

Mr. Fisher, by leave, presented a Petition from James Gilchrist, praying to be remunerated for teaching a School for the period of six months in the year 1838, at the Lake George Settlement, in the Parish of Prince William and County of York, the said School being for the benefit of the coloured children in that Settlement; which he read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be received, and referred to the Select Committee for taking such Petitions under consideration, to report thereon.

Mr. Barberie moved for leave to bring in a Bill, to divide the County of Restigouche into five Towns or Parishes, and to define the boundaries thereof.

Leave granted.

The said Bill being brought in, was read a first time.

Mr. Wilson, by leave, presented a Petition from Christopher Milner, deputy Postmaster at Dorchester, in the County of Westmorland, praying compensation in consequence of the increased and arduous duties of his office; which he read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be received, and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Speaker laid before the House, various returns from Banks and other Incorporated Companies, made up during the past year, and furnished under the terms of their several Acts of Incorporation, viz:—

Bank of New Brunswick—for the periods ending in July 1838 and January 1839;

Central Bank—for periods ending March, June and December, 1838;

City Bank, Saint John—for periods ending April and November 1838;

New Brunswick Marine Assurance Company—for periods ending April 1838 and January 1839.

[See Appendix.]

On motion of Mr. Woodward,

Resolved, That the Petition of Richard M'Gee, and others, presented to this House on the 16th instant, praying to be allowed to withdraw the Petition presented at the last Session, charging William FitzWilliam Owen, Esquire, with bribery and corruption at the election for the County of Charlotte, and to present an amended Petition, be complied with, so far as to allow the said Petition of the last Session to be withdrawn.

Mr. Partelow, from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, in answer to his Speech at the opening of the Session, reported a draft thereof, which he read, and then submitted the same.

It being handed in at the Clerk's Table, was there again read; and thereupon

Ordered, To be accepted; and

On motion of Mr. Partelow,

The House went into Committee of the whole, on said draft Address.

Mr. Weldon in the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Address referred to them, and agreed to the same without making any amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be accepted; and

On motion of Mr. Partelow,

Resolved, unanimously, That the Address be engrossed, signed by the Speaker, and presented to His Excellency by the whole House; and further

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency to know when he will be pleased to receive the House therewith.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Johnston, Mr. Weldon and Mr. H. T. Partelow, be the Committee for that purpose.

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Friday, 18th January, 1839.

Prayers.

Read a second time,

A Bill for the incorporation of the Saint John Chamber of Commerce: and

A Bill to divide the County of Restigouche into five Towns or Parishes, and to define the boundaries thereof. Mr.