parliament. (See Appendix, Act 1 Vict., c. 83.)

27. That on or before the 31st day of December, a copy of so much of the said Plans and Sections as relates to each Parish in or through which the Work is intended to be made, maintained, varied extended or enlarged, (see Fig. 6.), together with a Book of Reference thereto, be deposited with the Parish Clerk of each such Parish in England (the Schoolmaster of each such Parish in Scotland), or in Royal Burghs with the Town Clerk), and the Postmaster of the Post-town in or nearest to such Parish in Ireland. (See Appendix, Act 1 Vict., c. 83.)

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28. That on or before the 31st day of December, a copy thereof shall be deposited in the Private Bill Office of each House.

29. That an Estimate of the Expense be made and signed by the person making the same, and that a Subscription Contract be entered into under a contract, made as hereinafter described, to three-fourths of the amount of the Estimate. (See as to depositing Estimate and Subscription Contract in Private Bill Office, No. 127.)

30. That in all cases where the Work is to be made by means of Funds, or out of Money to be raised upon the credit of present Surplus Revenue, under the control of Directors, Trustees or Commissioners, as the case may be, of any existing Public Work, a Declaration stating those facts, and setting forth the nature of such control, and the nature and amount of such Funds or Surplus Revenue, and given under the common seal of the Company, or under the hand of some authorized Officer of such Directors, Trustees or Commissioners, may be substituted in lieu of the Subscription Contract, and in addition to the Estimate of the Expense. (See as to depositing Subscription Contracts in Private Bill Office, No. 127.)

31. That in all cases where the Work is to be made out of Money to be raised upon the Security of the Rates, Duties or Revenue to be created by or to arise under any Bill, under which no private or pecuniary profit or advantage is to be derived, a Declaration stating those facts, and setting forth the means by which Funds are to be obtained for executing the Work, and signed by the Party or Agent soliciting the Bill, together with an Estimate of the probable amount of such Rates, Duties or Revenue, signed by the Person making the same, may be substituted in lieu of the Subscription Contract, and in addition to the Estimate of the Expense. (See as to depositing Estimate and Subscription Contract in Private Bill Office, No. 127.)

32. That every Subscription Contract contain the Christian and Surnames, Description and Place of Abode of every Subscriber; his Signature to the amount of his Subscription, with the amount which he has paid up; and the Name of the Party witnessing such Signature, and the date of the same respectively.

33. That previous to the presentation of a Petition for a Bill, a sum equal to One-twentieth part of the amount subscribed shall be deposited with the Court of Chancery in England if the Work is intended to be made in England, or with the Court of Chancery in England or the Court of Exchequer in Scotland if such Work is intended to be done in Scotland, and with the Court of Chancery in Ireland if such Work is intended to be done in Ireland. (Vide Appendix C.)

34. That no Subscription Contract shall be valid, unless entered into subsequent to the close of the previous Session.

35. That previous to the presentation of a Petition for a Bill, copies of the Subscription Contract, with the Names of the Subscribers arranged in alphabetical order, of the deposit respectively paid up by each such Subscriber, shall be deposited with the Court of Chancery in England, or with the Court of Chancery in Scotland, or with the Court of Exchequer in Ireland if such Work is intended to be done in Scotland, and with the Court of Chancery in Ireland if such Work is intended to be done in Ireland. (Vide Appendix C.)

36. That previous to the presentation of a Petition for a Bill whereby any part of the Works authorized by any former Act is intended to be relinquished, Notice in writing of such Bill be given to Public Works, the Owners or reputed Owners and Occupiers of the Lands in the part of the said Work intended to be thereby relinquished is in situ.

Cuts, Canals, Reservoirs, Aqueducts and Navigations.

37. That in all cases where it is proposed to divert waters into any existing Cut, Canal, Reservoir, Aqueduct or Navigation, or into any intended variation, extension or enlargement thereof respectively, any Water may be made to flow from any existing Cut, Canal, Reservoir, Aqueduct or Navigation, whether directly or derivatively, and whether under any agreement with the Proprietors of any existing Cut, Canal, Reservoir, Aqueduct or Navigation, or into any intended variation, extension or enlargement thereof.

38. That in all cases where it is proposed to make, vary, extend and enlarge any Cut, Canal, Reservoir, Aqueduct or Navigation or into any intended variation, extension or enlargement thereof respectively, for supplying the same with Water, it shall also exhibit the height of the several Embankments, and the depth of the several Cuttings respectively, on a scale specified thereon (see Fig. 1); and in cases of Bills for improving the Navigation of any River, there shall be a Section which shall specify the Levels of both Banks of such River, and where any alteration is intended to be made therein, shall describe the same by feet and inches.

Railways.

39. That in the case of Railway Bills, a Copy of Copy of Bill every Bill annexed to a Petition be deposited in the Office of the Railway Department of the Board of Trade, on or before the day of presentation of the Petition to the House of Commons.

40. That previous to the presentation of a Petition for a Railway Bill, a sum equal to One-twentieth part of the amount subscribed shall be deposited with the Court of Chancery in England, or with the Court of Chancery in Scotland, or with the Court of Exchequer in Ireland if such Railway is intended to be made in Scotland, and with the Court of Chancery in Ireland if such Railway is intended to be made in Ireland.

41. That as regards Railway Bills, no Subscription Contract shall be valid, unless it be entered into subsequent to the day fixed in the Session for the presentation of the Petition to the House of Commons. (See as to depositing Estimate and Subscription Contract in Private Bill Office, No. 127.)

42. That previous to the presentation of a Petition for a Railway Bill, copies of the Subscription Contract, with the Names of the Subscribers arranged in alphabetical order, the amount of the Deposit respectively paid up by each such Subscriber, shall be deposited with the Court of Chancery in England, or with the Court of Chancery in Scotland, or with the Court of Exchequer in Ireland, if such Railway is intended to be made in Scotland, and with the Court of Chancery in Ireland, if such Railway is intended to be made in Ireland.

43. That previous to the presentation of a Petition for a Railway Bill, copies of the Subscription Contract, with the Names of the Subscribers arranged in alphabetical order, and the amount of the Deposit respectively paid up by each such Subscriber, shall be deposited with the Court of Chancery in England, or with the Court of Chancery in Scotland, or with the Court of Exchequer in Ireland, if such Railway is intended to be made in Scotland, and with the Court of Chancery in Ireland, if such Railway is intended to be made in Ireland.

44. That every Such Bill be made to bear the word "Railway," and that a Petition be deposited in the Office of the Railway Department of the Board of Trade, on or before the day of presentation of the Petition to the House of Commons.

45. That previous to the presentation of a Petition for a Railway Bill, a sum equal to One-twentieth part of the amount subscribed shall be deposited with the Court of Chancery in England, or with the Court of Chancery in Scotland, or with the Court of Exchequer in Ireland if such Railway is intended to be made in Scotland, and with the Court of Chancery in Ireland, if such Railway is intended to be made in Ireland.
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DUTY OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON STANDING ORDERS.

46. That when any Report of the Select Committee on Petitioning for Private Bills, in which they shall report that the Standing Orders have not been complied with, shall have been referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders, they shall report to the House whether such Standing Orders as have not been complied with ought or ought not to be disapproved with.

47. That when any Petition for leave to dispense with any of the Sessional Orders of the House relating to Private Bills, shall have been referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders, they shall report to the House whether such Sessional Orders ought or ought not to be dispensed with.

48. That when any Clause or Amendment proposed to be adopted by the House, the House not to be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders, they shall report to the House whether any such Clause or Amendment ought or ought not to be adopted by the House at that stage.

DOCUMENTS TO BE DEPOSITED IN PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

44. That as respects all Bills of the Third Class for the Incorporation of Joint Stock Companies, or proposed Companies for carrying on any Trade or Business, or for conferring upon such Companies the power of suing and being sued, there be deposited in the Private Bill Office, previous to the Presentation of the Petition for the Bill, a copy of the Deed or Agreement of Partnership (if any) under which the Company or proposed Company is acting, or of the Subscription Contract (if any), together with a declaration in writing stating the following matters:—

1st. The present and proposed amount of the Capital of the Company.
2d. The number of Shares, and the amount of each Share.
3d. The number of Shares subscribed for.
4th. The amount of Subscriptions paid up.
5th. The names, residences and descriptions of the Shareholders or Subscribers (so far as the same can be made out), and of the actual or provisional Directors, Treasurers, Secretaries or other officer, if any.

And such documents shall be verified by the signature of some authorized officer of the Company or proposed Company (if any), and by some responsible party promoting the Bill. (See to depositing documents in Private Bill Office, Order, No. 157.)

LETTERS PATENT.

45. That in cases of Bills for confirming or prolonging the terms of Letters Patent, each Notice shall have prefixed to it in Capital Letters the name by which the Invention is usually distinguished, and shall contain a distinct description of the Invention for which such Letters Patent have been obtained, and also an account of the Term of their Duration.

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46. That any Unopposed Bill to be referred to the Committee of Ways and Means, together with the Orders of the House for the consideration of the Bill, shall have been returned to the Speaker's Table by the Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means.

50. That in the case of a Division of a County to which the Bill specially relates, and to such number of Members not locally interested in the Bill as were entitled to a vote, such Members shall have received notice of the same, and the decision of the House on the 5th, the Committee of Selection shall refer the Business to the Speaker's List, the Members of which shall have been appointed to meet.

51. That the Committee of Selection shall have read the Bill, and shall have been referred to the Speaker's List by the Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means, and shall have been referred to the Speaker's List, the Members of which shall have been appointed to meet.

52. That the Committee of Selection shall be appointed by House at that stage.

53. That the Committee of Selection shall have read the Bill, and shall have been referred to the Speaker's List, the Members of which shall have been appointed to meet.

54. That the Committee of Selection shall be appointed by House at that stage.
Committee of Selection to appoint First Sitting of Committee.

55. That the Committee of Selection shall, subject to the Order that there shall be Seven clear days between the Second Reading of every Private Bill and the Sitting of the Committee thereon, fix the time for holding the First Sitting of every Committee on a Private Bill referred to them; but in the case of unopposed Private Bills, after communication with the Members who are to form the Committee on such Bill.

56. That no Postponement of the First Sitting of any Committee on a Private Bill shall take place, unless such Postponement, and the Duration of it, shall have been sanctioned by the Committee of Selection.

DUTY OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE BILL.

57. That each Member appointed to serve as a Member of a Committee on an opposed Private Bill, whether he be on the Speaker's List or one of the Selected Members, before he be entitled to attend and vote on such Committee, shall (according to the class to which he may belong) sign one of the following Declarations.

Declaration of Member on Speaker's List.

No. 1.—Declaration of a Member whose name is on the List prepared under the direction of Mr. Speaker for . . . . . has been committed, do hereby declare, That I will never vote on any question which may arise without having duly heard and attended to the Evidence relating thereto.

Memorandum.—The Declaration, signed as aforesaid, must be delivered to the Clerk of the Committee on the Bill before the Committee shall proceed to appoint a Chairman, otherwise the Member signing the same shall not be entitled to attend or vote.

Declaration of Selected Member.

No. 2.—The Declaration of a Member whose name has been added to the List prepared under the direction of Mr. Speaker by the Committee of Selection, his constituents having no local interest in the Bill for . . . . . has been committed, do hereby declare, That my constituents have no local interest, and that I have no personal interest in such Bill; and that I will never vote on any question which may arise without having duly heard and attended to the Evidence relating thereto.

Memorandum.—The Declaration, signed as aforesaid, must be delivered to the Clerk of the Committee on the Bill before the Committee shall proceed to appoint a Chairman, otherwise the Member signing the same shall not be entitled to attend or vote.

58. That the following shall be the several Forms of Declaration:

No. 1.—Declaration of a Member whose name is on the List prepared under the direction of Mr. Speaker for . . . . . has been committed, do hereby declare, That I, A. B., being one of the Members whose name is on the List prepared under the direction of Mr. Speaker, to which List the Bill for . . . . has been committed, do hereby declare, That I will never vote on any question which may arise without having duly heard and attended to the Evidence relating thereto.

No. 2.—The Declaration of a Member whose name has been added to the List prepared under the direction of Mr. Speaker by the Committee of Selection, his constituents having no local interest in the Bill for . . . . . has been committed, do hereby declare, That I, C. D., being one of the Members selected and added to the List by the Committee of Selection, to which List the Bill for . . . . . has been committed, do hereby declare, That my constituents have no local interest, and that I have no personal interest in such Bill; and that I will never vote on any question which may arise without having duly heard and attended to the Evidence relating thereto.

59. That the Committee Clerk shall furnish to each Member appointed to serve on a Committee on a Private Bill, who shall apply for the same, a Form of one of the above Declarations, according to the class to which the Member may belong; and that such application shall be made to the Committee Clerk, either in the Committee Clerk's Office, previous to the time when the Committee shall have been appointed to meet, or in the Committee Room previous to the door thereof being locked, as hereinafter directed.

60. That no Member shall be entitled to attend or vote in a Committee on an opposed Private Bill unless he shall have delivered his Declaration to the Clerk, previous to the time when the door of the Committee Room shall be locked for the appointment of the Chairman, and who shall not have been present at such appointment.

ORDERS specially relating to the COMMITTEE on an OPPOSED BILL.

55. That each Member appointed to serve as a Member of a Committee on an opposed Private Bill, whether he be on the Speaker's List or one of the Selected Members, before he be entitled to attend and vote on such Committee, shall (according to the class to which he may belong) sign one of the following Declarations.

Declaration of Member on Speaker's List.

No. 1.—Declaration of a Member whose name is on the List prepared under the direction of Mr. Speaker for . . . . . has been committed, do hereby declare, That I will never vote on any question which may arise without having duly heard and attended to the Evidence relating thereto.

Memorandum.—The Declaration, signed as aforesaid, must be delivered to the Clerk of the Committee on the Bill before the Committee shall proceed to appoint a Chairman, otherwise the Member signing the same shall not be entitled to attend or vote.

Declaration of Selected Member.

No. 2.—The Declaration of a Member whose name has been added to the List prepared under the direction of Mr. Speaker by the Committee of Selection, his constituents having no local interest in the Bill for . . . . . has been committed, do hereby declare, That I, A. B., being one of the Members whose name is on the List prepared under the direction of Mr. Speaker, to which List the Bill for . . . . has been committed, do hereby declare, That I will never vote on any question which may arise without having duly heard and attended to the Evidence relating thereto.

Memorandum.—The Declaration, signed as aforesaid, must be delivered to the Clerk of the Committee on the Bill before the Committee shall proceed to appoint a Chairman, otherwise the Member signing the same shall not be entitled to attend or vote.

58. That the following shall be the several Forms of Declaration:

No. 1.—Declaration of a Member whose name is on the List prepared under the direction of Mr. Speaker for . . . . . has been committed, do hereby declare, That I, A. B., being one of the Members whose name is on the List prepared under the direction of Mr. Speaker, to which List the Bill for . . . . has been committed, do hereby declare, That I will never vote on any question which may arise without having duly heard and attended to the Evidence relating thereto.

No. 2.—The Declaration of a Member whose name has been added to the List prepared under the direction of Mr. Speaker by the Committee of Selection, his constituents having no local interest in the Bill for . . . . . has been committed, do hereby declare, That I, C. D., being one of the Members selected and added to the List by the Committee of Selection, to which List the Bill for . . . . has been committed, do hereby declare, That I have no personal interest in such Bill; and that I will never vote on any question which may arise without having duly heard and attended to the Evidence relating thereto.

Memorandum.—The Declaration, signed as aforesaid, must be delivered to the Clerk of the Committee on the Bill before the Committee shall proceed to appoint a Chairman, otherwise the Member signing the same shall not be entitled to attend or vote.

60. That no Member shall be entitled to attend or vote in a Committee on an opposed Private Bill unless he shall have delivered his Declaration to the Clerk, previous to the time when the door of the Committee Room shall be locked for the appointment of the Chairman, and who shall not have been present at such appointment.

61. That Five Members (including the Quorum to be Selected Members) shall be the Quorum of every Committee on an opposed Private Bill, and that such Committee shall proceed to business, or continue their inquiry or deliberations, unless such number of Members appointed and duly qualified to serve on such Committee shall be present.

62. That so soon after the expiration of Ten min-utes, and not sooner, after the time appointed for the first sitting of a Committee on an opposed Pri- vate Bill, as there shall be present at least Five Members appointed and duly qualified to serve on such Committee (including a Quorum of Selected Members), the Clerk shall direct the Messenger in attendance on the Committee to clear the room of all strangers, and to lock the door of the Committee Room; and the Members then present shall proceed to appoint a Chairman.

63. That the Member to be appointed the Chair-man of each Committee on an opposed Private Bill shall be one of the Selected Members.

64. That if at any time during the sitting of the Committee a Quorum of the Selected Members shall not be present, the Chairman of the Committee shall suspend the proceedings of such Committee until such Quorum shall be present; and that if at the expiration of one hour from the time fixed for the meeting of the Committee, or from the time when the Chairman shall so have suspended the proceedings of such Committee, a Quorum of the Selected Members shall not be present, the Chairman shall adjourn the Committee for any period not exceeding Two clear days, or to the day on which the House shall next thereafter meet, and report to the House the circumstances of the case.

65. That if at any time after the Committee on a Bill shall have been formed, a Quorum of Members required by the Standing Orders cannot attend in consequence of any of the Members who shall have duly qualified to serve on such Committee having been incapacitated from being present, and if at such time the Members may be taken by the House as if by having been placed on an Election Committee, or by death or otherwise, the Chairman shall report the circumstances of the case to the House, in order that such Members may be taken by the House as if by having been placed on an Election Committee, or as the exigency of the case may require.

66. That no Petition against a Private Bill be taken into consideration by the Committee on such Bill, which shall not distinctly specify the ground on which the Petitioners object to any of the provisions thereof; and that the Petitioners be only heard on such grounds as are specified in writing, but limited to such grounds of Objection so inaccurately specified.

67. That no Petitioners against any Private Bill petition against shall be heard before the Committee on the Bill, unless the Petition shall have been presented to this House Three clear days before the day appointed for the first meeting of such Committee, the Petitioners shall comply of any matter which may have arisen during the progress of the Bill before the said Committee.

ORDERS
Orders specially relating to the Committee on an Unopposed Bill.

What Chairman to be appointed.

68. That the Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means shall be the Chairman of the Committee on every Unopposed Private Bill (not being a Divorce Bill), and that such Chairman and one of the other Members of the Committee shall be the Quorum thereof.

Chairman at liberty to report that any Bill should be treated as opposed.

69. That the Chairman of the Committee on every Unopposed Bill (not being a Divorce Bill), shall be at liberty, at any time after such Bill shall have been referred to him and the other Members of the Committee, to report his opinion to the House (if he shall think fit), that such Bill shall be treated as an opposed Private Bill, in which case such Bill shall be again referred to the Committee of Selection, and shall be dealt with by them as an opposed Private Bill.

Filled-up Bills to be laid before Chairman and Committee.

70. That a filled-up Bill, signed by the Agent for the Bill, as proposed to be submitted to the Committee, be laid by him before such Chairman at the time of giving notice of the meeting of the Committee on the Bill, and that similar copies be also laid by the Agent for the Bill before the other Members of the said Committee, at least five days before the first Meeting thereof.

Orders relating to Committees on Bills, whether Opposed or Unopposed.

71. That the Names of the Members attending each Committee be entered by the Clerk on the Minutes of the Committee; and if any Division shall take place in the Committee, the Clerk may take down the Names of Members voting in any such Division, distinguishing on which side of the question they respectively voted, and that such Lists be given in with the Report to the House.

72. That no Committee shall have power to examine into the compliance or non-compliance with such Standing Orders as are directed to be proved before the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills, unless by special Order of the House.

Standing Orders and Consents may be proved on Affidavit.

73. That in the case of any Private Bill relating to Scotland, the Committee may admit proof of the compliance with the Standing Orders of this House, and of the Consents of Parties concerned in interest in such Private Bill, on the production of Affidavits sworn before any Sheriff Judge or his Substitute there, whose Certificate shall be admitted as evidence of such proof having been made, unless the Committee shall require further evidence.

74. That in the case of any Private Bill relating to Ireland, the Committee may admit proof of the compliance with the Standing Orders of the House, and of the Consents of Parties concerned in interest in such Private Bill, on the production of Affidavits sworn before any Judge or Assistant Barrister of that part of the United Kingdom, whose Certificate shall be admitted as evidence of such proof having been made, unless the Committee shall require further evidence.

75. That in all other instances, the Committee may admit proof of the Consents of Parties concerned in interest in any Private Bill, on the production of Certificates in writing of such Parties, or such Certificate shall be proved by one or more Witnesses, unless the Committee shall require further evidence.

76. That in all Bills presented to the House for carrying on any Work by means of a Company, Commissioners or Trustees, Provision be made for compelling Persons who have subscribed any Money towards carrying any such Work into execution, to make payment of the Sums severally subscribed by them.

Orders to be laid on the Table on Reference and Amended Bills.

77. That in all Bills whereby any Parties are authorized to levy Fees, Tolls or other Rates or Charges, Clauses be inserted, providing for the fol lowing objects, except in so far as any of such objects shall have been provided for in some general Act applicable to the subject-matter of the Bill:

That security be taken from the Treasury, security to be Collector or Receiver, and every other officer taken from the collection and custody of monies under the Bill, for the faithful execution of his office.

That full and accurate Accounts be kept of Accounts to be all monies received and expended under the provisions of the Bill, and that such Accounts be balanced once in each year at the least.

That such Accounts be duly audited once in Accounts to be each year at the least, and that for such pur poses an Auditor or Auditors be appointed by some person or persons not immediately connected with the Commissioners, Directors, Trustees or other party, by whom, or by whose direction or authority, such Fees, Tolls, Rates or Charges shall be levied.

That for the purpose of auditing such Accounts, counts, the Commissioners, Directors, Trustees or Vouchers, &c., be produced to be produced by the Auditor, or Auditors, and cause the Accounts, together with all their Books and Vouchers, to be produced to the Auditors.

That the remuneration of the Auditor, and Remuneration his expenses, be defrayed out of the funds levied to Auditors, under the Bill.

That an annual Account, in abstract, be prepared and of such Funds shall be so audited and in Bills, proved to be carried by the Chairman of the Commissioners, Directors, Trustees or other parties aforesaid, and also by the Auditors thereof; and that a copy of such annual Account be transmitted, free of charge, to the Clerk of the Peace (or in Scotland to the Sheriff Clerk) for the County, or to the Clerk of the City or Borough within which the chief Office for the management of such Funds shall be situated, on or before the thirty-first Day of January in each year, under a sufficient Penalty for not preparing and sending in the said Account, to be levied by summary process; the said Account to be open at all seasons for inspection of the Public upon payment of a Fee.

78. That where the level of any road shall be Level of Roads. altered in any Public Work, the ascent of any Turnpike-road shall not be more than one foot in 30 feet; and of any other public Carriage-road not more than one foot in 20 feet; and that a good and sufficient fence, of four feet high at the least, shall be made on each side of every Bridge which shall be erected.

79. That every Plan and Book of Reference Plans, to be signed by the Committee upon any Private Bill (whether the same shall have been previously lodged in the Private Bill Office, or not), shall be signed by the Chairman of such Committee with his Name at least; and he shall also mark with the Initials of his Name every Alteration of such Plan and Book of Reference, which shall be agreed upon by the said Committee, and every such Plan and Book of Reference shall thereafter be deposited in the Private Bill Office.

80. That the Chairman of the Committee do sign, with his Name at least, a printed Copy of the Bill (to be called the Committee Bill) on which the Chairman.

Amendments to be fairly written; and also sign, with the Initials of his Name, the several Clauses added in the Committee.
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81. That the Chairman of the Committee upon every Private Bill shall report to the House, that the Allegations of the Bill have been examined; and that the Parties concerned have given their Consent (where such Consent is required by the Standing Orders) to the satisfaction of the Committee.

82. That every Committee to whom any Private Bill shall have been referred, shall report the Bill to the House, whether such Committee shall or shall not have agreed to the Preamble, or gone through the several Clauses, or any of them; and when any alteration shall have been made in the Preamble of the Bill, such alteration, together with the ground of making it, shall be specially stated in the Report.

83. That the Minutes of the Committee on every Private Bill be brought up and laid on the Table of the House, with the Report of the Bill.

Railway Bills.

84. That in the case of a Railway Bill, no Company shall be authorized to raise, by Loan or Mortgage, a larger sum than One-third of their capital; and that, until Fifty per cent. on the whole of the capital shall have been paid up, it shall not be in the power of the Company to raise any Money by Loan or Mortgage.

85. That where the level of any road shall be altered in making any Railway, the ascent of any Turnpike-road shall not be more than One Foot in Thirty feet, and of any other public Carriage-road not more than One Foot in Twenty Feet, unless a report from some Officer of the Railway Department of the Board of Trade shall be laid before the Committee on the Bill recommending that steeper ascents than the above may be allowed, with the reasons and facts upon which such opinion is founded, and the Committee shall report in favour of such recommendation: Also, that a good and sufficient means of ventilation, of any proposed tunnels, shall be provided, and that, until Fifty per cent. on the whole of the capital of the Company shall have been paid up, it shall not be in the power of the Company to raise any Money by Loan or Mortgage.

86. That no Railway wherein carriages are propelled by steam, or by atmospheric agency, or drawn by horses in connection with a stationary steam-engine, or by locomotive or other public Carriage-way on the level, unless a report from some Officer of the Railway Department of the Board of Trade shall be laid before the Committee on the Bill recommending that steeper ascents than the above may be allowed, with the reasons and facts upon which such opinion is founded, and the Committee shall report in favour of such recommendation: Also, that a good and sufficient means of ventilation, of any proposed tunnels, shall be provided, and that, until Fifty per cent. on the whole of the capital of the Company shall have been paid up, it shall not be in the power of the Company to raise any Money by Loan or Mortgage.

