

Pursuant to Order of the Day, the Address to the Secretary of State on the subject of the Fishery Privileges of this Colony, was read a second time.

Address on the Fisheries read 2nd time.

On motion of the hon. RECEIVER GENERAL, seconded by Mr. KELLY,

Resolved,—That the Rules of the House be suspended in reference to the said Address.

Rules suspended in reference to Address on Fisheries.

Ordered,—That the House do now resolve itself into a Committee of the whole upon the said Address.

Committee on Fishery Address.

And the House resolved itself into the said Committee accordingly.

Mr. SPEAKER left the Chair.

Mr. DELANY took the Chair of the Committee.

Mr. SPEAKER resumed the Chair.

The Chairman reported from the Committee that they had passed the Address to them referred, with some amendments, which they had directed him to report to the House, together with a Resolution; and he handed the same in at the Clerk's Table, where it was read, as follows:—

Address reported from Committee, and Resolution.

*To the Right Honorable HENRY LABOUCHERE,
Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State
for the Colonies..*

SIR,—

The Legislature of this Colony have frequently brought under the notice of Her Majesty's Government the subject of our Fisheries, and the desire manifested by the French to monopolize various parts of our Northern and Southern Coasts, and to obtain a Right of Fishery at Belle Isle, and have from time to time represented the serious evils to which the people of this Colony are exposed by the operation of the Treaties which give to subjects of France the Right of Fishing on its Coasts.

The infringement of these Treaties by the subjects of France still continues to form the ground of renewed complaint, and Her Majesty's Government have constantly been implored to afford this Colony the protection necessary to guard our rights against such aggressions.

Learning from general report and private sources, that the Government of France are still negotiating with Her Majesty's Government, and mak-