

directed him to report to the House, and he read the said resolutions in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Clerk's table, where they were again read as follow :—

Resolved,—That the alienation of the Crown Territory of Newfoundland to the Legislature by her Majesty's Government, merits the gratitude of the colony.

Resolved,—That it is of the highest importance to the general interests of the colony that the roads at present in process of making be completed, and that greater facilities of Inland communication should be promoted as well for the public convenience as to enhance the value of the public lands.

Resolved,—That as the advantages derivable from the making of Roads and construction of Bridges will extend more to posterity than to the present generation, the principal part of the burthen of expense should rest on those who succeed us, and therefore it is the opinion of this committee that a sum of money be raised on loan payable by moderate instalments in a lapse of time for that purpose.

Resolved,—That it is the opinion of this committee that a sum not exceeding twenty one thousand pounds be raised on loan accordingly, for the making and repairing of Roads and Bridges in this colony.

And the said resolutions having been read throughout a first and second time, were, upon the question severally put thereon, agreed to by the House.

Resolutions read and agreed to

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a letter from the Hon. Mr. Secretary Crowdy, acquainting him for the information of the House, that his Excellency would receive the address of the House in reply to his Excellency's Speech at the opening of the session, on Saturday next, at half past twelve o'clock.

Letter from hon. Mr. Secretary Crowdy

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

FRIDAY, January 10, 1840.

A Petition of Denis Ryan. Senr., Richard Lake, and others, inhabitants of Presque, Placentia Bay, was presented by Mr. Nugent, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—That a salary was allowed for a Teacher from the Colonial Funds, and a School established at Presque, at which upwards of fifty children received instruction. The said salary was paid for twelve months, but then withdrawn, and the school discontinued. That petitioners being fully aware of the advantage of education, are most anxious to afford their children the benefit of it, and therefore pray that the House would cause the said salary to be restored, and the School resumed.

Petition of D. Ryan & others

Ordered,—That the said petition do lie upon the Table.

To lie on the Table