

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, delivered to the House the following Message :

D. DALY, Lieutenant Governor.

The Lieutenant Governor is desirous that the House of Assembly, at its rising to-day, should adjourn until Thursday the twelfth day of March instant.

Government House, 5th March, 1857.

Ordered, That this House, at its rising to-day, will adjourn until Thursday the twelfth day of March instant.

The Hon. the Colonial Treasurer, in his place, presented to the House the following papers, viz :

The Treasurer's Accounts with the Government for the year ended 31st January, 1857.

Treasurer's Small Disbursement's Account for the year ended 31st January, 1857.

Return of Land Assessment received under Acts 11 Vic., cap. 7, and 15 Vic., cap. 13, for the year ended 31st January, 1857.

Abstract of Land Assessment received under the same Acts for the same period.

Abstract of amounts received and paid on account of Public Lands, 31st January, 1857.

Debentures issued under Act 16 Vic., cap. 18.

List of Bonds in the Treasury on the 31st January, 1857.

See Appendix (D.)

Ordered, That the foregoing Accounts be referred to the Special Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts, to examine the same and report thereon.

Mr. Clark, in his place, presented to the House the Impost and Light Duty Accounts for the Port of Charlottetown and the various Outports of Prince Edward Island, for the year ended 31st December, 1856.

Ordered, That the said Accounts be referred to the Special Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

Mr. H. Haviland, from the Committee appointed to prepare and bring in Bills pursuant to the Resolutions reported from the Committee of the whole House on the consideration of the

report of the Special Committee on expiring Laws, presented to the House a Bill, as prepared by the Committee, to continue and amend the Princetown Royalty Church Incorporation Act, and to repeal a certain Act therein mentioned ; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time on Friday next.

Mr. Yeo moved that two Members be added to the Special Committee appointed to examine and report on the Public Accounts.

The House divided on the question :—

YEAS :

Mr. Yeo,	Mr. Dingwell,
Mr. H. Haviland,	Hon. Mr. Haviland,
Mr. Laird,	Hon. Mr. Longworth,
Mr. Macintosh,	Hon. Mr. Montgomery.

NAYS :

Hon. Col. Treasurer,	Mr. Munro,
Hon. Col. Secretary,	Mr. Cooper,
Hon. Mr. Whelan,	Mr. Muirhead,
Hon. Mr. Mooney,	Mr. Macdonald,
Hon. Mr. Wightman,	Mr. Clark.

So it passed in the negative.

A Petition of Hugh Logan, Jailer, Georgetown, was presented to the House by Mr. Macdonald, and the same was received and read, praying remuneration for his services in removing firewood into the jail-yard, and for the services of his family in washing the prisoners' rooms.

Ordered, That the said Petition do lie on the Table.

Ordered, That the Hon. the Colonial Secretary have leave to introduce a Bill for raising Moneys to be applied to the purchase of Lands, under the Act sixteenth Victoria, chapter eighteen, intitled "An Act for the purchase of Lands on behalf of the Government of Prince Edward Island, and to regulate the sale and management thereof, 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 on Thursday next.

Then the House adjourned until Thursday next, at ten o'clock.