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

On Table.

He also presented a Petition from Walter Ford, of Burgeo, which was Petition from Walter Ford. received and read,—Praying that a balance of Ten Pounds, due him since 1853, for making a road in that District, may be paid him.

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

On Table.

Mr. E. D. Shea presented Petitions from James Murphy and others, of Cape Broyle, Robert Brennan and others, of Fermeuse, Thomas Carew and others, of Shore Cove, Cape Broyle, and Richard Cashin and others, of Admiral's Cove, Cape Broyle, which were severally received and read,— Praying for grants to repair and open roads in those localities.

Road Petitions from

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

On Table.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that he had received a communica- Letter from Official Retion from the Official Reporters of the House; which he read to the House as follows:

porters to the Assembly.

House of Assembly, Thursday, 25th February, 1857.

To the

Hon. the Speaker of the House of Assembly.

SIR,-

On Monday last, the hon. member for Harbor Maine, Mr. Talbot, in his place in the House, asserted, in substance, that during the last Session, upon making a complaint to one of the Reporters that some observations of his had not been reported, he had been told by the Reporter in reply,—that he could not publish any remarks made in the House, unless first submitted to, and sanctioned by, certain members of the House: We, the Official Reporters of the House of Assembly, beg respectfully to contradict the statement of the hon. gentleman, and to declare that no such conversation occurred between him and either of us.

We have the honor to be,

Your most obedient Servants.

EDWARD MORRIS, ARCHIBALD EMERSON.