The Honorable Mr. Davidson took the Chair.

After some time the House resumed.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Bill, had made some progress therein, and asked leave to sit again. Ordered, That the Report be received and leave granted.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor was delivered by the Honorable Mr. Mitchell, a Member of Her Majesty's Executive Council.

The Honorable Mr. Saunders read the same; and it was again read by the Clerk, as follows:—

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Message to the Legislative Council.—23rd February, 1863.

ARTHUR H. GORDON.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor lays before the Legislative Council Copies of the Correspondence relative to the negotiations for the completion of the Inter-Colonial Railway.

A. H. G.

See Appendix. ..

The Honorable Mr. Steeves, a Member of Her Majesty's Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, laid before the House—The Report of the Auditor General on the Public Accounts for 1862.

See Appendix.

The Honorable Mr. Mitchell, a Member of Her Majesty's Executive Council, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, laid before the House, the following Reports, viz:—

The Report of the Postmaster General; and The Report of the Railway Commissioners.

See Appendix.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by the Honorable the Solicitor General, with a Bill to amend an Act intituled "An Act to provide for the drainage and protection of the Great Marsh is the City of Saint John, and the Parishes of Portland and Simonds in the City and County of Saint John, and the maintenance of an Aboideau across the Marsh Creek near the City of Saint John;" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Boyd, with a Bill to repeal an Act intituled "An Act for the more effectually repairing the Streets and Bridges in the Town of Saint Andrews;" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

A Message was brought from the Assembly by Mr. Lindsay, with a Bill to amend an Act intituled "An Act to amend the Revised Statutes, Cap. 53, 'Of Rates and Taxes;'" to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

The said Bill was read a first time.

ORDERED, That the said Bill be read a second time to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Seely, by leave, presented a Petition from James Grover and others, for Act of Assembly to pass to require the Commissioners