

The House then proceeded to the end of the seventh paragraph, and which was also adopted; when

It was moved—That the House do now adjourn.
And upon the question, it was decided in the negative.

The eighth paragraph was then before the House, and which relates to—The Rail Road from the Gulf of Saint Lawrence to Saint John; when

Mr. Smith moved as an amendment thereto—To expunge the whole thereof, and substitute as follows:—

“ We regret to learn that the Rail Road from the Gulf of Saint Lawrence to Saint John has not progressed as we were led to anticipate, but we are gratified at the confidence expressed by Your Excellency in the integrity and resources of the Contractors for the construction of that great and important work.”

And the question being taken upon the said proposed amendment, it was decided in the negative; when

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Partelow,
Ordered, That the further Debate upon the Address be adjourned over until Monday next, and that the House do then resume the same.

The House adjourned until Monday morning next at 10 o'clock.

Monday, 13th February, 1854.

Prayers.

Read a second time the following Bills, viz:—

A Bill to vest all Mines and Minerals in the owner of the Soil:

A Bill to extend the Gaol Limits of the County of Northumberland:

A Bill to extend the Charter of the Arestook Boom Company:

A Bill to incorporate the South West Boom Company:

A Bill to relieve the Engine Men of the Chatham Fire Engines, in the County of Northumberland, from certain Taxes and from Parish Offices, and to afford immunities and exemptions to them in certain cases:

A Bill to revive an Act in addition to an Act intituled “ An Act to enable the Justices of the Peace for the several Counties in this Province for the time being, to receive for public uses Grants of Land lying in their respective Counties, and to regulate the Commons belonging to the several Townships or Parishes within the same:” and

A Bill in addition to an Act to consolidate the Laws relating to Buoys and Beacons.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Partelow,

Ordered, That Mr. M'Phelim be added to the Committee appointed to take into consideration all matters which may affect the Trade of the Province; and

On like motion of the Honorable Mr. Partelow,

Ordered, That Mr. M'Phelim and Mr. Porter be added to the Committee for taking into consideration the subject of the Lumbering Interests of the Province.

Mr. Hatheway, by leave, presented a Petition from William Sheals, of the Parish of Saint Mary, in the County of York, praying to be remunerated for labour performed on the Great Road leading from Fredericton to Miramichi; which he read.

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

Mr. Harding moved for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the opening of a Street from Church Street to Princess Street, in the City of Saint John.

Leave granted.

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

Mr. Harding moved for leave to bring in a Bill relating to the Public Debt of the City of Saint John.

Leave granted.

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

Mr.