

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

He also presented a Petition from Nicholas Nicole, Postmaster of Carbonear, which was received and read, praying for an increase of salary.

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

(Documents from His Excellency the Governor.)

The Hon. COLONIAL SECRETARY, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House the following Documents;—

Statement of the affairs of the General Water Company, for the year 1864.

Report of T. S. Dwyer, Esq., as Inspector of Weights and Measures of St. John's.

(For which, see Appendix.)

Ordered,—That the said documents do lie upon the Table.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into Committee of the whole, upon the further consideration of the Confederation of the British North American Colonies.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. KNIGHT took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made further progress in the business to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again, on the further consideration thereof.

Ordered,—That the Committee stand first on the order of the day for to-morrow.

Then the House adjourned till to-morrow, at three of the clock.

Thursday, 23rd February, 1865.

At half-past 3 o'clock, there being only two Members present, the SOLICITOR GENERAL and Mr. RORKE, Mr. SPEAKER adjourned the House for want of a quorum.