

Thursday, 12th September, 1839.

Prayers.

Mr. Partelow, by leave, presented a Petition from James Adam, William Carvill, Elisha De Wolf Ratchford, William H. Street, David Waterbery, and 80 others, of the City of Saint John, praying that an Act may pass, authorizing the opening of a new Street from the North Market Wharf to connect with Smyth Street, so called, in said City; which he read.

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

Read a second time—

A Bill to authorize Henry Gilbert, his Heirs and Assigns, to open the Roads and Streets leading into and through the City of Saint John and the Parish of Portland, and the Roads and Streets adjacent thereto, for the purpose of laying down Water Pipes under the same: and

A Bill to revive and continue an Act to restrain the provisions of the fifth Section of an Act, intituled "An Act for the support of the Civil Government in this Province," and to establish sundry regulations for the future disposal of Crown Lands and Timber in certain cases.

Mr. Woodward, by leave, presented a Petition from Thomas P. Crane and John M'Grath, of the City of Saint John, Merchants, praying a return of Duties on certain articles destroyed by fire on the 17th of August last; which he read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be received, and referred to the Committee appointed yesterday for taking such Petitions under consideration, to report thereon.

Mr. End, from the Committee appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, to know when he would be pleased to receive the House with their Address, in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session, reported, that they had attended to that duty, and that His Excellency was pleased to say, that he would receive the House with their Address at one o'clock this day, at Government House.

It being the time appointed by His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor to receive the House with their Address, they waited upon His Excellency and presented the same, which is as follows:—

To His Excellency Major General Sir JOHN HARVEY, K. C. B. and K. C. H., Lieutenant Governor and Commander in Chief of the Province of New Brunswick, &c. &c. &c.

The humble Address of the House of Assembly.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

WE, the Representatives of Her Majesty's Loyal Subjects, the People of New Brunswick, most respectfully thank Your Excellency for the Speech which you have been pleased to deliver at the opening of the Session.

Sensible of the urgent necessity of immediate consideration to the present state of the City of Saint John, we cheerfully submit to the inconvenience of leaving our respective pursuits at this busy season of the year, and Your Excellency may be assured that we shall attend to the subjects connected with the late calamitous Fire, under a full conviction that the interests of the whole Province are deeply involved in the prosperity and welfare of that enterprising Commercial City, and we doubt not, that our endeavours to render ourselves worthy of the important trust reposed in us by our fellow subjects, shall at all times receive the able and effective co-operation of Your Excellency.

We know that the happiness of New Brunswick mainly depends upon the loyalty of its inhabitants, and their devoted attachment to the British Crown, and we rejoice to learn, that our reiterated expression of this principle, as well as the cordiality so happily subsisting between all the Branches of the Provincial Legislature, has attracted the favorable notice of our beloved Sovereign.

We observe with heartfelt pleasure that Her Majesty's Government have attended to our representations concerning the Fisheries, which have ever been justly considered an object of paramount importance.

We deem the information communicated by Your Excellency, regarding the projected Topographical Survey of a part of the disputed Territory, by order of Her