The Lieutenant Governor lays before the house copies of the Documents relating to the College called for by their address of the first instant, so far as they can be found on the Public Records."

A communication from Alfred Reade, Esquire, which accompanied the Message, being read at the clerk's table, is as follows:—

COLLEGE.

Fredericton, N. B. Feb. 19, 1845.

Sir,—I have the honor to inform Your Excellency, in reference to the Address of the House of Assembly of February the 1st instant, calling for copies of certain papers connected with college lands, that copies of the several Grants and of the petition of surrender of John Saunders, and 29 others, have been prepared in this Office, and a plan exhibiting the Lines and Bounds, &c. as required, has been furnished by the Surveyor General, but that there is no record of the Charter of the late College of New Brunswick, nor of the Petition of the Governor and Trustees on the surrender of their Charter.

A printed copy of the charter has been found endorsed by the late Provincial Secretary, but there are no means of ascertaining whether this be an authentic document.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your Excellency's most obedient servt.,
A. READE.

His Excellency the Lieut. Governor, &c. &c.

Friday, February 21.

Read a second time the following Bills, viz:—

A Bill to provide for the efficient inspection of flour and Meal; and a Bill to annex the Madam Keewick Island to the Parish of Douglas, in the county of York.

On motion of Mr. Partelow, the house went into committee of the whole on a bill to provide for the expenses incurred by the commissioners of the Provincial Penitentiary.

The chairman reported, that the committee had gone into consideration of the bill referred to them and agreed to the same. *Ordered*, that the report be accepted and the Bill engrossed.

Mr. Boyd, by leave, presented a Petition from Joseph N. Clark, F. H. Todd, F. M. Pinque, and twenty three others, inhabitants of the county of Charlotte, praying that the duties imposed on shipping for the maintenance of Light houses, and for support of sick and disabled seamen, may be redeemed: which he read. *Ordered*, that the said Petition be received and referred to the committee on Light houses to report thereon.

Mr. Partelow, by leave, presented a Petition from the Mechanics' Institute, at saint John, praying aid towards the support of the Institution; which he read. *Ordered*, that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

The hon. Mr. Wilmot, by leave, presented a Petition from the commissioners of the Alms house for the county of York, praying to be reimbursed expenses incurred in the support of Emigrant and Transient Poor during the past year: which he read. *Ordered*, that the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

Mr. Payne, by leave, presented a Petition from Thomas Coneys of the city of saint John, Tallow Chandler, praying for a return of duty on Tallow imported from the United states in the year 1843; which he read. *Ordered*, That the said petition be received and referred to the committee of trade to report thereon.

Mr. End, pursuant to leave granted, brought in a Bill relating to the duty of Coroners in this Province; which was read a first time.

Mr. S. Earle, by leave, presented a Petition from Allen C. Evanson, of Sussex Vale in King's county, Esq., praying for a return of duty paid on a Horse and Bull imported during the past year; which he read. *Ordered*, that the said Petition be received and referred to the committee of supply.

Mr. End moved for leave to bring in a bill for the protection of Lessees of Crown Land. Leave granted.

Mr. Partelow, by leave, presented a Petition from John Ward and sons, of the city of saint John, Merchants, praying for a return of Export duty paid on Lumber cut from Crown Lands prior to the Export Duty Act coming into operation, for the reasons set forth in the said Petition; which he read. *Ordered*, that the said Petition be received and referred to the committee appointed on the eighteenth day of February inst., to take Petitions of a like prayer under their consideration, to report thereon.

Mr. Boyd, by leave, presented a Petition from the Reverend William M'Donald, Pastor of the Roman Catholic Congregation at Saint Andrews, in the county of Charlotte, together with D. R. Fitzgerald and Wm. C. M'Stay, and the Managing Committee for the Roman Catholic School at that place praying for a continuation of the Grant in aid of that School which he read. *Ordered*, That the said Petition be received and referred to the committee on school Petitions, to report thereon.

Mr. S. Earle, by leave, presented a petition from Oliver Hallett, Gilford Flewelling, James D. Pokine, and 43 others, officers and Members of the Mechanics' Institute at Hampton Ferry, praying for an act of Incorporation; which he read. *Ordered*, that the said Petition be received and lie on the Table.

Mr. Taylor moved for leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the saint John Timber and Log driving company. Leave granted. The said bill being brought in was read a first time.

Mr. Brown, by leave, presented a Petition from John Wilson, of saint Andrews, in the county of Charlotte, praying that a grant may pass in aid of individual subscription towards opening a passage into Dark Harbour, in the Island of Grand Manan; which he read. *Ordered*, That the said Petition be received and lie on the table.

On motion of Mr. Hannington,—*Ordered*, that Mr. Barberie be added to the Committee appointed on the seventeenth day of February instant, to take under consideration a petition presented to the House on that day from John Kerr, praying relief as regards a claim against him as surety for James Campbell, late Deputy Treasurer for saint Andrews, who absconded.

On motion of hon. Mr. Simonds,—*Ordered*, that the Message from his Excellency the Lieutenant Governor of yesterday, with the document accompanying it, relative to the Line of Military Road between Halifax and Quebec, be referred to the committee appointed on the eighth day of February instant, to report upon the various other documents communicated to the house in reference to that Line of Road