Tuesday, 28th February, 1865.

(Documents from His Excellency the Governor.)

The Hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, by command of His Excellency the Governor, presented to the House the following Documents.

Shipping returns, for the year 1864.

Return of Imports and Exports, for the year 1864.

(For which, see Appendix.)

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

Mr. Kent presented a Petition from Michael Barry and others, of the Major's Path, in the Eastern District of St. John's, which was recived and read, praying for a grant to complete that road.

Ordered,-That the said Petition do lie upon the table.

Mr. Winter presented a Petition from John Tilly and others, of Shoal Harbor, Random Sound, which was received and read, praying for a grant to make a road from thence down the North side of the Harbor.

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

Mr. KAVANAGH presented Petitions from Patrick McDonald and others, of Outer Cove. and from John Pounder and others, of Gallow's Cove, which were severally received and read, praying for grants to open roads in these localities.

Ordered,-That the said Petitions do lie upon the table.

Pursuant to order of the day, the House resolved itself into Committee of the whole, upon the further consideration of the Confederation of the British North American Colonies.

Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

Mr. KNIGHT took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee, that they had made some further progress in the business to them referred, and had instructed him to ask leave to sit again, on the further consideration thereof.

Ordered,—That the Committee stand first on the order of the day for Thursday next.

Ordered,-That the House, at its rising, do adjournfill Thursday next.

Then the House adjourned till Thursday next, at 3 of the clock.