87. That in the case of a Railway Bill, the Committee report specially:—

1. The proposed Capital of the Company formed for the execution of the project, and the amount of any loans which they may be empowered to raise by the Bill.

2. The amount of Shares subscribed for, and the Deposits paid thereon.

3. The Names and Places of Residence of the Directors or Provisional Committee, with the amount of Shares taken by each.

4. The number of Shareholders who may be considered as having a local interest in the line, and the amount of Capital subscribed for by them.

5. The number of other Parties, and the amount of Shares taken by them.

6. The number of Shareholders subscribing for 2,000l., and upwards, with their Names and Residences, and the amount for which they have subscribed.

7. The sufficiency or insufficiency for Agricultural, Commercial, Manufacturing or other purposes, of the present means of conveyance, and of communication between the proposed termini, stating the present amount of traffic by land or water, the average charges made for Passengers and Goods, and time occupied.

8. The number of Passengers, and the weight of Passengers, &c., and of the Goods expected upon the proposed Railway.

9. The amount of Income expected to arise from the conveyance of Passengers and Goods, and in what proportion; stating also generally the description of Goods from which the largest revenue is anticipated.

10. Whether the proposed Railway be a Railway complete and integral Line between the termini, specified as a part of a more extended Plan now in contemplation, and likely to be hereafter submitted to Parliament, and to what extent the calculations of remuneration depend on such contemplated extension of the Line.

11. Whether any Report from the Board of Trade in regard to the Bill, or the objects thereby proposed to be authorized, has been referred to the House by the Committee, and if so, whether any and what recommendations contained in such Report have been adopted by the Committee, and whether any and what recommendations contained in such Report have been rejected; and, in case the Lines be stated in such Report to be a Competing Line or Competing Lines, the reasons which have induced the Committee to recommend the adoption or rejection of such Competing Lines or otherwise of them.

12. What planes on the Railway are pro-posed to be worked, either by assistant engines, Engines, stationary or locomotive, with the respective lengths and inclinations of such planes.

13. Any peculiar engineering difficulties in Engineering the proposed line, and the manner in which it is intended they should be overcome.

14. The length, breadth and height, and Ventilation of proposed tunnels, of any proposed tunnel, Tunnels, and whether the strata through which they are to pass are favourable or otherwise.

15. Whether in the lines proposed, the gran-Gredients and curves are generally favourable or Curves, otherwise, and the steepest gradient, exclusive of the inclined planes above referred to, and the smallest radius of a curve.

16. The length of the main line of the pro-Lines posed Railway, and of its branches respectively.

17. Whether it be intended that the Railway Railway should pass on any level, or in an inclining plane, and if so, to call the particular attention of the House to that circumstance.

18. The amount of the Estimates of the cost Estimates, or other expenses to be incurred up to the time of the completion of the Railway, and whether they appear to be supported by evidence, and to be fully adequate for the purpose.

19. The estimated charge of the Annual Annual Expenses of the Railway when completed, and how far the calculations on which the charge is estimated have been sufficiently proved.

20. Whether the calculations proved in evi-Evidence to Revenue in the maintenance of the Railway, and still allow profit to the Projectors.

21. The number of shares, subscribers and As-Assigns, or other persons, and of their interest in the line, and the amount of Property belonging to each class traversed by the said Railway, distinguishing Owners from Occupiers; and in the case of any Bill to vary the original Line, the above particulars with reference to such Parties only as may be affected by the proposed deviation.

22. The Name of each Engineer examined Engineers and of the Plan examined, in support of the Bill, and of any examined in opposition to it.
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28. The main allegations of every Petition which may have been referred to the Committee in opposition to the Preamble of the Bill, or to any of its Clauses; and whether the allegations have been considered by the Committee, and if not considered, the cause of their not having been so.

And the Committee shall also report generally as to the fitness, in an engineering point of view, of the projected line of Railway, and any circumstances which, in the opinion of the Committee, it is desirable the House should be informed of.

88. That in all Railway Bills there be inserted the following Clauses:

"And be it further Enacted, That it shall not be lawful for the said Company to proceed to the execution of the said Railway hereinafter authorized to be made, unless the said Company shall have, previously to the commencement of such work, deposited with the Clerk of the Peace of the several counties in Ireland or England, and in the Office of the Principal Sheriff Clerk in every county in Scotland, and in or through which the said Railway hereby authorized to be made is intended to pass, a Plan and Section of all such alterations from the original Plan or Section as shall have been approved of by Parliament, on the same scale, and containing the same particulars as the original Plan or Section of the Railway; and also with the Clerks of the several parishes in England, the Schoolmasters of the several parishes in Scotland, (or in Royal Boroughs with the Town Clerk,) and the Postmasters of the post towns in or nearest to such parishes in Ireland, in or through which such alterations shall have been authorized to be made, copies or extracts of or from such Plans and Sections as shall relate to such parishes respectively, and all persons interested shall have liberty to inspect and make extracts from or copies of the said Plans and Sections, or extracts or copies thereof, paying to the Officer having the custody of such Plans and Sections, or of such extract or copy, the sum of One Shilling for every such inspection, and after the rate of Sixpence for every One hundred words copied therefrom.

And be it further Enacted, That in making the said Railway it shall not be lawful for the said Company to deviate from the levels of the said Railway, as referred to the common Datum Line described in the said Plan or Section, or from or without the consent of any other persons interested as owners in the said lands, shall be deemed and taken to be sufficient for such purposes."

89. That when any Bill shall be brought into the House for confirming of Letters Patent, there be annexed to the true Copy of such Letters Patent as shall be sufficient for such purposes.

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Inclusion and Drainage Bills.

90. That in the case of any Bill for including Notice andc Lands, the Committee may admit proof of the Notices and Allegations required by the Standing Orders, and of the Allegations in the Preamble of such Bill, by affidavit taken and authenticated, according to the form prescribed in the Schedule to the General Inclusion Act (41 Geo. 3, c. 109), unless such Committee shall otherwise order.

91. That the Committee on every Bill for including Lands shall in the first place require the Agents to deliver in to the Committee a printed copy of the Bill, signed by the Lord of the Manor (in cases in which the Lord of the Manor has any interest as in the lands to be inclosed) and by
such Owners of Property within the Parish to which the Bill relates as shall have assented thereto; but that the Parties, if they shall think fit, be permitted to deliver in different copies of the Bill separately signed by the several Parties hereinbefore mentioned, instead of one copy signed by all of them collectively; together with a List of all the Owners of Property within such Parish, showing the value according to the Poor Rate or Land Tax Assessment of each Owner's Property therein, and distinguishing which of them have assented, dissented, or are neuter in respect thereto.

95. That in every Bill for making a Turnpike-road in Ireland or for the continuing or amending a Turnpike-road, as the case may be, a Clause be inserted, providing that the Select Committee on Turnpike-roads (Ireland) be appointed by such Bill, in satisfaction of the said Act passed for that purpose, or for the increase or alteration of the existing Tolls, Rates or Duties upon any such Road, or for widening or diverting any such Road, a Clause be inserted, to prevent any Person who shall be nominated a Commissioner, from acting or voting in the business of the said Turnpike, unless he shall be possessed of an estate in land, or of a personal estate, to such certain value as shall be specified in such Bills; and a Clause be inserted, that such Qualification be extended to the heirs apparent of persons possessed of an estate in land to a certain value to be specified.

DUTY OF SELECT COMMITTEE ON DIVORCE BILLS.

98. That the Select Committee on Divorce Bills shall, in all cases in which the Petitioner for Bill in his own behalf shall have attended the House of Lords upon the Second Reading of the Bill, require him to attend before their Committee why such action was not brought, and that such Petitioner be signed by the parties, or some of them, who are suitors for the Bill.

100. That the Select Committee on Divorce Bills shall report every such Bill to the House, whether report Bill in such Committee shall or shall not have agreed to the Preliminary, or gone through the several Clauses, or any of them.

III.

THE ORDERS

REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF THE HOUSE

WITH REGARD TO PRIVATE BILLS.

101. That no Private Bill be brought into this House, but upon a Petition first presented, with a Bill, and how printed copy of the proposed Bill annexed: And that such Petition be signed by the parties, or some of them, who are suitors for the Bill.

102. That all Petitions for Private Bills be presented within Twenty-one days after the First Reading of the Bill in every Session of Parliament.

103. That all Petitions for Private Bills, with their annexed Bills, and all Petitions for additional Provision in Private Bills, with the proposed Clauses and Bills to be annexed, and all Estate Bills brought from the House of Lords, after having been read a first time, shall.
shall be referred to the Select Committee on Petitions for Private Bills.

104. That there be Ten clear days between the laying of the Petition for any Private Bill relating to England shall be presented, and the day on which the Sub-committee shall sit thereupon; and Fifteen days, in case such Bill shall relate to Scotland or Ireland.

105. That all Reports of the Select Committee shall be printed for Private Bills, in which they shall report that the Standing Orders have not been complied with, be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

106. That all Petitions for leave to dispense with any of the Sessional Orders of the House relating to Private Bills, be referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders.

107. That every Private Bill, printed on paper, of a size to be determined upon by Mr. Speaker, be presented to the House, with a cover of parchment attached to it, upon which the title of the Bill is to be written; and the short title of the Bill, as first entered on the Votes, shall be in accordance with the subject-matter of the Bill, and shall not be changed unless by special Order of the House.

108. That the proposed amount of all Rates, Tolls and other Matters to be inserted in Italics.

109. That every Private Bill (except Name and Naturalization Bills) be printed; and printed copies thereof delivered to the Door-keepers for the use of the Members before the First Reading.

110. That there be Three clear days between the First and Second Reading of every Private Bill.

111. That this House will not receive any Petition complaining solely of non-compliance with the Standing Orders of the House in respect of any Private Bill, subsequently to the Second Reading of such Bill, unless in the case of those Standing Orders which must necessarily be taken into consideration by the Committee on the Bill.

112. That no Private Bill be read a Second time, until after the expiration of Two calendar months from the day the last Notice shall have been given in the Newspaper.

113. That a Breviate of every Private Bill (except Divorce, Name, Naturalization and Estate Bills, brought from the House of Lords, and not relating to Crown, Church or Corporation property, or property held in trust for public or charitable purposes) be prepared under the direction of Mr. Speaker, and that such Breviate shall contain a statement of the object of the Bill and a summary of the proposed Enactments, and shall state any variation from the general law which will be effected by the Bill.

114. That no Private Bill be read a Second time until Three clear days after the Breviate thereof day shall have been laid on the Table of the House, and have been printed.

115. That no Private Bill, or Clause, for the particular interest or benefit of any Person or Persons, County or Counties, Corporation or Corporations, or Body or Bodies of People, be read a Second time, unless Fees be paid for the same.

116. That every Private Bill, not being a Divorce Bill, when printed, and that such Divorce Bill, when printed as amended in Committee, shall be referred to the Select Committee on Divorce Bills.

117. That there be Seven clear days between the Second Reading of every Private Bill and the sitting of the Committee thereon.

118. That the Report upon every Private Bill ordered to be printed as amended in Committee, shall be upon the Table.

119. That a Breviate of the Amendments made in every Committee on a Private Bill be submitted to the Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means, and also laid upon the Table of the House at least the day previous to the consideration of the Report of such Bill.

120. That every Private Bill, as amended in Committee, be printed, excepting in the cases wherein the Committee shall report the Amendments to be merely verbal or literal, be printed at the expense of the Parties applying for the same; and be delivered to the Door-keepers for the use of the Members, Three clear days at least before the consideration of the Report.

121. That when any Clause or Amendment in a Bill, or the consideration of the Report, or the Third Reading of any Private Bill, shall have been referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders: That such Clause shall be printed; And when any Clause is proposed to be amended, it shall be printed in small, with every addition or substitution in different type, and the omissions thereto included in brackets.

122. That when any Clause or Amendment upon the Report, or the consideration of the Report, or the Third Reading of any Private Bill, shall have been referred to the Select Committee on Standing Orders, no further proceeding on either of such stages shall be had until the Report of the said Select Committee shall have been brought up.

123. That in order to afford opportunity for the proper discussion of the Reports on Railway Bills, included in the second class, this House will, upon every Tuesday, proceed to the consideration of Reports on such Bills.

124. That no Private Bill shall pass through two stages on one and the same day, without the special leave of the House.

125. That (except in cases of urgent and pressing necessity) no motion be made to dispense with any Sessional or Standing Order of the House without due notice thereof.

IV.

THE ORDERS

REGULATING THE PRACTICE IN THE PRIVATE BILL OFFICE.

126. That a Book, to be called "The Private Bill Register," be kept in a Room, to be called "The Private Bill Office," in which Book shall be entered by the Clerks appointed for the business of the Office, the Name, Description and Place of Residence of the Parliamentary Agent in Town, and of the Agent in the Country (if any) soliciting the Bill in each case; and all the Proceedings, from the Petition to the passing of the Bill:—Such Entry to specify, briefly, each day's Proceeding in the House, or in any Committee to which the Bill or Petition may be referred; the day and hour on which in the Committee is appointed to sit; the day and hour to which such Committee may be adjourned, and the name of the Committee Clerk. Such Book to be open to public inspection.
127. That all Plans, Sections, Books of Reference, Lists of Owners and Occupiers, Estimates, Copies of the Subscription Contracts and Declarations required by the Standing Orders of the House, be lodged in the Private Bill Office; and that the receipt thereof be acknowledged accordingly, by one of the Clerks of the said Office, upon the said Documents, and upon the Petition, before it is presented.

128. That a Copy of every Bill annexed to a Petition be deposited in the Private Bill Office on the day of the Presentation of the Petition to the House; and that such Bill be open to the inspection of all parties.

129. That Ten clear days' notice in writing be given by the Agent for the Bill to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office of the meeting of any Sub-Committee on a Petition for a Private Bill, and One clear day's notice of the meeting of any Sub-Committee on a Petition for additional Provision, or on an Estate Bill brought from the House of Lords; and that no such notices respectively be given until after such Petition shall have been presented, or such Estate Bill read a First time.

130. That One clear day's notice in writing be given to the Agent for the Bill to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office, of the postponement of the first meeting of any Sub-Committee on a Petition for a Private Bill, or on a Petition for additional Provision, or on an Estate Bill brought from the House of Lords.

131. That after each Private Bill has been read the First time, its Name (or short Title) shall be copied by the Clerks of the Private Bill Office, from the Clerk's Minute Book of the day, into a separate Book, to be called "The Examination Book"—wherein shall be noted the number of such Bill, according to the priority of its being read, and the date of the day of such First Reading.

132. That every Private Bill, after it has been read the First time and the Title copied and examined for the Votes, be in the custody of the Clerks of the Private Bill Office, and that the said Bills be laid upon the Table for the Second Reading; and when committed, be taken by the proper Committee Clerk into his charge, till reported.

133. That between the First and Second Reading of every Private Bill, every such Bill shall, according to its priority, be examined, with all practicable dispatch, by the Clerks of the Private Bill Office, as to conformity with the Rules and Standing Orders of the House; and if not in due form, the Examining Clerk shall specify thereon the page in which any irregularity occurs, and shall enter the day of such Examination, together with his own Name, in the Examination Book.

134. That Three clear days' Notice in writing be given by the Agent for the Bill, to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office, of the day proposed for the Second Reading of every Private Bill.

135. That Seven clear days' Notice in writing be given by the Agent for the Bill, to the Clerks in the Private Bill Office, of the day proposed for the Third Reading of every Private Bill, and that no such Notice be given until after the Bill to which it relates shall have been reported, or the Report thereof considered.

136. That to insure the Accuracy of the Ingrossing, Examination of all Plans, Sections, Books of Reference, Estimates, and also such Amendments made by the House, be required to provide a sufficient number of Clerks, to be called Examiners of Ingrossments.

137. That no Private Bill be read a Third time until a Certificate is indorsed upon the Paper Bill, and signed by one or more of the Examiners of Ingrossments, declaring that the Ingrossment of the same has been examined, and agrees with the Bill, as amended in Committee, and on the consideration of the Report.

138. That when Amendments made by the House are to be taken into consideration, Notice be given thereof, in the Private Bill Office, the day previous to the same being proposed to be taken into consideration.

139. That all Notices required to be given in the Time for ingrossing Private Bill Office be delivered in the said Office, and a copy thereof be delivered to the Clerk on the Clock on any day on which the House shall not
not sit; and that after any day on which the House shall have adjourned, no Notice shall be given for any Committee sitting, on which it shall again sit.

148. That the Clerks in the Private Bill Office do prepare, daily, Lists of all Private Bills, and Petitions for Private Bills upon which any Committee is appointed to sit; specifying the hour of meeting; and the Room where the Committee shall sit; and that the same be hung up in the Lobby of the House.

149. That every Plan and Book of Reference thereto, which shall be certified by the Speaker of the House of Commons, in pursuance of any Act of Parliament, shall previously be ascertained, and verified in such manner as shall be deemed most advisable by the Speaker, to be exactly conformable in all respects to the Plan and Book of Reference which shall have been signed by the Chairman of the Committee upon the Bill.

A P P E N D I X.

Appendix.

[Form referred to in Page 594.]

Appendix (A).

No. 147. Sir,

We beg to inform you, that Application is intended to be made to Parliament in the ensuing Session for "An Act [here insert the Title of the Act]", and that the Property mentioned in the annexed Schedule, or some Part thereof, in which we understand you are interested as therein stated, will be required for the purposes of the said Undertaking, according to the Line thereof as at present laid out, or may be required to be taken under the usual Powers of Deviation to the Extent of 100 yards on either side of the said Line which will be applied for in the said Act, and will be passed through in the manner mentioned in such Schedule.

We also beg to inform you, that a Plan and Section of the said Undertaking, with a Book of Reference thereto, has been or will be deposited with the several Clerks of the Peace of the Counties in which the Property is situate, on or before the 30th day of November, and that Copies of so much of the said Plan and Section as relates to the Parish in which your Property is situate, with a Book of Reference thereto, has been or will be deposited for public inspection with the Clerk of the said Parish, Schoolmaster of the said Parish, Town Clerk of the Royal Burgh, or the Postmaster of the Post Town in or near such Parish as the case may be, on or before the 31st day of December instant, on which Plans your Property is designated by the numbers set forth in the annexed Schedule.

As we are required to report to Parliament whether you assent to or dissent from the proposed Undertaking, or whether you are neutral in respect thereto, you will oblige us by writing your Answer of Assent, Dissent or Neutrality in the Form left herewith, and returning the same to us with your Signature on or before the day of next; and if there should be any error or misdescription in the annexed Schedule, we shall feel obliged by your informing us thereof, at your earliest convenience, that we may correct the same without delay.

We are, Sir,

Your most obedient Servants,

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be as good, valid and effectual to all intents and purposes as if an information in writing had been exhibited.

Appendix (C.)

Anno Primo & Secundo Victoriae Reginæ.

Cap. cvi.

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remain with the clerks of the peace, sheriff clerks,
town clerks, schoolmasters, town clerks, post-
masters and other persons with whom the same
shall be directed by such Standing Orders to be
deposited, and they are hereby respectively directed
to receive and to retain the custody of all such
documents and writings so directed to be deposited
with them respectively, in the manner and for the
purposes and under the rules and regulations con-
sidering the same respectively directed by such
Standing Orders, and shall make such memorials
and endorsements on and give such acknowledg-
ments and receipts in respect of the same respectively
as shall be thereby directed.

And be it further Enacted, That in case any
clerk of the peace, sheriff clerk, parish clerk, school-
master, town clerk, post-master or other person,
shall neglect to comply with any of the provisions hereinbe-
tained, every clerk of the peace, sheriff clerk, parish
clerk, schoolmaster, town clerk, post-master or other
person shall for every such offence, forfeit and pay
any sum not exceeding the sum of Five Pounds;
and every such penalty shall, upon proof of the
offence before any Justice of the Peace for the
county within which such offence shall be
committed, or by the confession of the party offending,
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Remembrancer of the Court of Exchequer in Scotland and the Accountant-general of the Court of Chancery in Ireland respectively, for the sum of money directed to be paid by such warrant or order to be placed to an account opened or to be opened in the name in the Bank mentioned in such warrant or order.

II. And be it Enacted, That it shall be lawful for the person or persons named in such warrant or order, or the survivor or survivors of them, or any Five of them, to pay the sum of money mentioned in such warrant or order into the Bank mentioned in such warrant or order, in the name and with the privity of the officer or person in whose name such sum shall be directed to be placed to such account or order, to be placed to his account there ex parte the work or undertaking mentioned in such warrant or order; and every such sum so paid in, or the securities in or upon which the same may be invested as herein after mentioned, shall remain until the same or such securities as aforesaid shall be paid out of such Bank in pursuance of the provisions of this Act: Provided always, That every sum paid into the Bank of England in the name and with the privity of the Accountant-general of the Court of Exchequer, under the provisions of this Act, shall be paid in and placed to his account there, pursuant to the method prescribed by an Act made and passed in the first year of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled, "An Act for the better securing Money and Effects paid into the Court of Exchequer at Westminster, on account of the Suitors of the said Court, and for the Appointment of an Accountant-general and Two Masters of the said Court, and for other Purposes," and pursuant to the General Orders of the said Court, and without Fee or Reward; and every sum paid into the Bank of Ireland in the name and with the privity of the Accountant-general of the Court of Chancery in Ireland, under the provisions of this Act, shall be paid in and placed to his account there, pursuant to the method prescribed by an Act made and passed in the twenty-third and twenty-fourth years of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Third, intituled, "An Act for the better securing the Monies and Effects of the Suitors of the Court of Chancery and Exchequer, by depositing the same in the National Bank, and to prevent the forging and counterfeiting any Draft, Order or other Instrument, for the Payment or Delivery of such Money and Effects, and for other Purposes," and pursuant to the general orders of the said Court, and without fee or reward.

III. And be it Enacted, That if the person or persons named in such warrant or order, or the survivor or survivors of them, or any Five of them, desire to have invested any sum so paid into the Bank of England or the Bank of Ireland, the court in the name of whose Accountant-general the same may have been paid, on a petition presented to such court in a summary way by him or them, may order that such sum shall, until the same be paid out of such Bank in pursuance of this Act, be laid out in the Three per Centum Consolidated or Three per Centum Reduced Bank Annuities, or any Government security or securities.

IV. And be it Enacted, That on the termination of the Session of Parliament in which the Petition or Bill for the purpose of making or sanctioning any such work or undertaking shall have been introduced into Parliament, or if such Petition or Bill shall be rejected or finally withdrawn by some proceeding in either House of Parliament, or shall not be allowed to proceed, or if an Act be passed authorizing the making of such work or undertaking; and if in any one of the foregoing cases the person or persons named in such warrant or order, or the survivor or survivors of them, or the majority of such persons, apply by petition to the court in the name of whose Accountant-general the sum of money mentioned in such warrant or order shall have been paid, or to the Court of Exchequer in Scotland in case such sum of money shall have been paid in the name of the said Queen's Remembrancer, the court in the name of whose Accountant-general or Remembrancer such sum was to have been paid, shall, by order, direct the sum of money paid in pursuance of such warrant or order, or the stocks, funds or securities in or upon which the same are invested, and the interest or dividend thereof, to be transferred and paid to the party or parties so applying, or to any other person or persons whom they may appoint in that behalf; but no such order shall be made in the case of any such Petition or Bill being rejected, or not being allowed to proceed, or withdrawn, unless it be proved by the certificate of the Chairman of Committees, if the said Petition or Bill was rejected or not allowed to proceed, or withdrawn, in its passage through the House of Commons, that the Petition or Bill had been either so rejected, or not allowed to proceed, or so withdrawn, by some proceeding in one or other House of Parliament; which certificate the said Chairman or Speaker shall grant on the application of the person or persons whose security or securities the person or persons named in such warrant or order, or the survivor or survivors of them; and every such certificate shall be conclusive proof of such rejection, or non proceeding, or withdrawal.

The House was moved, That the present Standing Orders relative to Private Bills, might be read; and the same being read;

Ordered, That the said Standing Orders be printed.

Resolved, That the Orders relating to Private Business recommended by the Select Committee, "appointed to consider whether any and what alterations in the Standing Orders of the House respecting Private Bills, the experience of the present Session may shew to be desirable," as amended and arranged by the said Committee, be adopted as the Standing Orders of this House in relation to Private Business.

Ordered, That the said Standing Orders be printed.

A Petition of inhabitants of Morphyr Teairy and Frist, William by Byrne, William Byrson, of the Honourable East India Company's Saint Helen Artillery, stating that the Petitioner has served in the above corps for thirteen years and three hundred and sixty-one days; that he was discharged at Portsmouth on the 31st of May 1836, wanting four days of a period of fourteen years' service; that at the period of his enlistment he was informed that he would be entitled to receive a pension at the expiration of fourteen or twenty-one years respectively; but on receiving his discharge he was informed that in consequence of wanting the four days to complete fourteen years' service, he was not entitled to a pension;
A Petition of Samuel Cobham, of Newgate-street, praying for the introduction of a clause into the Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill, that all such Companies shall keep a book in which shall be registered the names and residences of the shareholders, and the number of shares held by each shareholder, and that such book shall be corrected or made up at least once a month, and that such book shall be open for the inspection of the shareholders at all reasonable times, and that any person or persons who shall prevent any shareholder from inspecting, or who shall refuse to allow any shareholder to inspect such book at such times, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be subjected to imprisonment or to a fine of 100l., for every such offense; and for restraint of the conduct of the Directors of the New Zealand Company, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Accounts of the Net Public Income of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in the year ended the 5th day of July 1844, after abating the Expenditure thereon defrayed by the several Revenue Departments, and of the actual Issues or Payments within the same period, exclusive of the Sums applied to the Redemption of Funded or paying off Unfunded Debt, and of the Advances and Repayments for Local Works, &c.:—And, of the Balances of the Public Money remaining in the Exchequer on the 5th day of July 1844, the Amount of Money raised by additions to the Funded or Unfunded Debt in the year ended the 5th day of July 1844; the Money applied towards the Redemption of the Funded or paying off Unfunded Debt; the Total Amount of Advances and Repayments on account of Local Works, &c., with the difference accruing thereon, and the Balances in the Exchequer on the 5th day of July 1844.

