On motion of Mr. Thomson,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to take into consideration all matters

relating to the Finances of the Province, and to report thereon to the House.

Ordered, That Mr. Thomson, the Honorable Mr. Wilmot, Mr. Hanington, Mr. Cutler, Mr. Montgomery, Mr. J. M. Johnson, and Mr. M'Leod, be the Committee for that purpose.

On motion of Mr. Hanington,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to whom shall be referred the Contingent Expenses of this House.

Ordered, That Mr. Hanington, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Barberie, Mr. Scoullar, Mr. Gilbert,

Mr. Purdy, and Mr. Hatheway, do compose the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. Gilbert,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed, consisting of a Member from each County, to whom may be referred all matters relating to the Agricultural Interests of this Province.

Ordered, That Mr. Gilbert, Mr. Barberie, Mr. Hanington, the Honorable Mr. Hayward, Mr. Rice, Mr. Gordon, Mr. Stiles, Mr. English, Mr. Thomson, Mr. Godard, Mr. M'Phelim, Mr. Pickard, Mr. J. M. Johnson, and Mr. Purdy, do compose the said Committee.

On motion of Mr. Johnston,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to take into consideration all matters relating to Light Houses in this Province, and report thereon to the House.

Ordered, That Mr. Johnston, Mr. Porter, Mr. Scoullar, Mr. Williston, Mr. Stiles, the Honorable Mr. Wilmot, and Mr. Robinson, be the Committee for that purpose.

On motion of Mr. Read,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to whom may be referred all matters relating to Couriers and Carriers of Mails.

Ordered, That Mr. Read, Mr. English, Mr. Earle, Mr. Rice, Mr. Fitzgerald, and Mr. Godard, do compose the said Committee.

Mr. Taylor, by leave, presented a Petition from James P. A. Phillips, Publisher of the Head Quarters Newspaper in Fredericton, praying compensation for numbers of that Paper furnished to the Members of the Assembly during the last Session; which he read.

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

The Honorable Mr. Street, by leave, presented a Petition from the Honorable Robert Parker, praying that an Act may pass to secure the payment of certain outstanding Debentures granted by the Justices of the Peace for the City and County of Saint John, under the provisions of Acts authorizing them to loan money for building a House of Correction; which he read.

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

The Honorable Mr. Street moved for leave to bring in a Bill to secure to the holders of certain outstanding Debentures of the City and County of Saint John, payment of the principal money, and interest due thereon.

Leave granted.

The said Bill being brought in was read a first time.

Mr. Needham, from the Committee on the Petition of James Boyd, Esquire, against the election and return of Bartholomew R. Fitzgerald, as a Member for the County of Charlotte, (the action of which Committee having been adjourned over, by order of the House, until the second day of this present Session of the Assembly,) submits the following Report:—

"The Committee to try the Petition of James Boyd, Esquire, complaining of the undue election and return of Bartholomew R. Fitzgerald, Esquire, as a Member for the County of Charlotte, Report—