
REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE

ON THE

NEW WESTMINSTER TAX SALE BILL.

The Committee on Private Bills and Standing Orders, report that the preamble of a Bill intituled "An Act to confirm certain Real Property Tax Sales under the New Westminster Municipal Council Act, 1860," has not been proved to their satisfaction, for that it is not expedient that doubts as to the titles of purchasers at sales of the lands for taxes should be determined by the Legislature, that being the proper function of the Supreme Court, where such questions would be judicially determined.

They feel further obliged to observe, that the proposed legislation is obviously unjust unless all the parties interested in the lands, including, perhaps, infants or others under disabilities and at a distance, have had sufficient notice of the proposed measure and opportunity of being heard against it, of which there is no proof, or even suggestion.

The interest of the original petitioners for the proposed measure is not apparent; and we cannot recommend this Bill for the consideration of the House.

J. F. McCREIGHT.

Saturday, 10th April, 1875.