Sir George Clerk accordingly presented the said Accounts.

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

The Earl of Lincoln accordingly presented a Copy of a further Report of Richard Griffith, Esquire, to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, &c., on the Progress of the Roads and Land Improvements on the Crown Estate of King Williamstown, in the County of Cork, in continuation of a Report presented to the House of Commons, and ordered to be printed 6th September 1841.

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


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The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, Bills, intituled, An Act for regulating the construction and the use of public buildings in the Metropolis and its neighbourhood; and the same were read, as follows:

Pr. 2. l. 20. Leave out from "purpose" to "whereby" in l. 28.

Pr. 5. l. 12. After "say" insert "as to the districts" and "person or persons to be appointed in pursuance of the powers hereby conferred, on the first day of September next, and.

Pr. 5. l. 14. Leave out "such." or "for any less term." in x. 23.

Pr. 9. l. 16. After "alleys" insert "not." or "for any less term." in pr. 23.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, the said Paper.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, Bills, intituled, An Act for regulating the construction and the use of public buildings in the Metropolis and its neighbourhood; and the said Paper was read a second time.

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Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of all Sums of Money paid into the Man-chester Court of Requests, being the Eighth Annual Report of the said Court.

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accrued to such lessee or tenant since the execution of such lease or agreement, and which may appear to the said Official Referees not to have been in the contemplation of the parties to such lease or agreement at the time of such execution thereof as aforesaid, to determine whether he is entitled to any and what compensation, whether by payment of money or reduction of rent, or both, or otherwise; and that on the receipt of such requisition, and on proof of due notice thereof having been given to the lessee and other owners of such building, it shall be the duty of such Official Referees and they are hereby required to proceed to ascertain if any and what loss has been so occasioned, and, having regard as aforesaid to such loss and interest as aforesaid, and to such profit, benefit or advantage as aforesaid, to determine if any and what compensation as aforesaid is to be paid in respect thereof, and by whom the same is to be paid, and in what proportions; and their decision in the matter shall be final.

Pr. 22. l. 9. Leave out "extreme" and insert "great."

Pr. 23. l. 17. After "Surveyor" insert "except as hereinafter provided."

Pr. 25. l. 22. After "concluded" insert "Provided always, That, if by reason of any emergency, any act, matter or thing placed under the supervision of the Surveyor be required to be done immediately, or before notice can be given to the same, it shall be lawful for the builder or any person to do such act, matter or thing so requisite, but upon this condition, that within forty-eight hours after beginning to execute such work, notice thereof be given to the Surveyor."

Pr. 29. l. 33. After "certify" insert "accordingly."

Pr. 30. Is. 23. and 24. Leave out "owner or."

Pr. 31. l. 6. After " B. insert " Part II."

Pr. 33. l. 22. Leave out "owner."

Pr. 36. l. 29. Leave out from "builder" to "and" in l. 26.

Pr. 38. l. 4. Leave out "monies" and insert "money."

Pr. 38. l. 18. Leave out from "then" to "and" in l. 22, and insert "it shall be the duty of the person entitled to the immediate possession of such building or the occupier, to make good the deficiency subject to reimbursement as hereinafter provided."

Pr. 42. l. 17. Leave out "four" and insert "three."

Pr. 51. l. 20. After "Referees" insert "and when any building or addition or substitution within the limits of such building or addition or substitution shall be approved by the said Official Referees, or shall be deemed to apply."

Pr. 57. l. 37. Leave out "or" and insert "and."

Pr. 90. l. 21. Leave out "part" and in the same line after "owners" insert "according to the meaning of this Act."

Pr. 99. l. 27. Leave out from "dwellings" to "be" in l. 28.

Pr. 99. l. 33. Leave out "use and."

Pr. 99. l. 34. Leave out "use and."

Pr. 94. l. 27. Leave out "that" and insert "during which."

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Pr. 97. l. 31. After "4 pounds" insert "for every day during which such building shall so remain near to such dangerous business."

Pr. 98. l. 30. Leave out "trades or."

Pr. 98. l. 37. After "other" insert "like."

Pr. 99. l. penult. After "situation" insert "save as is hereinafter provided."

Pr. 100. l. 5. After "pounds" insert "for every day during which such building shall remain near to such offensive or noxious business."

Pr. 100. l. 12. Leave out from "day" to "during" in l. 14.

Pr. 101. Is. 7. and 8. Leave out "trade or."

Pr. 102. l. 11. After "to" insert "the."

Pr. 103. l. 17. After "on" insert "of such business."

Pr. 109. l. penult. Leave out from "Council" to "parish" in Pr. 110. l. 1., and insert "stating the existence of such offensive, noxious or dangerous business in such."

Pr. 110. l. 2. After "thereof" insert "and praying the removal of such business therefrom."

Pr. 112. l. 36. Leave out "operatives" and insert "operation."

Pr. 113. l. 4. Leave out "or" and insert "and that if by any Act of Parliament now in force relating to Gas Companies, to which such works belong, any extension of such works, or any additional works, or any other works be authorized to be erected or substituted, then such provisions shall not be deemed to apply to any such extension, addition or substitution within the limits of the district now lighted from such first-mentioned works, and that such provisions shall not be deemed to apply."

Pr. 114. l. 4. After "of" insert "one of."

Pr. 114. l. 5. Leave out "Secretary" and insert "Secretaries," and in the same line leave out from "state" to "to" in l. 6.

Pr. 114. l. 35. After "of" insert "one of."

Pr. 116. l. 36. Leave out from "Secretary" to "to" in l. 37.

Pr. 117. l. 3. After "county" insert "city or liberty."

Pr. 119. l. 31. Fill up the blank with "eight."

Pr. 117. . 12. Leave out "summons" and insert "summon."

Pr. 119. l. 28. Leave out from "thereof" to "in" in l. penult, and insert "then and in every or any such case, it shall be lawful for any person alleging a complaint in writing under his hand, and signed by two of his friends, to present his complaint in writing under his hand, and signed by two of his friends, to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the city of London, or the Court of Quarter Sessions having jurisdiction over the district for which such Surveyor shall act for the time being, at any Sessions of the peace, quarter or general, either original, intermediate or adjourned, and which complaint shall set forth the nature and particulars of the offence charged by the complainant against any such Surveyor; and that the said Lord Mayor and Aldermen or Court of Sessions, as the case may be, shall, by order of court, appoint a time for the hearing of the said complaint, and a copy of which order and of the said complaint shall be served by or for the said complainant on the said Surveyor ten days at the least before the time appointed for the hearing of such complaint; and the said Surveyor shall appear before the said Lord Mayor and Aldermen or Court of Sessions, as the case may be, at the time and place so appointed for hearing the said complaint, to answer the same; and that if, upon the hearing of the complaint made by the Surveyor, and the evidence respectively produced by or for them, it shall appear unto the said Lord Mayor and Aldermen or Court of Sessions, as the case may be, that
such complaint in whole or in part is well founded, then.”

Pr. 130. 1. penult. After “for” insert “one of.”

Pr. 130. ult. Leave out “Secretary” and insert “Secretaries.”

Pr 131. 1. Leave out from “state” to “and” in l. 2.

Pr. 131. 12. After “while” insert “any.”

Pr. 131. 18. After “agent” insert “or to act as Official Referee, in the case of any building or matter in which he shall act as Architect, and that if an Official Referee be employed as Architect, as to any building or matter within the limits of this Act, then it shall be the duty of such Official Referee, and he is hereby required to report thereon to the Commissioners of Works and Buildings, and thereupon it shall be the duty of such Commissioners of Works and Buildings, and they are hereby required to appoint some other competent person to act in conjunction with the other Official Referee, as to such building or matter.”

Pr. 137. l. 29. Fill up the blank with “eight.”

Pr. 141. l. 27. Fill up the blank with “eight.”

Pr. 142. l. 2. Leave out “certificate” and insert “certificates.”

Pr. 142. l. 9. After “award” insert “or certificate or other document.”

Pr. 148. l. 27. After “office” insert Clause (B).

CLAUSE (B). “Provided always, and be it Enacted, with regard to the officers appointed by or in virtue of this Act, so far as relates to the functions, appointment and tenure of office of such officers, that any appointments to such offices shall be made by virtue of this Act shall be made subject to any provision that may be made by any Act of Parliament hereafter to be passed for assenting other duties than those to be imposed by virtue of this Act; and such offices shall be held not only subject to the pleasure of the officers and justices by whom such appointments shall be made, but also subject to the provisions of any future Act of Parliament in relation thereto.”

Pr. 150. l. 34. Leave out from “that” to “it” in Pr. 151. l. 6, and insert “if any party claim any sum of money then it shall be lawful for any one Justice of the Peace to summon the person on whom such sum is alleged to be charged, before any two Justices, or if the matter arise within the district of the Metropolitan Police, then before any Police Magistrate having jurisdiction within that district; and if such sum of money be proved by the oath of the party claiming, or of any other credible witness, and if it be proved by the oath of such party or other witness that such sum of money is still due, then.”

Pr. 153. l. 5. After “months” insert “or.”

Pr. 159. l. 12. Leave out “so done” and insert “done by the authority of.”

Pr. 161. l. 36. After “buildings” insert Clause (C).

CLAUSE (C). “Provided always, and be it Enacted, with regard to the owners of any building, fence, ground, land or tenement, so far as relates to their liabilities in respect of expenses incurred in respect of such premises or otherwise, That in all cases, whatever may be the nature of the interest in any such premises of the person entitled to the immediate possession thereof, or of the occupier thereof, such person entitled to the immediate possession of such premises, or such occupier, shall in the first instance bear all costs and expenses by this Act imposed on the owner thereof, and shall perform all duties by this Act imposed on such owner, subject, nevertheless, to any right or claim which such person or such occupier may have to be repaid such costs and expenses, and to be indemnified in respect of such duties, according to the provisions of this Act, according to the nature and extent of the covenants or agreements under which such person or occupier may hold such premises, as fully and effectually as if such covenants or agreements were herein recited.”

Pr. 162. l. 2. Leave out “or ground” and insert “fence, land, ground or tenement.”

Pr. 162. l. 23. Leave out “or ground” and insert “land, ground or tenement.”

Pr. 162. l. 27. Leave out “or ground” and insert “fence, land, ground or tenement.”

Pr. 162. l. 31. Leave out “or ground” and insert “land, ground or tenement.”

Pr. 162. l. 36. Leave out “or premises” and insert “fence, land.”

Pr. 162. l. ult. After the second “year” insert “or for any less term.”

Pr. 163. l. 18. Leave out “premises” and insert “fence, land.”

Pr. 163. l. 23. and 24. Leave out “premises” and insert “fence, land.”

Pr. 163. l. 35. Leave out “or premises” and insert “fence, land.”

Pr. 164. l. 8. and 9. Leave out “or premises” and insert “fence, land.”

In Schedule (A) to the Bill:

Pr. 171. l. 25. 26. and 27. In the first column, leave out “4 and 5 Will. 4., c. 35 (1834),” and insert “3 and 4 Vic. c. 89 (1840).”

Pr. 171. l. 26. In the second column, leave out “better.”

Pr. 171. l. 28. In the second column, leave out from “and” to “chimneys” in l. ult.

Pr. 171. l. 34., 35. and 36. In the first column, leave out “4th—3 and 4 Vic. c. 89 (1840).”

Pr. 171. l. 34. In the third column, leave out “the same.”

In Schedule (B) to the Bill:

Pr. 172. Is. 2., 3. and 4. Leave out the heading.

Pr. 172. l. 5. After “Part I.” insert “list of buildings of whatever class placed under special supervision.”

Pr. 172. l. 19. After “prisons” insert “and Bethlehem Hospital and the house of occupations adjoining.”

Pr. 173. l. 12. After “garden” insert “and the warehouses of or belonging to the St. Katherine Dock Company, commonly called the New-street and Cutler-street warehouses, and the Haydon-square warehouses, purchased by the said Company from the East India Company.”

Pr. 173. l. 22. After “Part II.” insert “list of buildings of whatever class exempted from supervision.”

In Schedule (C) Part I. to the Bill:

Pr. 178. l. 15. Leave out “capacity” and insert “height.”

Pr. 179. l. 18. After “building” insert “rule for excluding area.”

Pr. 179. l. penult. After “portico” insert “rule for ascertaining the capacity of any building of the second class; and the capacity or cubic contents of any such building is to be ascertained by measuring, according to the rule for ascertaining the area, and from the surface of the lowest floor up
In Schedule (C.) Part III. to the Bill:
Pr. 180. 1. 18. Leave out from “floor” to “rule” in l. 29.
Pr. 187. Amend transverse sections of walls as follow:

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In Schedule (C.) Part IV. to the Bill:
Pr. 190. 1. penult. Leave out from “feet” to “then,” in Pr. 191. l. 2.
Pr. 191. l. 3. Leave out “warehouses” and insert “building.”
Pr. 191. l. 6. and 7. Leave out “warehouse” and insert “building.”
Pr. 191. l. 28. After “stone” insert “or iron.”

In Schedule (D.) Part I. to the Bill:
Pr. 200. 1. 34. Leave out from “thereon” to “height,” in Pr. 201. l. 4.
Pr. 202. l. 15. After “outside” insert “except the pavement of any public way.”

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In Schedule (I.) to the Bill:
Pr. 241. 1. 4. Leave out from "mews" to "must" in l. 6.

In Schedule (K.) to the Bill:
Pr. 242. l. 29. After "square" insert "above the level of the second story."

In Schedule (L.) to the Bill:
Pr. 246. l. 2. After "to" insert "the."

In Schedule (M.) to the Bill:
Pr. 250. l. 1. penult. In the seventh column, leave out "§ 109, &c.," and insert "sections as to notifications."

Pr. 251. l. 24. In the seventh column, leave out "§ 109, &c.," and insert "sections as to notifications."

Pr. 251. l. 25. In the first column, leave out "26."

Pr. 252. l. 5. In the seventh column, leave out "§ 109, &c.," and insert "sections as to notifications."

Pr. 252. l. 28. In the first column, fill up the blank with "99."

Pr. 252. l. 24. In the seventh column, leave out "§ 109, &c.," and insert "sections as to notifications."

Pr. 252. l. 30. In the seventh column, leave out "§ 109, &c.," and insert "sections as to notifications."

Pr. 253. l. 2. In the seventh column, leave out "§ 109, &c.," and insert "sections as to notifications."

Pr. 253. l. 9. In the seventh column, leave out "§ 109, &c.," and insert "sections as to notifications."

Pr. 253. l. 12. In the first column, after "modification" insert "or delay."

Pr. 253. l. 13. In the seventh column, leave out "§ 109, &c.," and insert "sections as to notifications."

Pr. 253. l. 17. After "to," insert "the."

Pr. 259. l. 11. Leave out from "given" to "three" in l. 12.

Pr. 267. l. 29. After "39" insert "39."

Pr. 267. l. 22. After "39" insert "39."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Mr. Greene reported the Insolvent Debtors Bill; and the Amendments were read, and, with an Amendment to one of them, agreed to; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

[These Amendments are inserted at p. 621.]

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into further consideration the Reason given by the Lords at the Conference, held upon Friday last, for disagreeing to one of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize, in certain cases, the Service of Process issuing out of Her Majesty's Courts of Common Law at Westminster, on Persons resident out of the Jurisdiction of the said Courts; and the same was again read.

Resolved, That this House doth insist upon the Amendment made by this House to the said Bill, to which the Lords have disagreed.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, for insisting on the Amendment made by this House to the said Bill, to which the Lords have disagreed; and a Committee was appointed of Mr. Pringle, Mr. Massaclay, Mr. Manners Sutton, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, Mr. Entwisle, Mr. Brotherton and Mr. Henley:—And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Courts of Common Law Process Bill, and the Amendments were read, and, with an Amendment to one of the Amendments made by this House to the said Bill, to which the Lords have disagreed:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. Pringle, Mr. Macaulay, Mr. Manners Sutton, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, Mr. Entwisle, Mr. Brotherton and Mr. Henley:—And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

A Petition of Inhabitants of the parish of Kiltegg, Registration of Electors Bill, in the county of Clare, praying that the Registration of Electors (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Mr. Pringle reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, for insisting on the Amendment made by the Commons to the Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize, in certain cases, the Service of Process issuing out of Her Majesty's Courts of Common Law at Westminster, on Persons resident out of the Jurisdiction of the said Courts, to which the Lords have disagreed:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. Pringle, Mr. Macaulay, Mr. Manners Sutton, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, Mr. Entwisle, Mr. Brotherton and Mr. Henley:—And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

Because this Bill, while it obliges a person resident in Scotland to submit to the jurisdiction of the English Courts of Law, introduces no reciprocity obliging a person resident in England to submit, in similar cases, to the jurisdiction of the Courts of Law in Scotland; on this account, persons resident in Scotland have been exempted from the operation of the Bill.

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

Ordered, That a Conference be desired with the Lords upon the subject-matter of the Amendments made by the Commons to the Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize, in certain cases, the Service of Process issuing out of Her Majesty's Courts of Common Law at Westminster, on Persons resident out of the Jurisdiction of the said Courts, to which the Lords have disagreed:—And the Lords are to report to the House; and the same was read, as followeth:

Ordered, That this House doth insist upon the Amendment made by this House, to which the Lords have disagreed.

Resolved, That Mr. Greene do go to the Lords, and desire the said Amendments to be read, as follows:

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

The House, according to Order, proceeded to Courts of Common Law Process Bill, and the Amendments were read, and, with an Amendment to one of them, agreed to; and an Amendment was made to the Bill.

[These Amendments are inserted at p. 621.]

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

Mr. Pringle reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, for insisting on the Amendment made by this House to the said Bill, to which the Lords have disagreed:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. Pringle, Mr. Macaulay, Mr. Manners Sutton, Mr. Solicitor General, Mr. Attorney General for Ireland, Mr. Entwisle, Mr. Brotherton and Mr. Henley:—And they are to withdraw immediately.
Common Law in Ireland on Persons resident out of the Jurisdiction of the said Courts, 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 follows:

Because this Bill, while it obliges a person resident in Scotland to submit to the jurisdiction of the Irish Courts of Law, introduces no reciprocity, obliging a person resident in Ireland to submit in similar cases to the jurisdiction of the Courts of Law in Scotland; on this account persons resident in Scotland have been exempted from the operation of the Bill.

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

Ordered, That a Conference be desired with the Lords, to consider the matter of the Amendments made by this House to the said Bill: And that Mr. Pringle do go to the Lords, and desire the said Conference.

Mr. Thorneby reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions; That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 31st day of July last, and the 1st, 2nd and 3rd days 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.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Griffin Wilson and Sir William Horne:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment; viz.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to enable the Council of His Royal Highness Albert Edward Prince of Wales, to sell and exchange Lands and enfranchise Copyholds, Parcel of the Possessions of the Duchy of Cornwall, to purchase other Lands, and for other Purposes.

A Bill, intituled, An Act for the better Administration of Criminal Justice in Middlesex.

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A Bill, intituled, An Act to provide for paying off such of the Three-and-a-half per Centums, and for lessening and Government Debentures which are to be paid off under Two Acts passed in the present Session of Parliament.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to suspend until the Thirty-first day of December One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, 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, Surgeons' Mates and Serjeant Majors of the Militia, and to authorize the Employment of the Non-commissioned Officers: Vol. 90.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to reduce, under certain Books and Circumstances, the Duties payable upon Books and Engravings:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to reduce the Marriage of William Hough, a Major in the Military Service of the Honourable East India Company, with Sophia his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other Purposes, without any Amendment: And also,

A Bill, intituled, An Act to explain an Act of the Fifth and Sixth years of Her present Majesty, for the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land, without any Amendment: And also,

A Bill, intituled, An Act to suspend until the Thirty-first day of December One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, 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, Surgeons' Mates and Serjeant Majors of the Militia, and to authorize the Employment of the Non-commissioned Officers:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to settle certain Conditions to the Construction of future Railways, authorized or to be authorized by any Act of the present or succeeding Sessions of Parliament, and for other Purposes in relation to Railways, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also,

A Bill, intituled, An Act to reduce, under certain Books and Circumstances, the Duties payable upon Books and Engravings:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to clear up Doubts as to the Regulation and Audit of the Accounts of the Customs in New South Wales:

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An Act to defray, until the first day of August One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, the Charges 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, Quarter Masters, Surgeons, Assistant Surgeons, Surgeon-Mates and Sergeant-Majors of the Militia, and to authorize the Employment of the Non-commissioned Officers:

An Act to amend the Laws relating to Aliens: An Act to amend so much of an Act of the fifth and sixth years of his late Majesty, as relates to the Salary of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, and to make other Provisions in respect of the said Office.

An Act for making an Act passed in the fourth year of the reign of his late Majesty, intituled, An Act for the better Administration of Justice in his Majesty's Privy Council, and to extend its Jurisdiction and Powers:

An Act to explain and amend the Act for the Government of New South Wales and Van Diemen's Land:

An Act to provide for the Care and Preservation of the Royal Heriot of the Advocate of the Exchequer: An Act to annex Detached Parts of Counties to the Counties in which they are situated:

An Act to appoint additional Commissioners for executing the Acts for granting a Land Tax and other Rates and Taxes:

An Act to amend the Law as to burning Farm Buildings:

An Act to transfer the Collection of the Duty on Licenses to Act Horses for Hire in Ireland from the Commissioners of Stamps to the Commissioners of Excise:

An Act to enable the Council of his Royal Highness, Albert, Prince of the County of Wiltshire, to purchase and exchange Lands and enfranchise Copyholds, Parcels of the Possessions of the Duchy of Cornwall, to purchase other Lands, and for other Purposes:

An Act for the better Administration of Criminal Justice in Middlesex:

An Act to clear up Doubts as to the Regulation and Audit of the Accounts in New South Wales:

An Act to reduce, under certain circumstances, the Duties payable upon Books and Engravings:

An Act to simplify the Transfer of Property:

An Act to continue, for One year, an Act of the second and third years of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act to extend and render more effectual, for Five years, an Act passed in the fourth year of his late Majesty George the Fourth, to amend an Act passed in the fiftieth year of his Majesty George the Third, for preventing the administering and taking unlawful Oaths in Ireland:

An Act to continue, until the first day of June One thousand eight hundred and Forty-five, an Act of the second and third years of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act for restraining for Five years, in certain cases, Party Proceedings in Ireland:

An Act for making and maintaining a Railway from the City of Dublin to the Town of Cashel, with Stations in the County of Tipperary:

An Act to alter, amend, enlarge and in part repeal the Acts relating to the Wisbech and Colne Railway:

An Act for making a Railway from the River Thames to the County of Middlesex, to Wrexham, in the County of Denbigh, to be called "The North Wales Mineral Railway":

An Act to continue and extend the Powers of the London and Croydon Railway Company:

An Act for widening, repairing and maintaining the Bridge of Ayr, commonly called the New Bridge, leading across the River Ayr, at the Royal Burgh or Town of Ayr, in the County of Ayr, and for other Purposes in relation thereto:

An Act for better lighting, paving, cleansing, watching, regulating and otherwise improving the Town and Borough of Swansea, in the County of Glamorgan, and for removing and preventing Nuisances and Annoyances therein:

An Act for making new Docks and other Works connected therewith, in addition to the present Docks at Kingston-upon-Hull, and for amending the Acts relating to such last-mentioned Docks:

An Act for better lighting, paving, cleansing, watching, regulating and improving the Town of Rochdale, and the Environs thereof, in the County of Lancaster:

An Act for better paving, lighting, cleansing and ventilating otherwise improving Part of the Parish of Newchurch, in the Isle of Wight, called Ventnor, and for establishing a Market therein:

An Act to authorize the Sale of certain Estates Willenhall and Mines belonging to the Chapel of Willenhall, in the Parish of Wolverhampton, in the County of Stafford, and to provide a Residence for the Incumbent of the Chapel:

An Act to enable the Guardian of Henry Peach M-an's Keighley Peach, an Infant, to sell the next Premises, in the County of Yorkshire, and for other Purposes:

An Act enabling the Trustees under the Will of Jonathan Pasingham, to grant Leases of the devised Estates, with Licenses to dig Brick Earth, and to raise Monies upon Parts of the said Estate in the Parish of Bishop Auckland, in the County of Durham:

An Act enabling the Trustees under the Marquis Wilson's Will, to sell the Estates comprised in the same Settlement, and for laying out the Monies arising from such Sales in the Purchase of other Lands, to be settled to the same Uses:

An Act for enabling Trustees to sell the Estates Harris's devised by and settled to the Uses of the Will of those Estate Bill, of the Right honourable Thomas Lord de Despencer, deceased, at Mereworth, in the County of Kent, and elsewhere, in the said County, and also for authorizing the Sale and Exchange of certain Parts of the said settled Estates:

An Act to confirm certain Contracts for Leases Ladbroke's made and entered into by James Weller Ladbroke, Esquire, of Lands and Premises at or near Notting Hill, in the County of Middlesex, and to alter and enlarge the said Act passed in the first and second years of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled, "An Act to enable James Weller Ladbroke, Esquire, and others, to grant Building Leases of Lands in Kennington, Paddington, Notting Barns and Westbourne, in the County of Middlesex, and for other Purposes relating thereto:

An Act for enabling the Trustees of the Will of the late Mrs. L. Deespencer, to sell the Estate of William Henry Bowden Jordan, Esquire:

An Act to permit the Guardian of Henry Peach to sell the next Premises, in the County of Yorkshire, and for other Purposes:

An Act for carrying into effect a Compromise of Lady Despeens's Suit for raising Portions for the younger Children of the late Mr. Jonathan Despeencer, deceased, at Mereworth, in the County of Kent, and elsewhere, in the said County, and also for authorizing the Sale and Exchange of certain Parts of the said settled Estates:

An Act to authorize the Sale and Exchange of certain Parts of the said settled Estates, and to confirm the same Agreement, and for other Purposes:
to convey a Church at Bournemoutb, in the County of Southampton, to Her Majesty's Commissioners for building new Churches, and to endow the same:

An Act to enable Thomas Alexander Baron Lovat to borrow a certain Sum of Money upon the Security of his estailed Estates, for Repayment to him of a Particular sum of Money laid out by him in the Improvement of these Estates:

An Act for vesting Parts of the Estates of William Denegre, Esquire, deceased, in Trustees, upon Trust, and for paying off a Debt of Eight thousand two hundred pounds, due to James Parkinson, Esquire, out of the first Purchase Monies, and for laying out the Residue of the Purchase Monies under the Direction of the Court of Chancery in the Purchase of other Estates to be settled to the same Uses:

An Act for confirming and carrying into execution certain Articles of Agreement made and entered into between Charles James Lord Bishop of London, Thomas Thistlethwaite, Esquire, Thomas Sorens Coeks, Esquire, Christopher Hodgson, Esquire, the Company of Proprietors of the Grand Canal and the Grand Junction Waterworks Company, and for other Purposes therein mentioned:

An Act for authorizing the Sale of certain Estates in the Counties of Meath and Cavan, limited by the Settlement executed on the Marriage of Pierce Morton and Lenox Morton, otherwise Lenox Normore, his Wife, and for applying the Monies thence arising in Payment of Incumbrances affecting the said Estates prior to said Settlement:

An Act for effecting an Exchange of the Entailed Estate of Roachall, belonging to the Right honorable James Edward Lord Crenstoun, situated in the County of Sutherland, for certain Lands in the County of Kincladine, belonging to James Mathewson, Esquire, of Achany.

