

5°. The reports of commissioners of public works, when laid before us, shall receive that consideration which their importance demands.

6°. We learn with gratification that an increase has taken place in the public revenue.

7°. We thank your excellency for the promptitude with which you have, in accordance with our wishes, selected and imported stock into the province ; and in common with your excellency, we regard improvement of the various breeds of our cattle as an object meriting still further encouragement by the legislature.

8°. It is most satisfactory to us to be apprized of the happy auspices which have attended the first provincial industrial exhibition held in Nova Scotia, and we trust that its success will operate as an incentive to public spirit and the energies of our people.

9°. We concur with your excellency in opinion that our existing system of education is imperfect ; and we trust that some measure may be devised for its improvement, which, harmonizing with the tone of general feeling, will possess that best guarantee for its useful operation which unison with public sentiment ever affords to a legislative body.

10°. The correspondence touching the mines and minerals of Nova Scotia, which your excellency has promised to submit, will not fail to be attentively considered by us.

11°. To the measures designed to be introduced for a further simplification and improvement of the practice of the courts of common law, and for introducing changes in the law of evidence, we shall apply our deliberations with the earnestness that subjects of such importance demand.

12°. The promised reports of the supervisors of great roads, and of the wardens of the river fisheries, when laid before us, will not fail to be considered with the attention that they merit.

13°. The serious injury done to government house by the casualty of fire, as announced in your excellency's speech, we have learned with regret, not merely on account of the expense of repairs and restoration, but in respect of the great personal inconvenience which must thus necessarily have been occasioned to your excellency and your family.

14°. We entirely respond to your excellency's opinion that our thanks are due to the rear admiral commanding on this station, for the promptitude and zeal evinced by him in the protection of the fisheries.

15°. Experience of the past would, without your excellency's assurance to that effect, convince us that we may ever confidently rely on your excellency's cordial co-operation in promoting all objects referring to the public interests and the happiness of the people.

16°. In common with your excellency, we acknowledge the righteous foundation of the war in which our beloved queen, in conjunction with her allies, is now engaged, whilst we deplore its sanguinary character, and the sorrows and sufferings which have resulted from it ; and your excellency may be well assured that with the afflictions thus brought home to British hearths, we, and the loyal people whom we represent, sincerely and deeply sympathize.

Which motion being seconded,

*Ordered*, That the further consideration thereof be postponed until Monday next.

Mr. Holmes moved that the house do come to the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That the franking privilege of members of this house be extended during the present session, so as to include correspondence with all parts of her majesty's dominions, and with the United States :

Which being seconded and put, and the house divided thereon, passed in the affirmative.

*Ordered* accordingly.

Then the house adjourned until Monday at three of the clock.

Consideration postponed.

Resolution to extend franking privilege.

Agreed to.