

**MONDAY, 24th January, 1848.**

**PRESENT :**

**THE HON.**

*Mr. Black, President.*

*Mr. Shore,  
Mr. Attorney General,  
Mr. Wyer,  
Mr. Minchin.*

*Mr. Robinson,  
Mr. Chandler,  
Mr. Kinnear,*

**PRAYERS.**

The Honorable Mr. Kinnear, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to ascertain when this House would be received with their Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session, reported that they had done so, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, he would receive the Address this day at twelve o'clock.

At twelve o'clock the House proceeded to the Government House with their Address in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session; and having returned,

The Honorable the President reported that His Excellency had been pleased to receive the same, and to return an Answer thereto, of which he had obtained a copy, which he read; and it was again read by the Clerk, as follows:—

*“ Mr. President, and Honorable Gentlemen,*

*“ I request you to accept my warm acknowledgments for your dutiful and loyal Address, and for the assurance of your co-operation in forwarding the business of the Session, the issue of which I feel every confidence will justify the public expectations.”*

The Honorable Mr. Chandler, by leave, presented the following Petitions:—

A Petition from the Overseers of Poor for the Parish of Alnwick, in Northumberland, praying the amount of expenses incurred in the support of a transient Pauper :

A Petition from John Maitland, a licenced Schoolmaster, praying an allowance for teaching a School three months in Bathurst :

A Petition from John Henderson, a licenced Schoolmaster, praying an allowance for teaching a School for four months in Chatham : and

A Petition from George Watt, a licenced Schoolmaster, praying an allowance for teaching a School for the period of three months in Newcastle.

**ORDERED,** That the said Petitions be received and lie on the Table.

The Honorable Mr. Wyer, by leave, presented a Petition from John Pendlebury, Keeper of the Light House on Indian Point, at the entrance of Saint Andrews Harbour, praying for an increased Salary.

**ORDERED,** That the said Petition be received and lie on the Table.

*Adjourned until To-morrow at 12 o'clock.*

**TUESDAY**