An Act for authorizing the Endowment of the Curacies of Werrington and Saint Giles-in-the-Heath, in the County of Devon, and the Alienation and Conveyance of the Rights of Patronage of the same Curacies respectively to Persons who shall further endowed the same, and for other Purposes relating thereto:

An Act for annexing to the United Dioceses of Down, Connor and Dromore, the House known as Down and Connor House, with the Appurtenances, and for other Purposes:

An Act to dissolve the Marriage of John Cheepe, Esquire, a Lieutenant Colonel in the Military Service of the Honourable East India Company, with Amelia Frances Chicheley Cheape, his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other Purposes therein mentioned:

An Act to dissolve the Marriage of William Hough, a Major in the Military Service of the Honourable East India Company, with Sophia, his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other Purposes.

Petitions of the Reverend M. Stuttery, D. D. a., and Michael Burke, R. r., and others; praying that the Charitable Donations and Bequests (Ireland) Bill may not pass into a law,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Minister, Churchwardens, and other Inhabitants of the united parishes of Saint Andrew-by-the-Wardrobe and Saint Ann, Blackfriars, in the city of London, praying that the House of Commons being required to unen the Statutes prohibiting trading on the Lord's Day, as to make the same adequate in the hands of the Executive to secure the objects for which they were framed, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Report be now received. Mr. Greene accordingly reported the Clause; and the said Clause was read, and agreed to. And the said Clause, so amended, was agreed to. Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath again agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships, with an Amendment; to which Amendment this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Resolved, Nemine Contradicente, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty, to offer the Congratulations of this House to Her Majesty on the birth of another Prince; and to assure Her Majesty, that every increase of Her illustrious Family, and every addition to Her Majesty's domestic happiness, afford the most unfeigned joy and satisfaction to Her faithful 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.

Mr. George William Hope presented, pursuant to several Addresses to Her Majesty,—Abstract from the Blue Books sent to the Colonial Office by the British Colonies, for the year 1842, of the Total Amount of Revenue received by each of these Colonies, under separate heads; and also, the Amount of Expenditure, under separate heads, so as to exhibit the Total Amount of Taxation and Revenue of every kind, and the Total Amount of Expenditure of every kind, and showing the Balance for or against the Colony; stating also, the Amount granted by Parliament to each of these Colonies in that year:—And, a Return or General Abstract of the Military and Naval Expenditure, by Great Britain, for the Colonies, in the year 1842 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 632, of Session 1840, No. 1, App. A. and B.)

Copies of all Letters and Accounts which have passed, since the 1st day of January 1843, between the Manager of the South Australian Company, on the one hand, and the Colonization Commissioners for South Australia, or the Colonial Office on the other:—Also, of all Memorials and Letters to Sir Robert Peel and the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and of the Replies to the same, on the subject of the Emigration Land Fund of South Australia:—And, Extracts from the Despatches of Governor Grey on the expediency of renewing Emigration to that Colony.

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

Mr. Pringle reported, That having been with the Lords to desire a Conference on the subject-matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize, in certain cases, the Service of Process issuing out of Her Majesty's Courts of Common Law at Westminster, on Persons resident out of the Jurisdiction of the said Courts:—The Lords gave for answer, that they will send an Answer by Messengers of their own.

Mr. Pringle reported, That the Managers had met the Lords at the Conference, which was managed on the part of the Lords by the Earl of Liverpool; that they had delivered to the Lords the Reason for insisting on the Amendment made by the Commons, to which their Lordships had disagreed; and had left the Bill, and Amendments, with their Lordships.

Mr. Pringle reported, That having been with the Courts of Commons to desire a Conference on the subject-matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize, in certain cases, the Service of Process issuing out of Her Majesty's Courts of Common Law in Ireland, on Persons resident out of the Jurisdiction of the said Courts, the Lords do agree to a Conference, and appoint the same immediately, in Committee-room No. 2.

Ordered, That the Committee who were appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, for insisting on the Amendment made by this House to the said Bill, to which the Lords have disagreed, do manage the Conference; and the names of Mr. Round, Mr. Redhead Yorke, Mr. Greene, Lord Marcus Hill, Mr. Thornton, Mr. Hawes, Captain Preston, Mr. Ecock, Mr. Bosin Wall, Mr. Spooner, Mr. Sheil and Mr. Trotter were added to them.

Then the names of the Managers were called over; and they went to the Conference:—And being returned;

Mr. Pringle reported, That the Managers had met the Lords at a Conference, which was managed on the part of the Lords by the Earl of Liverpool; that they had delivered to the Lords the Reason for insisting on the Amendment made by the Commons, to which their Lordships had disagreed; and had left the Bill, and Amendments, with their Lordships.

Mr. Pringle reported, That having been with the Lords to desire a Conference on the subject-matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize, in certain cases, the Service of Process issuing out of Her Majesty's Courts of Common Law in Scotland (Ireland) on Persons resident out of the Jurisdiction of the said Courts, the Lords do agree to a Conference, and appoint the same immediately, in Committee-room No. 2.

Ordered, That the Committee who were appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, for insisting on the Amendment made by this House to the said Bill, to which the Lords have disagreed, do manage the Conference; and the names of Mr. Round, Mr. Redhead Yorke, Mr. Greene, Lord Marcus Hill, Mr. Thornton, Mr. Hawes, Captain Preston, Mr. Ecock, Mr. Bosin Wall, Mr. Spooner, Mr. Sheil and Mr. Trotter were added to them.

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The House agreed to the Amendments made by the Lords to this Bill, intituled, An Act to dissolve the Marriage of Thomas Foreman Gape, with Fanny Louisa, his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, without any Amendment: And also, The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the preservation of the Salt (Scotland) Bill, and the Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act of the ninth year of King George the Fourth, for the Preservation of the Salt Fisheries in Scotland, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House: And also, The
Mr. Manners Sutton, presented, by Her Majesty's Factories 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 June, 1844.

Copy of Report of the Inspectors of Millbank Prison, for the year 1844, pursuant to the Act 6 and 7 Vic., c. 26, s. 11.

Copy of Reports relating to Parkhurst Prison, Parkhurst Prison.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented, pursuant to Schoolmasters several Addresses to Her Majesty,—A Return of the Parochial Schoolmasters in Scotland who have retired, or have been removed from their Situations, in consequence of their Secession from the Established Church, subsequent to the month of May 1843.

A Copy of the Indictment of Mrs. Mary Macfarlane, or Taylor, charged with the Crime of Murder and administering Poison within the County of Renfrew, in 1842; with the Dates of the Warrant for her Apprehension and Imprisonment in Paisley Gaol; also, the date and place of each Declaration made by the above-named party, with the Name or Numbers of the Magistrates before whom the Declarations were made; also, the Date of Removal of the said Person from Paisley to Glasgow Gaol, with the date of her Re-transmission to Paisley Gaol, with the date of her Liberation from Gaol without being tried; stating the whole period during which the said Mrs. Macfarlane or Taylor was confined in Gaol, and whether subjected to Solitary Confinement during part or the whole period; also, the Total Expenses incurred by the Crown, in consequence of the Proceedings at the instance of the Lord Advocate against the said Mrs. Taylor. Ordered, That the said Papers do lie upon the Table; and that the Paper relative to Mrs. Macfarlane be printed.

Mr. Sidney Herbert presented, pursuant to Order, Timber (Navy)—Returns of the Amount paid under the Contract for British Oak Timber, Thick Stuff, Plank and Treenails, delivered for each of Her Majesty's Dock Yards, under Contract of 6th March 1843 to the 31st December, 1843, distinguishing the Quantity and Price of each description of Timber, viz., Rough Oak Timber, sided Oak, Thick Stuff, Two, Two-and-a-half, and Three and Four Inch Plank, with Number of Treenails of each length; and the Contractors to have the Quantities, Specification and Conditions of the Contract altered after it had been concluded; with Particulars of the Alterations made in consequence thereof, and the Quantities of each description delivered, with the Total Amount paid.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question was proposed, That there be laid before this House, Copies (Ireland.) of any Letters or Instructions which may have been written to Lord Castletown relating to the future disposal of Church Patronage in Ireland, with reference to Education Board:—And the said Motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Turnpike Trusts (Amendments) of the said Case. The said Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Turnpike Trusts in South Wales; and the same were read, as follow:—

Pr. 134. 1. 25. After "Radnor" insert "and of" and "the said county of Brecknock."
Pr. 134. 1. 29. Leave out from "Haverfordwest" to "non" in l. 30.

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

**Ordered,** That Mr. Greene 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 Bill, intituled, An Act to regulate and reduce the Expenses of the Offices attached to the Superior Courts of Law in Ireland, payable out of the Consolidated Fund; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 10. f. 22. Leave out from "Lord" to "to" in l. 25., and insert "Chief Justice or Lord Chief Baron of the Court in which such vacancy shall occur.

Pr. 10. l. 38. Leave out "rolls" and insert "roll." in l. 16. Leave out from "created" to "such" in l. 8.

Pr. 11. l. 13. Leave out from "made" to "and" in l. 23.

Pr. 10. l. 22. The first 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:—It passed in the Negative. Then the subsequent Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at the said Amendment.—It passed in the Negative. Then a Committee was appointed by Mr. Chancellors of the Exchequer, Mr. Young, Mr. Greene, Mr. John Abel Smith, Mr. Hawes, Mr. Darby, Mr. Manners Sutton and Mr. Brotherton—and they are to withdraw immediately.

**Ordered,** That three be the Quorum.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to explain and make better Provision for the Spiritual Care of Populous Parishes; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 2. l. 8. Leave out "Archbishop of." or "Archbishop or." in l. 16. Leave out "or collate." in l. 32.

Pr. 3. l. 5. After "any" insert "such." in l. 35. After "sequestor" insert "or" in the duties thereof being performed by a curate duly appointed, in consequence of the suspension of the or Lord Chi.

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


Copy of the Third Report of the Commissioners Fine Arts, on the Fine Arts, with Appendix.


Mr. Manners Sutton also presented,—Return to Dog-stealing an Address to Her Majesty, dated the 11th day of July last, for a Return of the Informations lodged at the various Police Stations of the Metropolis, of Dogs supposed to have been stolen, and the Number of Convictions of Offenders brought up for Dog-stealing before the Police Magistrates, during the years 1841, 1842 and 1843 (so far as relates to the Metropolitan Police District.)

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, Holyhead and Copies of the Reports of Sir John Rennie and Mr. Portdynllean harbours, upon the Harbours of Holyhead and Portdynllean Harbours.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Lords Vigrane the Amendment made by the Lords to the Amend- ments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, An Act to authorize the Division of the Parish and
and Vicarage of Leeds, in the County of York, into several Parishes and Vicarages; and the same was read, as followeth:

Pr. 32. I. 27. Leave out "with or upon any " other trust, &c., whatsoever."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, in- tended for the better supplying and lighting with Gas, or any other Illuminating Power, the Town and Suburbs of Paisley, and certain neighbouring Towns or Villages, and Places adjacent; and for other Purposes relating thereto; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 1. I. 1. After " whereas" insert " certain " parts of;"

Pr. 1. I. 2. Leave out "town" and insert "Ab- bey Parish," and in the same line leave out from " Paisley" to " and" in l. 4.

Pr. 1. I. 19. After "in" insert "parts of" in and in the same line leave out "town" and insert "pa- rish."

Pr. 1. I. 31. Leave out "and suburbs.""

Pr. 3. I. 27. Leave out from "within" to "of" in l. 28., and insert "those parts of the Abbey Pa- rish of Paisley which lie beyond the Parliamentary Burgh," and in l. 26., leave out from "Paisley" to " of", in l. 50., and insert "comprehending,"

Pr. 3. I. 32. Leave out "towns" and insert "town," and in the same line leave out "villages" and insert "village.

Pr. 3. I. 33. After "beyond" insert "the" and in the same line after "adjacent" insert "to the said several towns or villages.

Pr. 3. I. 34. Leave out from "the" to "pa- rish,"

Pr. 4. I. 10. After "proper" insert "Provided it always, that it shall not be lawful for the Com- pany to erect any works for the manufacture of supply of gas, or to distribute any gas within the bounds of the present Parliamentary Burgh of Paisley;"

Pr. 31. I. 29. Leave out from "the" to "with- in" in l. 22., and insert "district comprehended;"

Pr. 32. I. 24. Leave out from "July" to "in" in l. 25.

Pr. 37. I. 15. Leave out "January" and insert "July."

Pr. 37. I. 27. Leave out "January" and insert "July."

Pr. 37. I. penult. Leave out "January" and insert "July."

Pr. 60. I. 36. Leave out from "of" to "any" in l. 38.

Pr. 79. I. 34. Leave out "and" and insert "or."

Pr. 87. I. 11. Leave out from "the" to "statu- tory" in l. 12.

Pr. 87. I. 13. Leave out the second "Trustees" and insert "parties;"

Pr. 87. I. 25. and 36. Leave out "Commissio- ners" and insert "Trustees;"

Pr. 88. I. 2. Leave out "Commissioners;"

Pr. 88. I. 7. Leave out from "to" to the first "or" in l. 5., and insert "such Trustees."

Pr. 88. I. 16. Leave out from "recovered" to "of" in Pr. 30. I. 55.

Pr. 90. I. 28. Leave out from "with" to "the" in l. 34.

Pr. 91. I. 15. and 16. Leave out "Commis- sioners;"

Pr. 91. I. 18. and 19. Leave out "Commis- sioners;"

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Pr. 94. I. 12. After "the" insert "Justice of " Peace or."

Pr. 108. I. 36. Leave out "town" and insert "towns;" and in the same line leave out "suburbs" and insert " places;"

Pr. 121. I. 36. Leave out from "reasonable" to "provided" in Pr. 122. I. 19.

Pr. 123. I. 24. Leave out from "of" to "any" in Pr. 123. I. 5.

Pr. 123. I. 6. Leave out "town" and insert "towns;"

Pr. 123. I. 7. Leave out "the parishes.

In the Title of the Bill:

L. 2. After "power" insert "parts of;" and in the same line leave out "town and suburbs" and insert "Abbey Parish."

L. 3. Leave out "neighbouring."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

A Petition of Merchants at Bombay in the East Indies, praying that the House may be pleased to appoint a Committee or Commission, before whom the Petitioners may submit their statements of all the facts and circumstances connected with their claims for Opium surrendered to Her Majesty's Representative in China, was presented, and read and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Manchester Division Petty Sessions, which was presented upon Friday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Abstract of the Annual Returns Turnpike relative to Turnpike Trusts, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the several Papers relative to the College of College of Surgeons, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Poor Poor Law, which was presented upon Saturday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Navy, Navy, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Furniture, Furniture, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.
The Twenty-fourth Annual Report of the Commissioners for building New Churches.

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

Mr. Sidney Herbert presented, pursuant to Order, 20th August, respecting the Amount of Horse Power ordered for Her Majesty's Steam Vessels, between the 1st day of April 1839 and the 31st day of August 1841, and the Number and Tonnage of Vessels to which it has been applied or is intended to be applied.

And, of the Amount of Horse Power ordered for Her Majesty's Steam Vessels, between the 1st day of September 1841 and the 1st day of July 1844, and the Number and Tonnage of Vessels to which it has been applied, or is intended to be applied.

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

Mr. Greene reported the Roman Catholic Penal Acts Repeal Bill; and the Amendments were read, pursuant to Order, as follows:

Pr. 1. 1. 6. After "England" insert "and." Pr. 1. 1. 7. Leave out from "Britain" to "rendered" in l. 9.

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

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time tomorrow.

The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to amend an Act passed in the fifth and sixth years of Queen Victoria, intituled, "An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors," and to limit the power of Arrest upon Final Process, was, according to Order, read the third time.

An ingrossed Clause was offered (Compensation to Thomas Acton Warburton, Esquire, for having performed the office of Deputy Registrar of the Court of Bankruptcy since the 21st day of May 1842, out of the Fund placed to the credit of the Accountant in Bankruptcy, intituled, "The Secretary of Bankrupts' Account," not exceeding £400). 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 old Lobby; The Noes to the new Lobby.

Tellers for the Yeas: Mr. Mines; Lord Arthur Lemos; Mr. Redhead Yorke; Mr. Webley.

Tellers for the Noes: Mr. Redhead Yorke; Mr. Webley.

So it was resolved in the Affirmative.

And the said Clause was accordingly read a second time, with a blank; and committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the Committee.

(At the Committee.

Clause, (Compensation to Thomas Acton Warburton, Esquire, for having performed the office of Deputy Registrar of the Court of Bankruptcy since the 21st day of May 1842, out of the Fund placed to the credit of the Accountant in Bankruptcy, intituled, "The Secretary of Bankrupts' Account," not exceeding £400)—read 1st & 2nd.

Blank filled with "eight hundred pounds," and agreed to.

Clause, as amended, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Greene reported, That the Committee had gone through the Clause, and made an Amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Greene accordingly reported the Clause; and
and the Amendment was read, and agreed to; and the said Clause was read the third time; and added to the Bill, by way of Rider.

Then an Amendment was made to the Bill. Another Amendment was proposed to be made to the Bill in Pr. 20, Is. 27 and 28, by leaving out the words "passing of this Act," and inserting the words "twenty-fifth day of March One thousand eight hundred and forty-five," instead thereof.

And the Question being put, That the words proposed to be left out stand part of the Bill:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then other Amendments were made to the Bill. The said Amendments, together with the Amendments made in Committee upon Monday last, and on Report yesterday, are as follow:

Pr. 1 ls. 2 and 3. Leave out "fifth and sixth years" and insert "each year."

Pr. 1 ls. 12. Leave out from "that" to "a" in l. 17.

Pr. 1 ls. 19. Leave out from "be" to "without" in l. 21, and insert "presented to any Court or District Court of Bankruptcy, within the district of which the Petitioner shall have resided twelve calendar months."

Pr. 1 ls. 24. Leave out from "that" to "every" in l. 26.

Pr. 2 Is. 16 and 17. Leave out "Provided always, That" and insert "and."

Pr. 2 ls. 21. Leave out from "that" to "the" in l. 23.

Pr. 3 ls. 31. Leave out from "manner" to "Provided" in Pr. 4 ls. 24, and insert Clause (A.)

CLAUSE (A.) "And be it Enacted, That the property of the Petitioner shall, for the purposes of the said recited Act and of this Act, vest in the Assignee or Assignees for the time being, by virtue of the appointment of such Assignee or Assignees; and every such Assignee shall be deemed to be an officer of the Court in which the Petition shall be filed, and shall be liable as such to the control thereof: Provided always, That the property of the Petitioner shall in every case be possessed and received by the Official Assignee alone, save where it shall be otherwise directed by the Commissioner: Provided also, That it shall be lawful for the Lord Chancellor, or the Judges and Commissioners of the Court of Bankruptcy in London, or the majority of them, if authorized so to do by the Lord Chancellor, from time to time to make such orders, rules and regulations for the security of the property of the Petitioner as be or they may judge reasonable and proper."

Pr. 4 ls. 24. Leave out "Provided always, and it is hereby" and insert "And be it."

Pr. 5 ls. 23. Leave out from "execution" to "upon" in l. 27.

Pr. 5 ls. 29. After "credit" insert "either not being a trader within the meaning of the Statutes relating to bankrupts, being a trader within the meaning of the said Statutes, owing debts amounting on the whole to less than three hundred pounds."

Pr. 6 ls. 16. After "doing" insert "and no sheriff, gaoler or other person whatsoever shall be liable to any action as for the escape of any such prisoner by reason of such his discharge."

Pr. 7 ls. 1. Leave out from "discharge" to "And" in l. 7.

Pr. 8 ls. 12. After "respectively" insert "to be ascertained and appraised, if the Commissioner shall think fit, in such manner as he shall direct." in l. 20.

Pr. 9 ls. 20, and 21. Leave out "Provided always, That in case" and insert "and whenever."

Pr. 10 ls. 21. Leave out "and are."

Pr. 11 ls. 35. Leave out "is and are" and insert "shall be."

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Pr. 13 ls. 8. Leave out "most."

Pr. 14 ls. 32. Leave out "are" and insert "shall be."

Pr. 17 ls. 16. Leave out from "deemed" to "fraudulent in l. 17.

Pr. 19 ls. 1. Leave out "and every."

Pr. 20 ls. 1. Leave out from "that" to "the" in l. 6.

Pr. 21 ls. 52. Leave out "it is hereby" and insert "be it."

Pr. 21 ls. 32. Leave out from "that" to "if" in l. 23.

Pr. 22 ls. 30. Leave out from "custody" to "but" in l. 31. (Interlineation.)

Pr. 27 ls. 33. Leave out "all and."

Pr. 30 ls. ult. After "Commissioner" insert Clauses (B.), (C.), (D.) and (E.)

CLAUSE (B.) And be it Enacted, That no letter of attorney, affidavit, certificate or other proceeding, instrument or writing whatsoever, in the matter of any Petition for protection from process, nor any copy thereof, nor any advertisement inserted in the purporting to be any Court of Bankruptcy relating to any such matter, shall be liable to or charged with the payment of any stamp or other duty whatsoever; and that no sale of any real or personal estate of any such Petitioner as aforesaid, for the benefit of his creditors, under the said recited Act or this Act, shall be liable to any "auction duty: Provided always, That no such exemption from such duty shall be allowed unless such sale shall be conducted by a licensed auctioneer, and such auctioneer shall at the time of passing his account thereof produce to the Officer of Excise a catalogue, signed and certified by the Assignee or by whose order such sale shall have been made, in manner and form required by the Laws of Excise."

CLAUSE (C.) And be it Enacted, That under every Petition for protection from process after the passing of this Act in the Court of Bankruptcy in London, or in any district Court of Bankruptcy in the country, there shall be paid by the Official Assignee of the estate and effects of the Petitioner into the Bank of England, to the credit of the Accountant in Bankruptcy, to the Account, intituled, 'The Secretary of Bankrupts' Account,' a sum not less than one-eighth of a pound per centum, and not exceeding six pounds per centum, on the gross produce from time to time of the Petitioner's estate, such sum, within the limit aforesaid, and the time or times for payment thereof to be fixed by the Lord Chancellor, by any general order for those purposes, and to be applicable to all the purposes of the said Account, and to be subject to the like orders as other monies directed to be paid into the said Account; and that it shall be lawful for the Lord Chancellor from time to time to lessen or increase such sum, within the limit aforesaid, as to the Lord Chancellor may seem just and reasonable, upon any motion of the Petitioner for the time to time standing to the said Account, and of the claims from time to time chargeable thereupon."

CLAUSE (D.) And be it Enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act it shall be lawful for the Commissioner authorized to act in the matter of any Petition for protection from process to direct remuneration to the Official Assignee for his services in the matter of such Petition, in like manner as in Bankruptcy, but nevertheless so as such remuneration shall in no case exceed the rate of Five pounds per centum on the sum received as produce of the property of the petitioner."

CLAUSE (E.) And be it Enacted, That no fee or gratuity shall be received or taken by the Court of Bankruptcy, or any District Court of Bankruptcy; or sixty.
"rupty, or any Solicitor, Auctioneer, Broker, Ap-  
"praiser, Accountant, Messenger or other officer of  
"any such court, for anything done or to be done  
"in the matter of any such Petition, of or from  
"or by or in any such proceeding, shall be exemp-  
"t from the operation of this Act, unless such fees  

"authorized, and except such fees as shall be at any  
"time be specified in a list thereof to be signed by  
"the Commissioners of the Court of Bankruptcy  
"and to be carried in the prosecution of flats in  
"Bankruptcy in London, or the major part of them,  
"and such of the Commissioners of the said court  
"authorized to act in the prosecution of flats in  
"bankruptcy in the country as shall be nominated  
"by the Secretary of Bankruptcy's Account;  

"to such Sheriff, and the fees of the said Sheriff  

"for that purpose, and to  

"be approved of by the Lord Chancellor, a copy  

"of which list shall be exposed to view in every  
"such court."

Pr. 33. l. 23. Leave out from "subject" to  

"And" in Pr. 34. l. 14. 

