

Mr. Woodward moved for leave to bring in a Bill, to authorize Henry Gilbert, his Heirs and Assigns, the power 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.

Leave granted.

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

Mr. Woodward, by leave, presented a Petition from Charles M'Lauchlan, of the City of Saint John, Merchant, praying return of Duty on Sugar destroyed by fire on the 17th of August last; which he read.

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

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Johnston,

*Resolved*, That the Petition from James T. Hanford, presented to the House yesterday, praying a return of Duty on articles consumed by fire, as also the foregoing Petition from Charles M'Lauchlan, together with such others as may be presented to the House during the present Session with a similar prayer, be referred to a Select Committee to examine and report thereon.

*Ordered*, That Mr. End, Mr. Rankin, Mr. M'Leod, Mr. Woodward and Mr. Weldon, do compose the said Committee.

Mr. Partelow, from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, in answer to his Speech at the opening of the Session, reported a draft thereof; which he read, and then submitted the same.

It being handed in at the Clerk's Table, was there again read; and thereupon

*Ordered*, To be accepted; and

On motion of Mr. Partelow,

The House went into Committee of the whole, on the said draft Address.

Mr. M'Leod in the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that they had gone into consideration of the draft Address referred to them, and agreed to the same without making any amendment thereto.

*Ordered*, That the Report be accepted; and

On motion of Mr. End,

*Resolved*, unanimously, That the Address be engrossed, signed by the Speaker, and presented to His Excellency by the whole House; and further

*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to wait upon His Excellency to know when he will be pleased to receive the House therewith.

*Ordered*, That Mr. End, Mr. Weldon and Mr. Hill be a Committee for that purpose.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Johnston,

The House proceeded to the Order of the Day to go into Committee of the whole, in consideration of the Speech from His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor at the opening of the Session.

The Order of the Day being read, the House accordingly resolved itself into said Committee.

Mr. Taylor in the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee having the matters referred to them under their consideration, had made progress therein, and he was directed to ask leave to sit again.

*Ordered*, That the Report be accepted, and leave granted.

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