House in committee on Bill for granting to her Majesty certain duties on goods, &c. Agreeably to the order of the day, the House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House on the consideration of the Bill for granting to her Majesty certain duties on goods, wares and merchandize imported into this Colony.

Mr. Speaker left the chair.

Mr. Winser took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair.

Report.

The chairman reported from the committee that they had made some progress in the business to them referred, and had come to a resolution thereon which they had directed him to report to the House, and he read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Clerk's table, where it was again read as follows:

Resolved,—That an address be presented to his Excellency the Governor praying that his Excellency will cause to be laid before this House a return of the amount of Revenue received by the Sub-Collector of the Constoms from La Poille Bay since his appointment, and also a return of the amount of imports into Greenspond, with the duties collected thereon for the last five years.

Resolution read and agreed to.

And the said Resolution having been read throughout was, upon the question put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Moved by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Kent,

Resolution for committee to prepare address to his Excellency. Resolved,—That a committee be appointed to prepare the said address.

Committee.

Ordered,—That Mr. Brown, Mr. Kent, and Mr. Winser, do form such committee.

Report of committee appointed to draft address to his Excellency.

Mr. Brown, from the said committee, reported that they had prepared the draft of an address in pursuance of the said Resolution, which he delivered in at the Clerk's table, where the same was read as follows;

Address read.

To his Excellency Henry Prescott, Esquire, Companion of the Most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in and over the Island of Newfoundland and its Dependencies, &c, &c. &c.

May it please Your Excellency,

The House of Assembly respectfully request that your Excellency will cause to be laid before this House a return of the amount of Revenue received by the sub-Collector of the Customs from La Poille Bay since his appointment to that station, and also a return of the amount of Imports into Greenspond, with the duties collected thereon for the last five years.

Ordered,-That the said address be adopted and engrossed.