

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary presented to the House a Report of Commissioners appointed by the Executive Government, for the purpose of inspecting the harbour of Tatamagouche, in the Province of Nova Scotia, with a view of ascertaining the most eligible and convenient line for the transmission of Her Majesty's Mails to Halifax.

See Appendix (J.)

*Ordered*, That the said Report do lie on the Table.

The Hon. the Colonial Treasurer, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in Bills pursuant to the Resolutions reported from the Committee of the whole House on the consideration of the report of the Special Committee on expiring Laws,—presented to the House a Bill to continue and amend the Free Education Law; and the same was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time on Monday next.

*Ordered*, That the Hon. the Colonial Secretary have leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the better internal government of this Island, by the establishment of local or Municipal authorities therein.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

The following Petitions were presented to the House, and the same were severally received and read, viz :—

By Mr. Perry.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of Townships 17, 16 and 15.

By Mr. Clark.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of Township 17.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Township 15 and its vicinity.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Townships 17 and 15.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Townships 15 and 17,—all praying aid to improve their road communications.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Townships 15 and 16, praying a grant to complete the Bridge over Haldimand River.

By the Hon. Mr. Wightman.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of Township 63.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of the Back Settlement, Township 52,—both praying aid to improve their road communications.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Townships 59, 61, 63 and others, praying a grant to build a Bridge over the Stream below Aitken's Mill-dam, and to make a Road therefrom to the present Road, so as to avoid the present dangerous route over the said Mill-dam.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Lower Montague and adjoining Settlements, praying a grant in aid of individual subscription towards erecting a Wharf at Cameron's Shore.

A Petition of Leverett Bishop, praying compensation for loss sustained by a Road-running through his farm to the Bridge at Burnt Point, Murray Harbour.

A Petition of Thomas Henderson, praying for payment of a balance due on his contract for building a Block and Bridge at Mink River Basin, on Township 63.

By Mr. Muirhead.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of Township 25.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Township 19.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Township 19.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Townships 25 and 19, and their vicinity,—all praying aid to improve their road communications.

A Petition of divers inhabitants of Wilmot Creek Settlement and its vicinity, praying a grant to repair a Bridge.

A Petition of Thomas Hammil and Patrick Greehan, praying payment for extra work performed on a public road in the year 1855.

By the Hon. Mr. Whelan.—A Petition of divers inhabitants of Township 39, praying a grant to repair a Road and build a Bridge thereon.

A Petition of divers inhabitants south side of Grand River, Townships 54, 55, and others, praying a grant for the erection of a Wharf at the south side of Grand River.