Pr. 34. l. 14. Leave out from "And" inclusive to  

"And" in Pr. 36. l. 19. 

Pr. 36. l. 28. After "bankrupts" insert "and  
"upon payment of the like sum is payable upon  
"the granting a fine upon the Petition of a creditor,  

"to be carried and applicable to the purposes of  

the account in the Bank of England, intituled,  
"The Secretary of Bankruptcy's Account."

Pr. 38. l. 20. After "behalf" insert "and  

"every Commissioner and Deputy Registrar acting  

"under any such order shall have paid to him his  

"travelling and other expenses in the same man-  

"ner, as the salaries of the said offices shall die, resign or be removed from the  

"person for the time being holding any of the said  

"offices shall be payable to the Secretary of Bankruptcy to the Account intit-  

"led, Interest arising from the Bankruptcy Fund  

"Account, into the Bank of England, to the credit of the  

"Chief Registrar and the Court of Review; and  

"the salaries and sums of money to clerks,  

"and other incidental expenses of the offices of the  

"Chief Registrar and the Court of Review; and  

"that the salaries and sums of money to clerks,  

"and other under officers of the Court of Bankruptcy, heretofore paid by the Chief Registrar of the said court, and his successors in such office, shall be entitled to receive such propor-  

"tional part of his salary as shall have accrued  

"during the time that such person shall have exe-  

"cuted his office since the last payment; and  

"that the successor of any such person so dying, re-  

"signing, or being removed as aforesaid shall be  

"entitled to receive such portion of his salary as  

"shall be accruing or shall accrue from the day of  

"such death, resignation or removal;"

CLAUSE (I.) "And be it Enacted, That from  

"and after the Eleventh day of October next, all  

"fees received and taken by or accounted for and  

"paid over to the Chief Registrar of the Court of  

"Bankruptcy shall be paid by him, at such times  

"as the Lord Chancellor shall by any order direct,  

"into the Bank of England, to the credit of the  

"Accountant in Bankruptcy to the Account inti-  

"tled, Interest arising from the Bankruptcy Fund  

"Account, after deducting thereout such sum as  

"the Lord Chancellor shall think fit for stationery  

"and other incidental expenses of the offices of the  

"Chief Registrar and the Court of Review; and  

"that the salaries and sums of money to clerks,  

"and other under officers of the Court of Bankruptcy, heretofore paid by the Chief Registrar of the said court, and his successors in such office, shall be entitled to receive such propor-  

"tional part of his salary as shall have accrued  

"during the time that such person shall have exe-  

"cuted his office since the last payment; and  

"that the successor of any such person so dying, re-  

"signing, or being removed as aforesaid shall be  

"entitled to receive such portion of his salary as  

"shall be accruing or shall accrue from the day of  

"such death, resignation or removal;"
"all salaries and sums of money by any Act or
"Act now in force directed or authorized to be
"paid thereout; and that on or before the First
"day of March eight hundred and
"Forty-five, if Parliament be then sitting, or if not
"within Fourteen days from the commencement of
"the next Session of Parliament, there shall
"be laid before Parliament by the said Chief Re-
gistrars a return, made up to the Thirty-first day
"of December then last, of the total amount of all
"fees received by or accounted for and paid over
"to him, and of the payment over to the Bank of
"England to be certified by the Accountant in
"Bankruptcy, and that a like return shall be after-
"wards made by him annually at the same period
"for the year ending the Thirty-first day of De-
"cember then last."

Clause (K. No. 1.) "And be it Enacted, That
"it shall be lawful for the Lord Chancellor, by any
"order or orders to be by him from time to time
"made on a Petition to be presented to him for the
"purpose, to order (if he shall think fit) an annuity
"or clear yearly sum of money to be paid to any
"person executing the office of Chief Registrar, of
"Register, or Deputy Registrar of the Court of
"Bankruptcy, and acting in London or in the
country, not exceeding Two-thirds of the yearly
"salary which such person shall, under this Act,
"be entitled to at the time of presenting such Pe-
tition, to be paid out of the interest on the
"dividends of the said securities, (but subject
"and without prejudice as aforesaid,) by equal quarterly
"payments on the Fifth day of January, the Fifth
"day of April, the Fifth day of July and the Tenth
"day of October in every year, to such person,
"from the period when he shall resign his said of-
fice for the term of his life, free from taxes, except
"the tax on income."

Clause (K. No. 2.) "And whereas one of the
"Deputy Registrars of the Court of Bankruptcy
"has since the Twenty-first day of November One
"thousand eight hundred and forty-two performed
"the duties of a Registrar, and during that pe-
"riod the duties of Deputy Registrar were dis-
"charged by Thomas Acton Warburton, Esquire,
"Barrister-at-Law; BE it Enacted, That out of
"the fund placed to the credit of the Accountant
"in Bankruptcy, intituled 'the Secretary of Bank-
"rupts' Account,' there shall be paid to the said
"Thomas Acton Warburton, by the Governor and
"the Company of the Bank of England, out of the interest and di-
"vidends of the said securities, (but subject and
"without prejudice as aforesaid,) by equal quarterly
"payments on the Fifth day of January, the Fifth
"day of April, the Fifth day of July and the Tenth
"day of October in every year, to such person,
"from the period when he shall resign his said of-
fice for the term of his life, free from taxes, except
"the tax on income."

Clause (K. No. 3.) "And whereas one of the
"Deputy Registrars of the Court of Bankruptcy
"has since the Twenty-first day of November One
"thousand eight hundred and forty-two performed
"the duties of a Registrar, and during that pe-
"riod the duties of Deputy Registrar were dis-
"charged by Thomas Acton Warburton, Esquire,
"Barrister-at-Law; BE it Enacted, That out of
"the fund placed to the credit of the Accountant
"in Bankruptcy, intituled 'the Secretary of Bank-
"rupts' Account,' there shall be paid to the said
"Thomas Acton Warburton, by the Governor and
"the Company of the Bank of England, out of the interest and di-
"vidends of the said securities, (but subject and
"without prejudice as aforesaid,) by equal quarterly
"payments on the Fifth day of January, the Fifth
"day of April, the Fifth day of July and the Tenth
"day of October in every year, to such person,
"from the period when he shall resign his said of-
fice for the term of his life, free from taxes, except
"the tax on income."

Clause (L.) "And whereas it is expedient to
"limit the present power of arrest upon final pro-
"cess. BE it Enacted, That from and after the
"passing of this Act no person shall be taken or
"charged in execution upon any judgement obtained
"in any of Her Majesty's Superior Courts, or in any
"Court, in any action for the recovery of any debt
"wherein the sum recovered shall not exceed the
"sum of Twenty pounds, exclusive of the costs re-
covered by such judgment."

Clause (M.) "And be it Enacted, That all
"persons in execution at the time of passing this
"Act, upon any judgment obtained in any of the
"courts aforesaid in any action for the recovery of
"any debt wherein the sum recovered shall not
"exceed the sum of Twenty pounds, exclusive of
"the costs recovered by such judgment, shall and
"may, upon the application of such person
"or persons for that purpose, made at any time
"after the passing of this Act to a Judge of one of
"Her Majesty's Superior Courts of Law at West-
minter, or to the court in which such judgment
"shall have been obtained, to the satisfaction of such
"Judge or court, be forthwith discharged out of
"custody us to such execution by an order of such
"Judge or court: Provided always, That if it shall
"happen that any such discharge shall have been
"unduly or fraudulently obtained upon any false
"allegation of circumstances, which, if true, might
"have entitled the prisoner to be discharged by
"virtue of this Act, such person shall, upon the
"same being made to appear to the satisfaction of
"the Judge or court by whose order such prisoner
"shall have been so discharged, be liable to be
"again taken in execution, and remanded to his
"former custody, by an order of such Judge or
"court: Provided also, That no Sheriff, Gaoler or
"other person whatsoever shall be liable as for the
"escape of any such prisoner in respect of his en-
"largement during such time as he shall have been
"at large by means of such his undue discharge as
"aforesaid: Provided also, That for and with-
"standing the discharge of any debtor or debtors
"by an order of any such Judge or court in manner
"aforesaid, the judgment whereupon any such debtor
"or debtors was or were taken or charged in exe-
cution shall nevertheless remain and continue in
"full force, to the intent and purpose that the
"judgment creditor or creditors may have and take
"remedy and execution upon every such judgment
"against the property and effects of such any such debtor
"or debtors, in such manner and form as such cre-
ditor or creditors otherwise could or might have
"done in case such debtor or debtors had not
"been taken or charged in execution upon such
"judgment, and it shall be lawful for such creditor
"or creditors to have and take such remedy and
"execution."

Clause (N.) "Provided always, and be it En-
"acted, That if at any time it shall appear to the
"Judge who shall try such cause, being either a
"Judge of one of the Superior Courts, or a Barris-
ter or Attorney at Law, that the defendant, in
"incurring the debt or liability which may be the
"subject of demand, has obtained credit from the
"plaintiff under false pretences, or with a fraudulent
"intention, or has wilfully contracted such debt
"or liability without having at the same time a rea-
"sonable assurance of being able to pay the
"same, such defendant shall, upon the
"satisfaction of the said court, be forthwith dis-
"charged out of all such process aforesaid, in any
"action for the recovery of any debt wherein the
"sum recovered shall not exceed the
"sum of Twenty pounds, exclusive of the costs re-
covered by such judgment."

Clause (L.) "And whereas it is expedient to
"limit the present power of arrest upon final pro-
"cess. BE it Enacted, That from and after the
"passing of this Act no person shall be taken or
"charged in execution upon any judgement obtained
"in any of Her Majesty's Superior Courts, or in any

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execution
“execution against the goods and chattels of such defendant shall have been issued hereinafter provided.”

**Clause (Q.)** “And be it enacted, That whenever the Judge of any such court shall have made any order for the payment of money, the amount thereof shall be recoverable, in case of default or failure of payment, or at the time or times and in the manner hereby directed, by execution against the goods and chattels of the party against whom such order shall be made; and in case such order shall not have been made by the said court, at the request of the party prosecuting such order, shall issue, under the seal of the court, a writ of fieri facias, as a warrant of execution to one of the Bailiffs of the court, who, by such warrant, shall be empowered to levy, by distress and sale of the goods, and chattels of such party within the jurisdiction of the said court, such sum of money as shall be so ordered, and also the costs of the execution, and all constables and other peace officers within their several jurisdictions shall aid in the execution of every such warrant.”

**Clause (P.)** “And be it enacted That no bailiff or other officer of any such court, acting under colour or pretence of the request of the plaintiff, shall have issued as hereinafter provided, a writ of fieri facias, or any other process for the recovery of debts adjudged in the said court, shall be charged with extortion or misconduct, or with not duly paying or accounting for any money levied by him under the authority of the court, it shall be lawful for the Judge to inquire into such matter in a summary way, and for that purpose to summon and enforce the attendance of all necessary parties in like manner as the attendance of witnesses in any suit before him may be enforced, and to make such order thereupon for the repayment of any money exacted, or for the due payment of any money so levied as aforesaid, and for the payment of such damages and costs, as he shall think just; and in case of default of payment so ordered, the same may be recovered by such ways and means as are provided for the recovery of debts adjudged in the said court.”

**Clause (Q.)** “And be it enacted, That if any sale of goods which shall be taken in execution under process issuing from any such court for the recovery of small debts shall be taken to be within the provisions of an Act passed in the eighth year of the reign of King George the Fourth, intituled, An Act for extending the Provisions of an Act made the Fifty-seventh year of King George the Third, for regulating the Costs of certain Disputes.”

**Clause (V.)** “And be it enacted, That no landlord of any tenement tenet at a weekly rent shall have any claim or lien upon any goods taken for arrears of rent accruing during four such terms of payment.”

**Clause (W.)** “And be it enacted, That if any claim shall be made to or in respect of any goods or chattels, which are taken in execution under the process of any court for the recovery of small debts, or in respect of the proceeds or value thereof, by any landlord for rent, or by any person not being the landlord, for such rent as may be recovered, either at the time of making the original order, or at any subsequent time, under the seal of the court.”

**Clause (R.)** “And be it enacted, That if any landlord or tenant of any tenement or house, or any person, or party by or for him, shall have any claim or lien on such goods for more than the arrears of rent accruing during four such terms of payment.”

**Clause (S.)** “And be it enacted, That no landlord or tenant of any tenement, or house, or any person, or party by or for him, shall have any claim or lien upon any goods taken in execution under the process of any court for the recovery of small debts, or in respect of the proceeds or value thereof, by any landlord for rent, or by any person not being the landlord, for such rent as may be recovered, either at the time of making the original order, or at any subsequent time, under the seal of the court.”

**Clause (T.)** “And be it enacted, That whenever the Judge of any such court shall have made any order for the payment of money, the amount thereof shall be recoverable, in case of default or failure of payment, or at the time or times and in the manner hereby directed, by execution against the goods and chattels of such party against whom such order shall be made, and in case such order shall not have been made by the said court, at the request of the party prosecuting such order, shall issue, under the seal of the court, a writ of fieri facias, as a warrant of execution to one of the Bailiffs of the court, who, by such warrant, shall be empowered to levy, by distress and sale of the goods, and chattels of such party within the jurisdiction of the said court, such sum of money as shall be so ordered, and also the costs of the execution, and all constables and other peace officers within their several jurisdictions shall aid in the execution of every such warrant.”
"to him shall seem fit; and such order shall be enforced in like manner as any order made in any suit brought in such court."

CLAUSE (X.) "And be it Enacted, That where any distress shall be made for any sum of money to be levied by virtue of this Act, the distress shall not be deemed unlawful, nor the party making the same be deemed a trespasser, on account of any defect or want of form in the information, summons, conviction, warrant of distress or other proceeding relating thereto, nor shall the party distressing be deemed a trespasser from the beginning on account of any irregularity which shall afterwards be committed by the party so distressing, but the person aggrieved by such irregularity may recover full satisfaction for the special damage in an action upon the case."

CLAUSE (Y.) "And be it Enacted, That every person entitled to any fees or salary for his services as a Judge or other officer of any court, and every keeper or other officer of any debtors' pri- son, whose emoluments shall be diminished under the operation of this Act, so far as the same relates to emoluments imputable for debt, shall be entitled to make a claim for compensation to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury within Twelve calendar months after the passing of this Act; and it shall be lawful for the said Commis- sioners, in such manner as they shall think proper, to inquire what were the lawful fees and emoluments of the claimant or claimants before the passing of this Act in respect of which such compensation should be allowed, and how the same have been affected under this Act, by reason of the decrease of the number of causes or otherwise, and the Commissioners in each case shall take into account the manner of appoint- ment of every such Judge, officer and person, and his term or interest in his office or employment, and all other circumstances of the case, and shall award such gross or yearly sum, and for such time, as they shall think just to be awarded, upon consideration of the special circumstances of each case, and shall order and direct such compensa- tion to be paid out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ire- land."

CLAUSE (Z.) "And be it Enacted, That the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall have power from time to time to appoint such of the persons to be Commissioners for enabling them to ascertain the amount of com- pensation to be awarded under this Act as to them shall appear fit and necessary; and every such Commissioner shall ascertain the gross and net annual value, according to a fair average of Seven years before the passing of this Act, or, if the court shall not have been established with its present jurisdiction for Seven years, then for the period during which the court shall have been established with its present jurisdiction, of any fees and emoluments the consideration of which shall be referred to him by the said Commissioners of the Treasury, and shall be authorized to inquire into and ascertain as well the legality as the amount of such fees and emoluments, and the manner of appointment of the person entitled thereto, and his term or interest in his office or employment, and such other circumstances of the case as shall be necessary for ascertaining the amount of such compensation."

CLAUSE (A A.) "And whereas by an Act which passed in the sixth year of the reign of King George Fourth, intituled, 'An Act for invest- ing in Government Securities a portion of the Cash lying unemployed in the Bank of England belonging to Bankrupts' Estates, and applying the Interest thereon in discharge of the Expenses of the Commissioners of the Court of Bankruptcy; and for the Relief of the Suitors in the said Court; and for removing Doubts as to the extent of the Powers of the Court of Review and of the Sub- division Courts;' it is enacted, that the salaries hereinbefore provided shall be in lieu of all fees and emoluments whatsoever, and that all such fees and emoluments, whether for commission, brokerage or otherwise, as are now receivable by the said Accountant General of the Court of Chancery in matters of bankruptcy, shall, from and after the appointment of the said Accountant in Bankruptcy, be received by him and paid into the bank in the name of the said last-mentioned Accountant, and be carried to the credit of the said account to be intituled, 'Interest arising from the Bankruptcy Fund Account,' and be applicable to all the purposes of the said account: And whereas the said enactment requires altera- tion; Be it Enacted, That the said enactment shall be repealed."

CLAUSE (B B.) "And be it Enacted, That the salary allowed to the Accountant shall be in lieu of all fees and emoluments whatsoever, and that all such fees and emoluments, whether for commission, brokerage or otherwise, shall be deemed and received as such as a Judge or Assessor; Be it Enacted, That the Accountant shall not, directly or indirectly, receive any sum either for commission, brokerage or otherwise, but only the sum expressly allowed to him as his salary; that he the broker shall transact the brokerage business of the Accountant's office upon such terms as the Accountant and Any Two of the Commissioners of Bankrupts to be appointed by the Lord Chan- cellor shall, with the approbation of the Lord Chancellor, determine; and that the sum paid to the broker shall be charged by the Accountant to the estate for which the investment or sale shall be made; and that when such sum to be paid to the broker shall be determined, it shall be lawful for the Lord Chancellor to direct the payment or any part of it to be made from such time retro- spectively and prospectively as to him may seem just."

CLAUSE (C C.) "And whereas there are divers courts of requests and other inferior courts for the recovery of small debts not presided over by a Judge or Assessor; Be it Enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of any such court, if they shall think fit, with the approval of any of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, to appoint any person, being a Barrister, who shall have practised as a Barrister, or at least seven years then last past, or an Attorney-at-law of one of the Superior Courts of common law at Westminster, or of the Court of Common Pleas at Lancaster, who shall have practised as an At- torney for at least ten years, to be the Assessor of such court, and to direct what fees shall be paid to such Assessor by the suitors of such court, not exceeding the fees in the schedule marked (B.) hereto annexed; and it shall be lawful for the said Secretary of State to remove any such Assessor for incompetence or misbe- haviour: Provided always, That no Assessor so appointed shall be deemed to be entitled to any compensation for the loss of his office, or for any diminution in the value thereof, by reason of the passing of any general Act for the recovery of small debts."

Pr. 43. 1. 30. After "seal" insert "and the word Judge, as applied to any court for the recovery of small debts, shall mean and include the County Clerk, Judge, Steward and Assessor, or the person holding or presiding in such court."

In the Schedule:

Pr. 42. 1. 30. After "full" insert "to that"

Pr. 45. 1. 23. Leave out from "Act" to "And" in l. 65.

Pr. 51.
Resolved, That this House doth disagree to the Amendments proposed by the Lords to the Amendments made by this House to the said Bill; and doth insist on the Amendments made by this House to the said Bill, to which the Lords have disagreed.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed, to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, for disagreeing to the Amendments proposed by their Lordships to the Amendments made by this House, and for insisting on the Amendments to which the Lords have disagreed:—

And a Committee was appointed of Mr. Wyse, Mr. Thomas Duncombe, Mr. Manners Sutton, Mr. Pringle, Mr. Wakeley, Mr. Haines, Mr. Brotherton and Mr. Gally Knight:—And they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the House of Commons of Ireland, to pass the Bill without Amendment; and also, the House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The Lords agree to the rest of the Amendments made by the Commons, being in Pr. 1. Is. 14. and 15, with the following Amendment:—

L. 10. Leave out from "Art" to the end of the Amendment.

The Lords propose this Amendment for the following Reasons:

Because the Lords see a clear distinction between the cases of Art-Unions and those of private persons, who, without Parliamentary authority, shall have adopted the mode of disposing of their property by lottery or other mode of distribution by chance.

Because such parties are not entitled to plead any ignorance of the state of the law in this respect, various persons similarly situated, and seeking the same powers, having on several occasions first applied for Private Bills to obtain a legal sanction for their proceedings:

Because such Private Bills were judged to be necessary in the case of Robert Bowyer, by 57 Geo. 3, c. 6; of Doctor Thornton, by 51 Geo. 3, c. 112; and of Peter William Tomkies, by 47 Geo. 3, c. 61; thus fully establishing the principle that, without a legal authority, such modes of disposing of property for private profit were not justifiable:

Because to permit certain persons to enjoy this privilege, without extending it to all who have engaged their capital in the same branches of industry, would be partial, unequal and unjust.

The Lords disagree to the three next Amendments made by the Commons, for the same Reasons as those given for the Amendment made by the Lords to the Amendment made by the Commons, in Pr. 1. Is. 14. and 15.

The Lords agree to the two next Amendments made by the Commons.

The Lords disagree to the two next Amendments made by the Commons, for the same Reasons as those given for the Amendment made by the Lords to the Amendment made by the Commons, in Pr. 1. Is. 14. and 15.

The Lords agree to the rest of the Amendments made by the Commons.

The Lords agree to the Amendment made by the Commons in the Title, with the following Amendment:—

Leave out "and others."
Railways Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill, intituled, An Act to attach certain Conditions to the Construction of future Railways authorized or to be authorized by any Act of the present or succeeding Sessions of Parliament, and for other Purposes in relation to Railways, without any Amendment: And also,

Savings Banks Bill.

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Laws relating to Savings Banks, and the Duties of Government Annuitants through the medium of Savings Banks, with Amendments; to which Amendments the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And then the Messengers withdrew.


Law Courts (Ireland) Bill.

Mr. Chancellor of the Exchequer reported from the Committee appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, for disagreeing to one of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill, intituled, An Act to regulate and reduce the Expenses of the Offices attached to the Superior Courts of Law in Ireland, payable out of the Consolidated Fund; and the same were read, as follow:

The Commons disagree to the Amendment made by the Lords in Pr. 10. l. 22, for the following Reasons:

Because from the earliest period of which Records are extant the right of appointing the principal Officers of the Courts of Law in Ireland has been vested in and exercised by the Lord Lieutenant; and that right, when questioned, has been confirmed by the decision of the highest legal tribunals.

Because the Royal Commissions which have been at several times appointed to inquire into the Courts of Justice in Ireland have not recommended any change in this respect; and the Act of the 1st and 2d Geo. 4, c. 53, passed for the purpose of reforming the several Offices of the Courts of Law in Ireland, expressly provided that the Appointment to those Offices should be made by the Lord Lieutenant.

Because the experience of the past gives no Reason to suppose that the Officers appointed by the Lord Lieutenant have been improperly selected, or have inadequately discharged their duties.

Because the Bill, as sent up to the Lords, vested in distinct authorities the power of appointment to and removal from office, and by giving the latter to the Courts, while the former remained with the Lord Lieutenant, imposed the most effectual check on the nomination to or continuance in office of unfit or unworthy individuals, which check will be weakened by the proposed Amendment.

Because in a case of public patronage, where no abuse of the existing right of appointment has been imputed or suspected, where no public benefit is to be derived from a change, there appears no sufficient reason for divesting the Lord Lieutenant of a power which has always been exercised by him, and has, when brought under the special notice of Parliament, been confirmed by legislative enactment.

The Commons agree to the other Amendments to the Bill.

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

Ordred, That a Conference be desired with the Lords, upon the subject-matter of the Amendment made by their Lordships to the said Bill: And that Mr. Pringle do go to the Lords, and desire the said Conference.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Barristers appointed under the Act 5 & 6 Will. 4, to arbitrate between Counties Municipal Corporations, to submit a Special Case to the Superior Courts; and to amend an Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, for amending the Law concerning Prisons; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 1. l. 2. Leave out “fifth and”.

Pr. 1. l. 3. Leave out “years” and insert “year.”

Pr. 1. l. 8. Leave out from “Wales” to “and” in l. 6. l. 19, and insert “and by another Act passed in the sixth year of the reign of Her Majesty, intituled, An Act to amend the Law concerning Prisons, provision was made for the appointment of Barristers-at-law to arbitrate in cases of difference concerning certain accounts and the amounts of certain expenses therein mentioned.”

Pr. 6. l. 92. Leave out from “law” to “arising” in l. 33.

Pr. 7. l. 5. Leave out from “named” to “” as” in l. 7.

Pr. 7. l. 10. Leave out from “law” to “upon” in l. 12.

Pr. 7. l. 15. After “Justices” insert “of the privy council.”

Pr. 7. l. 19. Leave out “or affected by.”

Pr. 7. l. 20. After “Barrister” insert “shall be empowered, if he shall think fit, before making his award.”

Pr. 7. l. 22. Leave out from “touching” to “any” in l. 23.

Pr. 7. l. 28. Leave out from “direct” to “or” in l. 29.

Pr. 7. l. 30. Leave out “or awards.”

Pr. 7. l. 33. Leave out from “of” to “such” in l. 34, and in l. 34. leave out “courts” and insert “court.”

Pr. 7. l. 35. Leave out “courts” and insert “court.”

Pr. 8. l. 4. After “meet” insert “and the decision of the court shall be binding on such Barrister in making his award,” and in the same line, after “it” insert “declared and.”

Pr. 8. l. 5. Leave out from “case” to “any” in l. 6.

Pr. 8. l. 8. Leave out from “named” to “in” in l. 9.

Pr. 8. l. 11. Leave out “any” and insert “either,” and in the same line leave out from “them” to “the” in l. 12, and insert “or of this Act, shall die or refuse to act or be disabled from acting either from ceasing to practise as a Barrister, or for any other reason, before making his award.”

Pr. 8. l. 14. Leave out from “mentioned” to “declared and authorized” in l. 15., and insert “shall be.”

Pr. 8. l. 16. Leave out from “name” to “another” in l. 17.

Pr. 8. l. 18. Leave out from “all” to “the” in l. 19.

