of their birth, unable to obtain any employment, whilst the trade which is their natural inheritance, and money, which ought to enrich our country, is handed over to foreign competition; and praying that such alterations be made in the tariff as to the House may seem best suited to carry out the purposes of Petitioners.

Ordered,—That the said Petition do lie upon the table.

Placemen's Exclusion Bill read 2nd time.

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Bill for better securing the Independence of the House of Assembly of this Colony, was read a second time.

Ordered,—That the House do, on to-morrow, resolve itself into Committee of the Whole upon the said Bill.

Order for Committee on Ways and Means.

Ordered,—That the House do, on Thursday next, resolve itself into Committee of the Whole on Ways and Means, and that it stand first on the Order of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Shea, seconded by Mr. March,

Committee on Petition of H. Renouf, Captain Terra Nova Rifle Company. 'Resolved,—That a Scient Committee be appointed to enquire into the petition of Henry Renouf, Captain of the Terra Nova Rifle Corps.

Ordered,—That Mr. Parsons, Mr. Rendell, Mr. Shea, Mr. March, and the Solicitor General, do form the Committee.

Notice for Committee on Petition of Tradesmen and others, for alteration of Duties. Mr. Renour gave notice that on to-morrow he will move for the appointment of a Select Committee to inquire into the best means to carry out the objects contained in the Petition of the Tradesmen and others, of St. John's.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow at Three of the clock.

WEDNESDAY, February 12th, 1862.

Petition from C. Simms, Chief Clerk and Registrar, Supreme Court, in relation to Bill to amend Registration of Deeds Act. Mr. Kent presented a Petition from Charles Simms, Chief Clerk and Registrar of the Supreme and Central Circuit Courts, which was received and read, setting forth that the Bill now before the House to amend the