

On motion of Mr. EMERSON, seconded by Mr. DELANEY,

*Resolved*,—That a Select Committee be appointed to prepare an Address of Thanks in reply to the gracious speech with which His Excellency has been pleased to open the present Session of the Legislature.

Committee to prepare Address of Thanks;

*Ordered*,—That Mr. Emerson, Mr. Delaney, Mr. Hoyles, Mr. Parsons, and Mr. Shea, be a committee for that purpose.

Mr. HOYLES presented a Petition from John Cunningham and others, inhabitants of the port of LaPoile, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—their disappointment at not being represented in the House of Assembly, and praying that in accordance with the prayer of their Petition, laid before the House last Session, a member may be appointed for that part of the island of Newfoundland lying between Bonne Bay and Cape Ray.

Petition from LaPoile for a Representative.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. WINSER presented a Petition from W. J. Ward, proprietor of the *Morning Post*, and the same was received and read, setting forth,—his anxiety to publish the debates and proceedings of the House daily, and praying that the Reporter be instructed to furnish him with copy in sufficient time to enable him to carry out this object.

Petition from W. J. Ward on the subject of daily publishing the reports of the House.

*Ordered*,—That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

On Table.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice that on to-morrow he would move an Address to His Excellency the Governor, requesting that he would cause at his earliest convenience to be laid before this House, copies of any Despatches he may have received from the Home Government, in reply to the Address of last Session, praying for Responsible Government :

Notice of motion for Address to his Excellency for copies of Responsible Government Despatches.

Also, for an Address to His Excellency, praying that as soon as convenient he would cause to be laid before the House, copies of any Despatches that may have been received in reply to the Address of last Session, in reference to the funds sent to this colony for the relief of the sufferers by the fire of 1846.

Notice of motion for copies of Despatches in reply to the Address on the subject of the fire sufferers.

Mr. LITTLE gave notice that on to-morrow he would move for leave to bring in a Bill to increase the number of Representatives in the House of Assembly of this island.

Notice for increase of Representatives' Bill.

Mr. PARSONS gave notice that on to-morrow he would move for leave to bring in a Bill to ascertain the population of this colony and other statistical information.

Notice for Census Bill.

Mr. DELANEY gave notice that on the 9th of February next he would move for leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Postal Act.

Notice for Postal Amendment Bill.