Pr. 8. l. 24. Leave out from “and” to the end of the Bill, including Clauses (A.) and (B.), added by way of Rider to the Bill, and insert “the Barrister so newly named shall have the same authority to decide the matters in difference as if no other appointment had been made.”

In the Title:

Li. Leave out from “appointed” to “to” in l. 2.


L. 4. Leave out from “courts” to the end of the Title.

The said Amendments, as far as the Amendment in Pr. 8. l. 24., being read a second time, were agreed to.

Pr. 8. l. 24. The next Amendment, being read a second time;

An Amendment was made thereunto, by adding at the end thereof the words “and in every such case in which, before the passing of this Act, a second Barrister has been appointed to settle or determine any matters in difference left unsettled or undetermined by the Barrister 4.2 7° Augusti.
first appointed for that purpose, the appointment of such second Barrister shall be deemed good, and the Barrister so secondly appointed shall be deemed to have and to have had, from his appointment, the same authority as if appointed under this Act.”

And the said Amendment, so amended, was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Manners Sutton 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 Amendment this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend an Act of the ninth year of King George the Fourth, for the Preservation of the Salmon Fisheries in Scotland; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 1. l. 26. Leave out from “the” to “shall” in l. 27., including the interlineation to the Bill, and insert “Salmon Fishery.”

Pr. 1. l. 11. After “shall” insert “if the Sheriff or Justices shall think proper.”

Pr. 2. l. 42. In Clause (A), added by way of Rider to the Bill: Ls. 3. and 4. Leave out “the Crown or.”

l. 6. Leave out “the Crown or.”

At the end of the Clause add Clause (A) of the Crown.”

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

Ordered, That Mr. Pringle do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Return of the Name of every Person employed in the General Post-office, with the Date of each Appointment, the nature of the Duties performed by each Individual, the Amount of Salary attached to each Individual, the Amount of Salary from Fees: And, a similar Return from the General Post-office, with the Date of each Appointment, the same authority as if appointed for that purpose, the said Amendment, so amended, was passed in the third year of the reign of his late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled, ‘An Act to consolidate and amend the Incumbrances at the end of the preceding and current year."

Ordered, That the said Papers 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, Copies of Correspondence between Her Majesty’s Government and Captain Warner, relating to Captain Warner’s Inventions, from the 1st day of September 1841, to the present time.

Sir George Clerk also presented, pursuant to the Duties of directions of an Act of Parliament, An Account of the Gross and Net Revenue of the Duchies of Cornwall and Lancaster, from the 1st January 1841 to the 31st December 1843; showing the Amount of Revenue which became due, the Monies received and paid within the time, and the Arrears and Balances at the end of the preceding and current year. Ordered, That the said Papers 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, Copies of Correspondence between Her Majesty’s Government in Ireland and the Grand Juries assembled at Summer Assizes 1844, on the subject of providing additional Accommodation for Pauper Lunatics.

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

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Laws relating to Savings Banks, and to the Purchase of Government Annuities through the medium of Savings Banks; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 3. l. 3. After “ Banks” insert “and where any Person shall be deemed to have and to have had, from his appointment, the same authority as if appointed under this Act.”

And the said Amendment, so amended, was agreed to. Then the subsequent Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Manners Sutton 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 Amendment this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Salmon Fisheries (Scotland) Bill.

Public Departments.

Public Post-office.

Resolved, That there be laid before this House, a Return showing the Number of Persons on the Redundant List of the several Public Departments, at the commencement of the year 1842, the Number that have died or become incapable of serving during the year, the Number that remained on the List at the close of the year, the Number that have re-entered the Public Service during the year, the Number that have been added to the List during the year, and the Number that remained on the List at the close of the year: And, a similar Return for 1843.

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

Shipping.

Sir George Clerk presented, Further Return to an Order, dated the 14th day of February last, for Returns 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 Channel Islands; distinguishing those under and those above Fifty Tons Register, on the 31st day of December 1843;—And, similar Returns of Steam Vessels, and their Tonnage;—Returns 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), with the Number of their Crews, distinguishing Steam from Sailing Vessels, between the 31st day of December 1842 and the 31st day of December 1843.—Like Returns from to and from the Colonies; further distinguishing British from Foreign Vessels:—Like Returns from and to Foreign Ports; also distinguishing British from Foreign Vessels:—Returns 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 1842;—Similar Returns of Steam Vessels and Tonnage.—Returns of the Number and Tonnage of Vessels that entered and cleared at each of the Ports of each Colony coastwise in the same Colony, or to Ports of other Colonies of the United Kingdom, distinguishing Steam from Sailing Vessels, and also distinguishing between British, Colonial and Foreign Vessels, from the 31st day of December 1842 to and including the 31st day of December 1843.—Like Returns from and to the United Kingdom, Channel Islands and the Isle of Man:—Like Returns from and to Foreign Ports:—And, a Return of the Number of Vessels, with their Tonnage, (distinguishing Steam from Sailing Vessels), that were built and registered; and also, a Return of Vessels sold, wrecked and broken up, in the year 1843 (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 207, of Session 1843).
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Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

Sir James Graham presented a Bill for the better Regulation of Medical Practice throughout the United Kingdom: And the same was read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon this day three months; and to be printed.

Mr. Greene reported, That he had carried to the Lords the Message of this House of this day, requesting that their Lordships would be pleased to communicate to this House a Copy of the Report of the Secret Committee appointed by their Lordships to inquire into the practice of detaining and opening Letters, under the provisions of the Act 1 Vict. c. 56, and more particularly into the circumstances under which the Letters of Mr. Mazzini, a Literary Foreigner, and of Captain Charles Stolzman, a Pole, residing in England, have been opened; and that their Lordships had been pleased to communicate a printed Copy of the said Report, as desired by this House:—And he delivered the same in at the Table.

Ordered, That the said Report be printed.

Ordered, That there be prepared, in order to be Savings Banks, laid before this House early in the next Session, Accounts from each Savings Bank in the United Kingdom, showing, in the separate Accounts, the two years ending the 20th day of November 1843 and 1844, the Amount of reserved Interest or Profit; the Amount of Income from any other Sources, and detailing such Sources; the Amount paid as Salary or Allowance to each Stipendiary Officer, and the Total Amount of such Salary or Allowances; the Nature of any other Emoluments or Advantages enjoyed by each Officer, and the estimated Annual Value of such Advantages; the Amount paid for Rent and Taxes, and for other Expenses, and the Total Amount of Expenditure of the Bank; the Amount of Surplus accrued in the year, as shown in the Annual Statements by the Savings Banks to the National Debt Commissioners, the portion of such Surplus reserved to meet the Current Expenses, deducted according to the Act 23 Geo. 3. c. 92, and the Amount of Balance carried to the separate Surplus Fund Account; the Rate of Interest, the lowest Sum on which Interest is allowed, and the Periods at which it is credited to the Depositors, with the Amount paid for Interest; and the Nature of any other Emoluments or Advantages received by each Savings Bank, with the Total Amount of Interest or Profit; the Nature of any other Emoluments or Advantages received by each Savings Bank, with the Total Amount of Interest or Profit; the Amount of Surplus accrued in the year, as shown in the Annual Statements by the Savings Banks to the National Debt Commissioners, the portion of such Surplus reserved to meet the Current Expenses, deducted according to the Act 23 Geo. 3. c. 92, and the Amount of Balance carried to the separate Surplus Fund Account; the Rate of Interest, the lowest Sum on which Interest is allowed, and the Periods at which it is credited to the Depositors, with the Amount paid for Interest; and the Nature of any other Emoluments or Advantages received by each Savings Bank, with the Total Amount of Interest or Profit; the Aggregate Amount of Principal received from Depositors, and of Principal and Interest paid to Depositors; the Aggregate Amount of Principal invested with the National Debt Commissioners, and of Principal and Interest drawn for by the Trustees on the Commission; the Aggregate Amount of Interest credited by the Commissioners to the Trustees, and by the Trustees to the Depositors, and the difference of reserved Interest or Profit; the Aggregate Amount of Prerogative in the hands of the Commissioners; and the Amount of Interest or Profit where- with to pay Expenses of Management; the Aggregate Amount paid as Salaries or Allowances to Stipendiary Officers, in the erection or PURCHASES OF HOUSES OR OFFICES, OR IN ALTERATIONS OR REPAIRS, AND 4 13
in Purchase of Land; the Aggregate Amount paid for Rent and Taxes, and of other Expenses; and the Total Amount of Expenditure, the Balance, being the Surplus Profit, detailing the Particulars, and showing how invested or disposed, on the 20th day of November 1844; Amount of the General Account invested with the Commissioners, including Interest, on the 20th day of November 1844, the Cash Balance at the Treasurers' or Bankers', and Total Amount of Assets to meet the Claims of the Depositors, on the 20th day of November 1844; the Total Amount of Principal and Interest due to the Depositors on the 20th day of November 1844; and the Balance of Excess or Deficit on the Total Amount of Assets to meet the Claims of the Depositors, on the 20th day of November 1844; the Number and the Amount of Balances of Depositors' Accounts on the 20th day of November 1844, and the Aggregate Amount of the whole; the Number and Amount of Balances (Principal and Interest) unclaimed for Five years preceding the 20th day of November 1844; Amount of reserved Funds on the 20th day of November 1844 (if any) not included in the preceding Returns, but intended by the Trustees for Superannuation Allowances or Pensions to the Officers employed, or for other purposes, showing how such Funds have accrued, and the precise nature of them, and also the several purposes to which it is intended to devote them.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to the Poor Law, No. 602. Law, which were presented upon the 23d day of July last, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

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Prayers.

Mr. Talman, from the Royal Hospital, Chelsea, Army Prize was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament.—An Account of unclaimed Army Prize Money (formerly made by the Deputy Treasurer of the Royal Hospital at Chelsea) from the 16th January 1840 to the 31st December 1843, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Robert William Brandling, of Lewes, Sussex, praying for the appointment of a Commission of Inquiry into the disputes between the coal-owners and pitmen in the counties of Northumberland and Durham, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of Friends of the Protestant Missions, Tolbi, residing in the borough of Leeds, praying the House to secure an unobstructed field for the prosecution of their work to British Protestant Missionaries in Tahiti, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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 Third Report of the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships to inquire into the laws relating to the poor, and for insisting on their Amendments to which the Lords at a Conference, for disagreeing to the Amendments proposed by the Lords to the Amendments proposed by the Commons to the Art-Unions Bill, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Petitions from Manchester and Salford:—Mem State Triers of the Loyal National Repeal Association, and (belorke) others:—Isaac M. and Tomlin O'Grilly, praying for inquiry into the circumstances attending the proceedings on the late State Prosecution in Ireland, —were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, that Mr. Christie do carry the said Message.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intitled, An Act to consolidate and re-enact certain laws relating to Merchant Seamen, and for keeping a Register of Seamen; and the same were read, as follow:—

Pr. 21. 1. 7. Leave out "sixpence" and insert "four pence."
Pr. 21. 1s. 9. and 10. Leave out "one shilling" and insert "eight pence."
Pr. 30. 2. Leave out "every" insert "surviving."
Pr. 36. 27. In the Interlineation:—
L. 2. Leave out "have" and insert "produce a certificate from the master or chief surviving officer of the ship to the effect that he had."
Pr. 90. 1. Leave out "below one half" and insert "to less than one-third."

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

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

Mr. Wyse reported from the Committee who were Art-Unions appointed to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, for disagreeing to the Amendments proposed by the Lords to the Amendments proposed by the Commons to the Art-Unions Bill, and for insisting on their Amendments to which the
the Lords have disagreed; and the same were read, as follow:

Because, in granting an indemnity for the inadvertent violation of a particular law, by the distribution of works connected with the Fine Arts, there should be no distinction between persons associating themselves together for that purpose, and individuals, who, in pursuance of similar designs, have rendered themselves liable to similar penalties.

Because private individuals possessed no greater means of obtaining an accurate knowledge of the bearing of the law upon the proceedings in which they were engaged, than the persons forming the Art-Unions.

Because the opinions given to the Art-Unions by high legal authorities were contrary to each other.

Because these opinions were publicly known and were calculated to induce great uncertainty in the minds of private persons as to the effect of existing Statutes upon this subject; and because the opinion which existed with regard to the legality of Fine Art Distributions, is indicated by the fact of the names of persons in high judicial stations appearing as subscribers to them.

Because it is believed that persons engaged in Fruit-selling have been driven to adopt the scheme of disposing of their property by distributions of this nature, in consequence of the competition to which they have been exposed by similar illegal proceedings on the part of the Art-Unions, the members of which it is the object of this Bill to protect.

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 said Amendments; and that Mr. Wyse do go to the Lords, and desire the said Conference.

The Bill from the Lords, intituled, An Act to repeal certain Penal Enactments made against Her Majesty's Roman Catholic Subjects, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the Amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the same, with Amendments; to which Amendments this House doth desire the concurrence of their Lordships.

Sir Robert Peel presented, by Her Majesty's Command,—Class (D.) Correspondence with Foreign Ministers, and the Grand Juries assembled at Summer Assizes 1844, on the subject of providing additional Accommodation for Pauper Lunatics.

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

Mr. Wyse reported, That being having been with the Art-Unions Lords, to desire a Conference upon the subject-matter of the Bill of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill, intituled, An Act to legalize Art-Unions, the Lords do agree to a Conference, and appoint the same this day in the Committee-room, No. 2., at a quarter after five o'clock.

The time being come for the Conference with the County Lords upon the subject-matter of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the County Coroners 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;—And the Names of Mr. Young, Mr. Skeil, Mr. William Henry Boothin, Mr. Round, Mr. Morgan John O'Connell, Mr. Spooner and Mr. Sheppard, were added to them.

Then the Names of the Managers were called over, and they went to the Conference;—And being returned;

Mr. Greene reported, That the Managers had met the Lords at the Conference, which was managed on the part of the Lords by the Earl Bathurst, and that they had delivered the Reasons for disagreeing to the said Amendments; and had left the Bill, and Amendments, with their Lordships.

The time being come for the Conference with the Art-Unions Lords upon the subject-matter of the Amendments 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 Amendments proposed by the Lords to the Amendments proposed by the Lords to the Amendments proposed by the Commons, and for insisting on their Amendments to which the Lords have disagreed, do manage the Conference;—And the Names of Captain Peckel, Dr. Bowring, Mr. Forster, Mr. Trotter, Mr. Sheppard, Mr. Eccott, Colonel Feriner and Mr. Mastersman, were added to them.

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Mr. Wyse reported, That the Managers had met the Lords at the Conference, which was managed on the part of the Lords by the Earl Bathurst, and that they had delivered the Reasons for disagreeing to the Amendments proposed by the Lords to the Amendments proposed by the Commons, and for insisting on the Amendments to which the Lords have disagreed; and had left the Bill, and Amendments, with their Lordships.
Steam Boat Settlers Bill, to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Parochial Settlers Bill. And Sir James Graham and Mr. Manners Sutton do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That a Petition of Merchants, Ship-owners and Shipbuilders, praying the House to provide that public money, granted for the purposes of steam navigation, shall be applied not for the exclusive advantage of any company or individuals, but so that all engaged in shipping may fairly participate therein, be read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Parochial Settlement Bill. to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Parochial Settlers Bill. And Sir James Graham and Mr. Manners Sutton do prepare, and bring it in.

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a Bill to regulate the Appointment and Payment of Clerks and other Officers of the Courts of Petty and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Oyer and Terminer, and Gaol Delivery: And that Sir James Graham and Mr. Manners Sutton do prepare, and bring it in:

Message from the Lords: A Message from the Lords, by Sir Gifford Wilton and Sir William Horne:

A Bill, intituled, An Act for completing the Guarantee Fund of the South Sea Company, for advancing for the Public Service part of the unclaimed Stock and Dividends in the Hands of the said Company, and for regulating the Allowance to be paid for the Management of the South Sea Stock and Annuities.

A Bill, intituled, An Act to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund, and certain other Sums, to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament:

A Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Clerks to Attorneys and Solicitors who have omitted to enrol their Contracts, and for amending the Law relating to the Enrolment of such Contracts, and to the Disabilities of such Clerks, in certain cases:

The Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment; viz.

South Sea Company Bill:

A Bill, intituled, An Act for completing the Guarantee Fund of the South Sea Company, for advancing for the Public Service part of the unclaimed Stock and Dividends in the Hands of the said Company, and for regulating the Allowance to be paid for the Management of the South Sea Stock and Annuities.

Consolidated Fund Bill:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund, and certain other Sums, to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament:

A Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Clerks to Attorneys and Solicitors who have omitted to enrol their Contracts, and for amending the Law relating to the Enrolment of such Contracts, and to the Disabilities of such Clerks, in certain cases:

And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Barristers appointed under the Act 5 and 6 Will. 4, to arbitrate between Counties and Municipal Corporations, to submit a special Case to the Superior Courts; and to amend an Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, for amending the Law concerning Prisons, without any Amendment: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the further Amendment of the Laws relating to the Poor in England; and have agreed to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund, and certain other Sums, to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament:

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Poor Law Amendment Bill:

Ordered, That the Copy of the Third Report from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships to inquire into the Laws relating to Prisons, without any Amendment: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Barristers appointed under the Act 5 and 6 Will. 4, to arbitrate between Counties and Municipal Corporations, to submit a special Case to the Superior Courts; and to amend an Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, for amending the Law concerning Prisons, without any Amendment: And also,

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Gaming:

Ordered, That the Copy of the Third Report from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships to inquire into the Laws respecting Gaming:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Gaming Bill, No. 604:

Ordered, That the Copy of the Third Report from the Select Committee appointed, which was this day communicated from the Lords, be printed.

Union with Ireland:

Petitions from Drumtartiff:—Union of Skirrowes; Mughavooleymoney and Drumkeeran; Donacrcy;—Barnacoosa; Kenmare; Holmpatrick; and Castlebridge; praying for the repeal of the Legislative Union between Great Britain and Ireland;—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Sir James Graham presented a Bill to regulate Clerks of the Appointment and Payment of Clerks and officers of the Courts of Petty and Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Oyer and Terminer and Gaol Delivery:

A Petition of Merchants, Ship-owners and Shipbuilders, praying the House to provide that public money, granted for the purposes of steam navigation, shall be applied not for the exclusive advantage of any company or individuals, but so that all engaged in shipping may fairly participate therein, or equally compete therefor, affording to the Petitioners the opportunity of showing to the House the truth, as to facts and principles, of all the statements in their Petition, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

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The House proceeded to take into consideration Poor Law Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill intituled, An Act for the further Amendment of the Laws relating to the Poor in England: and the same were read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon this day three months; and to be printed.

The Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment; viz.

South Sea Company Bill:

A Bill, intituled, An Act for completing the Guarantee Fund of the South Sea Company, for advancing for the Public Service part of the unclaimed Stock and Dividends in the Hands of the said Company, and for regulating the Allowance to be paid for the Management of the South Sea Stock and Annuities:

Consolidated Fund Bill:

A Bill, intituled, An Act to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund, and certain other Sums, to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament:

A Bill, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Clerks to Attorneys and Solicitors who have omitted to enrol their Contracts, and for amending the Law relating to the Enrolment of such Contracts, and to the Disabilities of such Clerks, in certain cases: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Barristers appointed under the Act 5 and 6 Will. 4, to arbitrate between Counties and Municipal Corporations, to submit a special Case to the Superior Courts; and to amend an Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, for amending the Law concerning Prisons, without any Amendment: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the further Amendment of the Laws relating to the Poor in England; and have agreed to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to apply a Sum out of the Consolidated Fund, and certain other Sums, to the Service of the year One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament:

Poor Law Amendment Bill:

Ordered, That the Copy of the Third Report from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships to inquire into the Laws relating to Prisons, without any Amendment: And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendment made by this House to the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to enable Barristers appointed under the Act 5 and 6 Will. 4, to arbitrate between Counties and Municipal Corporations, to submit a special Case to the Superior Courts; and to amend an Act of the fifth and sixth years of Her present Majesty, for amending the Law concerning Prisons, without any Amendment: And also,

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Gaming:

Ordered, That the Copy of the Third Report from the Select Committee appointed, which was this day communicated from the Lords, be printed.

Union with Ireland:

Petitions from Drumtartiff:—Union of Skirrowes; Mughavooleymoney and Drumkeeran; Donacrcy;—Barnacoosa; Kenmare; Holmpatrick; and, Castlebridge; praying for the repeal of the Legislative Union between Great Britain and Ireland;—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Poor Law Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill intituled, An Act for the further Amendment of the Laws relating to the Poor in England; and the same were read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time upon this day three months; and to be printed.
in such case the indentures of apprenticeship shall be executed by the said Guardians, and shall not "be executed by the said Guardians, and shall not "need to be allowed, assented to or executed by "any Justice or Justices of the Peace, and the "Guardians shall have all the powers for binding "apprentices so bound or assigned by them to "be registered by their clerk according to the form "prescribed by the Statute of the forty-second year "of the reign of King George the Third, relating "to the Registration of Parish Apprentices, so far "as the same may be applicable to such binding "or assignment." Pr. 16. ls. 13. and 14. After "provisions insert "of any Act of Parliament," and in l. 14. leave out "from "apprentices" to "And" in l. 26. pr: and insert "to be bound to the sea service." Pr. 20. l. 16. Leave out "for" and insert "from." Pr. 20. l. 31. After "his" insert "tenant." Pr. 22. l. 9. After "he" insert "or some person "solely appointed for the purpose." Pr. 22. l. 12. After "he" insert "or such other "person." Pr. 23. ls. 7. and 8. After "objection" insert "and "established such objection." Pr. 23.la. 38. Leave out "deemed to be." Pr. 23.l. penult. After "the" insert "only." Pr. 24. l. 3. Leave out from "ensuing" to "provided" in l. 5. Pr. 24. l. 19. After "hereinbefore" insert "who "shall have all such powers as are hereinbefore "given to the clerk, and perform all such duties "as are hereinbefore imposed on the clerk in that "behalf; Provided also, That nothing herein con "tained shall affect any election in which proceed "ings have been commenced before the passing of "this Act." Pr. 25. l. 5. After "said" insert "first," and in the same line after "collector" "insert for any such "parish as aforesaid." Pr. 26. l. 36. Leave out "if" and insert "where." Pr. 26. l. 1. 24. Leave out from "Wales" to "that" in l. 20. and insert "and." Pr. 29. l. 3. Leave out from "have" to "provided" in Pr. 91. l. 7. and insert "an auditor "or auditors appointed, and acting under any pro "visions of such local Act relating to the audit of "accounts in such parishes, it shall not be lawful "to include such parish, or such two or more pa "riishes respectively, in any such district for the "audits of accounts under any local Act." Pr. 91. l. 16. Leave out from "audit" to "and" in Pr. 92. l. 5. Pr. 93. l. 5. Leave out "first rectified." Pr. 93. l. 16. Leave out "rectified." Pr. 94. l. 19. Leave out from "Act" to "and" in Pr. 95. l. 11. and insert Clauses (C.) and (D.) CLAUSE (C.) "And be it Enacted, That it shall "be lawful for any Board of Guardians or District "Board, at any meeting thereof, to make a certifi "cate in the form or to the effect contained in the "Schedule of this Act marked (C.), and that every "such certificate and any local copy of a minute of "any order, complaint, claim, application or au "thority of any such Board of Guardians or District "Board, purporting respectively to be signed by "the presiding chairman of such Guardians or Dis "trict Board, and to be sealed with their seals and "to be countersigned by their clerk, shall, unless "the contrary be shown, be taken to be sufficient "proof of the truth of all the statements contained "in such certificate, and of the directions respect "ing such order, complaint, claim or application "having been given as alleged in the copy of such "minute, and shall be received in evidence accord "ingly by and before all Courts of Justice and all "Justices, without any proof of the signatures or "of the official characters of the persons signing "the same, or of such seal, or of such meeting; "and that for the purpose of making any order of "removal or other order no further or other evidence "of chargeability than such certificate shall be re "quired, provided that every such order bear date "within Twenty-one days next after the date of "such certificate." CLAUSE (D.) "And be it Enacted, That in any "proceedings to be had before Justices in Petty or "Special Sessions, or out of Session, under the pro "visions of this Act or of any of the Acts required "to be construed as one Act herewith, if any party "to such proceedings request that any person be "summoned to appear as a witness in such pro "ceedings, it shall be lawful for any Justice to "summon such person to appear and give evidence "of
upon the matter of such proceedings; and if any person as sumonned neglect or refuse to appear to give evidence at the time and place appointed in such summons, and if proof upon oath be given of personal service of the summons upon such person and that the reasonable expenses of attache or tendere to such person, it shall be lawful for such Justice, by warrant under his hand and seal, to require such person to be brought before him or any Justice before whom such proceedings are to be had; and if any person coming or brought before any such Justice in any such proceedings refuse to give evidence thereon, it shall be lawful for such Justice to commit such person to any house of correction within their jurisdiction, there to remain without bail or mainprize for any time not exceeding Fourteen days, or until such person shall sooner submit himself to be examined, and in case of such subscription the order of any such Justice shall be a sufficient warrant for the discharge of such person.

Pr. 98. l. 11. After "act" insert "and the word 'month' shall be taken to mean calendar month." 

Pr. 99. l. 11. Leave out from "minister" to "and" in l. 28, and insert "in the said first-referred Act, and 'minister' in this Act shall be construed to mean and include every person in holy orders, and also every person teaching or preaching in any congregation for religious worship, whose place of meeting is certified and recorded according to law." 

After Schedule (B.) add Schedule (C): "Schedule (C) The Board of Guardians of the Poor of the Union or parish of do hereby certify that on the day of A. B. and his wife C. B., and his child E. B., became chargeable to the parish of in the said Union or to the said Union. "In testimony whereof the common seal of the said Guardians is hereunto affixed at a meeting of their Board, this day of W. J., Presiding, Chairman of the said Board. (Countersigned) E. D., Clerk or Acting Clerk to the Board of Guardians of."

