

and for the reason why the Tender of Thomas Connors, for Schooner *Alert*, was not accepted.

Also, to ask the Chairman of the Board of Works, for copies of Printed Rules and Regulations for the management of the Lunatic Asylum, Saint John's Hospital, Poor House, and Penitentiary, with the Dietary Scale of each Institution.

Also to move the appointment of a Select Committee, to investigate the expenditure of 1863 and 1864, under the General Water Company, with a view to a retrenchment of the general expenses which form such an undue part of the assessment.

The HON. COLONIAL SECRETARY presented a Petition from William R. White and others, of Harbor Breton, which was received and read, praying for a grant to repair and extend the roads there.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the table.

He also presented a Petition from James Ridout and others, of Pass Island, Hermitage Bay, which was received and read, praying for a grant to erect a Breakwater there.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

Mr. NOWLAN presented Petitions from Patrick Brien and others, of Broad Cove, Thomas Keane and others, of Colliers, and from James Keefe and others, of Cat's Cove, which were severally received and read, praying for grants to complete roads in these localities.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petitions do lie upon the Table.

Mr. KAVANAGH presented a Petition from Michael Connors and others, of Logy Bay, which was received and read, praying for a grant to blast a rock in the neighbourhood of his fishing room there.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the table.

Pursuant to order of the day, the Bill to provide for the erection of the Bridges on the main line of Road from St. John's to Placentia, as engrossed, was read a third time.

*Ordered*,—That the Bill do pass, and be entitled "An Act to provide for the erection of Bridges across Rocky River and Colinet River, on the main line of road from St. John's to Placentia.

*Ordered*,—That Mr. BARRON and Mr. EVANS do take the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

*(A Message from the Legislative Council.)*

The Master in Chancery to the Legislative Council brought down the following message:—