

same was received and read, praying for the opening of a road; and thereupon

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed, to whom shall be referred every petition praying for the opening of new lines of roads, to examine the same and report thereon.

Ordered, That *Mr. Macneill*, *Mr. Howat*, the Hon. *Mr. Thornton*, *Mr. Sinclair*, and *Mr. Montgomery* do compose the said Committee.

Ordered, That the last preceding petition be referred to the said Committee.

Mr. Beer, in his place, presented to the House the annual return of paupers and lunatics, together with the annual abstract account of expenditure and receipts at the Lunatic Asylum.

See Appendix [B.]

The Order of the day, for the House in Committee on the consideration of the report of the Special Committee appointed to in-

vestigate the cause of the delay in publishing the Journals of this House, for the past Session, being read, —

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

Mr. Owen took the Chair of the Committee; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Ordered, That the Hon. *Mr. Haviland* have leave to introduce a Bill to separate the offices of Clerk of the Executive and Legislative Councils of this Island, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned until to-morrow, at Ten o'clock.

THURSDAY, February 23, 1860.

PRAYERS.

TWO petitions were presented to the House, and the same were severally received and read, viz :

By the Hon. *Mr. Yeo*, — A petition of *James Ellis* and others, praying for a grant to continue a road and build a bridge on Township No. 12.

By *Mr. Knight*, — A petition of divers inhabitants of *Chepstow Back Settlement*, called *Mill River*, and its vicinity, praying for a grant to complete a road.

Ordered, That the said petitions do lie on the table.

A petition of *Alexander Matheson* and others, *Dundas Settlement*, was presented to the House by *Mr. Owen*, and the same was received, and read, praying for a grant to open a road.

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Ordered, That the said petition be referred to the Committee appointed to report on every petition praying for the opening of new lines of roads, to examine the same and report thereon.

Ordered, That *Mr. Macneill* have leave to introduce a Bill to require that all accounts rendered to the Government shall be so rendered and kept in dollars and cents.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Hon. *Mr. Haviland* have leave to introduce a Bill for the better apprehension of certain offenders.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Saturday next.