dence, where the Catholic youth will be prepared, by a commercial, scientific, and classical education, for any pursuit in life they may wish to adopt.

That it is the intention of your Pétitioner, in order that the facilities for Education may be extended, to commence immediately the erection of an Educational Institution, on a large scale, and capable of even future enlargement; the first cost of which, not counting the site or furniture, will be over £3,000. The building will be of stone, capable of accommodating 40 boarders and 700 day scholars.

That your Honorable House must be aware that such an Institution, furnished with everything requisite for educational purposes, library, museum, scientific apparatus, &c., and presided over by Professors of the highest character, will be of incalculable service to the rising generation of this now most important colony.

That your Petitioner is satisfied that his own means, and by the contributions of his congregation, many thousand pounds will be spent in this Institution, which will be for ages the centre of Catholic Education in Newfoundland.

That your Petitioner therefore prays that one-half of the grant of £3,000 voted for a General Academy, may be awarded to him, to assist him in the erection of the Collegiate Building: And as in duty bound your Petitioner will ever pray.

On Table.

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

Statement of Debentures under Act 19th Vic., Cap. 6.

The hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House Consolidated Debentures issued under the Act 19th Vic., Cap. 6.

(For which see Appendix.)

On Table.

On motion of Mr. Prowse, seconded by Mr. Hoyles,

Select Committee on Fire prevention in St. John's.

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into the best means of preventing the spread of fire in the Town of St. John's.

Ordered,—That Mr. Prowse, Mr. Hoyles, Mr. F. Carter, Mr. E. D. Shea, and the hon. Surveyor General do form such Committee.

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