

ticles, and to establish the Standard Weight of Grain and Pulse," which was read a first time.

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

The Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL, pursuant to notice, and on leave granted, presented a Bill to Amend the Acts for the Encouragement of Education in this Colony, which was read a first time.

On Motion of the Hon. ATTORNEY GENERAL, seconded by the Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL,

Resolved,—That the following Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor.

*To His Excellency ANTHONY MUSGRAVE, Esquire,
Governor and Commander-in Chief, in and over
the Island of Newfoundland and its Depend-
encies, &c., &c.*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

The House of Assembly, having had under their consideration the general decrease of late years in the produce of the Salmon Fisheries of this Colony, and the causes to which that decrease may be attributed, are of opinion that it would be very desirable, with the object of protecting this valuable fishery, that the laws for its regulation should be rigidly enforced by means of a small Marine Police, the expense of which should be defrayed by a small rent to be imposed upon the Salmon rivers in Newfoundland and the Labrador; and with a view to their obtaining such information as may enable them to legislate to advantage upon this subject, they respectfully request that your Excellency will be pleased to direct a return to be laid before them of the number and situation of the Salmon rivers on the Coasts of Newfoundland and Labrador, of the names of the parties by whom they are respectively fished, of the titles by which the occupants hold, and of the average annual produce of each river for a series of five years past.

Ordered,—That the address be engrossed, and presented to his Excellency the Governor by such members of this House as are of the Hon. Executive Council.

On motion of Mr. RENOUF, seconded by Mr. WYATT,

Resolved,—That a Select Committee be appointed to investigate the Expenditure under the General Water Company, for the years 1863 and 1864, with a view to a retrenchment of the general expenses which form such an undue part of the assessment.

Ordered,—That Mr. RENOUF, Mr. KENT, Mr. MOORE, Mr. EVANS, Mr. RORKE, Mr. WYATT and Mr. LEAMON do form the Committee.

On motion of Mr. CASEY, seconded by Mr. RENOUF,

Resolved,—That the following Addresses be presented to His Excellency the Governor,