

A petition of James Loftus, late of Guysborough, but now of Shubenacadie, in the county of Hants, was presented by Mr. Marshall, and read, praying a grant of a sum of money withheld from him by the school commissioners of county of Guysborough.

Petition of Jas. Loftus

*Ordered*, That the petition be referred to the committee on education.

Referred to education committee.

A petition of Edward Albro and Joseph Wier, of the city of Halifax, merchants, was presented by Mr. Wier, and read, praying a return of duties paid by them on nail cutting machinery imported from the United States of America.

Petition of E. Albro and co.

*Ordered*, That the petition be referred to the committee on trade and manufactures.

Referred to committee on trade.

A petition of Ann Connor, of the city of Halifax, widow, was presented by Mr. Wier, and read, praying compensation for certain portions of her land at Dartmouth, through which roads have been opened by the commissioners of highways.

Petition of Ann Connor,

*Ordered*, That the petition be referred to Mr. Archibald, Mr. John Munro, Mr. Cowie, the hon. Mr. Henry, and Mr. Chipman, to examine and report upon, and who are also to report on the general subject of laying out roads.

Referred to select committee.

Mr. L. M. Wilkins, pursuant to leave given, presented a bill to amend chapter 49 of the revised statutes, "of fences, fence viewers, and impounders of cattle"—and the same was read a first time.

Chapter 49 of revised statute amend. bill.

*Ordered*, That the bill be referred to Mr. L. M. Wilkins, Mr. Fulton, and Mr. Thorne, to examine and report upon, with amendments or otherwise, and that such committee also report on the general subject.

Referred to select committee.

A petition of Samuel Balcom, and others, trustees of the Paradise grammar school, was presented by Mr. Thorne, and read, praying payment to the master of that school of the half yearly allowance stated to be withheld by the commissioners of schools for the county of Annapolis.

Petition of Saml. Balcom and others,

*Ordered*, That the petition be referred to the committee on education.

A petition of Stephen S. Thorne, and others, trustees of the grammar school in Bridgetown, in the county of Annapolis, was presented by Mr. Thorne, and read, praying to be allowed to draw from the treasury and pay to Mr. William Shipley the amount allotted to the grammar school at Bridgetown, under the circumstances detailed in the petition.

Petition of S. S. Thorne and others,

*Ordered*, That the petition be referred to the committee on education.

Referred to education committee.

A petition of the overseers of the poor for the district of Liverpool, was presented by Mr. John Campbell, and read, praying repayment of expenses incurred in support of transient paupers.

Petition of overseers for district of Liverpool,

*Ordered*, That the petition be referred to the committee on transient pauper expenses.

Referred to committee on transient paupers.

A petition of James Park, and others, of Liverpool, was presented by Mr. John Campbell, and read, praying for an act of incorporation for a steam boat company.

Petition of Jas. Park and others.

*Ordered*, That the petition do lie on the table, and that leave be given to introduce a bill in accordance therewith.

Leave for bill.

A petition of Alexander McDonald and James Wilson, junior, of the city of Halifax, traders, was presented by Mr. Wier, and read, praying to be relieved from certain judgments entered up against them at the suit of the crown as sureties on bonds for duties.

Petition of Alexander McDonald and James Wilson, Junr.,

*Ordered*, That the petition be referred to the committee on trade and manufactures.

Referred to committee on trade.

A petition of John Steele, and others, of Boisdale, in the county of Cape Breton, was presented by the hon. Mr. McLeod, and read, praying for the establishment of a way office at that place.

Petition of Jno. Steele and others,

*Ordered*, That the petition be referred to the committee on post office affairs.

Referred to post office committee.

The hon. Mr. Johnston, pursuant to leave given, presented a bill for the municipal government of counties—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Municipal incorporation bill.