

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this Committee, that all Crown Lands in the Province of Newfoundland should be sold by public auction at a minimum up-set price.

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this Committee that the inhabited and settled parts of the Island should be divided into townships or agricultural districts, each district to have a Board of Commissioners for the surveying & disposal of waste lands, the whole to be under one general board of Superintendence or Controul.

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this committee that the lands situated bordering on the coast near the fishing Harbors and Towns, claim the first and immediate attention of the Government.

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this committee that the lands so situated on the sea board and at a distance of miles from the margin of the sea, should be divided into small and convenient lots for the benefit of the seamen engaged in the fishery, which will conduce to the support, and be the best auxiliary to the fishery.

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this committee that an adequate portion of ground should be allocated in each agricultural township or district for the support and maintenance of public schools, and for all other public purposes necessary for the well-being, health and comfort of each respective community.

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this committee that the proceeds of the sale of Land should be exclusively applied to the making of Roads and all other means of internal communication, as well as for the encouragement of agricultural settlers in the respective districts.

And the said Resolutions having been read throughout, were, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Ordered,—That Mr. Morris, Mr. Nugent, Mr. Kent, Mr. Winsor, and the Solicitor General do form the said committee.

Committee.

On motion of Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Kent,

Resolved,—That the correspondence between his Excellency the Governor and her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of Crown Lands in this Island, be printed for the use of the Members.

Then the house adjourned until Monday next at one of the clock.

MONDAY, January 20, 1840.

A Petition of George Hipplesley, Assayer of Weights and Measures for the district of Harbor Grace, was presented by Mr. Brown, (who stated in his place that his Excellency the Governor had given his consent to the same being presented,) and the said Petition was received and read,

Petition of G. Hipplesley

Praying for remuneration for his services in the said office of Assayer of Weights and Measures for the last three years.

On motion of Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Power,

Ordered,—That the said Petition be referred to the committee of Supply.

Referred to committee of supply.