

adjustment without altogether dissociating the Policy of the Colonial from that of the Imperial Government. I may avow this sentiment, I trust, without incurring doubt as to the spirit in which it is conceived, when I acquaint you that my personal connection with the administration of the affairs of Newfoundland is rapidly approaching its termination, Her Majesty having been pleased to nominate Sir Alexander Bannerman, now Governor of the Bahamas, to the Government of this Colony, and it being at the same time Her Majesty's gracious intention to appoint me to the Office of Governor of Her Island of Jamaica.

Petition from Burin for compensation for losses by gale.

Mr. BENNING presented a Petition from H. A. Gathercole and others, of Burin, which was received and read, setting forth,—The disastrous results to the fishermen of that locality from the gale of 2nd July last; and praying that the House would take their case into consideration :

Petition from Burin for Bill to regulate Fishing Servants.

He also presented a Petition from Richard Falle and others, of Burin, which was received and read,—Praying that the House will adopt measures for the punishment of servants deserting their masters during the currency of their agreements.

On Table.

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

Petition from Jane Keith.

Mr. ELLIS presented a Petition from Jane Keith, which was received and read,—Praying that her husband may be restored to the situation of Constable, from which he has lately been discharged.

On Table.

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

Petition from Bonavista for a bridge.

Mr. WARREN presented a Petition from Michael Murphy and others, of Bonavista West, which was received and read,—Praying for a grant to build a bridge over the brook leading to Southward Bay.

On Table.

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

Petition from Conception Bay for Light-house on Baccalieu.

Mr. HAYWARD presented a Petition from Wm. Donnelly and others, of Conception Bay, which was received and read,—Praying that the House would adopt measures for erecting a Light-house on Baccalieu as soon as possible.

On Table.

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

Education Bill and Baccalieu Light-house Bill read 1st time.

The hon. SURVEYOR GENERAL, pursuant to notice and leave granted, presented a Bill for the encouragement of Education; and a Bill to provide for the erection of a Light-house at Baccalieu; which were severally read a first time.