

Mr. Gilbert, by leave, presented a Petition from the Honorable Harry Peters, and thirty four others, of Queen's County, praying that a Grant may pass towards removing the Shoals and Sand Banks lying near the entrance of Newcastle Stream, in the Parish of Canning; which he read.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on Internal Navigation to report thereon.

Mr. Connell, by leave, presented a Petition from Francis Watson, of the County of Carleton, praying to be reimbursed costs paid in the defence of his Title to Lands held under Grant from the Province, but which under the Ashburton Treaty fell within the Boundary of the United States; which he read.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be received and referred to a Select Committee to report thereon; and further

*Ordered*, That Mr. Connell, the Honorable Mr. Wilmot, Mr. Needham, Mr. Johnson, and Mr. Porter, do compose the said Committee.

Mr. Connell moved for leave to bring in a Bill to reduce the Fees on Marriage Licences.

Leave granted.

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

Mr. Barberie, by leave, presented a Petition from James S. Morse, Postmaster at Campelltown, in the County of Restigouche, praying for an addition to his Salary by reason of the increased duties of his office; which he read.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be received and referred to the Post Office Committee to report thereon.

Mr. Ryan moved for leave to bring in a Bill to alter and amend the Act relating to the Highways of this Province.

Leave granted.

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

On motion of Mr. Williston,

*Resolved*, That this House will not provide for the payment of more than one Sleigh for the use of this Branch of the Legislature during the present Session.

Mr. Read, by leave, presented a Petition from William Napier, Gauger and Weigher at the Port of Bathurst, in the County of Gloucester, praying to be remunerated for his services the past year; which he read.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Trade to report thereon.

Mr. Lewis, by leave, presented a Petition from John Bishop, praying that the usual allowance may be granted to him for having taught a School in the Parish of Hillsborough, in the County of Albert, for a period of six months in the year 1852; which he read.

*Ordered*, That the said Petition be received and referred to a Select Committee to report thereon; and further

*Ordered*, That Mr. Lewis, Mr. Botsford, Mr. English, Mr. Macpherson, and Mr. Harding, do compose the said Committee.

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

### Saturday, 11th February, 1854.

#### Prayers.

Read a second time the following Bills, viz:—

A Bill to amend an Act for the better establishment and maintenance of the Parish Schools, so far as relates to the French Schools in this Province:

A Bill to alter and amend the Act relating to the Highways of this Province: and

A Bill to reduce the Fees on Marriage Licences.

Mr.