

formity therewith, Messrs. Longworth, Laird, and Mr. Brecken.

Mr. Davies submitted the Appropriation Bill for the period of the year 1865. On motion, the House resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole thereon. Mr. McLennan in the chair.

The Chairman having read the Bill, it was reported agreed to.

The Bill relating to the Inspection of Pickled Fish, was read a second time. Also the Bill for the better advancement of Justice.

Hon. Mr. Longworth submitted the Report of a Committee appointed to enquire into the petition from certain inhabitants of Georgetown, asking for the erection of a Pound on the Public Square of that town, which Report, declining to adhere to the prayer of said petition, was received; read and agreed to.

On motion of the Hon. Solicitor General, the House went into Committee on the Bill relating to the Agricultural Society. Mr. Yeo in the chair.

On motion of the Hon. Solicitor General, the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the Royal Agricultural Society of St. Eustace, was submitted to a Committee of the House.

That Bill provided that the annual meeting of that Institution might be held on the first Tuesday in May next for the present year, because, through neglect or inadvertance, that meeting was not held in March last. The Bill also repeals a clause in the old Act, relating to the appointment of a class of Subscribers, called Governors; which clause was by that Bill abolished. The appointment of 5s. to constitute subscribers members of the Society, the President and Committee to be chosen by a majority of the members generally, at a meeting legally called for that purpose.

Another clause in the Act, relating to the mode of appointing the Secretary and Treasurer of that Society, was also abolished; that officer, in future, to be appointed by the President and Committee of the Society, instead of by the Lieutenant Governor and Council as heretofore. The Secretary should be the Officer of the Colonial Secretary, a full and correct statement of the revenues and affairs of the Society; such accounts to be annexed to the same as the Public Accounts of the Colony.

At some remarks from several hon. members on the necessity of rendering more efficient the Agricultural Society, the object of which was the promotion of the best interests of the Island, the Bill was reported agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Yeo, the House went into Committee on the Report of the Special Committee on Public Accounts. Mr. Sinclair in the chair.

After some time spent in Committee thereon, the said Report was agreed to without any amendment.

The following hon. members were then appointed a Committee to Report on the Contingent Expenses of the House, viz Messrs. Whelan, Yeo and McLennan.

Hon. Mr. Hensley, Chairman of a Committee appointed last Session to report on the propriety of opening a new road through the farm of Alexander Hadden, of East River, submitted their Report, recommending the opening of said road. said Report was then adopted, and a Committee appointed to prepare an address to His Excellency on the subject.

Hon. Leader of the Government read a letter from W. A. Lockerby, of that town, proposing to heat certain portions of the Colonial Building, and also hot air principle, in operation in the Lunatic Asylum, and in some of the stores and private residences of the City; which

letter was accompanied by the recommendations of the Hon. Messrs. Gray and Coles.

A short discussion on the subject then took place, during which the principle was generally approved.

The adjourned debate on the Union of the Colonies was then resumed and concluded.

SATURDAY, April 1.

The Bill to amend the law relating to the Agricultural Society was read a third time and passed.

Hon. Mr. Hensley submitted an address to His Excellency on the subject of the Report agreed to by the House, relating to a new Road through the farm of Alexander Hadden, of East River, and asking His Excellency's approval of said Report.

Mr. Brecken presented the customary address to His Excellency, expressive of the thanks of the House for the various Despatches and Correspondence transmitted by him during the Session.

Said address was adopted.

Mr. McLennan, Chairman of the Committee on the petition of Divers Merchants, Shipbuilders, and others, praying for the appointment of a Surveyor of Shipping for Prince County, submitted the Report of said Committee; which stated that the remedy for the grievance complained of rested with the Executive Council.

On motion of Mr. Brecken, the House in Committee resumed the consideration of the petition of the Citizens of Charlotte town and Cannon, asking for a part of Government House Farm to be set apart for a Parade Ground and Park.

After a short debate on the subject of the petition, it was considered too far advanced in the Session to take any further action thereon for the present. It was, therefore, resolved that it was inexpedient, at that late period of the Session, to proceed further with the said petition.

Hon. J. C. Pope, Chairman of the Committee appointed to prepare an address to Her Majesty the Queen, on the subject of the Resolutions passed by the House relating to Colonial Confederation, submitted a Draft Address, which was received and read.

Hon. Colonial Secretary said he would only remark that he was prepared to record his vote against that address.

Hon. Mr. Whelan then moved an amendment that said address be agreed to that day three months.

For the amendment—Hon. Messrs. Whelan, Colonial Secretary, Solicitor General and Mr. Green—4.

Against it—Hon. Messrs. J. C. Pope, Hensley, Longworth, Rive, Laird, Beaton, Messrs. Haslam, Brecken, Duncan, Yeo, Howat, Ramsay, Montgomery—13.

The address was accordingly carried.

After the transaction of some further routine business the House adjourned.

Monday, April 3.

His Honor the Speaker communicated to the House a letter from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor of his intention to prorogue the Legislature at 4 o'clock this day.

Hon. Leader of the Government reported, from the joint Committee, the address to Her Majesty the Queen, on the subject of the Confederation of the British North American Provinces, which address was agreed to.

Hon. Colonial Secretary reported, from the joint Committee, the address to Her Majesty the Queen, relating to the payment of the salary of the Lieutenant Governor of this Colony, which was also agreed to.