

13th February, 1857.

THIRD SESSION, SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY, 20th VICTORIA.

FRIDAY, 13th FEBRUARY, 1857.

House meets.

The House met pursuant to adjournment.

PRESENT :

Members present.

The Honorable **LAURENCE O'BRIEN, President.**
 “ **JAMES J. ROGERSON**
 “ **SAMUEL CARSON**
 “ **JOHN ROCHFORD**
 “ **THOMAS H. RIDLEY**
 “ **JAMES CORMACK**
 “ **PHILIP DUGGAN**
 “ **JAMES TOBIN**
 “ **THOMAS ROW**

The Minutes of Wednesday last, were read.

Convention with
France—
Committed—

Pursuant to the order of the day, the House went into Committee on the subject of the Convention with France, dated at London, 14th January, 1857—

The Honorable Mr. CARSON in the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

Committee deliver in a
report thereon—

The Chairman reported, that they had examined the various clauses of the Convention, and agreed to a Report, which was read by the Clerk, and is as follows :—

*Report of the Committee of the Whole House on
the Convention with the French, of the 14th
January, 1857.*

Report.

Resolved—That this Committee have given to the Message of His Excellency, and to the Despatch of the Secretary of State, and the Convention between England and France transmitted therewith, that dispassionate and earnest consideration which the weighty matters therein contained required.

It will tend to a better understanding of the effects of this Convention, if a summary review be taken of the present extent of French privileges as regards the Newfoundland Fisheries.