

Elective franchise bill
Motion to refer to sel.
com.

A bill concerning the elective franchise was read a second time, and thereupon, Mr. M. I. Wilkins moved that the bill be referred to a select committee to consist of a member from each county, to examine and report upon; which being seconded,

Amendment to com-
mit negatived.

The hon. Mr. Johnston moved, by way of amendment, that the bill be committed to a committee of the whole house; which being seconded and put, and the house dividing thereon, passed in the negative.

Original motion car-
ried.
Bill referred to select
committee.

The original motion being then put, was agreed to by the house; and accordingly, *Ordered*, That the bill be referred to Mr. Wier, Mr. Archibald, the hon. the provincial secretary, Mr. M. I. Wilkins, the hon. Mr. Henry, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Martell, Mr. P. Smyth, Mr. McQueen, Mr. John Munro, Mr. Whitman, Mr. Wade, Mr. Killam, Mr. Thomas Coffin, Mr. John Campbell, and Mr. Creighton, to examine and report upon, with amendments or otherwise.

Then the house adjourned until to-morrow, at three of the clock.

FRIDAY, 3rd FEBRUARY, 1854.

PRAYERS.

Petition of John Ross,

A petition of John Ross, of Truro, in the county of Colchester, was presented by Mr. M. I. Wilkins, and read, praying to be reimbursed certain advances made by him in 1846, for exploring the country about Truro, in accordance with instructions from the provisional committee of the Halifax and Quebec railway company.

Referred to select
committee.

Ordered, That the petition be referred to the hon. Mr. McLeod, Mr. Killam, and Mr. Creighton, to examine and report upon.

Petition of John Ross,

A petition of John Ross, of Truro, in the county of Colchester, deputy postmaster, was presented by the hon. Mr. Henry, and read, praying for an increase of salary.

Referred to post office
committee.

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

Petition of Jas. Grant

A petition of James Grant, of the East River of Pictou, was presented by Mr. Holmes, and read, praying aid towards a cloth manufactory now in operation.

Referred to committee
on trade.

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

Petition of Wm Harris
and others.

A petition of William Harris, and others, inhabitants of the township of Clements, in the county of Annapolis, was presented by Mr. Whitman, and read, praying for an act of incorporation authorising them to erect wharves and stores on certain reserved lands at Clementsport.

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

Clementsport wharf
comp'y inc. bill.

Mr. Whitman, pursuant to such leave, introduced a bill to incorporate the Clementsport wharf company—and the same was read a first time and ordered to be read a second time.

Petition of Richard
Beazely,

A petition of Richard Beazely, was presented by Mr. Doyle, and read, praying to be relieved from certain restrictions and regulations of the city council respecting the fish market at Halifax.

Referred to select
committee.

Ordered, That the petition be referred to Mr. Wier, Mr. Zwicker, and Mr. Thomas Coffin, to examine and report upon, by bill or otherwise.

Petition of Henry
Ruffee and others,

A petition of Henry Ruffee, and others, inhabitants of Bridgetown, and its vicinity, in the county of Annapolis, was presented by the hon. Mr. Johnston, and read, praying a grant from the unappropriated grammar school fund for the county of Annapolis, to Mr. George Munro.

Referred to education
committee.

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