The said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to. Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Giffin Wilson and Sir William Horne:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm and enfranchise the Estates of the Conventionary Tenants of the Ancient Assizeable Manors of the Duchy of Cornwall, and to quiet Titles as against the Duchy, and for other Purposes; and the said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Captain Taylor 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 Bill, intituled, An Act to confirm and enfranchise the Estates of the Conventionary Tenants of the Ancient Assizeable Manors of the Duchy of Cornwall, and to quiet Titles as against the Duchy, and for other Purposes; and the said Amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Greene do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their Lordships.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Giffin Wilson and Sir William Horne:

Mr. Speaker,

The Lords desire a present Conference upon the subject of the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend the Law respecting the Office of County Coroner: And then the Messengers withdrew.

Resolved, That this House doth agree to a Conference, as desired by their Lordships.

And the Messengers were again called in; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith:—And then they again withdrew.

Ordered, That the Managers who managed the County last Conference do manage this Conference:—And the Names of Sir James Graham, Mr. Wathey, Sir George Clerk and Mr. William Henry Bathin, were added to them.

Then the Names of the Managers were called over,
over, and they went to the Conference:—And being resumed:
Sir James Graham reported, That the Managers had met the Lords at the Conference, which was managed on the part of the Lords by the Earl of Shaftesbury; and that their Lordships insist upon their Amendments to the said Bill, for the following Reasons:—

Because it is inexpedient to throw uneconomically additional burthens on the County Rates:
Because the expenses of travelling have been very considerably diminished of late years:
Because the expenses contests which parties seeking the office of Coroner have willingly entered into, prove that it is an advantageous one to hold under its present allowances.

The House proceeded to take the said Reasons into consideration.

Resolved, That this House doth not insist on their disagreement to the said Amendments.

Ordered, That a Message be sent to the Lords, to acquaint their Lordships that this House doth not insist on their disagreement to the Amendments made by their Lordships to the said Bill:—And that Sir George Clerk do carry the said Message.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Giffin Wilson and Sir William Horne:
Mr. Speaker,
The Lords have agreed to the several Bills following, without Amendment; viz.

Arms (Ireland) Bill.
A Bill, intituled, An Act to supply an Omission in an Act of the six and seventh years of Her present Majesty for amending and continuing the Laws in Ireland, relative to the Registering of Arms and the Importation, Manufacture and Sale of Arms, Gunpowder and Ammunition:

Protection of Purchasers, &c. (Ireland) Bill.
A Bill, intituled, An Act for the Protection of Purchasers against Judgments, Crown Debts, Lis Pendens, and Commissions of Bankruptcy, and for providing one Office for the Registering of all Judgments in Ireland, and for amending the Laws in Ireland respecting Bankrupts, and the Limitation of Actions:—And also.

Art-Unions Bill.
The Lords do not insist upon their disagreement to the Amendments made by the Commons, nor upon their Amendment to the Amendments made by the Commons to the Bill, intituled, An Act for legalizing Art-Unions, to which the Commons disagree; but the Lords propose to amend one of the Commons’ Amendments to the said Bill:—And also.

Merchant Seamen Bill.
The Lords desire a Conference upon the subject-matter of an omission in the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Bill; intituled, An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to Merchant Seamen, and for keeping a Register of Seamen, To-morrow, at five o’clock:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Ordered, That this House doth agree to a Conference, as desired by their Lordships.
And the Messengers were again called in; and Mr. Speaker acquainted them therewith:—And then they again withdrew.

Art-Unions Bill.
Ordered, That the Amendment made by the Lords to the Amendments made by this House to the Art-Unions Bill be taken into consideration To-morrow.

Message from the Lords, by Sir Giffin Wilson and Sir William Horne:
Mr. Speaker,
The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled, An Act to repeal certain Penal Enactments made against Her Majesty’s Roman Catholic Subjects, without any Amendment:—And also,

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The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Fisheries Act to amend an Act of the sixth year of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act to regulate the Irish Fisheries, and to empower the Constabulary Force to enforce certain Provisions respecting the Irish Fisheries, with an Amendment; to which Amendment the Lords desire the concurrence of this House:—And also,

The Lords have agreed to the Amendments made Insolvent Debtors Bill, by this House to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend an Act passed in the fifth and sixth years of the reign of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act for the Relief of Insolvent Debtors, and to limit the Power of Arrest upon Final Process, and the same were read, as follow:

In Clause (U.),—
L. 10. Leave out “ for extending” and insert “ to extend.”
L. 11. After “ made” insert “ in.”

In Clause (A. A.),—
L. 8, and 9. Leave out “ Commissioners of the.”
L. 13. Leave out “ court” and insert “ courts.”

In Clause (B. B.):—
L. 12. Leave out “ bankrupts” and insert the Court of Bankruptcy.”

In Clause (C. C.):—
L. 4. After “ a” insert “ Barrister or Attorney-at-law.”

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

Ordered, That Sir George Clerk do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made to the said Bill, by the Lords.

Mr. Brotherston reported from the Select Committee on Public Petitions, That they had examined the Petitions presented upon the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th days 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.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Court of Sessions (Scotland), which was presented upon (Scotland) the 23rd day of July last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Colonial Expenditure, &c., which was presented upon Tuesday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Papers relative to South and Western Australia, which were presented upon Tuesday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Schoolmasters (Scotland), which was presented upon Tuesday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Timber (Navy) (Navy), which were presented upon Tuesday last, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Crown Lands (Ireland), which was presented upon Tuesday last, be printed.
Ordered, That the Return relative to the Poor Relief (Ireland) Act, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Poor Law, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Twenty-fourth Report of the Commissioners of New Churches, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Returns relative to Public Departments, which were presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Navy, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Shipping, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Account relative to the Land Tax, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Captain Warner's Inventions, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Lunacy, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Veneris, 9th die Augusti;

Anno 8o Victoriae Regni, 1844.

PRAYERS.

Raja of Sattara.

Mr. Campbell, from the Court of Directors of the East India Company, was called in; and at the bar presented, — An Act of the 36th year of the Reign of King George the Fourth, for the Preservation of the Salt Fisheries and Harbour of Tralee, in the County of Kerry:

Raja of Sattara.

Mr. Campbell also presented, pursuant to the direction of a Message, by Sir Augustus Clifford, Gentleman Clerk, in certain cases:

Indian Law Commissioners.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Poor Law, which was presented yesterday, be printed.

Ordered, That the Royal Assent to the several Public and Private Bills therein mentioned; and that the Lords, thereby authorized, had declared the Royal Assent to the said Bills: Which Bills are as follows:

An Act to apply a Sum, out of the Consolidated Fund, and certain other Sums, to the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and Forty-four, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament:

An Act to explain and amend an Act for making an Act of new Municipal Corporations Bill.

An Act for the further Amendment of the Laws relating to the Poor in England:

An Act to enable Barristers appointed to arbitrate between Counties and Boroughs to submit a Special Case to the Superior Courts:

An Act to confirm and enfranchise the Estates of the Conventionary Tenants of the ancient Assessable Manors of the Duchy of Cornwall, as against the Duchy, and for other Purposes:

An Act to repeal certain Penal Enactments made against Her Majesty's Roman Catholic Subjects:

An Act for regulating the Construction and the Use of Buildings in the Metropolis and its Neighbourhood:

An Act to widen and improve Piccadilly, in the City of Westminster:

An Act to amend the Law of Insolvency, Bankrupt and Execution:

An Act to attach certain Conditions to the Con-Railways Bill:

An Act to ascertain the future Railway Bills, or such of the present or succeeding Acts of Parliament, and for other Purposes in relation to Railways:

An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Turnpike Trusts in South Wales:

An Act to amend the Law for the Trial of Controverted Elections of Members to serve in Parliament:

An Act for auditing the Accounts of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Revenues, Works and Buildings:

An Act to amend the Law respecting the Office of County Coroner:

An Act for completing the Guarantee Fund of South Sea Company Bill:

An Act to enable Barristers appointed to arbitrate between Counties and Boroughs to submit a Special Case to the Superior Courts:

An Act for regulating the Allowance to be paid for the Management of the South Sea Stock and Annuities:

An Act to amend the Laws relating to Savings Banks, and to the Purchase of Government Annuities through the medium of Savings Banks:

An Act to amend the Law for regulating Places Slaughtered kept for Slaughtered Horses:

An Act for the Relief of Clerks to Attorneys and Solicitors, who have omitted to enrol their Contracts, and for amending the Law relating to the Enrolment of such Contracts, and to the Disabilities of such Clerks, in certain cases:

An Act to extend the Time limited by an Act of Parliament passed in the fourth and fifth years of Her present Reign for Entering Places in which Spirits are sold without License in Ireland:

An Act to continue, for Five years, so much of an Act of the second and third years of Her present Reign (Ireland) Bill, as relates to the Powers of Justices to grant Warrants for entering Places in which Spirits are sold without License in Ireland: A. 1844.
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An Act to enable the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland to accept a certain Sum of Money in satisfaction of their Mortgage on the Branch Canals, communicating with the Grand Canal in Ireland:

An Act to supply an Omission in an Act of the sixth and seventh years of Her present Majesty, for amending and continuing the Laws in Ireland relative to the Registering of Arms, and the Importation, Manufacture and Sale of Arms, Gunpowder and Ammunition:

An Act for the Protection of Purchasers against Judgments, Crown Debts, Lis Pendens and Commissions of Bankruptcy, and for providing one Office for the Registering of all Judgments in Ireland, and for amending the Laws in Ireland respecting Bankrupts and the Limitation of Actions:

An Act to provide for the more effectual Application of Charitable Donations and Bequests in Ireland:

An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws for the Regulation of Grand Jury Presentments in the County of Dublin:

An Act for improving the Drainage and Navigation of the Middle Level of the Fens:

An Act for the better supplying and lighting with Gas, the Port of Dublin by an Illuminating Power, Parts of the Abbey Parish of Paisley, and certain Towns or Villages and Places adjacent, and for other Purposes relating thereto:

An Act to explain an Act passed in the first year of Her present Majesty, intituled, "An Act for authorizing the Sale and Exchange of the Real Estate devised by the Will of the Right honourable Williams Henry Earl of Rochford, deceased, and for the Application of the Produce thereof, and for authorizing the granting of Leases of the same Estate, and for other Purposes," and for extending the Operation of such Act to certain Parties, whose Consent thereto was required:

An Act to authorize the Division of the Parish and Vicarage of Leeds, in the County of York, into several Parishes and Vicarages:

An Act to dissolve the Marriage of Thomas Foreman Gape with Franny Lowise, his now Wife, and to enable him to marry again, and for other Purposes therein mentioned:

A Message from the Lords, by Mr. Speaker:

The Lords have agreed to the Bill, intituled, An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws for the Regulation of Grand Jury Presentments in the County of Dublin, with Amendments:

Order, That Mr. Sidney Herbert, Admiral Dundas, Lord Granville Somerset, Mr. Meanners Sutton, Mr. Haves, Viscount Ebrington, Sir George Clerke, Mr. Nicholl, Mr. Sheil, Mr. Spooner, Lord Elliot and Mr. Forster do manage the Conference:

then the names of the Managers were called over, and they went to the Conference:—And being returned;

Mr. Sidney Herbert reported, That the Managers had met the Lords at the Conference, which was managed on the part of the Lords by the Earl of Liverpool; who acquainted them that the Lords, being desirous at all times of maintaining a good correspondence with the Commons, have desired this Conference, in order to communicate to them, that in the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to Merchant Seamen, and for keeping a Register of Seamen, (which has been returned to the Lords, with the Amendments made therein by them agreed to by the Commons), there was an omission of one Amendment in the Paper of Amendments sent to the Commons, namely, in Pr. 66. 8. to leave out the words "and Prize money," which Amendment was made by the Lords, in addition to those contained in the Paper of Amendments formerly sent down by them, but which was inadvertently omitted from the Paper of Amendments so sent down; to which Amendment they desire the concurrence of the Commons.

And the Question being again proposed, That this Adjournment house will, at the rising of the House this day, adjourn till Thursday the 5th day of September next:—And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till this day.

The House proceeded to take into consideration Merchant the matter communicated by the Lords at the Conference held this day upon the subject-matter of an omission in the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Merchant Seamen Bill; and Mr. Speaker having been desired to give his opinion to the House, on the point of form in respect of the proposal made by the Lords, stated, that he was not aware of any precedent directly applicable to the present case, but he considered that it would establish a most inconvenient and dangerous one if the House were now to entertain the Amendment which had unfortunately been omitted from the Merchant Seamen Bill when it was sent back from the Lords; that omissions and mistakes had occasionally been rectified during the progress of measures in the two Houses; but in the present instance the Lords' Amendments had been agreed to at a stage when it was no longer possible for the House to reconsider them, if they were in any degree affected by the Amendment which had been omitted; and the Commons' agreement to these Amendments having been indorsed upon the Bill by the Clerk, this proceeding ought, in his opinion, to be considered final and conclusive.

Ordered, That a Committee be appointed, to draw up Reasons, to be offered to the Lords at a Conference, for not taking into consideration the Amendment now proposed by the Lords:—And a Committee was appointed of Mr. Sidney Herbert, Lord Granville Somerset, Mr. Meanners Sutton, Mr. Haves, Viscount Ebrington, Sir George Clerke, Captain Gordon, Mr. Bellen and Admiral Dundas:—and they are to withdraw immediately.

Ordered, That Three be the Quorum.

The Order of the day being read, for resuming Adjournment, the adjourned Debate upon the Question proposed this day, That this House will, at the rising of the
the House this day, adjourned till Thursday the 5th day of September next;
And the Question being again proposed:—The House resumed the said adjourned Debate;
And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Message from the Lords, by Sir Giffin Wilson
and Sir William Horne:
Mr. Speaker,
The Lords do not insist on their Amendment made to the Bill, intituled, An Act to regulate and reduce the Expenses of the Offices attached to the Superior Courts of Law in Ireland payable out of the Consolidated Fund, to which this House hath disagreed:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

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 Second Report made from the Select Committee appointed by their Lordships, to inquire into the Progress of the Building of the Houses of Parliament:—And that the Earl of Lichfield do carry the said Message.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Amendments made by the Commons to the Bill, intituled, An Act for legalizing Art-Unions; and the same was read, as followeth:
The Lords do not insist upon their disagreement to the Amendments made by the Commons, nor upon their Amendment to the Amendments made by the Commons, to which the Commons disagree, but propose, with respect to the Amendment in Pr. 2. 1. 30., to amend the same, as follows:
At the end thereof to add, " shall, so far as respects rates to persons other than members of the said Art-Unions, or persons acting on their behalf be discharged and freed from all suits, prosecutions, liabilities, pains and penalties, to which by law they may be liable, as being concerned in lotteries, little-goes or unlawful games for anything done, or which may be done by them, or any of them, herebefore, or before the first day of October next ensuing the passing of this Act, and as to all other persons being members of the said Art-Unions as aforesaid, they."
The Lords do not insist upon their Amendment in the Title of the Bill, to which the Commons disagree.
The said Amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That Mr. Wyse do carry the Bill to the Lords; and acquaint them, that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their Lordships.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendment made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend an Act of the sixth year of Her present Majesty, intituled, An Act to give directions that there be laid before this House, and be printed, Returns, showing the Total Amount of County Rates, Poor and Highway Rates, levied in each Parish in England and Wales, for the year ending the 25th day of March 1843, and the Proportion in the Pound which these Rates bear to the whole value of Real Property in each Parish respectively, as assessed to the Property and Income Tax, for the year ending April 1844, was read; and discharged.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty an humble Address that She would &c.

The Order made upon Monday last for presenting County Rates, to Her Majesty an humble Address that She would &c.

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be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House, Returns, showing the Total Amount of County, Poor and Highway Rates, levied in each Parish in England and Wales, for the year ending the 25th day of March 1843, and the Proportion in the Pound which these Rates bear to the whole value of Real Property in each Parish respectively, as assessed to the Property and Income Tax, for the year ending April 1844, was read; and discharged.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to Her Majesty by such Members of this House as are of Her Majesty's Most honourable Privy Council.

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, Benefits and a List of Benefits and Churches augmented by the Churches. Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, made up No. 624. to the 1st of May 1844.
Sir Robert Peel accordingly presented the said Paper.
Ordered, That the said Paper do lie upon the Table; and be printed.
Sir Robert Peel presented, by Her Majesty's Champion,—Copy of Treaty of Commerce and Navigation between Her Majesty and the King of Hanover.
A Petition of the Board of Guardians of the Naran Union, praying the House to relieve them from the payment of the loan granted them for the building of their workhouse, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

A Petition of the Chairman of the Guardians of the Poor of the Cullen Union, stating that the Guardians of that Union have ascertained that those electoral divisions, which include cities, market, sea-port or other towns, are subject to an unfair rate of taxation by ingress of paupers from other portions of the Union, as well as mendicants from other parts of the United Kingdom, who, by a residence of twelve months, become qualified to claim admission into the poor-house, and thereby chargeable on such division; and praying that it be the wish of the House to protect all cities, market or sea-port towns from any such undue levy of poor rate, an alteration be made in the Poor Relief (Ireland) Act, so as to extend the term of residence from twelve months to the proof of an uninterrupted one of at least three years, and that in default of such proof any pauper claiming admission, should be chargeable upon such electoral division of the union or union at large, or provision made for his or her transfer to such union in Ireland or parish in the United Kingdom, as such applicant had previously belonged to, was also presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

No. 623. petitions from Tennanmagach:—Templecreene.—Faughart:—and, Kilmore and other places; praying for the repeal of the Legislative Union between Great Britain and Ireland.—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

New South Wales. No. 625. Mr. George William Hope presented, pursuant to an Address of the Hon. the House of Commons, praying for information touching the Aborigines of the Australian Colonies, copies of extracts from the Despatches of the Governors of the Australian Colonies, with the Reports of the Protectors of Aborigines, and any other correspondence, to illustrate the condition of the Aboriginal Population of the said Colonies, from the date of the last Papers laid before Parliament on the subject, was also presented, and read; and ordered to be printed.

Merchant Seamen Bill. Mr. Sidney Herbert reported, That having been with the Lords, to desire a Conference upon the subject-matter of an omission in the Amendments made by their Lordships to the Merchant Seamen Bill, the Lords do agree to a present Conference in the Committee-room No. 2.

Ordered, That the Managers who managed the last Conference do manage this Conference. Then the Names of the Managers were called over, and all they went to the Conference:—And being returned;

Mr. Sidney Herbert reported, That the Managers had met the Lords at the Conference, which was managed on the part of the Lords by the Lord Privy Seal; and that they had delivered the Reasons for not taking into consideration the Amendment proposed by their Lordships to the said Bill; and had left the Bill, and Amendments, with their Lordships.

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, a Petition signed from the Clerk of each Petty Sessions in Ireland, of the Amount of Fees received by him during each of the last Three years ending the 31st day of December 1843.

Petitions of Owners and Occupiers of land, Tradesmen and labourers within the Arundel Petty Sessions district; and, Chichester Petty Sessions district; praying the House to resist the projects of the Anti-Corn-Law League, and, in consideration of the vast amount of capital and skill which has been expended in the improvement of land, preserve to the agriculturist, and his labourers, the protection to which they are entitled,—were presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

The Clerk laid upon the Table, pursuant to Orders of the House, A Return of the Number of Divisions in the Session of 1844, 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; with the Bill in each Division, distinguishing also the Divisions on Private Bills from Public; and also the Divisions of before and after midnight.

A Return of the Titles of all Public Bills introduced in the course of the present Session; the date of their several Stages; distinguishing those introduced from the House of Lords:—And, the same for the years 1838, 1839, 1840, 1841, 1842 and 1843.

A Return of the Private Bills which, in the present Session, have been treated as opposed Bills, distinguishing those against which no one appeared before the Committee, together with the Number of Days on which each such Bill was sat; the Names of the Members selected, and the Number of Days on which each selected Member has served on such Committee; Number of Petitions for Bills presented in conformity with the Seasonal Orders; Number of Petitions for leave to present a Petition; Number of Petitions referred to the Standing Orders Committee; Number of Cases in which the Parties were allowed to proceed with the Bill; Number of Bills read a second time; Number of Bills read a second time, and committed; Number of Bills reported.

A Return of the Number of Days on which the Sittings of the House of Commons have occupied the House, stating the Total Number of Hours occupied in the Sittings of the House, and the average time; and also distinguishing the Number of Nights on which the House sat, and the Number of Hours after Midnight (in continuation of Parliamentary Paper, No. 599, of Session 1843.)

Ordered, That the said Returns be printed.

Mr. Manners Sutton presented, by Her Majesty's Postenlille Command,—Copy of a Letter from the Surveyor, Pembrokeshire. General of Prisons, of August 8, 1844, to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, together with Plans of Pentonville Prison.

Copy of Report of the Commissioner appointed Mining under the Act 5 and 6 Vict. c. 99, on the state of Population, the Mining Population in parts of Scotland, Staffordshire, &c.

Mr. Manners Sutton also presented,—return to oats, &c. An Address to Her Majesty, dated the 4th day of June last, for Copies of all Oaths, Declarations or Subscriptions required from the Judges, Advocates, Proctors, and all Officers, upon their Admission; and of all Oaths, whether customary or special, which are taken or may be taken by Advocates and Proctors in the performance of their duties, in all the Provincial and Diocesan Ecclesiastical Courts, and
Joint Stock Companies Registration and Regulation Bill.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Amendments made by the Lords to the Bill, intituled, An Act for the Registration of Joint Stock Companies and for conferring on such Companies certain Privileges of Corporate Bodies, subject to the Payment of certain Fees, and on certain Conditions and Regulations; and for preventing the Establishment of Fraudulent Companies; and for the Regulation of Joint Stock Companies; and the same were read, as follow:

Pr. 2. I. 11. Leave out from "four" to "And" in l. 14.
Pr. 2. I. 23. Leave out "or," in Pr. 3. I. 36. Leave out from "also" to "And" in Pr. 4. I. 5, and insert "every partnership which " at its formation or by subsequent admission (ex- cept any admission subsequent on devolution or " other act in law) shall consist of more than " twenty-five members.
Pr. 4. I. 37. After "officer" insert "or person." Pr. 5. I. 10. Leave out from "defined" to "the" in l. 13.
Pr. 5. I. 17. Leave out from "defined" to "the" in l. 19.
Pr. 6. I. 33. Leave out from "secretaries" to the first "of" in l. 37.
Pr. 7. I. 30. After "number" insert "if any," Pr. 10. I. 34. After "document" insert "at " any time.
Pr. 13. I. 6. Leave out "the" and insert "this." Pr. 15. I. 1. After "thereof" insert " dis- tinguishing the numbers of the shares on which the " deposit has been paid from those on which it has " not been paid;" Pr. 15. I. 16. Leave out "and" and insert "or;" Pr. 16. Is. 8, and 9. Leave out "co-partners- " ship" and insert "Company." Pr. 16. I. 10. Leave out "the;" Pr. 16. I. 25. Leave out "or as soon thereafter" and insert "for the purpose of registering the same " or as soon after such production." Pr. 16. I. 22. After "deed" insert "and other " matters." Pr. 17. Is. 5, and 6. After "omission" insert "as regards the matters hereby required." Pr. 17. I. 7. After "may" insert "from time to " time;" Pr. 17. I. 30. After "of" insert "any of." Pr. 18. I. 29. After "orders" insert "such;" Pr. 18. Is. 34, and 35. Leave out "duplicate" and insert "copy;" Pr. 19. I. 16. Leave out "such" and insert "any;" Pr. 19. I. 27. After "every" insert "such;" Pr. 19. I. 38. After "in" insert the Schedule "to;" Pr. 20. I. 8. Leave out "of the directors" and insert "director." Pr. 21. I. 30. Leave out "of the directors" and insert "director." Pr. 24. I. 36. After "Company" insert "or their " solicitor as aforesaid;" Pr. 25. I. 7. After "or" insert "their solicitor " or such;" Pr. 25. I. 28. Leave out "said" and in the same line after "Schedules" insert " annexed to this Act." Pr. 31. Is. 18, and 19. After "renewed" insert "which may be done on application for that pur- " pose;" Pr. 32. I. 6. After "dock" insert "which can- not be carried into execution without the autho- "rity of Parliament."
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in an action of debt in any court having competent jurisdiction in respect of the same; and that in the declaration in any such action, it shall be sufficient to state only that at the time of the commencement of the suit, the defendant, as the holder of certain shares (stating how many) in a Company or undertaking, as the case may be, (naming it), was indebted to the Company in a certain sum (stating the amount of the instalments, or so much thereof as is sought to be recovered), for certain instalments of capital then due and payable in respect of the said shares, and that the defendant hath not paid the same; and that if upon the trial of any such action it shall be proved that the defendant was the holder of any share when such instalments, or any of them, in respect of the same, and for which the action is brought, became due, then such Company shall recover such instalments, or so much thereof as is due, together with interest for the same at the rate of Five pounds per centum per annum, to be computed from the day on which the same became due, together with interest for the parry shall recover such instalments, or so much thereof as is due, together with interest for the same at the rate of Five pounds per centum per annum, to be computed from the day on which the same became due.

Pr. 64. 1. ult. insert "and" insert the number of shares held by each, and also a list of.

Pr. 65. l. 1. After "and" insert "a copy," Pr. 66. 1. penult. After "certificate" insert "but.

Pr. 66. l. ult. Leave out "being" and insert "shall be,"

Pr. 67. l. 3. Leave out "but" and insert "and," Pr. 68. l. 33. Leave out "said,"

Pr. 68. l. 84. After "Secretaries" insert "of the said Committee.

Pr. 71. l. 8. After "any" insert "existing," Pr. 71. l. 16. Leave out "not prohibited by this Act.

Pr. 71. l. 17. After "manner" insert "and with the same legal consequences.

