

Mr. Woodward, by leave, presented a Petition from Barnes Travis and others, Merchants and Shipowners, interested in the navigation of the River Saint John, praying a grant may pass in aid of individual subscription towards the improving the navigation of the Falls at the entrance of the River, by erecting a Wharf at Blind Island ; which he read.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. End gave notice that in the course of the next Session he should bring the state of the Poor Laws of this Province under the consideration of the House, with a view to their alteration, or total abolition.

Mr. Partelow from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor in answer to His Speech at the opening of this Session, reported a Draft thereof which he read, and submitted the same.

It being again read at the Clerk's Table was ordered to be accepted.

Mr. Street from the Committee appointed to attend the Commissioner with Mr. Rankin and see him qualified, Reported, that they had attended thereto, and that Mr. Rankin had taken the Oaths prescribed by Law ; whereupon

Mr. Rankin took his seat.

On motion of Mr. Partelow,

The House went into Committee of the whole, on the Draft Address to His Excellency in answer to His Speech at the opening of the Session, reported by the Select Committee.

Mr. Palmer in the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that they had gone into consideration of the Draft Address referred to them and agreed to the same, without making any amendment thereto ; and

On motion of Mr. Partelow,

*Resolved*, Unanimously, that the Address be engrossed, signed by the Speaker and presented to His Excellency by the whole House ; and further

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency to know when he will be pleased to receive the House with their Address.

*Ordered*, That Mr. Partelow, Mr. Slason and Mr. Burns, be a Committee for that purpose.

Mr. Street, pursuant to leave, brought in a Bill to provide for the payment of the expences of the Speaker and Members of the House of Assembly, which was read a first time.

Mr. End submitted certain Resolutions on the subject of Quit Rents in the Province, and gave notice, that he should bring the subject under consideration of the House to-morrow.

The Resolutions as submitted by Mr. End were then laid on the Table for the information of the House.

On motion of Mr. End,

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day.

The Order of the Day being read,

The House accordingly resolved itself into Committee of the whole, in consideration of Supplies to be granted for the Public Service.

Mr. Hayward in the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee having the business referred to them under consideration, in the Committee the following Resolution was moved :—

*Resolved*, In the opinion of this Committee, that the Resolutions of Appropriation which passed the House by Bill at the last Session of the Legislature ; should be adopted without alteration ; and that no further matter be considered by this Committee, except making the usual Provision for the expences and travelling charges of the