

Ordered, That the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee on School Petitions to report thereon.

Mr. Brown, by leave, presented a Petition from William Todd, Junior, and fifty nine others, inhabitants of the Parishes of Saint Stephen and Saint David, in the County of Charlotte, praying that an Act may pass to incorporate the Bolton Brook Navigation Company; which he read.

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

Mr. Hill moved for leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Bolton Brook Navigation Company.

Leave granted.

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

Mr. Thomson, by leave, presented a Petition from Benjamin Browne and thirty four others, Cordwainers and inhabitants of Saint Andrews, in the County of Charlotte, praying that a further protective Duty may be imposed on all Foreign Shoes and Boots imported into this Province; which he read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee of Trade to report thereon.

Mr. End, from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, in answer to His Excellency's Speech at the opening of the Session, submitted a Draft thereof; and he having read the same, handed it in at the Clerk's Table, where it was again read.

Ordered, That the Draft so reported be accepted; and

On motion of Mr. End,

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

Mr. Botsford in the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported, that the Committee had gone into consideration of the said Address, and agreed to the same without making any amendment therein.

Ordered, That the Report be accepted; and

On motion of Mr. Partelow,

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

On like motion of Mr. Partelow,

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. Brown and Mr. Allen be the Committee for that purpose.

Mr. End moved for leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Roman Catholic Bishop of this Province to hold Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments to him and his Successors for ever.

Leave granted.

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

Saturday, 3d February, 1844.

Prayers.

Read a second time the following Bills, viz:—

A Bill to authorize the Justices of the Peace for the County of Charlotte to make further provision for the Treasurer of that County:

A Bill to incorporate the Saint Croix Bridge Company:

A Bill to incorporate the Saint Stephen Wellington Mills Company: and

A Bill to incorporate the Bolton Brook Navigation Company.

Mr. Wark, by leave, presented a Petition from William Graham and eighty one others, of the County of Kent, praying that an Act may pass establishing a uniform rate of Toll to be taken by Millers throughout the Province; which he read.

Ordered, That the said Petition be received and referred to the Committee appointed to