

business having ceased in consequence of an address from the House of Assembly, during the last Session of our Provincial Parliament, to His Excellency Sir Charles Bagot, the former Governor-in-chief, founded upon the report of a *Special Committee*, to which a petition, purporting to be on behalf of the Ursuline Nuns, (but in reality coming from the Messrs. Frasers,) and addressed to the Lower House, had been referred. The address, above alluded to, requested of His Excellency that all further proceedings, in regard to the disposal of the beach lot at *L'Ance des Mères* to Mr. Laporte, should be stayed and suspended by Government until the next sitting of the Provincial Legislature, and this for the purpose of enabling the Committee to report the more effectually to the House upon the merits of the application so made to that body by the Religious Ladies of the Ursuline Convent.

In consequence, therefore, of the beforementioned address on the part of the House of Assembly, the Executive Government, not willing to refuse the request of the House, has declined at this time to proceed further in the matter, although repeated applications, couched in respectful but earnest language, have been made by Mr. Laporte to the Executive, the same strongly representing to the Crown the injustice and loss likely to result and be sustained by him in case of such a measure, so injurious to his interests, being adopted by Government,—yet, nevertheless, in such state does this long pending affair rest for the present.