Pr. 71. l. 33. Leave out from the first "Act" to "be" in l. 33.

Pr. 72. l. 6. After the "insert "London," and in the same line leave out "and" and insert "then.

Pr. 73. l. 11. After Clause (B.), added by way of Rider to the Bill, add Clause (B).

CLAUSE (B.), "Provided always, and be it Enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to partnerships formed under and by virtue of an Act passed in the Parliament of Ireland, in the twenty-first and twenty-second years of the reign of his late Majesty King George the Third, intituled, 'An Act to promote Trade and Manufactures, by regulating and encouraging Partnerships,'"

Pr. 75. l. 11. and 12. Leave out from "Company" to "Provided" in Pr. 76. l. 17.

Pr. 76. l. 21. Leave out "executions" and insert "execution.

Pr. 77. l. 7. After "copartnership" insert Clause (C)

CLAUSE (C), "And be it Enacted, That in the cases provided by this Act for execution on any judgment, decree or order in any action or suit against the Company, to be issued against the person or against the property and effects of any shareholder or former shareholder of such Company, or against the property and effects of the Company, at the suit of any shareholder or former shareholder, in satisfaction of any monies, damages, costs and expenses paid or incurred by him as aforesaid in any action or suit against the Company, such execution may be issued by leave of the court or of a Judge of the court in which the same is sued or shall have been obtained, upon motion or summons for a rule to show cause, or other motion or summons consis tent with the practice of the court, without any suggestion or Service forth in that behalf; and that
Pr. 9. l. 9. Leave out "serving" and insert "serving of.

Pr. 9. l. 17. Leave out "leaving" and in the same line after "same" insert "having been left.

Pr. 10. l. 34. After "sued" insert "as the nominal defendant.

Pr. 14. l. 91. After "nothing" insert "herein" and in the same line after "co-partner" insert "provided also, that no execution in respect of any debt or demand proveable under the Act of bankruptcy shall be issued against the person, property or effects of any member or members for the time being of such Company or Body, or any former member or members thereof, until after such debt or demand shall have been proved under such Act, nor shall any such execution be issued after the appointment of a receiver in manner hereinafter mentioned, without leave of the High Court of Chancery.

Pr. 21. l. 16. Leave out "director" and insert "person.

Pr. 23. l. 37. After "contrary" insert Clauses (A.), (B.), (C.), (D.) and (E.)

CLAUSE (A.). "And be it Enacted, That it shall be lawful for the court authorized to act in the prosecution of any such Act in bankruptcy to direct the assignees of the estate and effects of any such Company or Body to apply to the High Court of Chancery to contribute to a summary way, to the end that the exercise of the powers of the Lord Chancellor or the Master of the Rolls, praying that all such orders and directions may be given as shall be necessary for the final winding up and settling the affairs of such Company or Body, and to compel a just contribution from all the members of such Company or Body, towards the full payment of all the debts and liabilities of such Company or Body, and of the costs of winding up and finally settling the affairs of such Company or Body; and that upon the hearing of such petition it shall be lawful for the Lord Chancellor or Master of the Rolls to refer it to one of the Masters of the High Court of Chancery, to take all such accounts and make all such inquiries as shall be required for the purpose of ascertaining what sum of money in the whole, and what sums of money as proportionate parts of the whole, will (having regard to the deed of settlement of such Company, and the calls actually paid by the several and respective members thereof, and also having regard to any proceedings in the Court of Bankruptcy and proper to be raised by calls or contributions from the respective members of such Company or Body, for the full payment and satisfaction of all the debts and liabilities of such Company or Body, and also of all the costs of winding up and settling the affairs of the said Company; and that the High Court of Chancery, upon confirmation of the Master's report made upon any such reference, may order the payment of the several and respective sums of money which by such report are found necessary and proper to be paid, and may refer it to the Master to appoint a receiver to collect and receive such sums of money, pay the same into the Bank of England, in the name and to the account of the Accountant General of the High Court of Chancery, to the credit of such Company or Body, and may, upon the petition of the assignees of the estate and effects of such Company or Body, order such sums of money to be paid in or towards satisfaction of the debts included by the creditors in bankruptcy shall have been found to be due to the creditors of such Company or Body, and all persons having claims and demands thereon, and also in satisfaction of costs.

CLAUSE (B.). "And be it Enacted, That if it shall appear that any individual members of such Company or Body have claims against each other in respect of the affairs of transactions of such Company or Body, it shall be lawful for the Court of Chancery, upon the petition of any member of such Company or Body, alleging that he has any such claim against any other member of the said Company or Body, to make all such orders as shall be just for the purpose of finally settling and determining such claim and may order the payment of such sum of money (if any) as shall appear to be due in respect of any such claim.

CLAUSE (C.). "And whereas the law is defective in the means of making the members of Joint Stock Companies Contributories for paying their debts in full, and in the means of giving relief where execution may have been had in respect of a debt due from any such Company against one or a very few members of such Company, and also in the means of adjusting the rights of the members of any such Company amongst themselves, and finally winding up the affairs of such Company; Be it Enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lord Chancellor, with the advice and consent of the Master of the Rolls and the Vice Chancellors for the time being, or any two of them, from time to time, and as often as circumstances shall make it necessary, to make and publish such rules and orders touching and concerning the form and mode of proceeding to be had and taken in the Court of Chancery for settling and enforcing the rights of the creditors of any member or members for the time being of any such Company, or of any former member or members thereof, or any real or personal representative, or other person liable in that behalf, and the practice to be observed by such court in or relating to such proceedings, or any matters incident thereto, and the forms and mode of proceeding to be had and taken before any one of the Masters of the said court, primarily winding up the affairs of such said court, in any matter for or relating to contribution as shall from time to time seem necessary and proper for the advancement of justice in such cases, and for adjusting and determining the rights and equities of the parties concerned, and for suing for and getting in the assets, and for ascertaining and discharging the liabilities of such Companies, and requiring the creditors thereof to claim their debts, and finally winding up the affairs thereof, and for the avoidance of little delay, expense and uncertainty as possible: Provided always, That such rules and orders shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within one month from the making thereof, if Parliament be then sitting, or if Parliament be not then sitting within one month from the commencement of the next Session of Parliament; and every rule and order so made shall be binding and obligatory on the said court, and be of like force and effect as if the provisions contained therein had been expressly enacted by Parliament.

CLAUSE (D.). "And be it Enacted, That an Act passed in the forty-first year of King George the Third, intituled, 'An Act for the more speedy and effectual Recovery of Debts due to his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, in Right of the Crown of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and for the better Administration of Justice within the same,' shall extend to decrees or orders made by the said Court of Chancery in any suit, proceeding or matter under or by virtue of this Act.

CLAUSE (E.). "And be it Enacted, That an Act passed in the forty-first year of King George the Third, intituled, 'An Act for the more speedy and effectual Recovery of Debts due to his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, in Right of the Crown of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and for the better Administration of Justice within the same,' shall extend to decrees or orders made by the said Court of Chancery in any suit, proceeding or matter under or by virtue of this Act.
there, such decree or order shall thereupon be registerable and registered there in like manner as a bond executed according to the law of Scotland, with a clause of registration therein contained, and execution shall be and may pass upon a decree having been interposed there, in like manner as execution passes upon a decree interposed to such bond, and shall have the like effect upon and against the person named in such decree or order as if he had executed such bond.

Pr. 28. l. 12. Leave out from “unsettled” to “And” in l. 18.

Pr. 29. l. 18. After “labor” insert Clauses (F) and (G).

CLAUSE (F). “And be it Enacted, That in construing this Act all powers given or duties directed to be performed by the Lord Chancellor may be performed by the Lord Keeper or Lords Commissioners of the Great Seal; and every word importing the plural number shall extend and be applied to as well as one person or thing, and bodies corporate and as well individuals; and every word importing the plural number shall extend and be applied to one person or thing as well as several persons or things; and every word importing the masculine gender only shall extend and be applied to a female as well as a male; and the words ‘fian in bankruptcy’ shall mean also and include any Commission of Bankruptcy; unless (in the cases above specified) a different construction shall be provided, or the construction be repugnant to the subject-matter or context.”

CLAUSE (G). “And be it Enacted, That this Act shall commence and take effect on the first day of November next.

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

Ordered, That Mr. Greene 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 Bill, intituled, An Act to regulate Joint Stock Banks in England; and the same were read, as follows:

Pr. 4. l. 20. After “preventing” insert “the Company from purchasing any shares or making any”.

Pr. 5. l. 30. After “business” insert “until all the shares shall have been subscribed for and, “

Pr. 5. l. 32. After “executed” insert “personally or by some person duly authorized by warrant of attorney, to execute the same on behalf of such holder or holders.”

Pr. 6. l. 31. Leave out “limited,” and in the same line after “years” insert “not exceeding twenty years.”

Pr. 7. l. ult. Leave out “estate funds and.”

Pr. 8. l. 1. After “property” insert “and effects.”

Pr. 8. l. 4. Leave out from “person” to “property” in l. 5, and in l. 5. after “property” insert “and effects.”

Pr. 8. l. 18. Leave out from “the” to “property” in l. 16, and in l. 19. after “property” insert “and effects.”

Pr. 8. l. 25. Leave out “move the court for an order” and insert “have execution.”

Pr. 8. l. 27. After “against” insert “the person, property and effects of.”

Pr. 8. l. 31. After “against” insert “the person, property and effects of.”

Pr. 8. l. 34. Leave out from “time” to “provided” in Pr. 9. l. 3, and insert “the cause of action against the Company arose.”

Pr. 9. l. 31. After “whom” insert “or against whose property or effects.”

Pr. 9. l. 33. Leave out “been.”

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Pr. 9. l. 34. Leave out “funds or” and in the same line after “property” insert “and effects.”

Pr. 10. l. 13. Leave out “estate funds or,” and in the same line after “property” insert “and effects.”

Pr. 10. l. 21. Leave out from “to” to “and” in l. 27, and insert “have execution against the property and effects of the Company in satisfaction of such money, damages, costs and expenses.”

Pr. 10. l. 54. After “issue” insert Clause (A).

CLAUSE (A). “And be it Enacted, That in the cases provided by this Act for execution on any judgment, decree or order in any action or suit against the Company, to be issued against the person or against the property and effects of any shareholder or former shareholder of such Company, or against the property and effects of the Company at the suit of any shareholder or former shareholder, in satisfaction of any monies, damages, costs and expenses paid or incurred by him as aforesaid in any action or suit against the Company, such execution may be issued by leave of the court, or of a Judge of the court in which such judgment, decree or order shall have been obtained, upon motion or summons for a rule to show cause, or other motion or summons consistent with the practice of the court, without any suggestion or Scire facias in that behalf, and that it shall be lawful for such Judge or Judge to make absolute or discharge such rule, or allow or dismiss such motion (as the case may be), and to direct the costs of the application to be paid by either party, or to make such order therein as to such court or Judge shall seem fit; and such cases such form of writs of execution shall be sued out of the courts of law and equity respectively, for giving effect to the provision in that behalf aforesaid, as the Judges of such courts respectively shall from time to time think fit to order, and the execution of such writs shall be enforced in like manner as writs of execution are now enforced; provided that any order made by a Judge as aforesaid may be discharged or varied by the court, on application made thereto, by either party dissatisfied with such order: Provided also, That no such motion shall be made nor summons granted for the purpose of charging any shareholder or former shareholder until ten days’ notice thereof shall have been given to the person sought to be charged thereby.

Pr. 14. l. 32. After “Stamps” insert “and Taxes.”

Pr. 15. l. 7. After “search” insert “the” and the Company shall from time to time cause to be printed and kept, in a conspicuous place accessible to the public in their office or principal place of business, a list of the registered names and places of abode of all the members of such Company for the time being.”

Pr. 15. l. 16. After “Stamps” insert “and Taxes.”

Pr. 17. l. 18. After “Stamps” insert “and Taxes.”

Pr. 17. l. 29. After “Stamps” insert “and Taxes.”

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Pr. 23. l. penult. Leave out “Company” and insert “Directors.”

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Pr. 25. l. 20. Leave out “Company” and insert “Directors.”

Pr. 29. l. 16. Leave out “may” and insert “shall.”

Pr. 29. l. 13. After “contract” insert “within six calendar months next after the confirmation of the forfeiture.”

Pr. 32. l. 16. Leave out “period” and insert “time,”
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 printed Copy of the said Report:—And he delivered the same in at the Table.

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

Ordered, That there be laid before this House, National Debt Accounts showing the Results of the Operations undertaken in 1822, 1824, 1825, 1830, 1834 and 1844, for reducing the Charge on account of the National Debt, and the Terms upon which such Reduction was made; also showing the Annual Interest on the Funded Debt saved thereby:—And, showing, in columns, the Total Amount of the Funded and Unfunded Unredeemed Public Debt of the United Kingdom, and the Annual Charge thereon on the 5th day of January 1817, and on the 5th day of January in every subsequent year, up to 1844.

Ordered, 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 relative to the late Disturbances among the Negroes, in the Island of Dominica.

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 New Zealand, to Her Majesty, that She will be graciously pleased to give directions that there be laid before this House a Copy of a Letter from the Secretary of the Church Missionary Society to Lord Stanley, relative to the Affairs of New Zealand.

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 Message from the Lords, by Sir Griffin Wilson Message from and Sir William Horne:

Mr. Speaker, The Lords do not insist on their Amendment to Merchant the Bill, intituled, An Act to amend and consolidate the Sea-men Bill, and the Laws relating to Merchant Seamen, and for keeping a Register of Seamen, to which this House hath disagreed:—And then the Messengers withdrew.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Army Prize Money, which was presented yesterday, be printed. No. 631.

Ordered, That the Return relative to Succession to Property Abroad, which was presented yesterday, to Property Abroad. No. 632.

Ordered, That the Paper relative to Holyhead and Portadown Harbours, which was presented yesterday, be printed. No. 633.

Ordered, That the Account relative to Sugar, which was presented yesterday, be printed. No. 634.

And then the House adjourned till Thursday the fifth day of September next.

Parliament.

No. 029.

Building of the Houses of Parliament; and that the Lords do not insist on their Amendment to the Lords the Message of this House of this day, requesting that their Lordships would be pleased to inquire into the Progress of the Report from the Select Committee appointed by the Lords, to inquire into the Progress of the Work so far performed, and the Completion of the same, and the Date on which the same will be finished. The Earl of Lincoln reported, That he had carried the said Harbours, and that their Lordships had been pleased to communicate
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Mr. Crofer, from the Treasury, was called in; and at the bar presented, pursuant to the directions of an Act of Parliament,—A Copy of Treasury Minute, dated 13th August 1844, granting a special Superannuation Allowance to Mr. Elzlie, late Secretary and Treasurer in the Superintendent's Establishment in China.
Mr. Crofer also presented, pursuant to several Addresses to Her Majesty,—Returns, by the Overseers of the Peace, acting for Parishes or portions of Parishes, or other places, within the several Parliamentary Boroughs in England and Wales; of the Total Amount of Rates levied by them respectively, on such respective Boroughs or portions of Boroughs within their respective Collections, in the year ending the 31st day of December 1843, and the Sum in the pound, on Annual Value, to which the Total Sum so levied by them respectively, within such year, amounted, in respect of the Premises on which such Rates were levied, specifying the purpose, in addition to the Support of the Poor, for which such Rates were levied, and the Acts of Parliament authorizing the same;—And, from the several Boroughs in England and Wales, returning a Member or Members to serve in Parliament, of the respective Sums assessed for Borough Rates on such Boroughs respectively, for the year ending at the period to which the Accounts of such Boroughs have been last audited; and also of the Sums paid by such Boroughs respectively, in the year ending at the same period, on each of the following Accounts: viz., the Amount of Tax and Maintenance of Prisoners; Administration of Justice and Prosecution of Prisoners; County Expenses; Coroners; and County Rates.

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Mr. Thomas Guthrie Wright; Spelling.
Mr. Crofer also presented, pursuant to Orders,—A Copy of the Report made by Mr. Thomas Guthrie Wright, to Baron Adam, Lord Chief Commissioner, and the other Judges of the Jury Court, for Scotland, in the year 1827 (which Report was made under orders from the aforesaid Judges).
Mr. Crofer also presented, pursuant to Orders,—A Copy of the Report made by Mr. Thomas Guthrie Wright, to Baron Adam, Lord Chief Commissioner, and the other Judges of the Jury Court, for Scotland, in the year 1827 (which Report was made under orders from the aforesaid Judges).

Police (Ireland.)
Further Returns to an Order dated the 27th day of June last, for a Return to be taken from the Police Books of every Police Station in Ireland, showing the Number of Men who were on Patrol, and the length of time they were absent on Patrol, between the hour of midnight and six o'clock the following morning, during each night in the month of March 1844.

Transportation, &c. (Ireland.)
Returns for the years 1841, 1842 and 1843, of the Number of Persons sentenced to Transportation by Court of Quarter Sessions or General Sessions of the Peace in Ireland, Date of the Session, Name of the Person sentenced, and the Offence charged, and the Term of Transportation:—Of the Number of Persons left in custody after each Assizes during the above period who were afterwards tried at Sessions; the Number of Persons who have appeared to take their Trial at the Assizes, who have been bailed and been afterwards tried at the Sessions.
A Return of the Number of Murders, and attempts to murder, in the County of Tipperary:—Also, of (Tipperary.)
A Return of the Number of Criminal Lunatics confined in the respective Gaols of each County, in the year ending the 31st day of July 1844.
A Return of the Number of Number of Paupers, &c., (Ireland.) Number of Persons against whom True Bills of Indictment for these Offences were found by the Grand Jury, and the results thereof, showing the Number of Acquittals and Convictions, and the Punishment inflicted in each case, in each of the last Ten years.
A Return of the Number of Lunatics from the Counties of Armagh, Cavan and Fermanagh, received (Ireland.) into the District Lunatic Asylum of Armagh, in the two years ending the 1st day of July 1844.
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A Petition of Robert Thomas Webb, of Wyndham-street, Saint Mary-le-bone, praying the House to pass a law to establish a Royal College of Medical Sciences, of which all lawful practitioners of all or any branch of Medical Science shall be members and entitled to be styled and called Doctors of Medical Sciences, and to add after their names the letters M. D., and to take rank and precedence next after the M. D.'s. of Her Majesty's present Universities, or that he may be heard at the bar of the House, before they proceed to pass any law on the subject of the Medical Profession, was presented, and read; and ordered to lie upon the Table.

Ordered, That the Return relative to the Trinity House (Deptford Strand), which was presented upon the 8th day of August last, be printed.

Earl Jermyn reported to the House, That their Address to Her Majesty, dated the 25th day of March last, for lst, A Statement of the Rate or Scale of any Taxes or Duties imposed (either by the Government or by Municipalities) on succession to Property after Death; stating also if, in imposing such Taxes or Duties, any distinction be made in favor of such Foreign Countries between Real (or immovable) Property and Personal (or moveable) Property:—2d. A Statement of the Annual Amount received from such Taxes or Duties.

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

A Motion was made, and the Question being pro-State Trial posed, 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 delivered by the Judges in the House of Lords on the Questions of Law proposed to them in the case of O'Connell and others, v. the Queen; together with a Copy of the Notes taken by the short-hand Writer appointed to report the Proceedings and Judgment thereon;

A Message, by Sir Augustus Clifford, Gentleman Royal Address 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, and for proroguing this present Parliament, do 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, where a Commission under the Great Seal was read, giving, declaring and notifying the Royal Assent to the several Bills therein mentioned: and the Lords thereby authorized declared the Royal Assent to the said Bills: Which Bills are as follow:

An Act for the Registration, Incorporation and Regulation of Joint Stock Companies:

An Act for facilitating the winding up the Affairs of Joint Stock Companies unable to meet their pecuniary Engagements:

An Act to regulate Joint Stock Banks in England and Ireland:

An Act to indemnify Persons connected with Art Unions, and others, against certain Penalties:

An Act to amend and consolidate the Laws relating to Merchant Seamen, and for keeping a Register of Seamen:

An Act to regulate and reduce the Expenses of Law Courts:

An Act for the Registration, Incorporation and Regulation of Joint Stock Companies:

An Act to amend an Act of the sixth year of Her Majesty's present Reign, intituled, "An Act to regulate the Fisheries, the Offices attached to the Superior Courts of Law (Ireland) Bill in Ireland, payable out of the Consolidated Fund:

An Act to amend an Act of the sixth year of Her Majesty's present Majesty, intituled, "An Act to regulate the (Ireland) Bill, Irish Fisheries," and to empower the Constabulary Force to enforce certain Provisions respecting the Irish Fisheries.

And afterwards a Speech of the Lords Commissioners was delivered to both Houses by the Lord Chancellor, which is as followeth:

My Lords and Gentlemen,

We are commanded by Her Majesty, in relieving such taxes or duties, that have been levied or imposed, to express to you the warm acknowledgments of Her Majesty for the zeal and assiduity with which you have applied yourselves to the discharge of your public duties during a laborious and protracted Session.

The result has been the completion of many legislative measures calculated to improve the administration
Her Majesty has given Her cordial assent to the Bill which you presented to Her Majesty, for regulating the issue of Bank Notes, and for conferring certain Privileges upon the Bank of England for a limited period.

Her Majesty trusts that these measures will tend to place the pecuniary transactions of the Country upon a sounder basis, without imposing any inconvenient restrictions on commercial credit or enterprise.

We are directed to inform you, that Her Majesty continues to receive from Her Allies, and from all Foreign Powers, assurances of their friendly disposition.

Her Majesty has recently been engaged in discussions with the Government of the King of the French on events calculated to interrupt the good understanding and friendly relations between this Country and France; you will rejoice to learn that, by the spirit of justice and moderation which has animated the Two Governments, this danger has been happily averted.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,
We are commanded by Her Majesty to thank you for the readiness with which you voted the Supplies for the service of the year.

Her Majesty has observed with the utmost satisfaction, that by the course to which you have steadily adhered in maintaining inviolate the public faith, and inspiring a just confidence in the stability of the national resources, you have been enabled to make a considerable reduction in the annual charge on account of the Interest of the Public Debt.

My Lords and Gentlemen,
Her Majesty desires us to congratulate you on the improvement which has taken place in the condition of our manufactures and commerce, and on the prospect that, through the bounty of Divine Providence, we shall enjoy the blessing of an abundant harvest.

Her Majesty rejoices in the belief that on your return to your several districts you will find generally prevailing throughout the Country a spirit of loyalty and cheerful obedience to the Law.

Her Majesty is confident that these dispositions, so important to the peaceful development of our Resources and to our National Strength, will be confirmed and encouraged by your presence and example.

We are commanded by Her Majesty to assure you that, when you shall be called upon to resume the discharge of your Parliamentary functions, you may place entire reliance on the cordial co-operation of Her Majesty in your endeavours to improve the social condition and to promote the happiness and contentment of Her People.
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5 March:

That a Number of Land Forces, not exceeding 100,295 Men (exclusive of Men employed in India), be maintained for the Service of the United Kingdom, for 1844-45:

11 March:

1 April:
SUPPLY—continued.

ORDNANCE:

11 March:
- For Salaries of the Civil Establishments at the Tower, Pall Mall, Woolwich, Out Stations in the United Kingdom and Foreign Stations
- For the Corps of Royal Engineers and Sappers and Miners
- For the Royal Artillery, &c., Master Gunners, Field Train Department, the Medical Establishment, and the Royal Military Academy
- For Salaries to Barrack Masters, &c.
- For Ordnance Works and Repairs, &c.
- For Ordnance Surveys, Military and Civil Contingencies, &c.
- For Stores
- For Superannuations, Half Pay and Pensions
- For Commissariat Supplies

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MILITIA AND VOLUNTEERS:

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- For defraying the Charge of Volunteer Corps

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23 July:
- To defray the Charge of the Disembodied Militia

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MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES:

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- To defray the Charge of the British Museum

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2 April:
- For Expense of Works and Repairs of Public Buildings, Furniture, &c., for Public Departments, &c.
- For temporary Accommodation for the Houses of Parliament, &c.
- For Works at the New Houses of Parliament
- For Works and Improvements in Trafalgar Square

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- For Expenses of Holyhead Harbour and the Shrewsbury and Holyhead Roads
- On Account of Works at the Caledonian Canal
- For Expense of maintaining and repairing Public Buildings in Ireland, Inland Navigation, and other Services
- For Expense of Works and Repairs at the Harbour of Kingstown
- For Salaries and Expenses of the—
  - Houses of Parliament
  - Treasury
  - Home Department
  - Foreign ditto
  - Colonial ditto
  - Privy Council ditto
  - Lord Privy Seal
  - Paymaster-General's Office
  - Controller-General of the Exchequer, and Paymasters of Exchequer Bills and of Civil Services

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| 226. | - | Prince Edward's Island | 400 | - |
| 226. | - | Sable Island | 13,050 | - |
| 226. | - | Western Coast of Africa | 7,319 | - |
| 226. | - | Saint Helena, &c. | 7,376 | - |
| 226. | - | Western Australia | 4,884 | - |
| 226. | - | South Australia | 9,812 | - |
| 226. | - | Port Essington | 7,565 | - |
| 226. | - | Falkland Islands | 1,923 | - |
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**GRANTS:**

11 March:
For granting £8,000,000 out of the Consolidated Fund.

30 April:
For raising £18,407,300 by Exchequer Bills.

4 June:
For further continuing the Duties on Sugar, and for imposing certain Duties on Sugar the growth of China, Java or Manilla, &c.; also for authorizing Her Majesty to give effect to Treaties in relation to the Duties on Sugar.

25 July:
For granting £6,999,856. 10s. 3d. out of the Consolidated Fund.

For issuing and applying to the Service of 1844, £18,439, 9s. 9d., being the Surplus of Ways and Means granted for the Service of preceding years.

For applying to the Service of 1844 £500,000, a part of the Sum in the Exchequer, or remaining to be raised, to complete the Aids granted for 1842 and 1843.

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